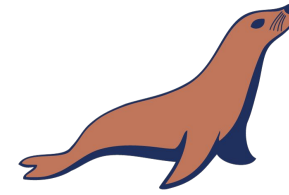


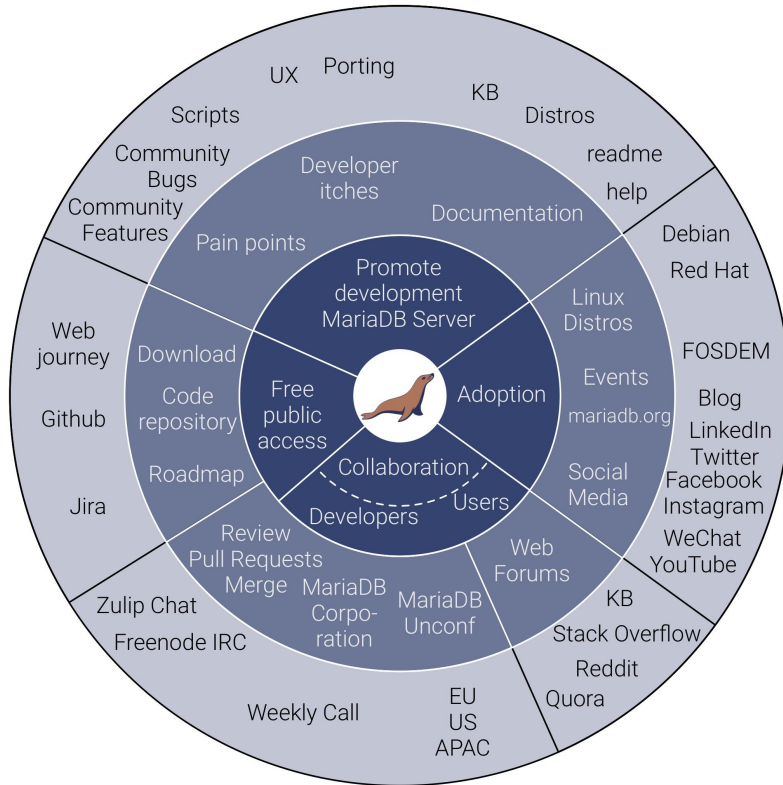
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# Supporting Continuity and Open Collaboration

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Sponsors support MariaDB Foundation in order to guarantee that its mission can be fulfilled

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# Simon Sinek's Why Great Leaders Inspire Action

## The Golden Circle

### WHAT

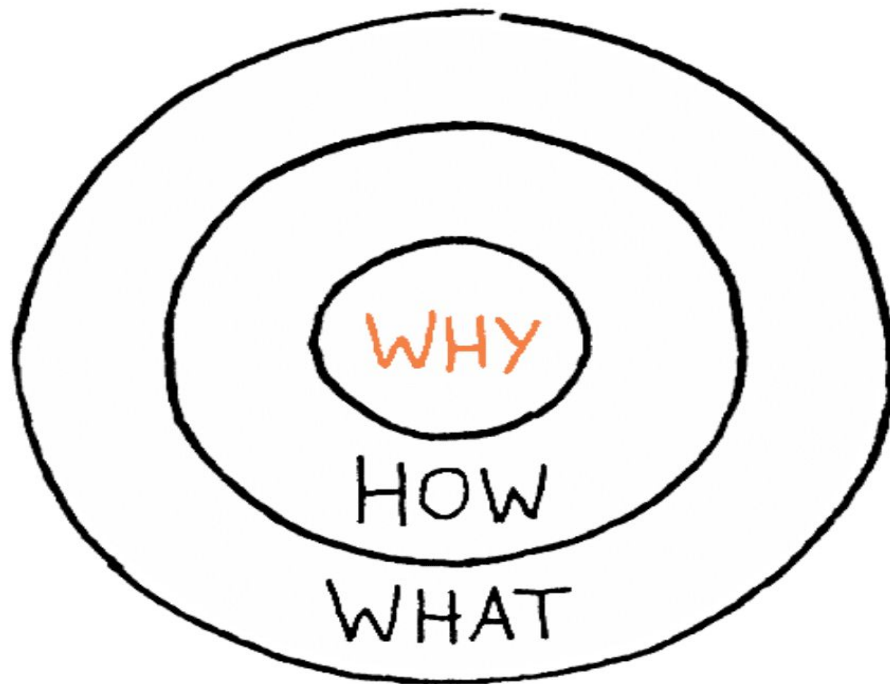
Every organization on the planet knows WHAT they do. These are products they sell or the services

### HOW

Some organizations know HOW they do it. These are the things that make them special or set them apart from their competition.

