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# Running NGOs with Free Software

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## Why, in the First Place?

- Independence
  - ▼ from governments, regulations, contracts, companies
- Freedom
  - to run for any purpose
  - ▼ to study & adapt
  - to share
- Commons
  - contribute to the Commons live your charitable purpose!

Case studies: TDF



## **Example: The Document Foundation**

- German Stiftung
- Established Feb 17th, 2012
- ¬ ~140 members with voting rights
- >1000 contributors world-wide
- Annual budget: ~60k €

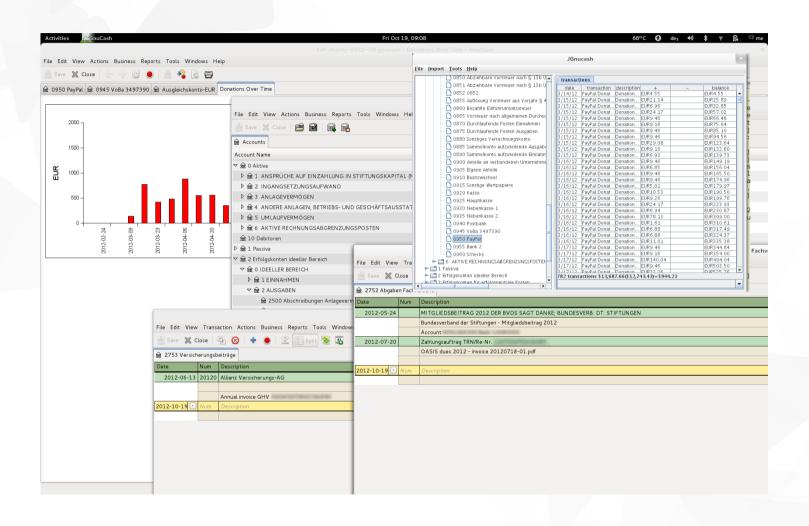


### The Document Foundation

- Thorsten Behrens
  - using Free software since 1995
  - hacking on OpenOffice/LibreOffice since 2001
  - Board member of the TDF, TDF treasurer
  - ▼ FSFE fellow



## **TDF** accounting





Case studies: FSFE



## Example: FSFE e.V.

- German charitable association
- Established 2001
- Umbrella organisation for Europe-wide chapters
- Annual budget: ~250k €

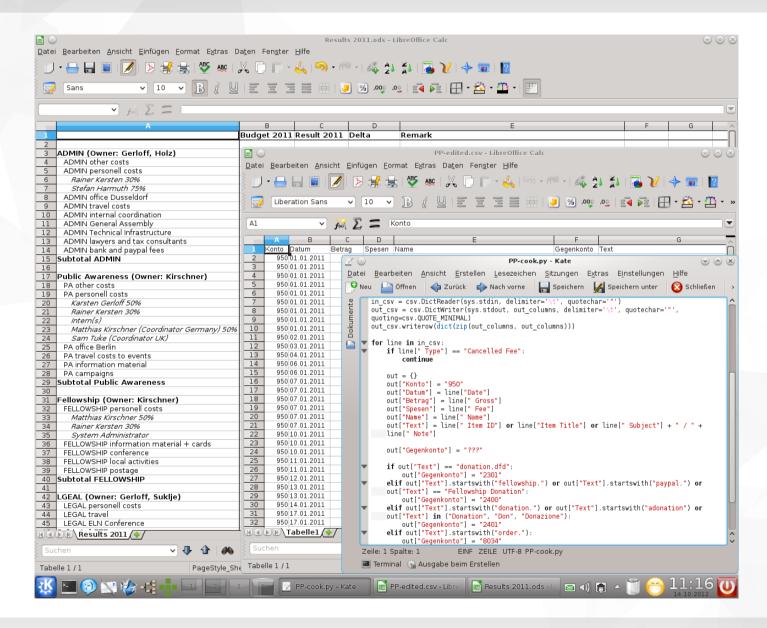


#### FSFE e.V.

- Reinhard Müller
  - working as a software engineer since 20 years (mostly business administration applications), 12 years selfemployed
  - member of FSFE since 2004, since 2007 doing accounting & financial planning
  - maintainer of gnu enterprise (GNUe) framework for enterprise IT professionals, and an ERP system



## **FSFE** accounting





Case studies: FoeBuD



## Example: FoeBuD e.V.

- German charitable association
- Established in 1987
- Privacy & digital rights organisation

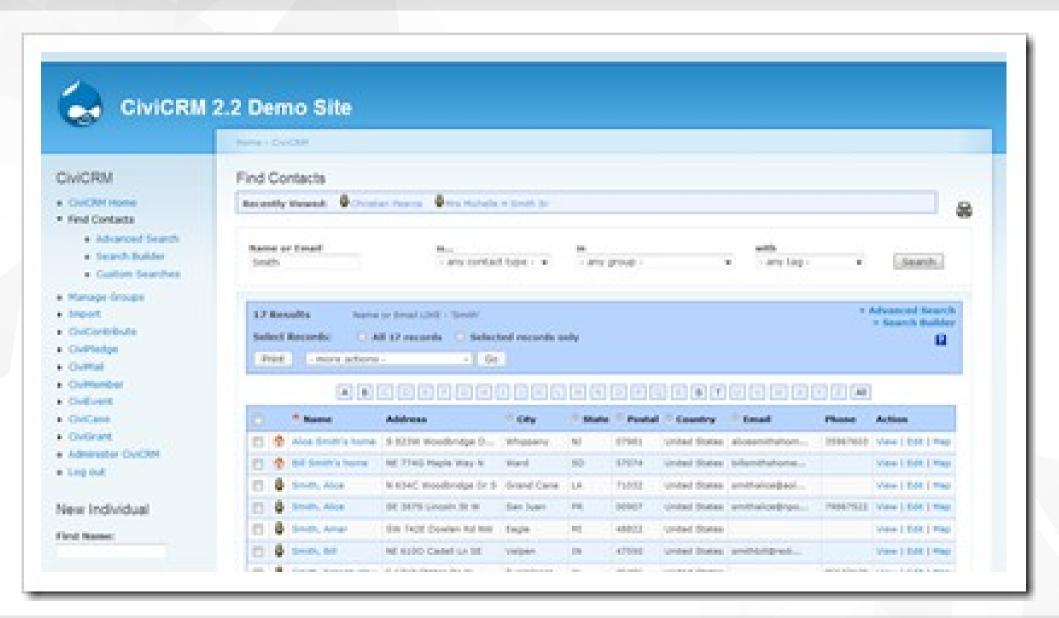


#### FoeBuD e.V.

- Olaf Buddenhagen
  - studied technical computer science, a hacker since ages
  - using free software exclusively since early 2000, FSFEfellow
  - working on CiviCRM for FoeBuD e.V. since earlier this year, to clean up, improve and prepare for publicizing the local CiviCRM instance - which should be quite useful for other German NGOs
  - soon to transfer to the new association "Software für Engagierte" (Software for the committed) - a joint-venture of a bunch of CiviCRM users, dedicated to extend CiviCRM towards the needs of German NGOs



#### FoeBuD: CiviCRM







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Thank you for your attention – and now your questions!

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