

Protocol General Assembly 2023

TYP03 Association



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1 Opening of the General Assembly (GA)

1.1 Welcome

Mathias Bolt Lesniak, member of the Board, welcomed the attendees at the General Assembly 2023. The event took place online and in presence in the office of the TYPO3 GmbH in Düsseldorf, Germany. The assembly started at 13:00 h on 18 April 2023.

69 members registered for the assembly upfront. 55 members attended the GA in person or online which means 55 valid votes.

Note: Not every eligible voter participated in every election. Therefore, there may be discrepancies in the sum of votes cast.

1.2 Attending Board and BCC members

All members of the Board and BCC, except Patrick Gaumont, were present, either online or in person.

2 Election of the person in charge of counting the votes

The General Assembly elected Peter Kraume as the person in charge of counting the votes.

Result: 54 accept, 0 against, 0 abstain.

3 Acceptance of the GA protocol 2022

Mathias Bolt Lesniak asked the attending members if they accept the [protocol of the GA 2022](#).

Result: 39 accept, 0 against, 14 abstain.

4 Annual reports

4.1 Board

Olivier Dobberkau, President of the TYPO3 Association, provided an overview of the Board activities in 2022:

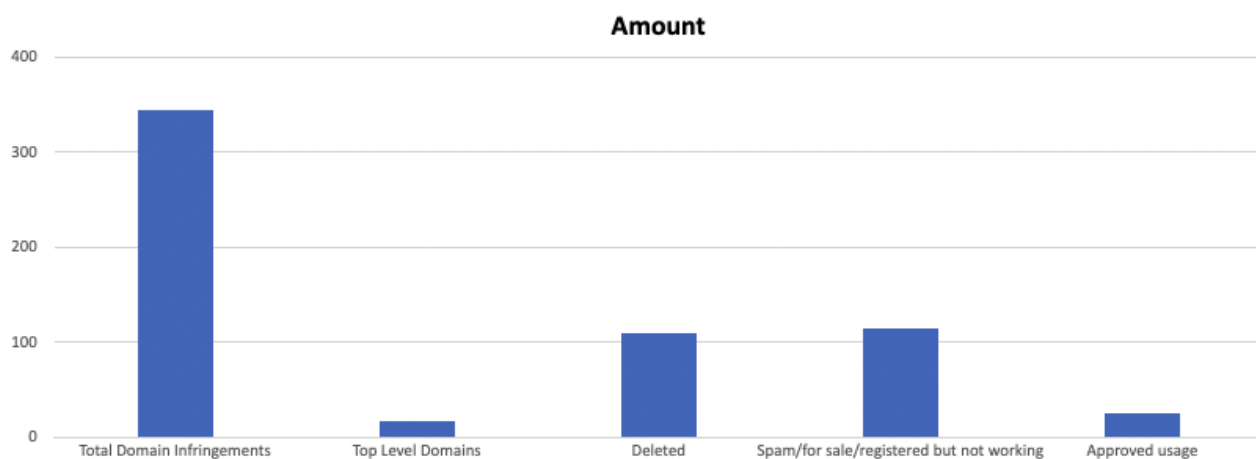
- Regular Board Meetings
 - The TYPO3 Association Board holds regular meetings to discuss the strategic direction of the TYPO3 project and to make important decisions about its operations.
 - These meetings provide a forum for board members to collaborate and share ideas, and to ensure that the interests of the TYPO3 community are represented in all decisions.
 - Thanks to everyone who contributed to the meetings.

- > 25 bi-weekly meetings
- > 4 in-person meetings
- Work on the Overall Strategy
 - The TYPO3 Association Board has been working closely with an organisational consultant to identify areas where action is needed to ensure the continued success and growth of the TYPO3 project.
 - This has included a review of the project's organisational structure, processes, and governance, as well as an analysis of its strengths and weaknesses.
 - Through this collaboration, the TYPO3 Association Board has identified key action points that will help to ensure the continued success and growth of the TYPO3 project.
 - We will inform you on next steps and how to be part of the work.
- Redefinition of the Mission, Vision, and Purpose
 - As part of our efforts to improve the overall strategy of the TYPO3 project, the TYPO3 Association Board has worked to redefine the mission, vision, and purpose of the project.
 - This has involved a thorough review of the project's values and principles, and a renewed focus on the needs and interests of the TYPO3 community.
 - Mission, vision and purpose of the project have been published [here](#).
- Cooperation With the Supervisory Board of the TYPO3 GmbH
 - The TYPO3 Association Board works closely with the Supervisory Board of the TYPO3 GmbH to ensure that the commercial development of TYPO3 aligns with the overall mission, vision, and purpose of the project, and that the interests of the TYPO3 community are protected.
 - This collaboration is essential for the continued success of the TYPO3 project, as it enables a strong partnership between the commercial and community-driven aspects of the project.
- Departure of the CEO of TYPO3 GmbH
 - In November of 2022, the CEO of TYPO3 GmbH left the company.
 - To address this situation, the TYPO3 Association Board quickly put measures in place to ensure the continuity of operations at the company, including the appointment of an interim CEO and a procurator to help manage the search for a new permanent CEO.
 - We would like to thank everyone involved in the process.
 - Thanks to Mathias Schreiber for being part of the creation of the TYPO3 GmbH. We wish him all the best for the future.
- Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic
 - The COVID-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on tech communities around the world, including the TYPO3 community.
 - The pandemic has made it much more difficult to hold in-person meetings and events, which are a crucial part of the operations of many tech communities.
 - Despite these challenges, the TYPO3 community has adapted to the new realities of remote work and virtual meetings, while still maintaining its commitment to the values and principles that have made the TYPO3 project so successful and respected.
 - We are happy that in-person events are returning!

