

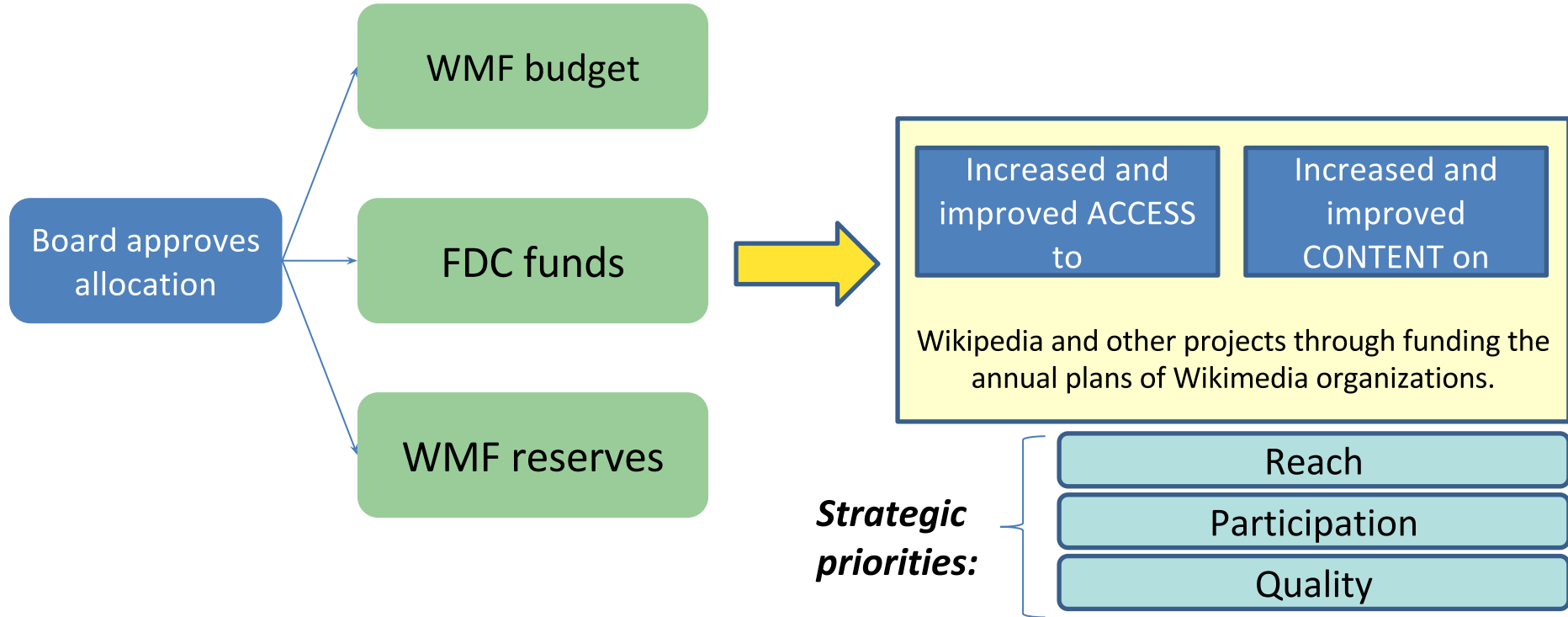
# **The Role of the Funds Dissemination Committee**

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*The Funds Dissemination Committee (FDC) for the Wikimedia movement is a committee of community members that makes recommendations to the Board of the Wikimedia Foundation (WMF) about how to allocate funds to eligible organizations within the movement.*

# How does the FDC support the strategic priorities?



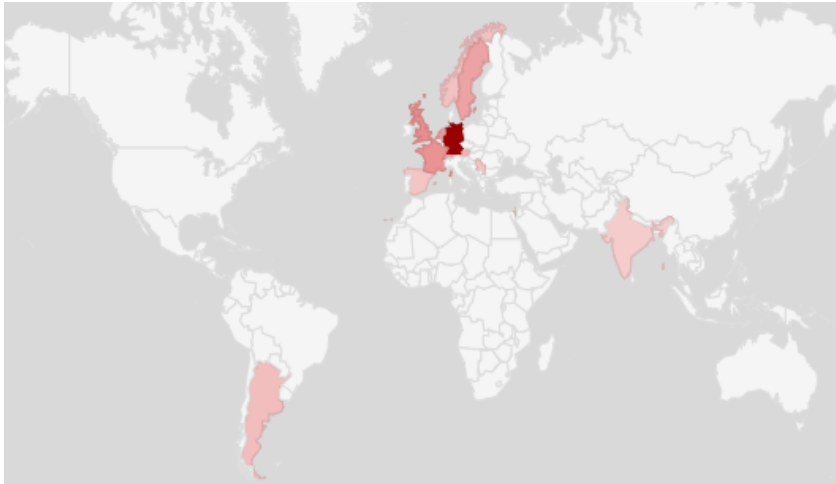
# Annual Plan Grants

- ★ The Funds Dissemination Committee (FDC) makes recommendations for Annual Plan Grants. There are two cycles of annual plan grants each year: grants generally start in January or in July of each year.
- ★ Annual plan grants provide organizations with general support for the year, which means the organizations can decide how to use the grant funds to best do their movement work!
- ★ This means that the FDC looks at *all* of the work the organization is doing, and how the organization is doing overall, and not just at the work directly funded by these grants.

