



## **Commons Photographers User Group**

### **Board meeting notes – January 23, 2022**

Attendees:

- Ailura (Austria)
- Filipinayzd (Philippines)
- Frank Schulenburg (United States)
- OtuNwachinemere (Nigeria)
- Shreya.Bhopal (India)
- Suyash.dwivedi (India)
- Kwameghana (Ghana)

#### **Item #1: Introductions**

Attendees introduce themselves. Due to connectivity issues, the group decides to move the rest of the meeting to the Zoom chat.

#### **Item #2: Goals of the user group for 2022**

Brainstorming for this year's activities:

- Clarify the role of the user group with regard to the existing online photo competitions
- Continue the quarterly meetups with presentations
- Encourage winning photographers or people who participate in events like Wiki Loves Africa to join our group
- Skills development workshops (e.g. postprocessing, workshops on Photoshop and Lightroom)

- Publication of photographs in an e-zine
- Increase the visibility of our user group through posts in the difference language version “Signposts”
- Offer help for people who encounter problems with Commons
- Help with broken tools like Vicuna Uploader
- Share resources for personal development
- Present at Wikimania 2022
- Meet in real-life in 2023 (planning a real-life meeting this year will be problematic, as the pandemic isn't over yet)
- Use Facebook to scout for new members and announce events organized by our group

### **Item #3: Mode of communication going forward**

It is consensus among the attendees that we'll use email for daily board communication going forward, while invitations and other important items will be sent via Telegram.

### **Item #4: Event coordinators role**

It is consensus that Wilsn and Shreya will share the responsibility of being event coordinators for the group going forward.

### **Item #5: Next steps**

- Date of our first quarterly meetup: March (Shreya will take the lead on organizing a postprocessing workshop; Wilsn had already left the meeting when we discussed this item)
- Next board meeting date: April

We'll move the discussion about the exact dates for the two upcoming events to Telegram.

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