Meeting OW2 Board meeting - Minutes - Summary

Date Location

5 December, 2017, Online meeting

1. Chairman's Welcome Remarks

Chair thanks board members for attending the meeting. Looking forward to OW2 successful participation in Paris Open Source Summit.

2. Introduction of new board directors

No new board members.

3. Quorum

The OW2 board is comprised of 1 Strategic Members, 5 Corporate Members representatives and 1 Individual members representative. With a total of 7 Board members, 4 members present or represented constitute the quorum.

With 4 members present or represented at this meeting, the quorum is achieved.

Attending (and initials if ever used in the rest of the minutes):

- 1. Orange, Valere Robin (VR)
- 2. Engineering, Danielle Gagliardi (DG)
- 3. UShareSoft, Alban Richard (AL)
- 4. Individual Members, Jean Parpaillon (JPA)

Member of the board without voting right: Cédric Thomas (CT)

Attending at the invitation of the board: Christian Paterson, Orange (CP)

Excused: Fraunhofer FOKUS Absent: XWiki, Poochies

Minutes by CT

4. Agenda Review and Approval of Agenda

• The agenda is reviewed and approved.

5. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting are approved without comments.

6. Membership and Financials

- New software engineer has been recruited.
- Admin. Assistant still on maternity leave until 1 Jan 2018.
- Membership:
 - The payment situation is reviewed, only a couple of dues remain to be settled.
 - New members since last board are reviewed.
 - Members recruitment, a number of potential new members are discussed.
 - New associate organizations: OSI (US), GFOSS (Greece), SADIO (Argentina) and CAdESoL (Argentina)
- The cash situation is reviewed.
- Operating result projections for both 2017 and 2018 are reviewed.
- Discussion: Telcos will ramp up their use of OSS but it will be a different kind of OSS, more focused and with more industry support. The OSS landscape is changing, maybe there will be first-tier and second-tier OSS. There may be a gap between toptier OSS and the rest of OSS. A good example is what the Linux Foundation is doing with its specialized sub-foundations. Do we want to share this discussion with our members and associate organizations. Let's start the discussion on the board mailing list to find the proper wording, then open up the discussion.

7. Technology Update

Main TC discussion at the moment is the GitLab migration. Other discussions are on a) the File Release System and b) whether to commit to use 100% OSS in our infra or not. A key point is that as we migrate to a new forge it should al least offer the same functionalities as the previous one.

8. 2018 Outlook (Events, Collabs)

 OW2 participation in collaborative projects is discussed: CHOReVOLUTION, OCCIware, STAMP and CROSSMINER.

- OW2 opportunity with regard to call all ICT-16 is discussed.
- The event list is reviewed. Board members to discuss events.

9. Other Business

- What is missing is a unified vision on OSS governance, a consensus on OSS advantages, OW2 to provide big companies with governance guidelines and how-tos. Gartner: "OSS is under-managed." MO to work on setting up an "OSS Governance Working Group".
- We should perhaps have a broad workshop on how we project OW2 in 5 years. We must look at blockchain and crypto currencies for exemple.

12. Motions

No motions at this board meeting.

13. Planning of next Board of Directors meetings

- The next meeting of the board should be an in-person meeting
- Next meeting is scheduled on
 - Thursday 22 march
 - Will include the chairperson election

14. Chairman's concluding comments

(not recorded)

15. Adjournment

Meeting is adjourned at 12:02pm CEST.