Quo vadis, Warpstock Europe?

Motion and Stillness

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The past situation:

- ▶ Nobody who tries to ensure that a Warpstock Europe happens
- ▶ No public status reports
- ▶ Nobody steps forward at first, then last-minute effort
- ▶ No organisation infrastructure

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Corollary

- ▶ *Knowledge gets lost*
- ▶ *Much time is spent on re-inventing the wheel*
- ▶ *High stress level for organisers*

D'oh!

- ▶ Suboptimal experience for organisers and visitors
- ▶ Reluctance to organise (another) event

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Theorem

- ► *Create lasting infrastructure*
- ► *Reduce workload*
- ► *Create awareness*

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Beginning

New infrastructure provides:

- ▶ Library with information about organising an event
- ▶ Communication facilities
- ▶ Presentation facilities

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Warpstock Europe Steering Group founded to provide:

► Status reports to the public

► Advise to potential organisers

► Consulting, supervision to event team

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Achieved:

- ▶ Presentation download after the event
- ▶ Re-structuring for multiple domains
- ▶ Umbrella site warpevents.eu
  - ▶ Organisation facilities and library
  - ▶ Archive
  - ▶ Discussion forum
  - ▶ Global event calendar
- ▶ Contact with Warpstock, Inc.
- ▶ eComStationNews.com news agency

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Stillness

Not achieved:

- ▶ Fill library with content (lack of contributions)
- ▶ Migration of previous event sites (lack of time, man-power)
- ▶ Public status reports (inactivity of Steering Group)
- ▶ Transparent process (inactivity of Steering Group)
- ▶ Full support of organisers (inactivity of Steering Group)

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Evolution - Infrastructure

- Improve existing features
- Extend features
- Add content

Contributions required!

warpevents.eu provides the infrastructure. Somebody else has to put it to use!

Sponsoring very welcome!

Ensures:

- Hosting
- Ongoing development

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Evolution - what else?

To do:

- Assemble new Steering Group

Possible issues:

- Token of appreciation for event team, admins, speakers
- Dwindling visitor numbers (at least in US, CAN)
- Collaboration with North American Warpstock
    - Presentation exchange via video streaming
    - Hold events at same time?
- Web site: new features?

Your suggestions?

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Thank you for your attention.