

Wikimedia España

State of the Chapter



Initial efforts

“raising our heads”

- Making groups of wikimedians...
- Starting to work as board...
 - Bureaucracy
 - “Criticism”
 - Coordination
- Relationship with the project's communities...
- Getting used to the WMF's operating modes...
- And... learning :)



Some facts...

- 72 (and growing) participants.
 - All volunteers
 - From almost all the Spanish regions (including those with vernacular language)
 - Many from educational or university backgrounds
 - Wide range of ages (17 – 60+)
 - Many participants with 2 or more spoken languages
- An open and collaborative style
 - Open lists
 - Blog/Twitter/Facebook
 - All Spanish based projects involved (an, ast, ca, es, eu, ext, gl...)
- Possibility of local groups (non centralist structure)

Administrative steps

(of the Board)

- Office in Valladolid (and partnership with city council)
- Web and participants' definite wiki.
- Handbook of internal procedures (communications, lists, teams...)
- 1st General Assembly and election of Board.
- Publications
- Participation in 2011 Fundraising
- WMF grant?

Activities

(of all the chapter)

- Celebrations of WP:10
- JOSLUCA (University of Cádiz week on free knowledge)
- Media presentation and coverage
- Collaboration with Fundación Telefónica in educational issues
- Conferences
- GLAM projects
- Wiki Loves Monuments
- IberoCoop
- ...

A very special and almost signed agreement

- Immediate agreement between WM-ES and Fundación ONCE to help blind and otherwise challenged people access WM projects.
 - Agreement between 2 non-profit organizations
 - With an interdisciplinary team
 - To benefit **all** Wikimedia projects, in **all** languages
- ONCE implement integration programmes of work-related training and employment for people with disabilities, and universal accessibility, promoting the creation of universally accessible environments, products and services.

And more to come...

- Law consults (i.e. Spanish old media copyright)
- A member of the Board exclusively dedicated to building relationships with universities
- Wikipods
- Local groups in Galicia, Valencia, Catalonia...
- Sponsorship of contests of free knowledge (CUSL, PAN...)
- Participation and (maybe) scholarships to Wikimania 2011
- ...

In conclusion...

willing to work hard to support free knowledge in Spain

- Finally, we are here ;)



- Thanks!