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# gvSIG Association:
# promoting an open source business model

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# Agenda

- **gvSIG Project Origin**
- gvSIG Project Vision
- gvSIG Project Community
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- gvSIG Association's Regulation
- gvSIG Association's Organization
- Conclusion

# gvSIG Project Origin

- 2004: “Regional Ministry of Infrastructures and Transport of the Generalitat Valenciana”
- Part of the project: “Full open source Information System migration”
- Local project: to resolve the GIS/CAD needs of the users
- gvSIG Desktop and gvSIG Mobile
- GPL/GNU license

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# Project Vision

- To get a whole vision:
  - What does it mean FOSS?
  - What to do to get a sustainable project?
  - How to build a solid community around it?
- Situation of the FOSS4G in 2004
- The FOSS philosophy was adapted beyond the technical aspects, into the economic and political aspects

# Project Vision

- Collaboration,democratic and solidarity values
- The FOSS should not be just to share source code
- The gvSIG team started to work...
  - **… to convert acquired knowledge into sharing knowledge**
  - **… under the principle: "giving 100, asking for 10"**
  - **… to set up the means to avoid that sharing knowledge will not be closed again (GNU/GPL)**

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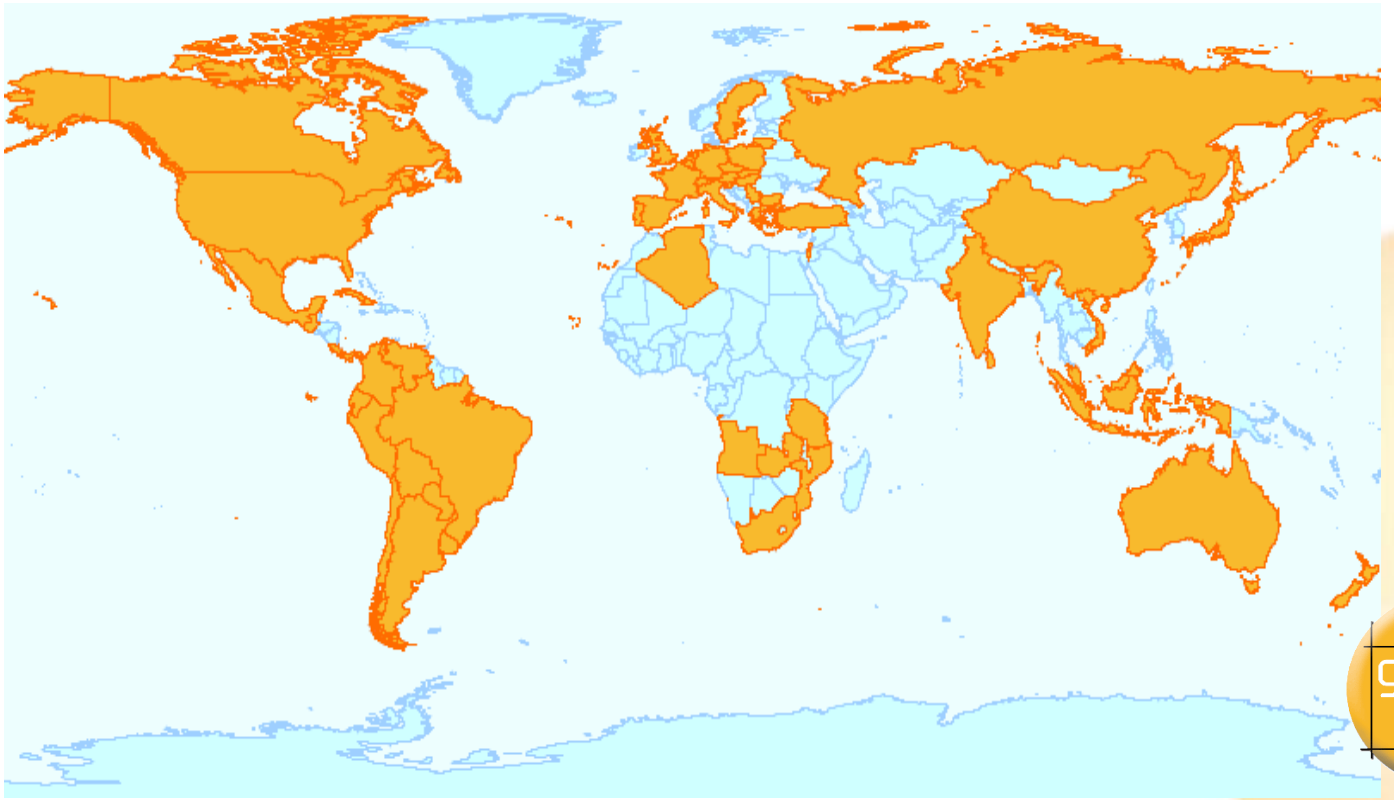
# gvSIG Community

