

# President's Quarterly Report

Q1: January 1 – March 31, 2023

**Current president:** Robert Deutz (*January 1 – March 23, 2023*),  
Crystal Dionysopoulos (*March 23 – 31, 2023*)

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The beginning of 2023 was a whirlwind of activity, with progress made in our current legal cases as well as the Open Source Matters elections for President, Secretary, and Production Department Coordinator.

## All Together Now

The [Joomla Community Magazine](#) has always been a valuable resource for anyone interested in Joomla, with a plethora of content that you can lose yourself in. This quarter I want to recognize Joomlaer [Anja de Crom](#) for how much time and effort she puts into the magazine as the team lead.

It's well-known that if you share something interesting or notable in [Mattermost](#), it won't be long until Anja asks if you'd like to submit an article about it. 😊 Her efforts are worth it—every month we see an interesting and diverse collection of articles from across the community.

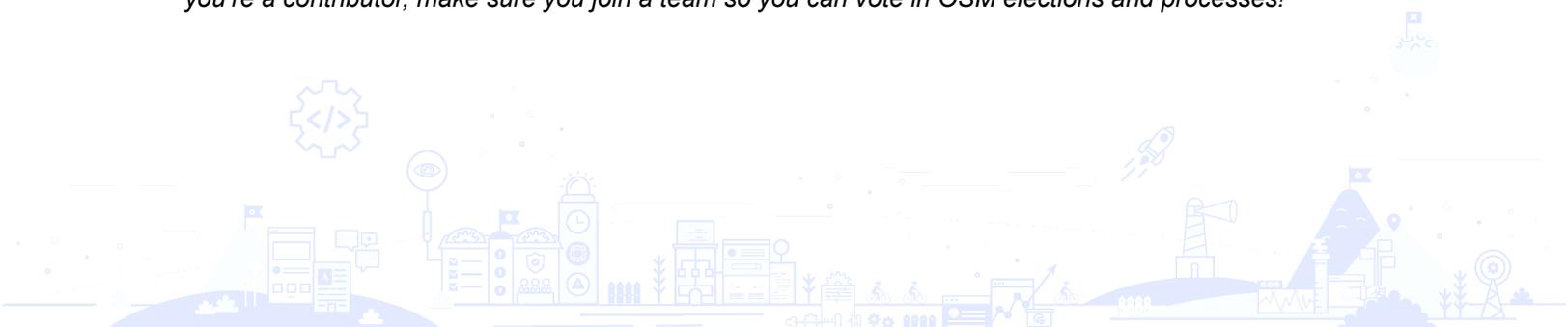
Thank you, Anja, for truly embodying the spirit of *All Together Now* and for being such a positive influence and leader in the community!

## Current Member Statistics

(as of April 1, 2023)

Current Member Count		
Class 1	7	(Department Coordinators and Board Officers)
Class 2	20	(Elected Leaders of Official Teams, excluding class 1)
Class 3	58	(Members of Official Teams, excluding classes 1 & 2)
<b>Total</b>	<b>85</b>	

*Please note this does not include unofficial participants or contributors who have not joined a team. If you're a contributor, make sure you join a team so you can vote in OSM elections and processes!*



