

Date December 16, 2022 (9:30 AM CET)

Location Online meeting

1. Chairman's Welcome Remarks

Nice to see you, and it is probably my last board? No more candidate for President in 2023...

2. Quorum

The OW2 board is comprised of 1 Strategic Member, 7 Corporate Members representatives and 1 Individual members representative. With a total of 9 Board members, 5 members present or represented constitute the quorum.

With 6 members present or represented at this meeting, the **quorum is achieved**.

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

1. Philippe Bareille, PB (City of Paris)
2. Daniele Gagliardi, DG (Engineering)
3. Clement Oudot, CO (Worteks)
4. Christian Paterson, CP (OpenUp)
5. Konrad Wawruch, KW (7Bulls)
6. Individual Members, Jean Parpaillon, JP

Member of the board without voting right: Pierre-Yves Gibello, PG (OW2 CEO).

Excused: Benoit Mortier (FusionDirectory), Gilles Viton (Orange)

Absent: Yuri Glikman (Franhofer Fokus)

Minutes by PG.

3. Agenda Review and Approval of Agenda

- The agenda is reviewed and approved.
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4. Minutes of the previous meeting

- The minutes of the previous meeting are approved without comments.
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5. MO and TC update

- MO: no specific remark.
 - TC activity too low, no new project in the pipeline (and proposals decrease in the last years).
 - Proposal from MO (PG) to plan more "general" community meetings, for example monthly (as an example, Systematic in Paris organizes animated meetings every month). Daniele agrees that monthly meetings would be fine, and proposes at least to organize a 1st one. He also suggests to elect a TC chairman (mentioned in bylaws, with no election process specified). DG ok to candidate, but is also fine if someone else wants to take the role.
 - JP suggests a dedicated TC session at OW2Con (with physical TC meeting? and/or hands-on tech workshop?)
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6. Membership and financials

- Membership steady:
 - Financial contribution: SMEs = 30%, Large = 44%, Strategic = 26%.
 - Payment status: 98% cashed, 2% remaining (1 small).
 - PG informs the board that Orange decided to pay their full strategic contribution this year, and warmly thanks Orange for their support.
 - Pipe:
 - UGA (Grenoble University, France): embedded OW2 in a proposal for an "AMI" (French subsidy programme) about education to cloud technologies. If successful, it will finance 5 years OW2 membership for UGA. Answer expected 1Q 2023.
 - MAIF met at OSXP Paris in November. CP suggests potential focus on open source + finance with actors like MAIF and BPCE, but CO and PG mention that MAIF is not a finance company (but a mutual insurance, with values that fit digital commons, social economy, then open source).
 - Mercedes Benz: proposal to join as a keynote speaker at OW2Con.
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- Financial update
 - Review of 2022 financial outlook and cash situation analysis: Operating result positive for 2022 (estimate 26 kEUR - less than expected, because Fasten project payment delayed, expected 1Q 23), if we account EU advance on NGI-Search.
Final payments expected very soon for projects Decoder and Fasten (committed by EU).
 - 2023 outlook: with very conservative assumptions (no new membership, no new collab), operational result would be negative (estimate -187kEUR), but OW2 would finish the year, thanks to important costs reduction (435 kEUR expenses expected, versus 577 in 2020 and 647 in 2021).
Note that current membership + sponsoring cover about half of the costs...
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7. Collaborative Projets update

- REACHOUT finished and fully paid. Outcome proposed to EU contest (concerning reuse/exploitation by OW2), 25k grant for the winner, still waiting.
 - DECODER finished, ok for payment (CFS accepted).
 - FASTEN review done in September 2022, no more work for OW2. Expecting payment 1Q 23.
 - Proposal in progress: Provisioner (software supply chain) submitted by Idener (Spain).
 - New NGI search status
 - 1st open call in progress (Dec. 22 / jan. 23). Can bring OW2 new members and/or projects.
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8. Market Readiness Levels (MRL)