# Since its inception, the FDC has allocated over \$9M in funding to 14 organizations

Relative FDC allocation by country, 2013

\$50K → \$2M



Total FDC funding, 2012 - 2014

Organization	2012-13	2013-14
Wikimedia Amical		\$100,000
Wikimedia Argentina	\$146,854	\$175,000
Wikimedia Austria	\$220,000	\$276,000
Wikimedia France	\$619,000	<i>(applying)</i>
Wikimedia Germany	\$1,790,000	\$1,750,000
Wikimedia Hungary	\$64,477	
Wikimedia India		\$53,000
Wikimedia Israel	\$141,172	\$200,000
Wikimedia Netherlands	\$350,000	\$410,000
Wikimedia Norway	\$140,000	<i>(applying)</i>
Wikimedia Serbia		\$108,000
Wikimedia Sweden	\$341,570	\$390,000
Wikimedia Switzerland	\$390,465	\$400,000
Wikimedia United Kingdom	\$536,336	\$570,000
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4,739,874</b>	<b>\$4,432,000</b>

# The Proposal Process

- ★ Letters of intent submitted, eligibility determined
- ★ Proposal forms submitted, reviewed, assessed
- ★ FDC deliberations & recommendation
- ★ Board approval ---> New annual plan grants

# Decision-making

*The Funds Dissemination Committee (FDC) meets in person twice each year to discuss the proposals and other inputs into the proposal process, and reaches consensus about a funding recommendation for each proposal.*

# Application review process and timeline

Scheduled deadline	2012-2013 Round 2	2013-2014 Round 1	2013-2014 Round 2	2014-2015 Round 1	2014-2015 Round 2
Letters of intent due	waived	8 June 2013 Letters of intent	1 November 2013 Letters of intent	8 June 2014 Letters of intent	1 November 2014
WMF assesses eligibility	15 December 2012 Eligibility status	15 July 2013 Eligibility status	15 December 2013 Eligibility checklist	15 July 2014 Eligibility checklist	15 December 2014
WMF confirms eligibility	15 February 2013	15 September 2013	15 March 2014	15 September 2014	15 March 2015
APG proposals due	1 March 2013 Annual plan grant proposal forms	1 October 2013 Annual plan grant proposal forms	1 April 2014 Annual plan grant proposal forms	1 October 2014	1 April 2015
Public review and comment	31 March 2013 (March 2 - March 31)	31 October 2013 (November 2 - October 31)	30 April 2014 (April 2 - April 30)	31 October 2014 (November 2 - October 31)	30 April 2015 (April 2 - April 30)
Staff assessments due	8 April 2013	8 November 2013	8 May 2014	8 November 2014	8 May 2015
FDC recommendation to the Board	1 May 2013 Deliberations (April 22 - May 1) FDC recommendation	1 December 2013 Deliberations (November 22 - December 1) FDC recommendation	1 June 2014 Deliberations (mid May--TBA) FDC recommendation	1 December 2014 Deliberations (November 15 - December 1)	1 June 2015 Deliberations (mid May--TBA)
Appeals and complaints	8 June 2013 (June 1 - June 8)	8 December 2013 (December 1 - December 8)	8 June 2014 (June 1 - June 8)	8 December 2014 (December 1 - December 8)	8 June 2015 (June 1 - June 8)
Board decision due	1 June 2013 Board decision	1 January 2014 Board decision	1 July 2014 Board decision	1 January 2015	1 July 2015
Progress reports Q1 due	30 October 2013 Progress reports Q1	30 April 2014 Progress reports Q1	30 November 2014	30 April 2015	30 November 2015
Progress reports Q2 due	30 January 2014 Progress reports Q2	30 July 2014 Progress reports Q2	28 February 2015	30 July 2015	28 February 2016
Progress reports Q3 due	30 April 2014 Progress reports Q3	30 October 2014	30 May 2015	30 October 2015	30 May 2016
Impact reports due	28 September 2014	31 March 2015	28 October 2015	31 March 2016	28 October 2016
Audited financial statement due	28 October 2014	29 April 2015	28 November 2015	29 April 2016	28 November 2016

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