

# Technical Engagement:

Creating a plan for engaging and  
empowering our technical  
communities



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**Knowledge as a service:** To serve our users, we will become a platform that serves open knowledge to the world across interfaces and communities. *We will build tools for allies and partners to organize and exchange free knowledge beyond Wikimedia.* Our infrastructure will enable us and others to collect and use different forms of free, trusted knowledge.

**Knowledge equity:** As a social movement, we will focus our efforts on the knowledge and communities that have been left out by structures of power and privilege. We will welcome people from every background to build strong and diverse communities. *We will break down the social, political, and technical barriers preventing people from accessing and contributing to free knowledge.*

# Working thesis

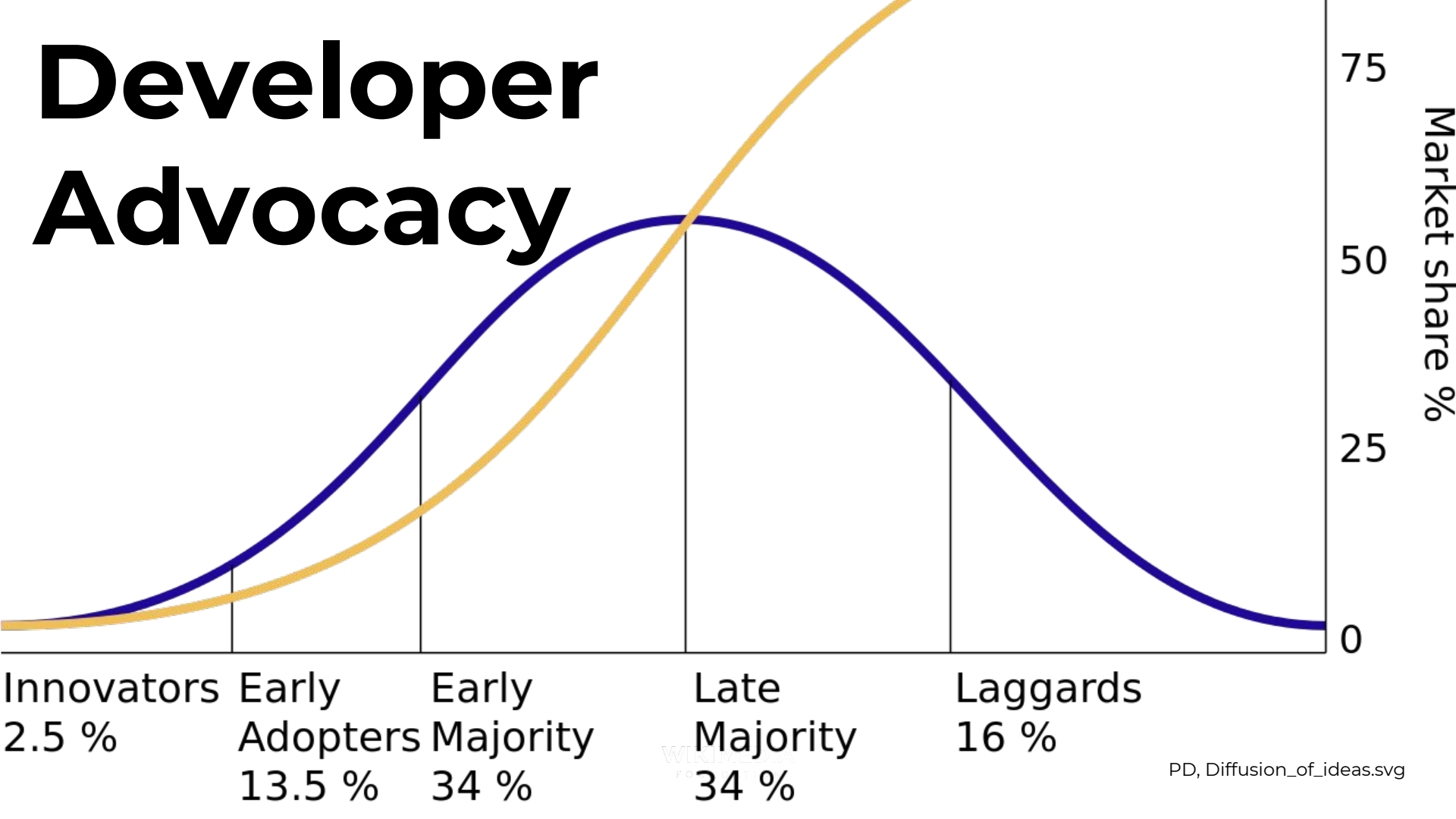
- Expanded technical outreach supports knowledge as a *service* at a global scale
- Increased knowledge *equity* requires the support and participation of a diverse technical community
- Increased *collaboration* between Wikimedia communities unifies and enriches technical outreach efforts
- Added resources *empower* grassroots solutions

# FY18/19 Plans



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# Developer Advocacy



# Technical Documentation



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# Roundtable discussion



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# Questions for the room

- Have you/your organization/your community done anything to support technical contributors?
  - What worked well?
  - What did not work?
- What support/resources do you need to plan tech projects or better support technical contributors?

THANK YOU



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# Key audiences

- Wikimedia FLOSS project contributors
  - Foundation and Affiliate staff
  - Volunteers
- Wikimedia Tools maintainers
- Open Knowledge consumers
  - Partner orgs
  - Researchers
  - Downstream reusers
- Open Knowledge producers
  - GLAMs
- Downstream FLOSS project consumers
  - MediaWiki value-added vendors
  - MediaWiki end users
  - Developers