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Dear KDE e.V. member,

At the enjoyable and successful aKademy 2005 in Spain, KDE e.V. took several important strides forward in its ongoing evolution. Among these decisions was the election of a new board consisting of two new members and two incumbents. Those of us on the board thank everyone for their vote of confidence and are looking to do our best to reward that trust.

Much more than electing a new board was accomplished, however. The e.V. voted to start a trio of working groups focused on marketing, technical issues, and the human-computer interface. The e.V. also moved for greater openness (this report being an example of that) as well as more financial and physical support for our marketing and strategic relationships.

We have covered a lot of ground in the last quarter in the e.V. as this update details, and we look forward to covering even more ground as KDE4 takes shape.

Signed,
Eva Brucherseifer <eva@kde.org>
President
KDE e.V.

Status Report

Working Groups
The marketing and human-computer interface (HCI) working groups have both begun functioning in their respective areas as was proposed and voted on at the last e.V. assembly group meeting in Malaga. The technical working group's purpose and goals was hashed out and, as with the other two groups, has been granted a 6 month trial period. The composition of the technical working group has yet to be determined, however.

Translation of the Articles of Association
KDE e.V.'s Articles of Association, previously available in German only, have been translated into English and can be read at http://ev.kde.org/corporate/statutes-en.php.

Supporting Members
Articles have been drafted that define an official mechanism for companies, individuals and other entities to commit regular, annual financial support to KDE via the e.V. and thereby become Supporting Members. These articles are currently be reviewed by legal staff and will be presented shortly to the e.V. for review and approval. This will allow the e.V. to begin raising funds from industry participants in a concerted manner.

aKademy
The final, primarily financial, details of aKademy 2005 are being cleared up and a final report for aKademy 2005 is still forthcoming. The planning for 2006 has begun - proposals for locations are welcome.

KDE League Wrap Up
After a post-aKademy email exchange and an in-person meeting with Andreas Pour in San Diego, there is forward momentum on the matter of dealing with the remnants of the KDE League. We are currently waiting upon Andreas to draft a letter of indemnity for the transfer of the remaining funds so as to be able to move forward. We have a deadline of Dec 31st at which time Andreas will no longer be associated with the KDE League in an official capacity, making recovering the funds that much more difficult after the deadline.

Board Business and Processes
The new board is now functioning and the day-to-day tasks carried out by previous members have been picked up by their replacements. An in person meeting of the board is scheduled for the 4th and 5th of December. Additionally, the board has been discussing how to more effectively ensure that tasks are addressed in a timely manner in situations where one or more members may be temporarily indisposed.

Welcome New Members

This quarter we added 23 new members giving us 158 total members. The new members are:

Tom Albers
Richard Dale
Ismail Dönmez
Sandro Giessl
Florian Graessle
Brad Hards
Dominik Haumann
Sebastian Kügler
Ben Meyer
Marius Bugge Monsen
Laurent Montel
Wade Olson
Celeste Paul
Ruurd Pels
Michael Pyne
Hamish Rodda
Phil Rodrigues
Bram Schoenmakers
Tina Trillitzsch
David Vignoni
Rinse de Vries
André Wöbbeking
Nikolas Zimmermann

Welcome to the KDE e.V.!

Financial Report

2005Q3 expenditures are shown in the following table:

Type	Description	Amount
Events	"Browser Security and Usability Industry Round Table", our participant: George Staikos, NYC, May 17 2005	see Events total
	'Linuxtag 2005", staffing & equipment, Joseph Spillner, et.al., June 2005	see Events total
	"Linux Desktop Development and KDevelop Developers Conference 2005", we sponsored Andras Mantia's and Jens Herden's travel, Kiev, Ukraine, July 2005	see Events total
	"SkoleLinux Meeting", we sponsored Carsten Niehaus, Gütersloh, Germany, October 2005	see Events total
Subtotal (Events)	**All non-aKademy Events**	**2316.00€**
aKademy	Travel subsidies (paid in Q3 only)	8260.40€
Computer Hardware	Hard disks, SCSI controller	358.17€
Insurance		304.04€
Tax Administration		997.60€
Promotional Material	aKademy	531.74€
TOTAL 2005Q3 EXPENDITURES		**12767.95€**

2005Q3 *non-aKademy* donations were 1969.55€.

Further financial details from aKademy 2005 will be provided in the 2005Q4 report.

Total funds available to KDE e.V. as of 2005 October 31 were **48493.80€** (27189.70€ Bank + 21304.10€ Paypal).

Donor and sponsorship information can be located on the [supporting KDE website](#).

Signed The e.V. Board: Eva Brucherseifer <eva@kde.org>, President
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