QGIS PSC Meeting 6th August 2018

Present

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Anita
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Excused

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Video / Audio Channel

https://zoom.us/j/932887626

Previous meeting minutes

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ctX0Dxaiqdu8z2Dmwuv3IVQk9r4dhHnbzmfqxKMe_aw

Next meetings

10 Sep 2018 - 20h00 Central Europe (Summer) Time
01 Oct 2018 - 20h00 Central Europe (Summer) Time
05 Nov 2018 - 20h00 Central Europe (Summer) Time
03 Dec 2018 - 20h00 Central Europe (Summer) Time

New agenda items

Project report at OSGEO AGM @ FOSS4G

Email from Astrid to Projects list: "The FOSS4G organizers have given us one hour for the meeting, leaving us each with around 2 mins! This update is about your project and community, rather than about your software. We are interested in how your community is doing, the opportunities and challenges ahead, and how OSGeo can help. We are coordinating activities on the OSGeo Wiki (https://wiki.osgeo.org/wiki/Annual_General_Meeting_2018)."

- Who's going to present? → Marco to give the presentation this

Zanzibar Hackfest
- Anita: Remote participation possible? → Probably not due to bad internet
  → ~~TODO: Marco to ask Tim about internet situation (waiting for answer)~~
- **TODO Marco**: organize a meeting (PSC+interested community) to discuss **QGIS Server performance tests** (email Paul B/Oslandia https://lists.osgeo.org/pipermail/qgis-psc/2018-June/006268.html) combining volunteer & sponsorship during the developer meeting

Status QGIS.Pro
- Andreas contacted them → they changed their address to http://qgispro.geosysnet.de but the product name is still just QGIS.pro → keep pestering them

Issue about FGDB reading/writing
- There are two drivers available in GDAL:
  - One reverse engineered from Even Rouault
  - One based on the ESRI SDK (not thread safe)
- Currently no mechanism in place to choose between the two drivers depending on context
- Reading is the more important use case for QGIS

Old agenda items

Trademark doc
- https://drive.google.com/open?id=1U3ONIZ_jK5fQQNl8vRVspPkPSKG33hym36B1xympeLM → **TODO all**: review and publish result to the mailing list
- **TODO Marco:** send mail to psc mailing list about the proposal being ready and open for comment (Wed morning)

Qgis.info -> adult porn site? what to do with such domains
- Our lawyer told us that the writing we have now, is mostly applicable for the 'good guys', to handle 'bad guys' would cost a lot of money (as hard to enforce international law). → not only the current writing, in general it is harder to deal with the bad guys
- **TODO Paolo?** send an angry TM infringement email → **in progress?**

Deprecating OL and other plugins

→ **TODO Paolo**: get in contact with devs → **in progress? (OL is "experimental")**

Procedure for approval of training certification organizations
- issue: university courses vs. small/medium enterprise training
  → two different kinds of certificates?
  → **TODO Marco (& Tim/Kurt?)** provide a suggestion to deal with universities -> **in Zanzibar with Tim**
  → issues with companies that haven't contributed to the community so far → suggestion: ask local user groups for approval

Listing and ranking Commercial support companies
- Suggestions include: better ranking according to size of contributions, deranking (moving to the lower category) companies that haven't contributed in the past x months.
- **DMS** (Nathan) was acquired by TechnologyOne so they should be listed as a core contributor now?
  - +1 Anita
  - +1 Marco
  - +1 Andreas
- Keep **GBD** in Core contributors?
  - +0 Marco
  - +1 Anita
  - +1 Andreas
  - +1 Jürgen

Travel support for dev meetings
- how to decide/deal with people who we don't know, but apply for travel support. See https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1FkqjzjRWlnTS2AVxSpJM-UtkRafPYUqQOMlvjIzkzlY/edit#gid=1896805420
  → ask "what have you done for the QGIS community so far"?
  → do you have a core dev supporting your application?

Certification
- **TODO Tim**: blog.qgis.org post about certification efforts progress (not yet done)
  - http://changelog.qgis.org/en/qgis/about/
  - Wait until Stripe is up and running and then advertise on blog.qgis.org
- **Invoicing of training certificates**
  - communicate clearly that companies should ask "finance@qgis.org" for invoices. There is no automation involved so far.
    → **TODO Andreas**: Ask Kurt to contact with trainers to clarify process → **in progress**

User groups
- **Cyprus** lacks proper website

- **New Zealand** user group
  - **TODO Paolo**: Ask New Zealand group to create a proper website
  - Brent Wood brent.wood@niwa.co.nz
    https://teamwork.niwa.co.nz/display/NQUG/NIWA+QGIS+Users+Group → **in progress?**

Status Oslandia, Certification OGC WMS?
- **Open questions:** Should we only get LTR certified? How much work is it and how much does it cost → Asked Regis: how much work ~~and cost (costs see below)~~ are involved in re-certifying a new version like 3.2?
- QGIS is reference platform:
  https://lists.osgeo.org/pipermail/qgis-psc/2018-June/006335.html
  "I just received very good news, *QGIS server is now recognized as a OGC reference implementation for WMS. It implies of course that it is compliant, but it also confirms we are **free of any charges** concerning the certification process."

Support for critical functions
- Paolo's suggestion: "we should find a more general solution: for every critical function we should build a team, with one member from PSC and an assistant from outside it. This will make the system more robust, and will smooth out transitions when one member resigns. I suggest therefore either to start co-opting people, or put out announcements for candidatures."
  - List of critical functions
    - Plugin management: Paolo → Muhammad Yarjuna Rohmat (Kartoza)
    - Accountancy (invoices, reminds of expired sponsorship): Andreas → **TODO: provide emergency access to Marco?**
    - Organizing AGM: chair with support of the PSC/board
    - ...
  - Call for helpers → approach people directly

Website
- **TODO: Richard** to follow up again with Régis and Test.qgis.org for OGC testing results (and/or other? Landing page to travis etc?) (not yet done)
- **TODO**: **Richard** to look at how to consume sponsor feed to put on the website → **draft at** https://qgis.org/en/site/about/sponsorship0.html
- **TODO: Andreas** to check and provide feedback
  - Open issues (already reported to Richard and Tim):
    - Links to company website (directly, without going through projecta first)
    - Hide sponsorship amount
    - Provide info about city and country of origin
  - See https://github.com/kartoza/prj.app/issues/974

Server migration

- **TODO Richard** : only procmail/MTA/Paypal -> qgis2 or wait for Stripe … (not yet done)
- **TODO Richard + Tim** : need to review our backup strategy (not yet done)