- Countries with downloads: ~70
- Translated into 20 languages



# gvSIG Community

- **International mailing list: ~ 700 users**

  http://listserv.gva.es/cgi-bin/mailman/listinfo/gvsig_internacional

- **gvSIG is in OSOR.eu: (contributors and collaborators)**

  http://forge.osor.eu/projects/gvsig-desktop/

- **Official Events:**

  http://www.gvsig.org/web/home/community/events

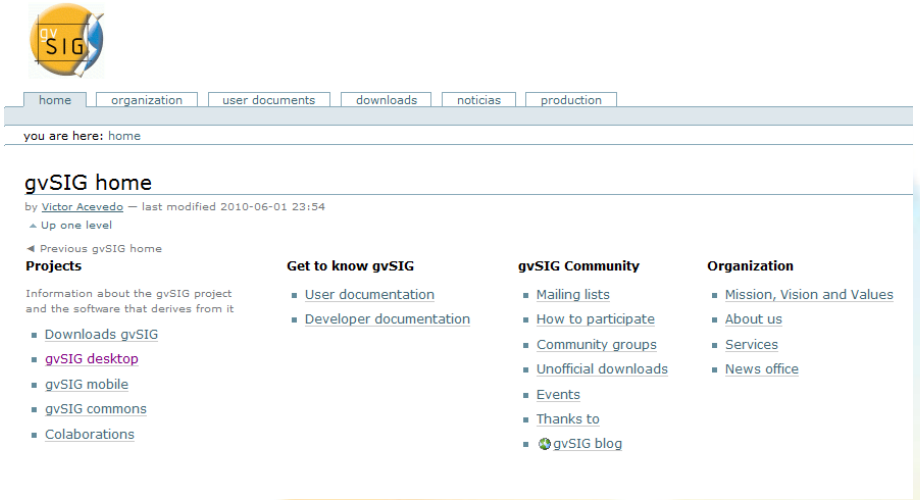
- **gvSIG conferences:**
  - Valencia, Trieste, Munich, Argentina..etc.

# gvSIG Community

- **2008: Infrastructure for its management**

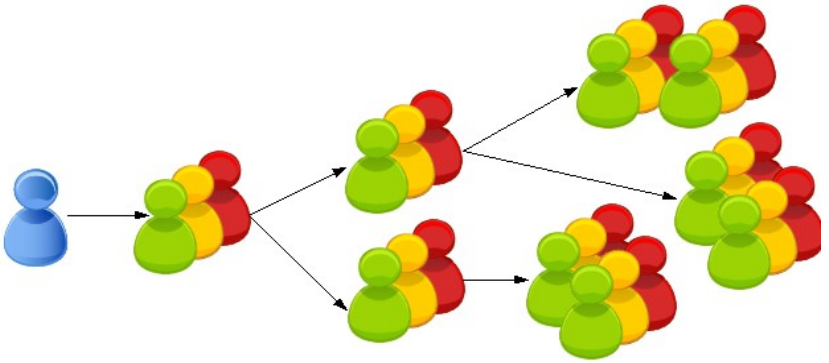
  **www.gvsig.org**

- **Support to:**
  - **Translations**
  - **Collaborative testing**
  - **Documentation**
  - **Projects Catalog**



# gvSIG Community

- **How to participate in the community?**



http://www.gvsig.org/web/community/participate/repository/manual_repo-en/view?set_language=en.