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 - 5 kEUR grant for OW2 from DINUM french gov digital agency, to provide access to MRL APIs (instrumenting OSS projects from french administration) + OSS governance counselling. Paid in November (1 year engagement for 2023).
 - Contact with Sofrecom (Orange EMEA subsidiary) interested in using MRL.
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9. Initiatives: GGI, QuickApp

- Good Governance Initiative
 - Lot of traction (people are interested in GGI).
 - MAIF presentation at OSPO OnRamp webinar, involvement of Thales in GGI, both brought by OW2.
 - PB asked by CIGREF (French big companies CIOs) to present GGI, OW2 can participate.
 - Communication task force lead by Catherine Nuel (OW2) + Florent Zara (Eclipse) + Frédéric Aatz (Microsoft).
 - Round tables at OSXP + OpenCIO summit.
 - Paperback version of GGI handbook edited by OW2: after English version, now available in German + French.
 - QuickApp: proposal from CP to sign Associate Organization MOU between W3C and OW2
 - CP reminds that QuickApp implements a W3C standard called MiniApp, that Martin Alvarez from Huawei is the W3C MiniApp spec lead, and also that some QA initiative participants work closely with W3C.
 - First step toward MOU would be to provide a "motivation letter" on OW2/W3C cooperation on MiniApp.
 - CP also highlights that W3C sponsors events related to W3C working groups (recent workshop in Barcelona on MiniApp), and might sponsor an event organized by OW2: can be co-located with OW2Con? Or specific location/date (maybe at Inria, that hosts W3C in France?)
 - First step should be motivation letter + MOU, then event organization.
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10. Events (2022 recap, 2023 outlook)

- PG reminds 2022 was quite a rich year in terms of events (more than 10 in total).
 - Recent events:
 - OSXP Paris (Nov. 8/9) very successful, with 4 round tables and at least one new member to join in 2023.
 - CP states that OSXP does not include enough english-speaking talks or round tables.
 - SFSCon Bolzano: OW2 represented by Italian member Engineering + RIOS Italian open source association.
 - 2023:
 - PG details OW2Con'23 status (June 14/15 at Orange Labs in Paris): focus on Digital commons / sovereignty, CFP now open at <https://www.ow2con.org/view/2023>.
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- OW2 MO ready to organize local OSS event in grenoble (could be merged with FlossCon we sponsored in 2022?): CO interested to participate, proposes to talk to PLOSS Rhone-Alpes (a local OSS association in Lyon) about that.
 - Fosdem: booth request from OW2 rejected, OW2 only represented by member XWiki.
 - Other events opportunities should come from NGI Search collab (and maybe Euclidia).
 - PG suggests that we might participate in events beyond OSS (social economy? sustainable development?). KW suggests Blockchain/Data spaces as possible subjects (lot of OSS projects there, without knowledge on how to leverage that in terms of promotion, and big money as well). And notices that no organization comparable to OW2 exists in the blockchain world.
 - JP notices that having a blockchain association becoming 'associate org' might help.
 - CP eludes remarks about blockchain actors respectability... Not an issue for us, as all OW2 activities are transparent and public (who pays what, does what, governance, etc.).
 - CP mentions StartingBlox as OSS actor in Data Spaces, also involved in W3C ("Solid" spec), with OSS technology. Might also join OW2?
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11. 2023 Election Planning

- February 2023
 - Candidates registration: 2 weeks
 - Campaign: 2 weeks
 - Vote beginning of March
 - Chairperson election: March (2nd week?).
 - General assembly: end of March.
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12. Other Business

- "General interest" fiscal rescript recourse still in progress, PG supposed to be audited by "college", but no news (supposed accepted if no news by March 5, 2023).
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13. Motions

- Proposed by JP: include in OW2 bylaws the fact that directors are volunteers and receive no retribution from OW2 for their work.
 - All board members present vote in favor of it: motion is accepted.
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14. Planning of Next Board of Directors Meetings

- Next meeting
 - PG proposes Friday, March 17: actual date to be shared in due time on Board mailing list.
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15. Chairman's Concluding Comments

- Season's greetings to everyone, very proud and happy of my trip at OW2, and of course I will stay tuned!
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16. Adjournment

- Meeting is adjourned at 12 am CET
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