### WHY

Very few organizations know WHY they do what they do. WHY is not about making money. That's a result. WHY is a purpose, cause or belief. It's the very reason your organization exists.



# Monty's Why: Annual Report 2018

**“To put it in more personal terms: I would rather go down in history as a person who helped everyone pay less for databases and be less dependent on individual vendors, than as a greedy person who preached Open Source but had no qualms cashing in by selling to a company who has every interest in the world to block the growth of Open Source databases from becoming fully adequate replacements for proprietary solutions?”**

**So, to make that last scenario impossible – or at the very least, highly, highly unlikely – the MariaDB Foundation was established.”**

# Why: Mission of MariaDB Foundation

## Support continuity

- Make sure that MariaDB continues to thrive and stay maintained as long as there are users who need it.

## Open collaboration

- Be a place where everybody can contribute and collaborate using the best open source methodologies.

## Drive adoption

- Make sure MariaDB is universally available and included on all major platforms, serving an ever growing community of users and developers.

# Benefits of widely used Open Source software such as MariaDB Server

- Quality: The bigger the community is, the faster the software evolves.
- No lock-in: Software stays open source, ecosystem has multiple vendors.
- No dead-end: Big user-base guarantees availability of software and people.

Foundation sponsorship/membership is  
the only way to achieve all of these!

# How: Foundation development work

Focusing on issues that benefit as many users as possible

- Work with community contributors to steward patches through the integration process
- Develop new features, tests, continuous integration and QA, packaging, tracking sister projects, security etc
- Dedicated employee for documentation
- Grow new developers
- Maintain mariadb.org
- Increase adoption
- Connect users with specific needs to service providers



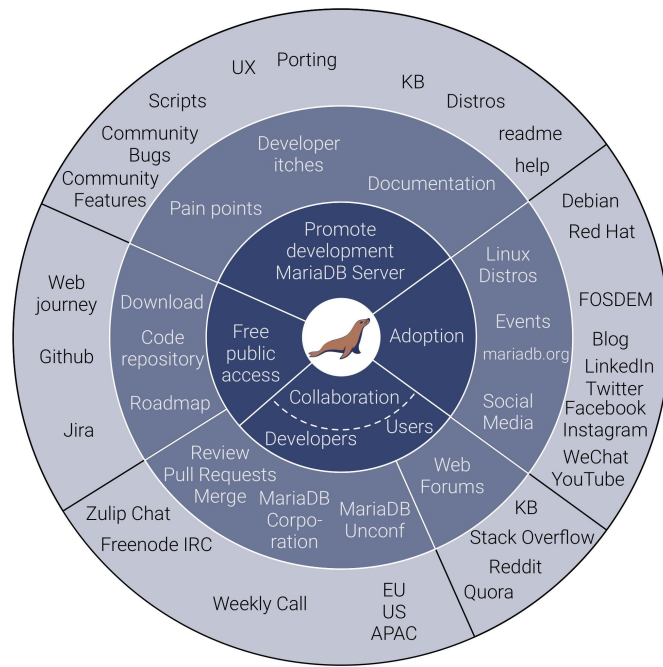
# Development Sponsorship Program

## Areas of Focus

- Oracle compatibility
- CONNECT storage engine
- documentation of migration practices
- documentation localisation

