



QGIS PSC Meeting 5th Sept 2023

Present

- Marco
- Jürgen
- Alessandro
- Tim
- Anita
- Régis

Excused:

- Andreas

Chair: Marco

Secretary: Anita

Video / Audio Channel

<https://meet.jit.si/QGIS-PSC>

Previous meeting minutes

[20230704-QGIS-PSC-Meeting-04-July-2023](#)

Next meetings

See calendar

17:00 -18:30

Tickets

<https://github.com/qgis/PSC/issues/>

Agenda

Marco: CRA (Cyber Resilience Act) statement

In the works at OSGeo <https://www.mail-archive.com/discuss@lists.osgeo.org/msg20324.html>

Draft for feed:

“QGIS has been working hard to achieve a vision of universal access to spatial decision making tools for everyone. Recent developments in the EU government relating to the Cyber Resilience Act have us very worried about our ability to continue with this vision. We encourage you to get informed and make your voice heard with European legislators, before the vote is expected to take place this autumn. Please **double click** here to read more details.”

Tim has written to Evan asking if he can share an official OSSEO link to use when clicking the article.

Marco: AGM

Financial documents are ready to review

Deadline for discussion + voting at the end of September

Marco: Nominatim sponsoring

Sarah (now on OSM board) invites us to fund OSM through:

<https://blog.openstreetmap.org/2023/08/09/happy-birthday-openstreetmap-2/> –

<https://supporting.openstreetmap.org>

~~TODO~~ Marco: ask for numbers to understand how much we are currently using

+ Post in news feed to encourage QGIS users to donate directly

https://wiki.osmfoundation.org/wiki/Join_as_a_corporate_member

https://wiki.osmfoundation.org/wiki/Corporate_Members

Marco: budget

<https://blog.qgis.org/2023/06/26/qgis-grant-programme-2023-results/>

	votes	requested budget	approved funding
QEP#266 QGIS Bug Tracker cleanup	29	€6,000	€6,000
QEP#271 Porting to C++ and harmonization of Processing algorithms	27	€10,000	€10,000
QEP#267 Add vertical CRS handling to QGIS	26	€20,000	€20,000
QEP#268 Improve test result handling on QGIS CI	24	€1,000	€1,000
QEP#261 QGIS Project Loading Performance	24	€16,500	
QEP#236 Unify the geometric and topological verification and correction features in QGIS	23	€25,000	
QEP#269 Update older annotation items to new framework	17	€8,000	
QEP#264&265 Switch to clang-format for C++ code and implement pre-commit hooks	15	€5,000	
QEP#270 Conda Installer for macOS	12	€12,100	
		€103,600	€37,000

~~TODO~~: schedule dedicated budget meeting on 19 Sept

Marco: QGIS TM renewal

<https://euipo.europa.eu/eSearch/#basic/1+1+1+1/100+100+100+100/qgis>

Come da oggetto e da estratto ufficiale allegato, il prossimo 18/03/2024 scadrà il marchio dell'Unione Europea n. 012702643 "Q QGIS" (figura), attualmente registrato a suo nome. Se il marchio fosse ancora di suo interesse, sarebbe possibile depositare una domanda di rinnovo decennale al costo complessivo di € 1490,00 + IVA, ove applicabile, comprensivi delle tasse ufficiali e dei nostri onorari.

Il cambio di logo impone un mutamento nella nostra strategia: non essendo possibile cambiare il "segno" oggetto di registrazione, invece di rinnovare il marchio esistente, che tutela un logotipo non più utilizzato, dovremo pensare ad un nuovo deposito avente ad oggetto il nuovo marchio figurativo o(meglio ancora!) il denominativo "QGIS".

Registrando il marchio verbale, infatti, in futuro non avrete più il "problema" del restyling del logo e della sua coerenza con l'oggetto della registrazione.

Mentre per il rinnovo avremmo potuto tranquillamente attendere i primi mesi del nuovo anno, scadendo il marchio attuale a marzo 2024, per il nuovo deposito suggerirei per quanto possibile di accorciare i tempi.

In questo modo non avremo "vuoti di tutela", poiché auspicabilmente il nuovo marchio andrà a registrazione prima della scadenza amministrativa del marchio esistente.

Il costo per il deposito di un nuovo marchio è leggermente superiore a quello di rinnovo.

Ipotizzando di mantenere le attuali rivendicazioni (classi 09, 38 e 42), il deposito di un nuovo marchio in UE avrebbe un costo complessivo di € 2090,00 (tutto compreso – tasse ufficiali, nostri onorari, certificato di registrazione, monitoraggio delle scadenze, ecc.).

Proposal:

Trademark the word QGIS

- +1 Marco
- +1 Ale
- +1 Anita
- +1 Jürgen
- +1 Régis
- +1 Tim

~~To do:~~ Marco Bernasocchi ask for a cease and desist boilerplate letter

Done

Marco: qgisfree.com -> reported to registrar

-> not much we can do

Marco: Website update?

- "Deadline"
- Developer?
- Regis connects the web designer company to the web meeting
- <https://qgis.github.io/QGIS-Hugo/>

~~TODO~~: Tim Sutton put out a call for a web company to get the final content organisation work.