## Successes

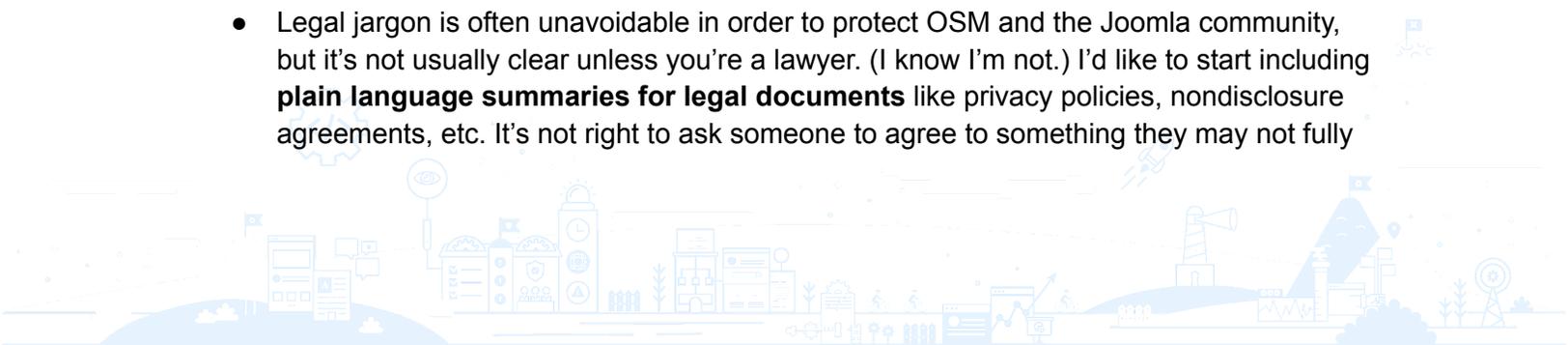
- We are excited to be partnering with [Holopin](#) so that our community can showcase their Joomla achievements and contributions. What kind of badges would you like to see? Let us know!
- Robert Deutz, Crystal Dionysopoulos, Sigrid Gramlinger, and Jules Weigel attended [FOSS Backstage](#) in March. Crystal and Sigrid also [presented](#). We came away absolutely full of ideas, and were excited to make new connections with other open source projects and contributors. It was heartening to hear that our challenges as a project have been overcome by other open source projects; we can take inspiration from their successes and grow and improve, too. [Explore the session recordings](#) and you'll see what we mean!
- Joomla participated in the [Cloudfest hackathon](#), with the outcome of multidomain/multisite brainstorming for Joomla! Many volunteers showed up to contribute and they were able to identify and define some of the technical challenges such a feature would present.
- Both ongoing legal cases are now settled and closed.

## Challenges

- The Production Department Coordinator position is up for election. Benjamin Trenkle, the current DC, has opted not to run again. However, **we have not received any manifestos** from people interested in taking his place. We know that you'll have big shoes to fill—Benjamin has done a wonderful job!—but if you are willing to stand up and lead the Production Department, [submit your manifesto here](#).
- Joomla applied to participate in the 2023 Google Summer of Code, but unfortunately, we were not selected. It's disappointing, but it happens! We will try again next year. In the meantime, those interested in contributing are encouraged to join [Mattermost](#); there is always something to be done, GSoC or no GSoC.

## Looking Ahead

- We know that sometimes it feels like OSM is removed from the day-to-day life of contributing to Joomla. That's fair; we want to do better. One focus as President in Q1 2023 is **adapting our processes to be more collaborative**, from reforming a diverse advisory board, to involving the community in decisions that affect all of us, and more. Your thoughts, opinions, visions, and contributions matter.
- Legal jargon is often unavoidable in order to protect OSM and the Joomla community, but it's not usually clear unless you're a lawyer. (I know I'm not.) I'd like to start including **plain language summaries for legal documents** like privacy policies, nondisclosure agreements, etc. It's not right to ask someone to agree to something they may not fully



understand; we owe it to our community to make sure legal documents are as accessible and understandable as possible.

- The board is committed to **attending & participating more in events** (Joomla and non-Joomla) around the world. This will help raise awareness that Joomla is still an active and engaged community. To kick this off, several board members will be participating in a [virtual panel discussion](#) at Joomla Day USA in April.

## Final Thoughts

Thank you, Robert!

A special shoutout to Robert Deutz for his hard work as President of Open Source Matters. He put in a **lot** of work to provide a “clean desk” for the incoming president and provide a seamless handoff. Robert, your efforts and work are very much appreciated. Thank you so much for your time serving the OSM Board and the Joomla community!

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With gratitude,

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**Crystal Dionysopoulos**  
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