

The Movement Strategy and Governance Team in Wikimedia Foundation

supports the participation of Wikimedia communities and affiliates in the Movement Strategy initiatives through process facilitation, community support and engagement activities. This includes movement governance initiatives such as Movement Charter and Regional and Thematic Hubs.

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WMF can engage in conversations about where do specific communities want to go with the hub creation, and how it has benefited them. Thus, creating the space for hubs to thrive and provide resources as...

...necessary. - Alhen

Yes- they understand/monitor what is happening with MCDC and hubs conversations can evaluate if applications meet the minimum criteria.

Direct connection to the WMF is vital for all communities to develop including hub

Yes, it is important for WMF, communities, and affiliates to work together for the movement. So everyone keeps updated with the movement.

Has historical perspective on the discussion of this topic and has sufficient documentation and technical expertise. by Butch

YES - the WMF administers movement resources, which are necessary for successful pilots + it is best positioned to provide generic supporting services. -- Gergő

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The Community

In the context of the Movement Strategy it refers not only to content contributor communities but rather to all members of our Movement. It must be acknowledged that the Movement in its diversity comprises many communities and there is not one community that every single person subscribes to. In the context of Regional and Thematic Hubs, the supported communities need to be defined for the pilot.

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Approval for use of movement funds should generally flow from the community. That doesn't necessary mean direct, full community involvement in approval decisions (for which we lack effective tools) but ...

Community serves as the backbone of the hubs. Their participation makes it an essential element in decision making process

Yes, but I'd give some room for development and to revise the process. It should be defined by the hubs, and not the other way. - Alhen

Yes hubs should have feedback on the needs of who they represent. Also they should be part of the evaluation of the pilot.

... 1) transparency 2) community feedback taken into account 3) the approving body/bodies being grounded in the community. --Gergő

Yes good to ensure that whoever the HUB is meant to represent that group of people have conversation about the hub - to understand their needs. and also they should have some feedback in the evaluation of the hub pilot

No because hub serve uniquely different communities and they need to flexibility along with the capacity to reach to all stakeholders with out being forced to exclude anyone

Existing hubs are already reaching out in ways that serves them best

The Affiliations Committee

advises and makes recommendations regarding the recognition and existence of Wikimedia movement affiliates. As a result, they have insight into affiliate compliance and dynamics between affiliates that might be an important consideration in pilot approval process.

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It would be interesting to have them share what lessons or things they have learned from supporting affiliates at different levels - i see them as a possible thought partner to what they see as common needs

NO - trust & credibility issues. Their history of lack of transparency in affiliations recognition/derecognition process. Also lack of reach to the community

AffCom works individually with every chapter. It's my understanding that they don't know or have to know how we communicate or cooperate among chapters and UGs - Alhen

It would fit into their scope, but AffCom doesn't have a great track record of approving large-scale affiliates effectively (e.g. two thorgs approved in ten years) --Gergő

Affcom is a hub serving affiliates

affcom isnt part of the hub structure, hub serve the whole community including individuals, affcoms serve the affiliates in a different way...gn

The Movement Charter Drafting Committee

will create a document - Movement Charter - that will support the Wikimedia Movement in working together toward the Strategic Direction. As part of this document the roles and responsibilities of existing and new movement entities will be defined, including regional and thematic hubs. We need to ensure that the pilots align with the work on definition of the hubs.

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since they are defining the hub formally they should receive the learning from the pilots to feed into their definition.

They will be involved in setting generic criteria for hub approval, since the movement charter will presumably regulate what is / isn't a hub. They should not be distracted by being involved in the discussion about ...

... individual hubs - their work is important and scope creep would be harmful to it. (Gergő)

NO if their role is a decision maker. Their scope should focus on their mandate to draft a charter. - Butch

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hubs need to be open to working on the needs of the community, not denying or excluding others because they don't fit in the right box ...Gn

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The Regional Grant Committees

are grant committees formed by the community representatives working with the Community Resources Team in Wikimedia Foundation to review and approve the Community Fund grants. They have a good understanding of both regional and thematic contexts and can thus be a good validating body for the hub projects.

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YES short-term / for hubs which apply for Wikimedia grants - falls in scope, lots of relevant expertise. Long-term, per MS they should be supplanted by hubs so some other group (GC?) has to do the approvals. (Gergő)

The regional grant committees may speculate based on their knowledge, but they will do so based only on their experience financing the group.

regional grant committee already draw from existing hubs...Gn

They should focus on their role, whenever a grant proposal is opened for decision. Not beyond this.

**none, hubs already
exists and are
operating serving
their community
needs**

**How can the
piloting
process
benefit the
existing hubs?**

**How much "piloting"
will be deemed
sufficient for the
purpose of Hub
recognition?**