Phases:

- Design concept for second level pages
- Content migration for second level pages
- Link redirects for old urls where needed
- Support period
- Documentation and handover notes

Marco: QGIS contributor meeting in Vienna with OSGeo, QGIS, [PanGEO](#) 6-9.11.23 ([Big Data from Space conference](#)) https://wiki.osgeo.org/wiki/OSGeo_Community_Sprint_2023 -> Marco manages it

→ ~~TODO~~ Anita: send reminder + blog post link to contributor mailing list

Marco: QGIS conference Slovakia (Sep 2024). Check options for a slightly larger conference.

~~TODO~~: Andreas Neumann checks with them

Anita: X? do we continue

Proposed that we move to Mastodon

+1 Anita

+1 Marco

+1 Régis

+1 Jürgen

Still need to resolve how to share access to posting rights.

→ ~~TODO~~ Anita: export archive & write goodbye tweet & tell OpenDays organizers to use fosstodon account

Old Agenda

Marco: Grant proposal != QEP. The grant proposals are not visible anywhere and what gets voted is a QEP which might be a superset of the grant proposal.

- **TODO Anita**: update process document and instructions for proposal writers: A proposal always equals a full/complete QEP. If the proposal only covers a subset of an existing QEP, the proposer needs to create a new QEP. To provide context, the original/larger QEP can be linked to the new QEP.

Marco: AGM

- It would be really great to have a [non-psc person] dedicated to running AGM and community votes. I'd much rather spend time on finalizing vision, mission and try to get

corporate sponsors.

Motion to create a new role like OSGeo CRO to run this.

- +1 Anita
- +1 Marco
- ~~TODO~~ **Marco**: send out call for candidates

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Régis: Paul Blottier is asking if we should maintain the performance testing servers

- http://test.qgis.org/perf_test/graffiti/
- Takes a server rental (no automatic monitoring so far) → Marco: could hook it into a Grafana instance
- Some work to keep it alive → no numbers available so far
- Still using 3.14, needs love to bump versions
- Is it used at all? → should send alerts when something goes bad; nobody should actively have to use it
- Régis comes back to Paul to ask the amount of days required to maintain it , but still interesting to have
 - Live answers : There is already a basic alerting system with mails and monthly mean metrics
 - Paul is offering maintenance as part of his contribution to the project

Marco: Two trademark complaints this month

- <http://www.qgis.si> → company masking as user group
- <https://qgis-day.com/programm/> → well known OpenSource company who is in violation of trademark with the domain they use for their event
- <https://qgis.com.mx/> → company took over domain of user group; group is working on it

→ **TODO** **Marco Bernasocchi** to contact them

Marco GPL iOS exception thoughts?

- <https://github.com/nextcloud/ios/blob/master/COPYING.iOS>
- https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/blob/master/Exception_to_GPL_for_Qt.txt
- **TODO** Marco Bernasocchi : find out if QGIS developers would agree to having this explicit exception -> checked with some generally yes, need to ask more devs (preferably in person in Kosovo)

Marco: Voting platforms/AGM

- Replacing google forms due to usability issues (on the side of the voters)
 - Limesurvey (experience: Harrissou @ French local instance; also: <https://limesurvey.osgeo.org>)

- Loomio (experience: previously used by PSC, currently used by OpenGIS)
- Marco proposal is that we look into a better voting system with these criteria:
 - o Secrecy of votes and also public votes where needed
 - o Support for different kind of votes and decisions
 - PSC Decisions
 - Approval of minutes
 - AGM elections
 - Grant programme
 - o Automation of calculation of results (PSC voting, AGM, grant programme,)
 - o Support for publication of results of votings
 - o No self-hosting
 - o Candidate platforms:
 - Loomio
 - LimeSurvey
- TODO: Marco will look into the platform options and return in the next meeting with a proposal

Marco: engaging with ESA & Co

Postponed to next meeting

Andreas/Tim: Continue Vision discussion from the hackfest

- Will be continued in the upcoming weeks
- Legacy version:
 - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-bh6gP3m2LrsuAEJ5eZM7uTjXNv5roRIA1sc8eN0Gxw/edit>
- Hackfest Firenze 2022 version: (link???)

Marco: QGIS chile (company)

- Marco sent mail but no response yet

Marco: QGIS Portugal

- Organization (ESOP) is interested in supporting QGIS.ORG (somehow, unclear yet).
- Alessandro: follow-up -> Giovanni will look into it
 - o No pressure there

Long-term issues

Andreas: Approaching larger sponsors who support FOSS4G

- **TODO Marco:** try to identify promising contacts and reach out to them as chair
- **TODO Marco:** follow-up on Google 10 most important C++ projects

Gatekeepers, Community roles draft

TODO Marco: still ongoing at [here](#)

TODO marco: follow-up vision meeting → [Goals of QGIS](#)

\\Anita/Andreas: Numfocus application

- NumFocus already funds GDAL: <https://numfocus.org/sponsored-projects>
(This seems to be GDAL's application form:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1bc5jdpCe1axdyBHxbJnun7e0DTyDoZI_eFYgJYnOhB8/edit based on https://gdal.org/development/rfc/rfc80_numfocus_relationship.html)
- Application date for round 3 is October 15.
- It could be a way to approach more US donors since NumFocus is a registered non-profit there. According to the GDAL docs, they take 15% off the earmarked donations for running NumFocus
- TODO: find a volunteer