# gvSIG Community

- **The growth of gvSIG**
  - More **transversal activities** to guarantee its quality were a need:
    - Software Architecture
    - Internationalization
    - Testing
    - Developments coordination
    - Project diffusion
    - Community management
    - Link to other FOSS projects.....
  - Growth in business around gvSIG

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# gvSIG Association

- It was a need to create and ensure a professional structure: sustainability of the gvSIG project
- Which model could be used?
- If collaborative model is more efficient in the process of software development, why do not use the same model to the business process?
- In 2009 gvSIG Association was born:

**www.gvsig.com**

# gvSIG Association

- Open international non-profit organization for the promotion of FOSS4G and the gvSIG development, to develop a business model based on :
  - Democratic, collaboration and solidarity values of FOSS
  - Shared knowledge as a model of development
  - No monopoly practices: Focus on SME's
  - Part of the benefits generated will be returned to the gvSIG project

# gvSIG Association

- **Goals:**
  - To contribute to the development of a competitive industrial fabric: technological independence
  - Common space to enhancement the synergy between SME's, Universities and the Public Administration
  - To guarantee the sustainability of the gvSIG project and the promotion of the FOSS4G, offering professional services around it:
    - Consultancy and development of solutions
    - Training
    - Support

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# gvSIG Association's Regulation

- **ASSOCIATED COMPANIES: SME's**

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| Creación de Tecnologías de Información y Valor creativa Consultores | **CREATIVA** (Creación de Técnicas de Información y Valor Creativa, C.A.).<br>Coordenadas: Coro, Estado Falcón (Venezuela)<br>Web: http://www.creativa-consultores.com/ |
| IVER TECNOLOGIAS | **IVER Tecnologías de la Información, S.A.**<br>Coordenadas: Valencia (España)<br>Web: http://www.iver.es/ |
| prodevelop Integración de tecnologías | **PRODEVELOP, S.L.**<br>Coordenadas: Valencia (España)<br>Web: http://www.prodevelop.es/ |
| Software Colaborativo | **SOFTWARE COLABORATIVO.**<br>Coordenadas: Valencia (España)<br>Web: http://www.scolab.es/ |

- **COLLABORATOR MEMBERS**
- **HONOUR MEMBERS**
  - Universities
  - Public Administrations
  - R&D Centers

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|---|---|
| CSGIS | **CSGIS**<br>Coordinates: München (Germany)<br>Web: http://www.csgis.de/ |
| DIELMO | **DIELMO 3D, S.L.**<br>Coordinates: Xirivella, Valencia (Spain)<br>Web: http://www.dielmo.com/ |
| DISID TECHNOLOGIES | **DISID Technologies S.L.**<br>Coordinates: Valencia (Spain)<br>Web: http://www.disid.com/ |
| enosat | **ENOSAT**<br>Coordinates: La Rioja (Spain)<br>Web: http://www.enosat.com/ |
| enxenio enxeñaría informática para organizacións | **ENXENIO S.L.**<br>Coordinates: A Coruña (Spain)<br>Web: http://www.enxenio.es/ |
| | **Geoopensource**<br>Coordinates: Buenos Aires (Argentina)<br>Web: |
| giservices.eu | **GISERVICES.EU S.C.**<br>Coordinates: A Coruña (Spain)<br>Web: http://giservices.eu/ |
| M▶▶ Model Driven Development | **Model Driven Development S.L.**<br>Coordinates: Valencia (Spain)<br>Web: http://www.modelid.net/ |
| OpenGEO | **OpenGEO**<br>Coordinates: Rio de Janeiro (Brasil)<br>Web: http://www.opengeo.com.br/ |
| SIGAMAP Geosistemas S.L.U. | **SIGAMAP Geosistemas S.L.U.**<br>Coordinates: Santa Cruz de Tenerife (Spain)<br>Web: http://www.sigamap-geosistemas.com |
| sopde.es Sociedad de Planificación y Desarrollo | **SOPDE S.A.**<br>Coordinates: Málaga (Spain)<br>Web: http://www.sopde.es/ |

