



OpenVT General Meeting 05.05.2022



3rd OVTO General Meeting

05.05.2022 09:00-12:30

Minutes written by Corina Klug and Martin Schachner

Attendees: Arne Keller, Mats Svensson, Astrid Linder, Kai-Uwe Schmitt, Simon Krasna, David Bützer, Martin Schachner, Markus Muser, Jimmy Forsberg, Corina Klug; Matej Kranjec, Jia Cheng Xu, Jobin John, Johan Iraeus, Jonas Östh

Jonas Östh from 10:00

Jobin John left at 12:08

14-15/15 members present → valid assembly

1 Agenda

- Welcome and attendance
- Approval of agenda
- Approval of minutes of last meeting
- Reports of the Committee (no vote on discharge)
- PR: presentation at events, logo, homepage etc
- Subcommittee VIVA+
- Exclusion criteria
- Membership applications
- Future funding
- Resolutions
- Next steps
- AOB

09:10: No objections to Agenda.

Astrid: Add Dissemination possibilities from Commission to PR. Arne suggests to discuss this point under PR.

2 Approve Minutes

09:14 Minutes of the GM on January 19 as sent out prior to the meeting were approved with no objections.



3 Reports of the Committee

- OVTO was registered. Confirmation pending
- Domain ovto.org was reserved
- Meeting with Sanne on PR → ovto Logo was created and will be used from now on.

Action points:

• Every owner of public projects shall share a small description (to someone who is not directly from the field) and nice figure explaining the project content within the next 2 weeks

4 PR

Keywords and arguments / slogans were collected. These will be put on the ovto website and can be used to convince possible sponsors to support us. Planned PR activities include a booth at IRCOBI and possibly at TRA.

Astrid mentions possibility that CINEA can help to promote ovto (https://cinea.ec.europa.eu/news-events en). As soon as ovto website is ready, Astrid will make the project officer aware of that.

- Continue to work on ovto website
 - o What is ovto?
 - o Who is ovto?
 - Content on openVT platform
 - Small easy description + picture
 - o "Donate" button on website

5 Subcommittee

Articles: "For each open source project (OSP) hosted on OpenVT, the Committee may decide to form a Subcommittee. The members of the Subcommittees are nominated by the active developers of the corresponding OSP and appointed by the Committee."

Resolution: The GM supports that the VIVA+ developers form a subcommittee 10:30: 15 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstention.

Markus stresses that the process to transfer copyright (handing over from developers to ovto) should be started as soon as possible, before VIRTUAL is ending. Subcommittee should prepare proposal for that as soon as it has been formed.

Jobin: In other OS projects: If you want to merge your content to main branch, contributor license agreement has to be signed. Arne says that a draft for a CLA is already in place.



6 Exclusion Criteria

According to articles, members and sponsors can be excluded by resolution of GM. Formulate criteria for this? Mats presents a suggestion for exclusion criteria, with the motivation that members who are no longer active should not occupy one of the 25 limited memberships.

- Duties: Being active and report on regular basis (every 2 years).
- Each member is required to re-evaluate his/her membership every 2nd year and report to the committee/GM how he/she has contributed and state whatever she/he is willing to continue being a GM member and how she/he plans to contribute to ovto the coming 2 years. Send email to committee, reviewed by committee and shortly summarized in GM. Decision based on this report.
- Resolution: Every year before the regular GM (in fall), the members are required to describe their current and future contributions to ovto on an email to the committee. Based on this, the GM decides about exclusion of inactive members.

 11:28: 14 Yes, 1 No, 0 Abstention

7 Membership applications

No new applications. According to articles, qualified majority (2/3) needed.

Mats is presenting ideas on modifying structure: Have official representation of subcommittee in ovto GM and roles for users / contributors not senior enough to become ovto member

Contributors could be listed on website as credit. Establish user / contributor groups for OS projects (organised by subcommittees). This point should be revisited in the next meeting.

8 Future Funding

Ideas for future funding possibilities are discussed (to be continues within next meeting):

- For-pay versions of models on openVT. → Against our aims and therefore should not be followed
- For-pay premium support (training / developing specific features / setting up simulations for specific purposes, response within short time to issues)
- Workshop/conferences

9 Other business

Specific bank account or integrated in AGU account?
 Advantage: Completely separate from AGU



Disadvantage: Cannot open bank account with negative balance. Leave bank account for now at AGU and move it once income is generated. With first sponsorship contract, this should be changed.

- Terms of Use: Jimmy offers help. Arne will follow up on this.
- Make minutes publicly available?
 Advantages: Cartel law compliant (if competitors would be present), ovto stands for transparency
- Resolution: The minutes of the GM are made public after approval in the following meeting: 12:26: 14 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstention

In the next meeting, minutes of previous meeting and this meeting shall be approved (as now decided that they will be made publicly available)

Next meeting in second halve of October.

10 Summary of Resolutions

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11 Action points

- Every owner of public projects shall share a small description (to someone who is not directly from the field) and nice figure explaining the project content within the next 2 weeks
- Corina: Share presentation with PR slogans / benefits for sponsors, so that everyone can add ideas until the next meeting
- Johan: nominate members of VIVA+ subcommittee send per email to Arne. Has to be approved by the committee.
- VIVA+ subcommittee (once officially founded): Initiate discussion on copyright transfer and contributor license agreement.
- Mats: Prepare resolution for next meeting for modifying structure of GM/subcommittees to make sure everyone is presented
- Committee: Look into possibilities for "premium support" and funding possibilities



- Markus/Treasurer: Look into possibilities to open bank account for ovto.Arne: Send out Doodle for next meeting
- Arne: Follow up on terms of Use for openVT platform (meeting with Jimmy)