

2014 Fedora Leadership Group Election

The 2014 Fedora Leadership Election has concluded.

As of October 28, 2014 Fedora is officially launching the nominations phase of our Leadership Group elections.

New Project Governance

As you may be aware, each DuraSpace project is transitioning to a new governance model. This representative, community-based model includes several governing groups with various levels of responsibility (identifying project strategic direction, setting project roadmap, establishing project budget, etc.). Eligibility to serve in project governance is determined by participation in the DuraSpace Membership Program, incrementally enabling member organizations who have made the greatest commitments (financial or in-kind staff commitments) to the project. **It is NOT TOO LATE to become a Member and participate in the Fedora project governance!** For more information on how to become a Member visit http://duraspace.org/about_membership. And for more information about the new governing groups, please visit <http://fedorarepository.org/fedora-governance>.

Leadership Group

Individuals sitting on the Leadership Group play a key role in setting the strategic direction and priorities of the project through:

- Approval of the annual budget allocation
- Approval of the project roadmap
- Establishment of the community direction

The Leadership Group will be comprised of individuals from organizations that have contributed \$20,000 or more annually to the project, and representatives from institutions contributing in-kind resources at approved levels. Institutions that contributed at lower membership levels will also be given an opportunity to serve on a Leadership Group too, through annual elections based on policies that are customized by each project. **This election process is where everyone in the community (both from member organizations and non-member organizations) can have a voice** -- by nominating candidates for the Leadership Group from the pool of eligible member organizations.

Leadership Group Nominations

Beginning today, we invite anyone in the Fedora community, member or non-member, to nominate an individual who you believe would be a good representative of the community. All nominees must be from Fedora member organization that qualify for elections (see full list here http://bit.ly/fedora_members). Typically, Leadership Group candidates have fiscal or staffing responsibility within their organization and are able to allocate resources. And of course, they will, in your judgment, be able to bring the commitment, creativity, and dedication that the role calls for. Self-nominations are welcome and you may submit more than one nomination. **Please submit your nomination/s using this form <http://bit.ly/LGnomination> by November 7.**

Next Steps

At the end of the nomination process anyone nominated will be asked for a brief personal statement, which can either be emailed to [David Wilcox](#) or posted directly to the [DuraSpace wiki](#). Voting will be based on membership levels and will take place before the end of November, with each member organization's Community Liaison casting a vote for candidates based on the direction of their management. We will send additional instructions at the start of the election period later in November.

If you have any questions about the new Fedora project governance or the nomination and election process please contact [David Wilcox](#).