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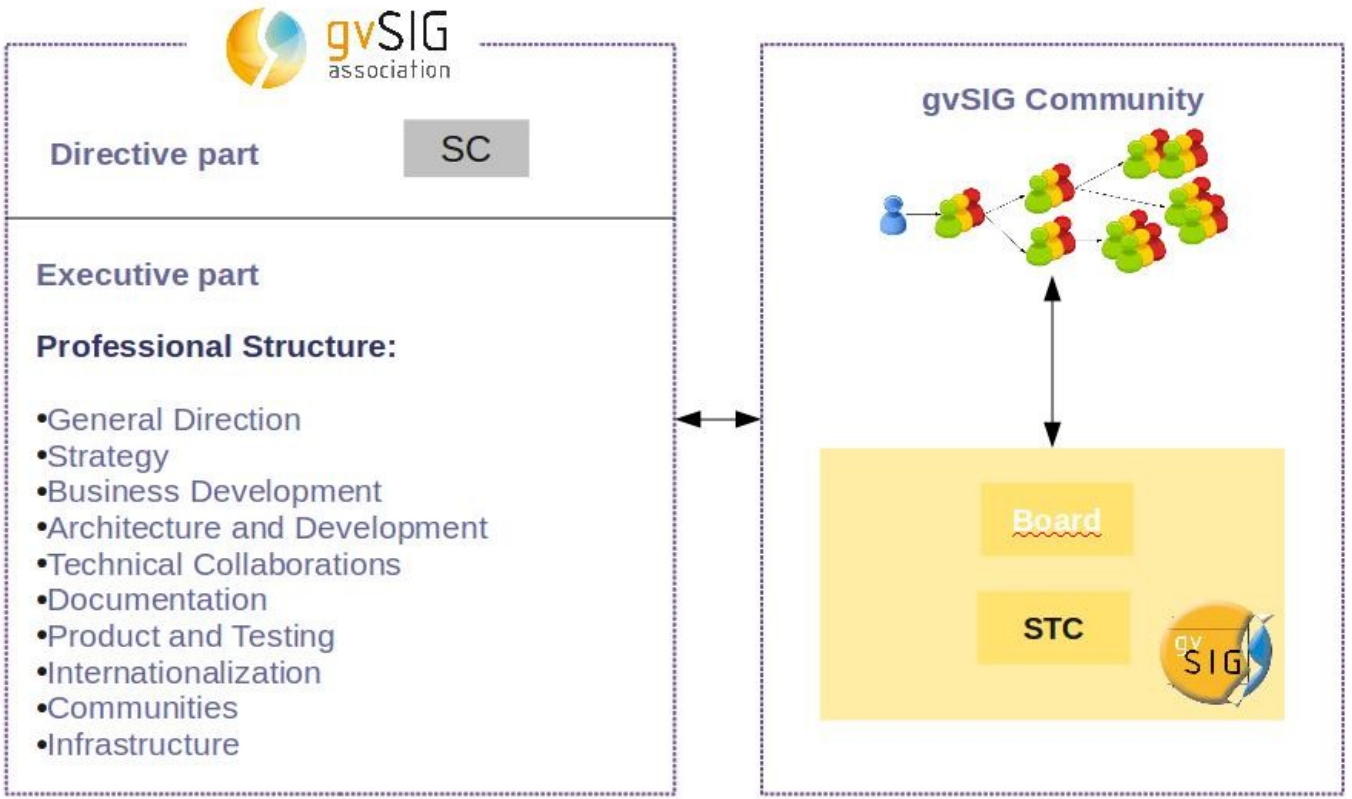


**SC:** Steering Committee
**STC:** Steering Technical Committee

http://www.gvsig.org/web/organization/about-us/professional-structure/

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# Conclusion

- The gvSIG Association promotes an economic model to produce more and better based on collaboration, solidarity and democratic values

- Part of the benefits generated will be returned to the gvSIG Association, thus to the gvSIG project , ensuring its sustainability

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## Thank you for your attention!