## What's in it for Sponsors

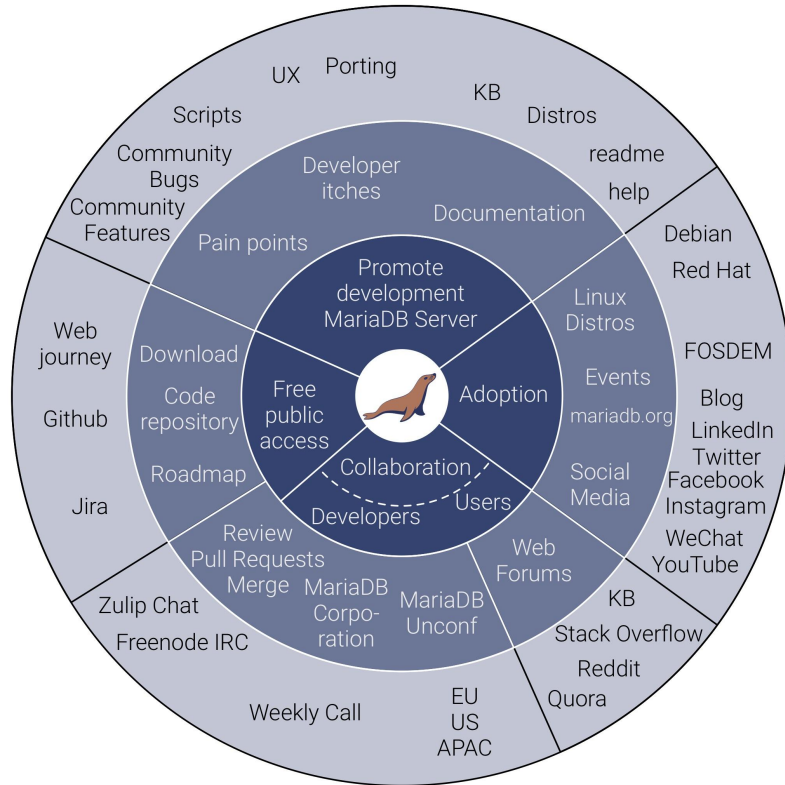
- Time with CEO / Founder or their Proxy
  - Diamond (Twice/Month)
  - Platinum (Once/Month)
  - Gold (Once/Quarter)
  - Silver (Twice/Year)



# Corporate Sponsorship/membership

- Seat on the board: best opportunity to influence the future and present a point of view.
- MariaDB.org: Great visibility among technical people (potential employees, high-income customers). In 2018 MariaDB.org had 2,5 million page views.
- Open source has a good public perception. Being a member of the MariaDB Foundation can help strengthen an image of being modern and progressive.
- Diamond – 200 000 €
- Platinum – 100 000 €
- Gold – 50 000 €
- Silver – 25 000 €

# Foundation Team



- Currently ten people
- Make MariaDB Server available to as many users as possible (porting, packaging, documentation)
- Single point of contact for collaboration and contributions
  - Make sure all pull requests and patches are responded to promptly and get properly reviewed
  - Respond at [security@mariadb.org](mailto:security@mariadb.org), collaborate with security teams and publish CVEs

# What: Can you kindly pledge to be a sponsor?

Secure the future of the infrastructure your company uses and become a sponsoring member of the MariaDB Foundation.

Contact us

[sponsor@mariadb.org](mailto:sponsor@mariadb.org)

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THANK YOU!



# Supporting continuity

- The Foundation has the relevant technical assets and tools (website mariadb.org, version control repository, build and release systems).
- The Foundation has copyright via staff work and contributor work (CLA). For the rest (some copyrights, trademark etc) the Foundation has irrevocable licenses to use (e.g. GPL, BSD).

# Open collaboration:

## True open source, not just code dumps

- Publish code in real time, not just at release time.
- Discuss and plan on public mailing list and IRC.
- Public bug tracker, transparent progress and priorities.
- Respond quickly to pull requests on Github and to bug reports that have patches attached.
- Keep documentation up-to-date, develop documentation alongside code and allow also contributions in documentation.
- Regular, free-to-attend developer meetups.

# Use MariaDB Server

## Support MariaDB Foundation

- A strong Foundation behind MariaDB is in the long-term interest of all MariaDB users.
- The foundation acts as a hub where different software developers come together, both physically and virtually, to collaborate on new features, fix software bugs, resolve security issues and make new releases.
- The foundation facilitates the collaboration of individual developers, company sponsored developers and academic researchers in ways no for-profit entity could do.
- It benefits a company using MariaDB to be involved with both the Foundation and the commercial product and service providers. The Foundation serves a role that commercial companies cannot.