



# QGIS PSC Meeting 4th Jan 2022

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## Present

- Paolo
- Alesandro
- Paolo
- Andreas
- Marco

## Excused:

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Chair: Marco

Secretary: Anita

## Video / Audio Channel

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

## Previous meeting minutes

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1jXZQ5oefbj2oSxTJyxfYX2WnpZAiih0p3mm9qsjPIGQ/edit?usp=sharing>

## Next meetings

See calendar

17:00 -18:30

## Tickets

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



# Agenda

## **Anita: Do we put in a request for OSGeo support?**

[https://wiki.osgeo.org/wiki/OSGeo\\_Budget\\_2022](https://wiki.osgeo.org/wiki/OSGeo_Budget_2022)

- Proposal: ask for €5k and earmark it to website and/or developer meeting
- TODO Anita: put our request in the wiki page, Marco will be around for the discussion

## **Andreas: Budget 2021 Final numbers**

- Very close to estimated incomes (+10k)
- Plans for 2022: Further investments in Qt through KDAB (CMYK (initial research), SVG clipping and masking support)

## **Nyall: Increase hourly rates to cover inflation**

- <https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/documents/2995521/11563387/2-30112021-AP-DE.pdf>
- Support for proposal to increase by 10% to €110,-- (and revisit annually)
  - +1 Anita
  - +1 Andreas
  - +1 Alessandro
  - +1 Marco
  - +1 Paolo
- DONE Marco: write an answer to the proposals / thread by Nyall and Saber

## **Marco: AGM**

- Publish AGM:
- Done Marco: write the Minutes and publish them on the website ([https://www.qgis.org/en/site/getinvolved/governance/annual\\_general\\_meetings/index.html](https://www.qgis.org/en/site/getinvolved/governance/annual_general_meetings/index.html))
- TODO Publish annual report
- TODO Anita: Write blog post
- TODO Andreas: Revise charter (statutes)
- TODO Andreas: publish financial report

## **Marco: UG**

- China UG request to [finance@qgis.org](mailto:finance@qgis.org)
- DONE Marco: reply to email

## **Hans van der Kwast**

Hans recommends approving MapTech Solutions (Ireland) as a new certified training provider

- Support:
  - +1 Anita
  - +1 Marco

- +1 Paolo
- +1 Andreas
- TODO Andreas: follow up with Hans

### **Andreas: Grants**

- Publish results of 2021 grants
  - All but one by Etienne Trimaille are finished
- TODO Anita: write blog post
- Start 2022 grants
- TODO Anita: publish announcement
  - Add note that projects need to be finished by the end of 2022
  - Add note to call for grant proposal to factor in reviewing costs
  - Communicate to proposal authors that they have to write the summaries for the voting

## OLD Agenda

### **Marco: 2 new community voting members to be added**

To balance new user groups:

- Austria
- Ghana

DONE Marco: prepare election

### **Marco: OGC compliance**

Status: updates stalled because Régis can't work much on it

Ideas:

- Public call for new OGC compliance manager
- Ask organizations that need these certificates to step up / invest, potentially interested:
  - Oslandia (<https://oslandia.com/en/2018/11/06/qgis-server-3-ogc-certification-work-for-wfs-1-1-0/>)
  - QCooperative (<https://www.qcooperative.net/blog/ogcapif/>)
- Give up on the process and just link to test results (for your own assessment)
- Ask other OSGeo projects for best practices
  - "GeoServer is working with the OSGeo Foundation to be certified as compliant and we need your help." <http://geoserver.org>
  - <https://www.ogc.org/resource/products/details/?pid=1668>

DONE Marco: mail to the developer/PSC list

### **Anita: Server Guide license in progress**

<https://lists.osgeo.org/pipermail/qgis-community-team/2021-December/005981.html>

TODO Anita: go ahead and add license

**Anita: Overview of QGIS network connections** <https://github.com/qgis/PSC/issues/55>

→ <https://github.com/qgis/QGIS-Documentation/pull/7178> **in progress**

Once the table is published in the user guide, we can link to it from

<https://qgis.org/en/site/forusers/index.html>

### **Andreas: Trade registry registration in Graubünden**

Need an appointment with Marco to prepare all required documents

- Current and signed version of statutes in German
- AGM protocols of the past 2 years, esp. the one with new chair/vice chair elections
- Protocol stating that we want to change our domicile
- Acceptance document of domicile (Domizilannahmeerklärung) Marco
- Acceptance documents on election (Wahlannahmeerklärung) Marco, Alessandro, Andreas
- Document that clarifies the “authorities to sign” (Zeichnungsberechtigungen)
- Passport documents

Have to check with the trade registry office if we have to show up with our passports in person or could do it virtually.

