QGIS PSC Meeting 3rd May 2022

Present

- Anita
- Marco (10min late)
- Jürgen
- Paolo
- Alessandro

Excused:

- Andreas

Chair: Marco
Secretary: Anita

Video / Audio Channel

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

Previous meeting minutes

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Y4XaU_viAUwfhmV1Ufm_AAH8R8MrG5piKOZvz3dHlow/
edit?usp=sharing

Next meetings

See calendar

17:00 -18:30

Tickets

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

Agenda

Marco: PSC candidates
- Who will be available for reelection
- Which roles (chair, vice chair, regular member, treasurer)

- Anita: regular member or vice chair
- Jürgen: regular member
- Marco: regular member or vice chair or chair
- Alessandro: regular member
- Paolo: regular member
- Andreas: TODO Andreas Neumann

Call for other nominations: May 2022 → TODO Marco: send out nomination call

TODO all: https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/wiki/2022-PSC-Election-Candidates

Marco AGM Schedule approval
- AGM to be held in June 2022
- TODO: check with Andreas if financial documents will be ready by beginning of June

Anita: QGIS resources repository maintainers
https://lists.osgeo.org/pipermail/qgis-psc/2022-May/009760.html
→ TODO Alessandro: give rights to Lior and Ismail ->DONE

Anita: US Server offer?
OSGeo servers should be sufficient for providing downloads to US users. Current challenge is that we are not assigning download servers by user location.
→ TODO Anita: follow up with Richard

Anita: QGIS Certification Application
TODO Marco: follow up with involved parties to get a better understanding

Marco: Potential security issues
- Create a security working group.
- Analyze/prioritize existing issues
- Propose fixes and either get budget via dedicated budget item or grant proposal
- DONE Marco Bernasocchi answer Oslandia

OLD Agenda

Marco: QGIS chile (company)
- Marco sent mail but no response yet

Marco: Dev meetings updates?
- The Firenze meeting will take place next to the FOSS4G.
  https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/wiki/24th-Contributors-Meeting-in-Firenze
- The dev meeting in NL has been shifted to spring 2023.
- Autumn 2023 may be in Switzerland. https://github.com/qgis/QGIS/wiki#qgis-hackfests

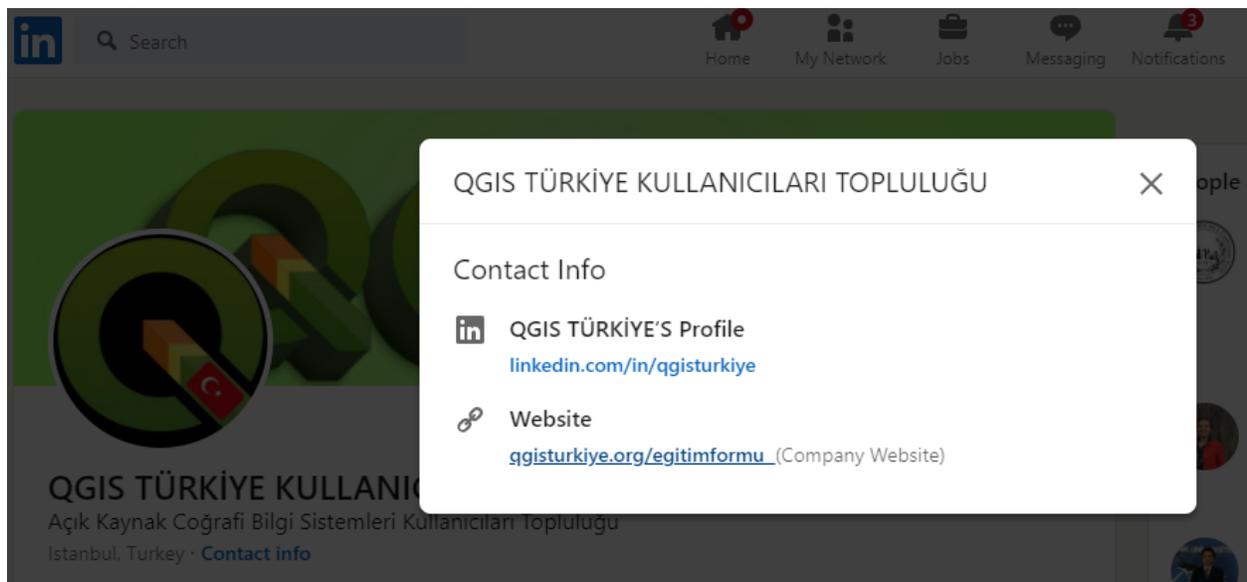**Marco: Charter update status?**
- Pending German translation and English update → TODO Andreas

Marco: OGC certification
- MOU between OGC and OSGeo is moving along
- QGIS internal discussions are also moving forward

Marco: Turkish user group
- We had a request for starting a Turkish user group
- There already is an unofficial Turkish group on Linkedin
  https://www.linkedin.com/in/qgisturkiye/ and http://www.qgisturkiye.org/

Alessandro: Manual tests
- Infrastructure exists https://github.com/qgis/QGIS-Enhancement-Proposals/issues/180
- Open issue: writing more tests and actually performing the manual tests requires more time

- Allesandro: I have asked Alex Neto and Giovanni about the test cycles, they mentioned that they didn't' have time to run the tests this release. They also mentioned that the time available from the packages ready to the packages released was not sufficient. I think they need to talk to Juergen to organize the test cycles for the next release. Also, they are preparing a spreadsheet where the activities will be logged for the PSC feedback.

Marco: QGIS Portugal
- Organization (ESOP) is interested in supporting QGIS.ORG (somehow, unclear yet).
- Alessandro: follow-up -> Giovanni will look into it

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 -> in progress

Andreas: Grants https://github.com/qgis/PSC/issues/43
Pending: "vectorization of selective masking" still WIP
https://github.com/qgis/QGIS-Enhancement-Proposals/issues/186)

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

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 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/kdSmIwxu/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