

QGIS.ORG - Annual 2020

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1.Introduction

This report provides an overview of the main activities carried out through the calendar year of 2020 within the QGIS project.

2.QGIS Releases

During the year of 2020 we released 26 versions of QGIS consisting of 23 bug fix releases and 3 new major and minor releases (see detailed list below).

Event	Latest	Long-Term Repo	Freeze	Date	Week #	Weeks
PR/FF	3.10.2	3.4.15	3.11	2020-01-17	3	5
LR /PR	3.12.0	3.10.3		2020-02-21	8	4
PR	3.12.1	3.10.4		2020-03-20	12	4
PR	3.12.2	3.10.5		2020-04-17	16	4
PR/FF	3.12.3	3.10.6	3.13	2020-05-15	20	5
LR /PR	3.14.0	3.10.7		2020-06-19	25	4
PR	3.14.1	3.10.8		2020-07-19	29	4
PR	3.14.15	3.10.9		2020-08-14	33	4
PR/FF	3.14.16	3.10.10	3.15	2020-09-11	37	6
LTR/PR	3.16.0	3.10.11		2020-10-23	43	4
PR	3.16.1	3.10.12		2020-11-20	47	4
PR	3.16.2	3.10.13		2020-12-21	52	4
PR/FF	3.10.2	3.4.15	3.11	2020-01-17	3	5

Release plans for the year were made publicly available via the QGIS Roadmap Page.

Below are the splash-screens and links to the visual change logs of the releases:





https://qgis.org/en/site/forusers/visualchangelog312/index.html



https://qgis.org/en/site/forusers/visualchangelog314/index.html



https://ggis.org/en/site/forusers/visualchangelog316/index.html

According to a <u>user survey conducted in April 2020</u>, the LTR concept seems to be well accepted: 50% of respondents use 3.10 LTR, 38% use 3.12, and 16% use 3.4 LTR.

In Oktober 2020, we announced that QGIS will drop 32-bit support on Windows after the QGIS 3.16 release when we update our Qt dependencies to Qt 5.15.



3. Community Meetings

The planned community meetings in 's-Hertogenbosch and Nødebo had to be cancelled / postponed due to the Covid19 situation.

To provide another venue for community members to meet virtually, the QGISOpenDay (previously known as QHackFriday) has been introduced. These meetings have no no formal agenda.

Event Page	Venue	Date
December-2020	Jitsi	23.12.2020
November-2020	Jitsi	27.11.2020
October-2020	Jitsi	30.10.2020
September-2020	Jitsi	25.09.2020
August-2020	Jitsi	28.08.2020

4. PSC

The PSC met on a monthly basis throughout the year. Notes from these various meetings were recorded and shared publicly (as per the links below).

- December 2020
- November 2020
- October 2020
- September 2020
- August 2020
- July 2020
- June 2020
- May 2020 part 2
- May 2020
- April 2020
- March 2020 part 2
- March 2020
- February 2020
- January 2020



PSC elections were held als part of the AGM and Marco Bernasocchi was elected project chair:

- https://blog.qgis.org/2020/05/06/qgis-annual-general-meeting-2020/
- https://blog.qgis.org/2020/05/13/greetings-from-your-new-qgis-project-chair/

The PSC and board therefore consisted of:

- Paolo Cavallini (chair until 2020-05)
- Marco Bernasocchi (vice-chair until 2020-06; chair from 2020-05)
- Alessandro Pasotti (vice-chair from 2020-05)
- Andreas Neumann (treasurer)
- Jürgen Fischer
- Anita Graser
- Tim Sutton

The PSC meetings included occasional participation from QGIS community members who had specific issues to raise. We encourage any QGIS member to make use of the opportunity to raise issues for our meeting agendas, or to join the PSC meetings if something needs to be discussed.

5. Votes and elections

The elected members consisted of 28 User Group voting members (https://qgis.org/en/site/forusers/usergroups.html), 28 Community voting representatives and 1 OSGEO voting member.

New users groups of 2020 are:

- QGIS gebruikersgroep (Netherlands)
- Asociación QGIS México
- Komunitas Pengguna QGIS Indonesia
- QGIS Slovensko (Slovakia)
- Grupo de usuarios QGIS Ecuador

We now have two new honourable voting members: Harrissou Sant-anna and Nyall Dawson. (Honourable members are specially designated voting members, whose position does not need to be affiliated with a country user group)

Grant Programme

The QGIS Grant Programme in 2020 resulted in the <u>selection of 10 proposals</u>. Reports from the 2020 winning proposals have been published on the QGIS.ORG blog: https://blog.ggis.org/2021/04/03/reports-from-the-winning-grant-proposals-2020/



6. Financial

The annual financial report for 2020 is provided as a separate PDF document, and will be published after acceptance at

https://qgis.org/en/site/getinvolved/governance/finance/index.html - the accounting was checked by two external auditors. See separate PDF for financial auditing report.

7. Thanks

As you can see from the summary above, 2020 was yet another incredibly busy and productive year for the QGIS project. With major advances in our organisation structure, code base, community and revenue, QGIS continues to grow from strength to strength and we look forward to maintaining the same momentum through 2021. The PSC would like to thank all of the coders, documentation writers, people supporting other users in the community, sponsors, donors, translators, bug reporters, promoters and users that have made QGIS the hugely successful project that it is today.

On behalf of the PSC: Marco Bernasocchi, Alessandro Pasotti, Paolo Cavallini, Andreas Neumann, Jürgen Fischer, Anita Graser, and Tim Sutton.

Best regards,

Marco Bernasocchi

QGIS Project Chair.