**MINUTES MEETING – OSGeo Belgium – 19 May 2015, 14-15.45h.**

**Aanwezig: Tommy O, Marc D, Moritz L, Gael K, Dirk F, Rita V**

**Verontschuldigd: Johan VdW, Ruben C**

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**AGENDA**

1. Foss4GBE
2. Call for sponsors / budget
3. Call for papers
4. Participation "Salon des Mandataires" (18 & 19 Feb 2016)
5. OSGeo BE structure

**MEETING NOTES**

1. Foss4GBE

* Date is fixed: 27 October 2015
* Location: meeting room reserved: Auditorium, Atrium and 2 separate meeting rooms for presentations (1 for 50 people, 1 for 25 people). So 3 parallel sessions can be organised.
* Time schedule of the day: starting at 9.30h. ending at 17.00h, networking reception from 17.00 to 18.00h. A concrete agenda for the entire day will be drafted by Rita.
* Participants Foss4GBE for free.
* Sponsors can have a booth at the Atrium to present their company activities.
* Practical details such as catering will be further coordinated by Rita (Gael).
* Could be an idea to have a joint dinner with key participants/presenters the day before (will be decided on later on).

1. Call for sponsors / budget

* Moritz will take the lead here, with help of Dirk and Tommy.
* A list of advantages to set up OSGeo Belgium should be drafted: a kind of introduction sheet re: OSGeo Belgium and Foss4GBE to attract sponsors. Marc has sent a link cfr. Foss4GFR as an example (see below IRC notes). Dirk will provide a list of potential Flemish sponsors.
* Some interesting links as reference for the introduction as well as goals & values of OSGeo:

<http://wiki.osgeo.org/wiki/Local_Chapter_Guidelines>

<http://www.osgeo.org/content/foundation/about.html>

* The money we raise from the sponsors can a/o. be used to work out website, provide catering during Foss4GBE, attend other events as OSGeo Belgium organisation.
* A website for OSGeo Belgium and Foss4GBE should become available, perhaps within OSGeo environment. As reference, there are already similar websites available: osgeo.fr, osgeo.nl.
* It would be great if we could launch our website and do a basic announcement on OSGeo Belgium and Foss4GBE just before the upcoming UrbIS User's Club scheduled for 11 June 2015.

1. Call for papers

* During previous meeting, Johan had some ideas here. As Johan is not attending this meeting, Dirk will brief him and ask Johan to take the lead here.
* All can work with Johan to provide a list with subjects which could be interesting to have at Foss4GBE.
* Depending on how many proposals we receive, we still can decide on some criteria to accept and/or reject some papers.
* Deadline to submit their articles/papers: 15 August. If we don’t receive enough proposals by then, we could extend until 1st of September.

1. Participation "Salon des Mandataires" (18 & 19 Feb 2016)

* These kind of events could indeed be interesting to attend and to promote OSGeo Belgium, but this event in particular is more focused on French part of Belgium (not Flemish) and also very political. So perhaps not that interesting to participate in this one.

1. OSGeo BE structure

Two possibilities:

* A) OSGeo Belgium becomes part of the Open Knowledge Belgium Foundation (Dirk has contact here via Ben Abelhausen)
* B) OSGeo Belgium starts his own legal entity.
* If we choose A: how easy is it to get in and out? Can we join fi. only for one year? Dirk will check with Open Knowledge Foundation and also check what the approx. cost would be for the shared services.
* If we choose B: at least 2 or 3 people should step up as board members. Volunteers here are Dirk, Moritz and Tommy. Marc could take care of the financial management (bank transfers and so on…).
* Decision will be taken during next meeting (5 June).

Next meeting OSGeo Belgium: Friday, June 5th – 14h. to 16h. (skype)

IRC notes and links:

<https://webchat.freenode.net/>

Channel: #osgeobe

[13:56] == dirkf [5152d431@gateway/web/freenode/ip.81.82.212.49] has joined #osgeobe

[13:56] == mode/#osgeobe [+ns] by herbert.freenode.net [14:00] == Tommy [57425e1d@gateway/web/freenode/ip.87.66.94.29] has joined #osgeobe

[14:00] == Tommy has changed nick to Guest43524 [14:04] == Guest43524 [57425e1d@gateway/web/freenode/ip.87.66.94.29] has quit [Client Quit]

[14:05] <@dirkf> Agenda

[14:07] == Marc\_\_ [d4a605be@gateway/web/freenode/ip.212.166.5.190] has joined #osgeobe

[14:07] == moritz\_ [6d80a83d@gateway/web/freenode/ip.109.128.168.61] has joined #osgeobe [14:07] == tom\_ [57425e1d@gateway/web/freenode/ip.87.66.94.29] has joined #osgeobe

[14:13] <Marc\_\_> document about sponsorship osgeo-fr :

<https://github.com/OSGeo-fr/admin/blob/master/rfc/rfc_1401_sponsorisation.md>

[14:15] == Gael [c3f4b4a1@gateway/web/freenode/ip.195.244.180.161] has joined #osgeobe [14:16] == Gael has changed nick to Guest85276 [14:16] == Guest85276 [c3f4b4a1@gateway/web/freenode/ip.195.244.180.161] has quit [Client Quit]

[14:19] <moritz\_> FOSS4G 2015 sponsorship info:

<http://2015.foss4g.org/sponsorship/sponsorship-package/>

[14:31] <moritz\_> web site of be-opengis-fr 2014:

<http://be-opengis.ulb.ac.be/>

[14:32] <moritz\_> web site of foss4g-fr 2014: <http://foss4g.osgeo.fr/> [15:36] <moritz\_> info on vzw:

<http://www.belgium.be/nl/publicaties/publ_vzw.jsp>

[15:36] <moritz\_> info on asbl:

<http://www.belgium.be/fr/publications/publ_vzw.jsp>