4.1.1 Trademarks

Report by Ric van Westhreenen

- Overview
 - We intensified the control and management on misuse resulting in collecting all mentions, complaints, and findings of misuse.
 - While most of the misuse could be solved without the help of our trademark lawyer, for some cases we needed their assistance
- Some examples
 - TYPO3killer.com: domain misuse and also degrading information about TYPO3. The owner claimed '*... antiquierte Backend sieht. Das uberaus schlechte interface ...*' while promoting Wordpress. Site has been taken down and the domain is deleted.
 - Many of the people receiving our notice are playing the innocent. So far, that they even sometimes only act when we handover the case to our trademark lawyer. '*...I am really upset how you and the association is treating their members and supporters concerning trademark infringements. You behave like a commercial brand, that tries to save market shares and punish competitors that abuse the brand for their interests.*'
 - The owner complied after many discussions and showed proof of deletion of the domain.
- Statistics



- Results
 - In total we worked on 345 domain infringements
 - 110 domains were deleted
 - 115 domains are listed either for sale, or used in spammy sites, or they are simply not working
 - 25 were approved for usage due to community usage
 - 9 TLD domains were transferred to the TYPO3 Association, the rest is either cancelled or pending
 - Due to the enormous amount of spam in the ticket system no clear view on the amount, but once in a while a question for usage arises
- Other activities
 - Trademark registered in India (filed in 2020)
 - Opposition against trademark registration of 'T3 Terminal World's First & Largest Typo3

- Marketplace'
- Watching and taking actions over new registrations on a monthly basis
- Monitoring concerns & questions on a weekly basis via multiple channels

4.2 Annual report by Business Control Committee (BCC)

Report by Ingo Schmitt, Chairman of the BCC

The BCC has reviewed the bookkeeping of the TYPO3 Association from 2022 on an accounting basis. The basis for this was accounting balance sheets for each account and the full access to the digital archive of all invoices. Ambiguous bookings and namings were clarified by the assistant of the cashier.

The communication with the TYPO3 Board is on a stable and good workflow.

The final bookkeeping is in good order, all problems which were found during the reviews have been solved by the TYPO3 Association.

Overall in 2022 the spending has been in line with the granted budgets.

One Remark regarding COVID in 2022: No Travel costs have been included in the budgets for 2022. This will change in 2023 where meetings for the teams will be possible again.

The BCC has reviewed the final report for the bookkeeping for 2021 for the TYPO3 GmbH.

Note: To date the final report of 2022 for the TYPO3 GmbH is not available and therefore not reviewed. We have reviewed the budgets and reports in the reimbursement tool.

Again in 2022 not all budgets have been used according to the granted budgets. We urge all budget owners to give active information to the BCC, if they are doubting that not all granted money can be used during 2023. Then part of the budget can be re-allocated to different projects or even to the next year.

The budget process for 2022 has been started in 2021, all Teams have been granted the budget in time for an early planning process. The poll for the budget ideas has resulted in some interesting ideas. We are currently in the process of sharpening the ideas to have a clear understanding of what should be archived, what should be done and who is responsible. As soon, as this is clear for each idea, we can grant the needed money.

There is also room for more budget ideas which can be granted throughout the year.

Daniel Fau has stepped back on his position in the BCC when he was employed as interim CEO for the TYPO3 GmbH. We like to thank Daniel for his work in the BCC and his positive spirit. We are happy that Daniel is still part of the TYPO3 family.

4.3 Report by the TYPO3 GmbH

Report by Daniel Fau, CEO

- Since 2022 TYPO3 GmbH fully funds core development.
- TYPO3 GmbH now shifts focus to core development.
- TYPO3 Developer Days 2023: 3–5 August 2023, Karlsruhe, Germany
- TYPO3 Conference 2023: 12–13th October, Düsseldorf, Germany
- TYPO3 Awards are back!

