



QGIS PSC Meeting 5th Dec 2023

Present

- Marco
- Jürgen
- Tim
- Andreas
- Anita
- Regis

Excused:

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Chair: Marco

Secretary: Anita

Video / Audio Channel

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

Previous meeting minutes

[20231107-QGIS-PSC-Meeting-07-November-2023](#)

Next meetings

See calendar

18:00 -19:00

Tickets

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

Agenda

Marco: AGM finished yesterday

All items approved

Question	YES	NO	Abstain	
I approve the financial report for 2022		27	0	0
I approve the annual report for 2022		27	0	0
I approve Andreas Voigt (User group Germany) as financial controller for 2023		27	0	0
I approve Andreas Vonlaufen (User group Switzerland) as financial controller for 2023		26	0	1

Marco: QGIS.org moves to Laax Switzerland (official address). Marco will look if it is possible to mask the street and number.

Marco: Community voting members election

TODO Marco check virtual group. If they are accepted as new user group, we also need +1 community voting member

Marco: Reported license infringement?

<https://www.portablemapper.co.uk/faq> "Portable Mapper's core functionality relies on QGIS."

TODO Anita: look at the free trial download

Marco: OSGeo:UK

QGIS UK user group wants to merge with OSGeo:UK. We are ok with it.

Marco Website update

- Download page UX issues
 - There was no translation, explaining why some non english speaking users misunderstood the incentive to give donation
- Notes from Tim:
 - We (Website team) have already discussed this in the focus meetings and community discussions (e.g. at the hackfest in the netherlands) and agreed that the new website will be in english only with an in-tandem investigation into using browser built in translation tools if possible. Kontur (team contracted to do the website overhaul) have been tasked to take care of this, and to improve and streamline the download process.

Tim: Web site

- Links to meetings in Matrix for meeting on Thursday
- Development server on Hetzner with Matomo analytics setup (GDPR compliant)
- Listing of all the pages in the current website has been created

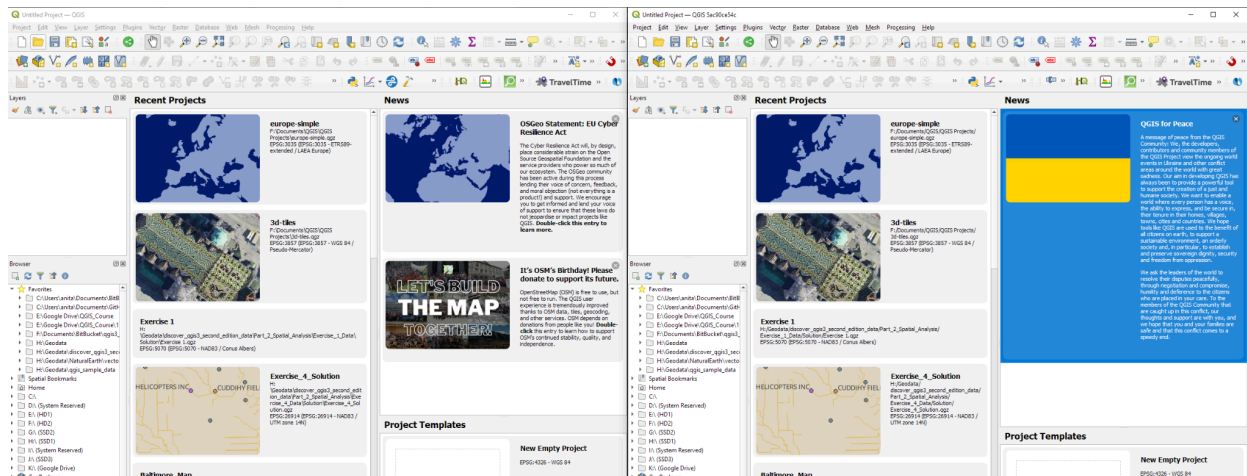
Plugins.qgis.org

- Plugins requiring license
- <https://github.com/qgis/QGIS-Enhancement-Proposals/issues/279>
- Only GPL? Compatibility of LGPL?

- <https://blog.qgis.org/2016/05/29/licensing-requirements-for-qgis-plugins/>
- TODO Tim: ask <https://fsfe.org/index.en.html>

Marco News feed

- Backporting Alessandro's work (ability to refresh the feed on a local machine)?
 - +1 Marco
 - +1 Jürgen
 - +1 Anita
 - +1 Tim
- **Anita:** strange effect in OSGeo install w/ nightly and 3.28: I get two different news feed lists displayed in the different versions (but the recent projects list is identical) Known issue? → <https://github.com/qgis/qgis-feed/issues>



- **Régis** : Some minor glitches in the feed app (issue is coming)

Andreas: Accounting software + course

It has an annual subscription fee of either 69 or 149 € (depending on the functionality). In addition, I would like to attend an online course that helps me learn the software and accounting principles (evening courses). Such a course would cost approx. 500 €.

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

Note: if Andreas finds a suitable tool to share (server or cloud), it's better. Price should not be the only discriminant argument.

Régis Security issues: more dummy scan result in more dummy mails. I really have to finish this page with FAQ

Régis CRA : seems it is going better, but no public text is published yet (agreement was met on friday)

Andreas: qgis-js (QGIS wasm) developers ask if the license could be MIT instead of GPL. See <https://github.com/qgis/qgis-js>

→ Another question for FSFE / lawyer

Andreas: Initial budget

📅 QGIS Budget 2024 – dedicated meeting on Thursday 7 Dec 2023 19:00 CET

Marco CRO position text. TODO Marco will rephrase to make clear that AGM responsibility still stay with the chair

Régis Report on [Qt-for-python](#) bindings by Julien Cabieces: where to go now? → may need a budget item

Old Agenda

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:
 - Secrecy of votes and also public votes where needed
 - Support for different kind of votes and decisions
 - PSC Decisions
 - Approval of minutes
 - AGM elections
 - Grant programme
 - Automation of calculation of results (PSC voting, AGM, grant programme,)
 - Support for publication of results of votings
 - No self-hosting
 - Candidate platforms:
 - Loomio
 - LimeSurvey
- TODO: Marco will look into the platform options and return in the next meeting with a proposal

Marco: finalize 📄 Vision and Mission of QGIS

Marco: QGIS Portugal

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

Long-term issues

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](https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/blob/master/Exception%20to%20GPL%20for%20Qt.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)

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