

QGIS PSC Meeting 1st Mar 2022

Present

- Anita
- Alessandro
- Jürgen
- Marco (5 min late)
- Andreas
- Paolo

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/1498CAvv5JD_tZkWGJyCpNvel12D9XdlvCgTw8nVXuFc/edit?usp=sharing

Next meetings

See calendar

17:00 -18:30

Tickets

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

Agenda

Anita: Grant proposal: 4 proposals totaling € 25,300.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1V2n88EGM1FSKK0BAfTHPkLEKSDU2Tw4dFCkArkA TZ8A/edit?usp=sharing

https://github.com/qgis/QGIS-Enhancement-Proposals/labels/Grant-2022

- Add SQL Logging to the debugging/development panel (https://github.com/qgis/QGIS-Enhancement-Proposals/issues/242)
- QGIS setting registry enhancement
 (https://github.com/qgis/QGIS-Enhancement-Proposals/issues/245)
- 3. Fix handling of provider default value clauses/Autogenerate/nextval(...) handling (https://github.com/ggis/QGIS-Enhancement-Proposals/issues/247)
- Support building QGIS application on Qt 6
 (https://github.com/qgis/QGIS-Enhancement-Proposals/issues/243)

Vote to fund all four without further community voting:

- +1 Anita
- +1 Alessandro
- +1 Andreas
- +1 Jürgen
- +1 Marco
- +1 Paolo

Marco: QGIS2

- New server
- Hardware is getting old → would be good to replace
- Replace physical machine with cloud instance
- Potentially: DNSSEC (but not supported by Hetzner)
- https://www.ncsc.admin.ch potentially issued a warning about qgis.org -> maybe connected

Marco: dev meetings page is outdated

- https://qgis.org/en/site/getinvolved/meetings/index.html
- TODO Anita: put a link to the wiki page at the top and add a "historical meetings" sub header above the old → https://github.com/qgis/QGIS-Website/pull/979/files

Marco: Paid review time

- https://lists.osgeo.org/pipermail/ggis-psc/2022-February/009698.html
- Alessandro proposes to allow self-review for core devs, particularly for some straightforward PRs; also we already have reviews by colleagues in the same company
- TODO: Alessandro, answer strk that we will allow to do PR reviews on the paid bug fixing PRs as part of the bug fixing effort.

Marco: Logo usage

[edited] has a QGIS plugin app [edited] hosted in your plugin store, which we are wanting to promote. The goal is enabling potential growth in the use of your platform, assisted by our plugin.

The intended audience is corporate QGIS users and IT managers, predominantly in North America. We are looking at putting geo targeted, sponsored banners on LinkedIn, and also sending EDM to existing [edited] customers.

We would be very interested in being approved to use the QGIS logo subtly on this collateral. In no way will we suggest that the plugin is affiliated with QGIS, outside of being available in the plugin store. The aim of including your logo is to increase recognition by your existing users. The call-to-action in this collateral will be to contact us directly for a demonstration. Please come back to me with your thoughts on this, and we can go from there.

Marco: Qt-for-python

- https://lists.osgeo.org/pipermail/ggis-psc/2022-February/009686.html
- TODO: marco@opengis.ch answer that it is good

Marco: MacOS maintenance

- https://lists.osgeo.org/pipermail/qgis-psc/2022-February/009687.html
- TODO: marco@opengis.ch answer to go ahead to do as much as possible with the 5000€ budget and plan further for 2023 -> DONE

Marco: QGIS Portugal

- Organization (ESOP) is interested in supporting QGIS.ORG (somehow, unclear yet).
- TODO Alessandro: follow-up

Andreas: QGIS Chile

- https://qgischile.cl/ seems to be the website of a single company (ePrime https://www.eprime.cl/) and not an independent group of several people/organizations
- TODO Marco: to write to them -> done

OLD Agenda

Marco: GH PR situation (mail in psc-private)

Jürgen: Is there an actual consensus that everything needs to go through PRs and review? Rules could be less strict for core committer contributions to reduce stress on reviewers. - Marco: there are multiple devs that insist on the current rules.

Andreas: Increasing paid PR queue management requires more sustaining members. Alternatively, companies with larger dev group should be approached to contribute to PR management with man power.

TODO Marco: reach out to involved parties

Marco: OGC compliance

Kickstart Paul Blottiere to take over work started by Regis TODO Marco: look into linking official QGIS contact rather than personal developer contact OGC MOU → https://wiki.osgeo.org/wiki/MoU_OGC/Review_2020/Draft includes waiver of trademark fees for reference implementations

Andreas: Grants

- WIP Anita: update/write blog posts for 2020
 - 2020 https://github.com/qgis/PSC/issues/43 (missing: https://github.com/ggis/QGIS-Enhancement-Proposals/issues/186)

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.

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

DONE: 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

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? \rightarrow 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 → <u>Goals of QGIS</u>

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 bug fixing, 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 centralized 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
Update 2022-02-01 Anita: I ping Tim every once in a while to update the list