

Operations DC 2022 Quarter 4 Report
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My third quarter as Operations DC includes restructuring and new services. The most time consuming part of this quarter was the communication with JXT and preparation for the new Website template.

The most recognised change was our switch from Glip to Mattermost, this needed some preparation and combined effort by many people. I want to name two of them, as already mentioned in the last Quarter Report, Luca Marzo for making the partner arrangement with Mattermost and Roland Dalmulder for helping with the integration of the identity portal. This allows us to have a single login for some Joomla! services and the new Mattermost instance. Not everything went well on the migration, some things were uncoordinated, other things were not correctly configured, some communication was not as good as it should have been. But in the end I'm very happy with the outcome of the migration. From my point of view Mattermost fits perfectly for the Joomla community.

Another new service is our own Mastodon instance at <https://social.joomla.org> with the postfix @joom.la. It needed some time till it worked as expected (not exactly as planned... missing SAML integration) but we can now provide everyone in the Joomla universe a mastodon account for free.

I started a census of all members available and helping in operations and in which teams we have enough active members and where we need help.

The outcome of this census was a bigger restructuring. We disbanded the "Volunteers Team" and the "Showcase Team" and moved their duties into the "Community Site Team". This team has been promoted from a working group to an official Team. Additionally the webmaster working group also got merged into this team. This restructure allows us to focus on doing our chores instead of doing meetings. Beside the "operational team" restructuring we decided to disband the "Privacy Compliance Team" and moved the remaining duties to the board.

One point still bagging me is that we don't have enough volunteers for the Service Providers portal. Pascal Geiger did a great job on handling the "Service Provider" tasks but sadly personal health issues doesn't allow him to further volunteer. I was able to acquire Florian Bauer as a replacement but that's not enough so if you like to help please contact me.

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