### **Marco: Trademark infringement**

I found this site <https://www.qgis-institute.com> on the web and I was wondering if this doesn't violate the rules of QGIS trademark.

There are a lot of mistyping errors and the use of old terms like Quantum GIS.

I did a whois query of the url and point to this company:

<https://www.skillscampus.ma/>

Alessandro says he copied verbatim the QCooperative website

→ DONE: **Marco Bernasocchi** contact them Again

### **Alessandro: Conda as package manager for QGIS? (Even's proposal)**

Requires developer assessment regarding feasibility

Potential issues:

- Proprietary enhancements / dependencies
- Lack of GRASS, SAGA
- No nice graphical installer (for Windows users especially)
- Would be quite a lot of work and Jürgens work put into OSGeo4W doesn't help much for Conda

TODO Alessandro: play ball back to developer community, PSC cannot perform the feasibility analysis

### **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](#)

### **Call for PR reviewers**

- Suggestion from Martin D.  
<https://lists.osgeo.org/pipermail/qgis-developer/2021-May/063568.html>
- Alessandro suggests that we need a clearer process for handling backports
- General agreement to increase the available budget (current budget: €10k)
- **TODO Anita:** Add note to 2022 call for grant proposal to factor in reviewing costs
- **TODO Anita:** Next year, communicate to proposal authors that they have to write the summaries

### **Andreas: [2y LTR \(QEP\)](#)**

Open question #1: will we have overlapping LTRs, i.e. one LTR per year? Or only one LTR every second year? → No overlaps are preferred since it's less work for the project and less confusing for the users (i.e. there are not two LTRs at the same time)

Open question #2: do we need to manage "stable libraries"? → Let's try without.

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

### **TODO: invite Tim to one of the next PSC meetings**

To follow up on **Tim's idea "Young staff."** Tim suggests reserving 20-30k € (annual salary) for a person in a less-developed country that could work on bugfixing, maintenance, documentation, ...

Could be proxied/employed f.e. through Kartoza.

- Alessandro suggests picking only people who are already contributing on a voluntary basis to the project and are not motivated by money only - at least for development and bug-fixing work. For infrastructure work it is different - it is the boring work that people don't tend to do on a voluntary basis.
- Marco suggests focusing paid staff on working on project-related tasks that are not directly related to QGIS Desktop/Server.

- Anita suggests identifying tasks that could be done by such a paid staff and then discussing this suggestion with the community → **TODO Tim** to create a shortlist and post it to PSC list

### **Tim: Blacklisting plugins that crash QGIS**

**TODO Tim:** draft the process and discuss it with dev list / QEP

### **Voting platform**

- Old discussion never concluded
- We have an non centralised solution that is hard to track:
  - Google forms for community votes are hard to follow and take time to create
  - ML discussion on votes is nearly nonexistent
- Resolutions copying to website is neglected (last copy in June by Anita)
- Marco: re-suggest centralising all voting to a single **loomio** instance (as OSGeo-board is doing - <https://www.loomio.org/g/kdSmlwxu/osgeo-board>)

Conclusion: create PDFs of the Google Docs to put on the wiki (if possible) or the website → Tim will ask someone from Kartoza

**Update: 2021-10-05** unfortunately this approach does not work / <https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/wiki#psc-meetings> is not up to date:

## **PSC Meetings**

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Every first Tuesday of the month, the PSC meets on <https://meet.jit.si/QGIS-PSC>

PSC calendar ([view](#), [subscribe .ics](#))

This is a list of QGIS PSC meeting minutes, available for public reference:

2021

- [May 2021](#)
- [April 2021](#)
- [March 2021](#)
- [February 2021](#)
- [January 2021 PDF: January 2021.pdf](#)

TODO **Marco Bernasocchi** ask Tim