4.4 GDPR Report

Report by Karen Falkenberg

Data protection has been based on the GDPR since 2018, which nevertheless means that annual reviews and adjustments must be carried out. For example new requirements, records related to processing activities, processors' contracts and related NDA's. Olivier, Petra, Stefan and I were particularly involved in the data protection work.

- Data protection measurements affect among others 953 members as well as 18261 registered users in typo3.org.
- We have 16 deletion requests from data subjects. There is a fixed process for deletion requests.
- In 5 cases, we were able to clarify their correct identity. These accounts were deleted or marked for deletion according to GDPR.
- By changing the settings, users can now delete themselves in my.typo3.org. In 2022 10 users selected this delete operation.

The focus of data protection work in 2022 was on data protection training for the Board and for team members. In addition, processes involving data processing in third countries were evaluated.

No data breach and no IT-Security incident has been committed.

In the last year, no further direct on-site inspection has taken place by the official supervisory authority and also no questionnaire on the use of tracking tools and other analysis tools has been delivered, which would have led to further actions.

The "Office Hours" will be maintained. These hours as well as the online training are on the website. Looking ahead to the year 2023

- A new data protection law will come into force in Switzerland on September 1, 2023
- Total revision is to raise Swiss data protection law (DPA) to the level of the EU
- The new Data Protection Act (nDPA) brings new regulations that must be incorporated into Association data protection by then.

5 Annual balance sheet and report by the cashier

Stefan Busemann, Treasurer of the TYPO3 Association, went through the annual report and balance sheet and explained the numbers. You can download the report from the GA 2023 page:

<https://typo3.org/project/association/structure/general-assembly/2022/>

Main facts:

- Total assets on 2022-12-31 was 1.4 M EUR
- Total equity on 2022-12-31 was 1.1 M EUR
- Total revenue 2022 was 643k
- Net income 2022 was 170k EUR
- BDO audited the accounting and closing of books

The full report can be requested by members via email to stefan.busemann@typo3.org. It will not be published publicly due to fraud attempts.

6 Disencumbering of members of the board, cashier, accountants and commissions

- The members of the board were discharged with 49 yes votes and 5 abstains by the members.
- The members of the BCC were discharged with 47 yes votes and 7 abstains by the members
- The cashier was discharged with 52 yes votes, and 3 abstains by the members.
- The accountant was discharged with 45 yes votes and 8 abstains by the members.

7 Budget for the running year

The budget of the TYPO3 Association is created yearly. During this process, the budget ideas are presented and discussed publicly. After this phase, the members of the TYPO3 Association are asked for their opinion in a poll.

The Budget 2023 covers 750.000,00 €

- 182.000 € are planned for administration and community teams
- 79.440 € are planned for infrastructure
- 86.000 € are planned for product development
- 299.640 will be invested into innovation, events and education
- The TYPO3 company will fund the Core Development and Marketing with more than 500.000 €

102.970 € are still open for “budget ideas” from the community.

The full budget can be found at <https://typo3.org/project/association/funding-finances/budget-2023>

8 Determination of admission fees and annual dues for all types of members

- Membership Management was handed over to the TYPO3 GmbH
- The number of members continued to increase
 - End-of-year 2021: 887 members
 - End-of-year 2022: 953 members
- Due to the change in ELTS plans, we expect a considerable increase in memberships during 2023.

9 Elections

9.1 Board Election

The TYP03 Association Board election, that took place between March 28 and April 10 2023, has given the following results:

Name	Votes
Moog, Susanne	247
Dobberkau, Olivier	222
Motylewski, Tymoteusz	161
Maroschik, Thomas	160

Those nominees are elected now until the GA 2025. All nominees have accepted their election.

Hasenau, Petra	158
Qayyum, Mohsin	49
Hezel, Thomas	47

We like to thank all nominees for their willingness to contribute to the project!

The General Assembly approves the online voting with 52 yes votes, 1 abstain.

9.2 BCC Election

Two of the four positions in the BCC are elected alternating each year. The online voting took place between March 28 and April 10 2023.

Name	Votes
Lenssen, Edward	265
Perle, Oliver	205

Those nominees are elected now until the GA 2025. All nominees have accepted their election.

The General Assembly approves the online voting with 52 yes votes, 2 abstain.

10 Petitions

None this year.

11 Change of legal location of the TYP03 Association

- The legal registered office was with a fiduciary based in Baar, Switzerland.

