QGIS PSC Meeting 6 March 2017

Present

- Tim
- Paolo
- Andreas
- Richard
- Anita
- Jürgen

Apologies

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Video / Audio Channel

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Previous meeting minutes

https://drive.google.com/open?id=1J-4smr-o_xQUoOUvLI1O-ge3sBczEIthGwvSZiKU5ZY

Next meeting

Monday 3th April 2017 15:00 CET

Agenda

Follow-ups from previous meeting:

- ~~**TODO**: Andreas to translate QGIS charter into german → Done. See https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hCqHn33plU_iINC8T3PrY6E91oXmATiIqI4k47qL HVM/edit# Done - needs review from Anita (see below)~~
- **TODO**: Anita and/or other german speaking people to review the german charter translation, once translation is finished

- ~~**TODO**: Andreas to finish maps of donors and sponsors → Done. See https://docs.google.com/document/d/1wfn1cL9Ix5hCrVLF5WTZ8ZAJNY_PPYxIMgne4P-6jLM/edit~~
- **TODO**: Tim to promote above article on QGIS Dev and user list
  - http://blog.qgis.org/2017/02/25/a-report-on-qgis-income-2016/
- **TODO**: Tim & Richard test out QGIS Sharing plugin on QGIS 3.0
- **TODO:** Tim add ability to enter exact amount into changelog sponsors (Kartoza will be working to improve the sponsors and changelog platform this month)
  - Additional requests:
    - Embed sponsors list in main site http://www.qgis.org/en/site/about/sponsorship.html
    - Change Maps CRS in Sponsor maps - Mollweide
    - For calcs Andreas will supply details
    - https://gist.github.com/timlinux/1057c2c6b5ebda6ed2b5aa8c5aa21372
    - Certification platform
- **TODO:** Andreas to give Tim any other Projecta tweaks needed
- **TODO**: Tim to chat to Lene to clarify the plans for the User Conference
  - How can PSC / Community help with organising?
  - Tim to ask Lene to include lightning talks session in lieu of long formal presentations (and publish the agenda)
- **TODO:** Essen hackfest - Tim check in with Lene and Otto to see if there is anything that needs doing
  - https://github.com/qgis/qgis/wiki/QGIS-Developer-Meeting---Essen-April-2017
- **TODO:** Tim ask Nyall if we are still using appveyor?
- **TODO:** Anita handle logo rollout
  - PR for design guide: https://github.com/qgis/QGIS-Website/pull/415
- **TODO**: Anita follow up with Boundless about trademark assistance.
  - In progress: They are currently slow to respond → Tim to take over while Anita is on holidays starting Friday
- ~~**TODO**: Tim & Anita write a thank you blog post for our sponsors.~~
- **TODO:** Tim & Anita & Richard - call for volunteers for help in rebranding work ~~→ Anita: will continue after Maria finishes the design guide to ensure consistency~~ → Roll out plan
- ~~**TODO**: Anita - rollout of 3.0 logo, coordinate, make a list of necessary changes, write blog post, call for volunteers, design document (with help from Maria?) → Anita: contacted Maria to create a design guide which we can publish on the website in order to help us achieve a consistent look~~
- ~~**TODO**: Paolo to convene a subgroup to draw up a plan for the release so that we can communicate this to our users:~~
  - Jürgen has updated the roadmap
  - http://qgis.org/en/site/getinvolved/development/roadmap.html#release-schedule
- ~~**TODO**: Tim to catch up with Paolo on the status of his release 3.0 discussions. -> Paolo was still trying to get some sensible answer on this~~

TODOs:

- **Paolo**: State of Resource Sharing plugin and other would-be core plugins
    - What is the position on accepting core plugins
    - **TODO: Tim to take the discussion to the mailing list with the suggestiont that we incorporate these guidelines into the coding standards or similar doc.**
    - Tim proposed that we draft some initial guideline proposals and take the discussion to the developer community for further fleshing out and community voting if needed. Some thoughts on this.
    - Perhaps it is not so much the case that we want to en/discourage core plugins, but rather establish clear guidelines about when and how core plugins should be accepted.
    - Some proposed guidelines:
        - Plugin should be under maintainership of a developer
        - Plugin should adhere strictly to QGIS HIG etc
        - Plugins that have broad application to all users
        - Performance-critical features should be implemented in C++
        - Functions with high reuse potential should be implemented in C++
        - Python plugins which become popular features and are in core should be considered as candidates for being ported to C++ ← grant? Yes - could be grant candidate.
    - Essential plugins (Python)
        - Plugin manager
        - Resource sharing
        - Processing
        - MetaSearch
        - DB Manager
        - Linear referencing
    - Essential plugins (c++) - should become core functionality
        - Geometry checker
        - Georeferencing tool
        - Coordinate capture - include in identify tool?
    - Possible for removal / questionable C++ plugins
        - Globe?
        - Routing (algorithms *already integrated into processing*)
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    - For the resource sharing plugins we should:
        - Establish if Akbar will maintain it
        - See if others are happy to include it in core
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- **Andreas:** Contradictions in QGIS charter
  (https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B__vDnQXCKiwfnBfYmRPaWs5dk94M0NqcFBi
  YW5qd1pUT2F5clBSUW1nYjJSV0p3X3E5TUk):
  1. Section 7.5 states that the board chair is elected from PSC members, but section 8
  says that the chair is elected in the annual general meeting. I think section 8 is right and
  7.5 should be fixed or removed.
  2. In Section 8, the sentence "*The board shall list proposals submitted by QGIS.ORG
  community members in the publication of the meeting agenda.*" should be removed as it
  is redundant with the sentence "*Substantial proposals made by QGIS community
  members for future QGIS.ORG activities should be provided to the board in writing to be
  added as agenda items in advance of the meeting.*" two paragraphs above. Proposal:
  remove the sentence "The board shall list …".

Voting member elections
- TODO: Tim
- New country user groups:
  - South Africa
  - France
  - Norway
- Virtual AGM before Essen
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