

## DISCUSSION NOTES

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### DISCUSSION TOPIC:

BECOMING A MOVEMENT

### BREAKOUT

SPACE: Britz/hallway

TIME: Friday 18:00

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**KEY POINTS:** Devouard, Guillaume Paumier, Sati Houston, Delphine Ménard, Moritz Rahm

- THE WORD "MOVEMENT" IS UNDEFINED: "ORGANISATION" OR "MISSION"
- WIKIPEDIANS FEEL AS WIKIPEDIANS - BUT DO THEY FEEL PART OF A MOVEMENT? SOME DO, SOME DON'T
- THE CORPORATE STRUCTURE OF WIKIMEDIA IS THE RESULT OF RATHER RANDOM EVENTS
- ISN'T IT JUST THE "FREE KNOWLEDGE MOVEMENT"?
- A "MOVEMENT" ALLOWS DIFFERENT VIEWPOINTS, BUT HAS A STRONG SHARED MISSION
- NATIONAL IDENTITY (UNNECESSARILY?) PLAYS A BIG ROLE IN THE MOV'T
- WHO IS PART OF THE MOVEMENT? WHAT ABOUT "LIKE-MINDED ORGS"?
- WHAT ABOUT VOLUNTEERS WHO DO NOT FEEL PART OF A MOV'T? WHAT ABOUT PROJECTS LIKE OSM? & G1AM?
- OUR STRUCTURE SHOULD REFLECT MOV'T NEEDS
- BEING IN A MOV'T IS ABOUT IDEAS AND VALUES, NOT ACTIONS
- BEING A MOV'T BRINGS PEOPLE TOGETHER, ENABLES CHANGE

### CONCLUSIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTIONS (IF ANY):

- we need a better definition or wider understanding of "the Wikimedia Movement"
- we should "invite people to the table" / "be more collective"
- maybe we should improve on the existing corporate structure
  - ↳ decisions that resulted in current structure were not made with global vision in mind\*

\* key point, not a conclusion