- This fiduciary went out of business in 2021, leaving the Association with no legal registered address.
- The General Assembly 2022 decided to move the registered office to TREA Services in Sissach, Switzerland.
- The change was not effectuated due to issues with the canton's trade register.
- The situation remains unchanged, and the Board is working on finding a new domicile.
- Until further notice, the Association's address will remain in Baar, Switzerland.

12 Program of activities

Highlights:

- **Academic Committee**
 - Online University Day hosted by Uni Witten/Herdecke September 14-15, 2022
 - 2023: New event T3AC Happy Hour – every other month – One hour talk about one specific topic
 - Next University Day: September 19-20, 2023 at Hochschule Darmstadt
- **Community Expansion Committee**
 - Conversations with relevant governmental institutions
 - Direct Engagement with Tech Communities, Web Agencies, and IT Industry Associations
 - With help from GIZ, TYPO3 and the TYPO3 Association have been included in the GovStack Initiative
- **Core Team**
 - Major focus on Core Development on TYPO3 v12 with the Long-Term-Support release in April 2023
- **Demo Project Team**
 - Development of new features such as a search function and best practices example for backend previews
 - Demo Project is now feature complete
 - The official team is disbanded, but will continue with bug fixing and updates
- **Documentation Team**
 - Documenting TYPO3 version 12 began
 - Integrate Extbase Documentation into TYPO3 Explained
 - Refactoring the Core References
- **Education Committee**
 - Update of the certification questions to 11 LTS
 - On-premise certifications went digital
 - Certification handling (listing on typo3.com and paper certificates) now works like a charm
- **Event Team**
 - No particular project organised due to the Covid-19 aftermath
 - Offer for assistance to event organisers, e.g. TYPO3 camps
 - No requests for assistance were made in 2022
- **UX Team**
 - Foundation of the UX Team in April 2022
 - Priority tasks are to build a TYPO3 UX strategy and a good workflow between UX and Core team
 - TYPO3 UX maturity is constantly improving. The Core Team made a lot of UX improvements for TYPO3 v12 and the team is happy and thankful for their amazing UX involvement!

- **Best Practices Team**
 - Preparations for the establishment of the team in 2023
 - Oliver Klee provided several talks at TYPO3 Dev Days.
 - EXT:tea became compatible with v12
- **Team Motivation Team**
 - Creation of 31 internal quests and achievements that organise and track the work the team does, using a beautiful Miro board and Google Docs.
 - 2 sessions at camps and conferences where the team and plans were presented
 - Start of a knowledge base about motivation and gamification
- **Ombudsperson Group**
 - TYPO3 Code of Conduct was approved by a community vote
 - Code of Conduct is now available in 16 languages!
 - Incident response team was active at the Developer Days
- **Localization Team**
 - The team was revitalised
 - Preparation of the shutdown of the outdated Pootle-based translation infrastructure
- **Marketing Team**
 - Release Communication & Storyline for v12 LTS
 - Execution of high-level marketing goals, such as “Increasing Product Adoption and Brand Awareness in New Markets”
 - Start of the typo3.org relaunch project
- **Security Team**
 - Handled and coordinated 17 core security vulnerabilities and 18 extension security vulnerabilities; 16 bug bounty rewards were granted
 - Started and funded external bug bounty program at huntr.dev
 - Actively developed new features “configurable password policies” and “content security policy handling” for TYPO3 v12
 - Worked on 84 incoming reports in the ticket system
- **Server Team**
 - Completed migration to a container-based infrastructure
 - Streamlined internal processes to update our software stack
 - Implemented workflow to remove users within all applications in a GDPR-compatible way
- **typo3.org Team**
 - Upgrade typo3.org to TYPO3 v11
 - Move frontend login to keycloak and OAuth2
 - Integration of Verified Extensions into the TYPO3 Extension Repository
- **TYP03 Content Types Team**
 - The team was founded out of the Structured Content Initiative
 - Introduction of the Content Blocks as a patch for TYPO3 v12
 - Improve separation of Fluid Styled Content from core components

Detailed reports from committees and teams can be found on the website of the General Assembly: <https://typo3.org/project/association/structure/general-assembly/2023>

Find news and updates about the team activities throughout the year on typo3.org

~70 news articles were published on typo3.org and the monthly member newsletter during 2022.

13 Changes to the bylaws

No changes this year.

14 Appointment of Honorary Members

No appointments this year.

15 Complaints about administrative bodies, decisions on dismissing members of the board, or any ordinary member, or any application for membership

No complaints.

16 Various other topics, not assigned to another body

None this year.

17 Goodbye

The next GA is planned to take place in April 2024 in Düsseldorf.

Mathias Bolt Lesniak thanks for the various inputs from the members and closes the GA 2023 at 14:57.

June 2nd 2023

Peter Kraume

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