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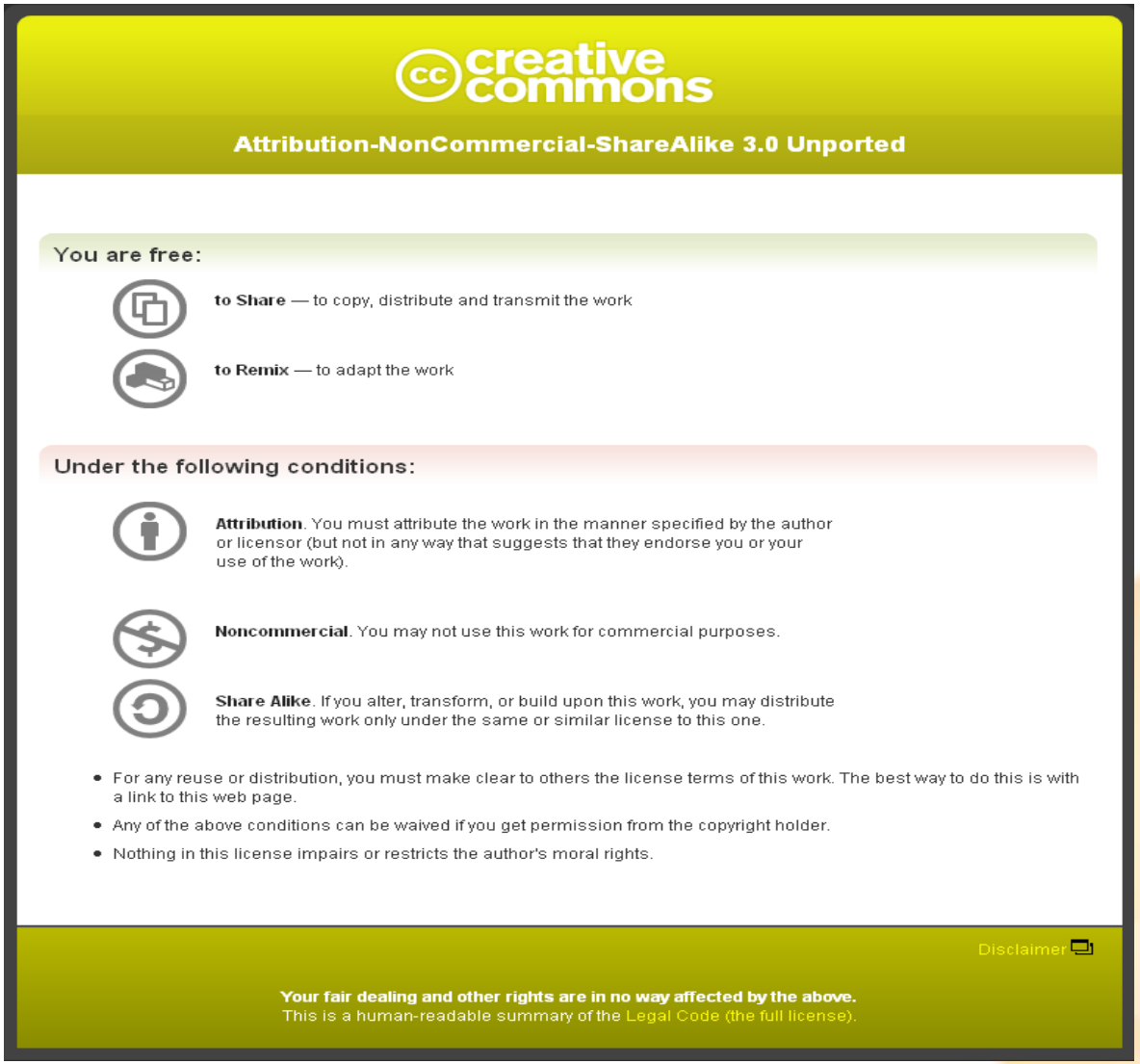

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