Protocol of the 15th General Meeting (2026 Annual General Meeting)

Date: 30.03.2026
Time: 19:15-20:30
Place: Liip AG, Limmatstrasse 183, Zürich

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1. Welcome

Welcome remarks by Co-CEOs Verena Kontschieder and Anna Sigrist, and President Andreas Kellerhals.

2. Report from the Board of Directors and Management

The President looks back on an eventful year. He mentions the many changes and the team's efforts despite the uncertain situation.

Verena Kontschieder and Anna Sigrist outline the highlights of 2025. These include, for example, the implementation of Round 4 of the Prototype Fund, the launch of Open Parl Data, courses on OGD (HEC Lausanne and Data Stewardship Intensive Course), the presence and visibility of Opendata.ch at various relevant events, securing sustainable funding for Mercator in preparation for 2026 to 2030, as well as the relaunch of the GLAM working group and the establishment of a new team. This includes the new leadership team led by Verena and Anna, who also initiated a new strategic planning process.

Looking ahead to the coming year, there are important events where our presence can yield significant benefits, such as the World Economic Forum/World Computer Day and the India AI Impact Summit. In addition, there are various projects, including the Prototype Fund Proof of Concept, the GLAMhack, and collaboration on a project with the Federal Statistical Office.

Additionally, the audience was encouraged to offer support, particularly regarding visibility on social media and as speakers.

Presentation and discussion; agenda item without a vote.

3. Approval of the 2025 Financial Statements (Income Statement, Balance Sheet)

Mario Cacciatore and Andreas Kellerhals present the financial statements.

The report and recommendation from the auditor, Wobmann Treuhand AG, are not yet available. Since Opendata.ch is under no obligation to have an external audit conducted, we can approve the financial statements regardless. Should the expected report identify any deficiencies, we will of course rectify them and organize another approval and adoption by the members via a circular process; otherwise, we will simply bring the audit report to the attention of all members.

Motion by the Board: Approval of the annual financial statements.

The annual financial statements are unanimously approved.

4. Décharge for the Board

Motion by the Board: The Board is granted the décharge for its activities through the end of the 2025 fiscal year.

The motion is unanimously approved.

5. Approval of the Annual Budget (Association Year 2026)

Mario Cacciatore explains the 2026 annual budget.

The largest portions of funding come from Mercator (budget for the Prototype Fund and core funding). GLAMhack, the project from the Federal Statistical Office, paid courses, and speaking engagements serve as additional pillars. No projects have been budgeted that are not definitely going to be carried out.

Salaries were budgeted based on the current team, and membership revenue is in line with the previous year's level. However, there are plans to expand the community based on the new strategy.

Motion by the Board: Approval of the annual budget.

The budget is unanimously approved.

6. Confirmation of Membership Fees (Club Year 2026)

Motion by the Board: Keep membership fees unchanged.

The motion is unanimously approved.

It was suggested that Opendata.ch consider raising the membership fees and creating a new membership model by the next general meeting.

7. Personalia

Election of Board Members

There are no re-elections this year. However, four new members are being proposed to join the Board.

i. The following candidates are nominated and elected unanimously:
   1. Sonja Gasser (representing the GLAM Working Group)
   2. Inji Kim
   3. Julia Mia Stirnemann
   4. Sabine Wildemann

We extend our heartfelt thanks to former CEO Florin Hasler and the two outgoing board members, Juan Pablo Lovato, particularly in his role as Vice President, and Andrina Frey, for their work.

8. Varia

No other concerns were raised.

Closing

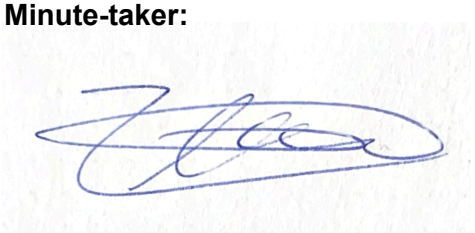
Verena Kontschieder, Anna Sigrist, and Andreas Kellerhals conclude the general meeting with thanks and best wishes.

The Chair:



Andreas Kellerhals

Minute-taker:



Zoé Langmeier