

# **BOOST OPEN SOURCE PROJECT SUCCESS AND PARTICIPATION**

Becoming an open, open source project.



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PrestaShop Open Source Project &  
project's maintainer

# WHO AM I?

I act as a bridge between a community of developers the PrestaShop company and the project. I work with merchants of all sizes and expectations, with experienced or newer developers, catering to different skill sets and needs. My goal is to spread the software's use further to train and educate people who want to work with the project.

# WHAT IS PRESTASHOP?

The software, the company,  
and the project



# ECOMMERCE SOFTWARE

Take control of your ecommerce

- Founded in 2007
- 300.000 stores in 2022
- Over 1 million community members
- Currently in version 8.0

**PrestaShop 8.0.0** Quick Access

Dashboard

Dashboard

Day **Month** Year Day-1 Month-1 Year-1

**Activity overview**

**Online Visitors** 19  
in the last 30 minutes

**Active Shopping Carts** 2  
in the last 30 minutes

**Currently Pending**

Orders	0
Return/Exchanges	3
Abandoned Carts	22
Out of Stock Products	3

**Notifications**

New Messages	Product Reviews
320	1376

**Customers & Newsletters**  
(FROM 2022-07-07 TO 2022-08-07)

New Customers	160
New Subscriptions	96
Total Subscribers	1388

**Forecast 2022**

Traffic Conversion

**Dashboard**

Sales

€864,411.00 Tax excl.

84995  
80000  
70000  
60000

## THE COMPANY

**300+**

**Employees**

Unlocking commerce for  
merchants all over the world.

**#1**

**Open source ecommerce  
platform in Europe and LATAM**

Over 300.000+ active stores  
based on PrestaShop software.

## THE OPEN SOURCE PROJECT

**1K+**

### **Contributors**

Collaborating with project members on PrestaShop's core, modules, translations, design, etc.

**800+**

### **Contributions merged in 2022**

People all over the world making PrestaShop code better for everyone.

# **THE COMPANY ACTIVELY CONTRIBUTES TO THE PROJECT**

**AROUND 65% OF CONTRIBUTIONS  
COMES FROM THE COMPANY EMPLOYEES**

# LET'S DISCUSS COMMUNITY & OPEN SOURCE PROJECT

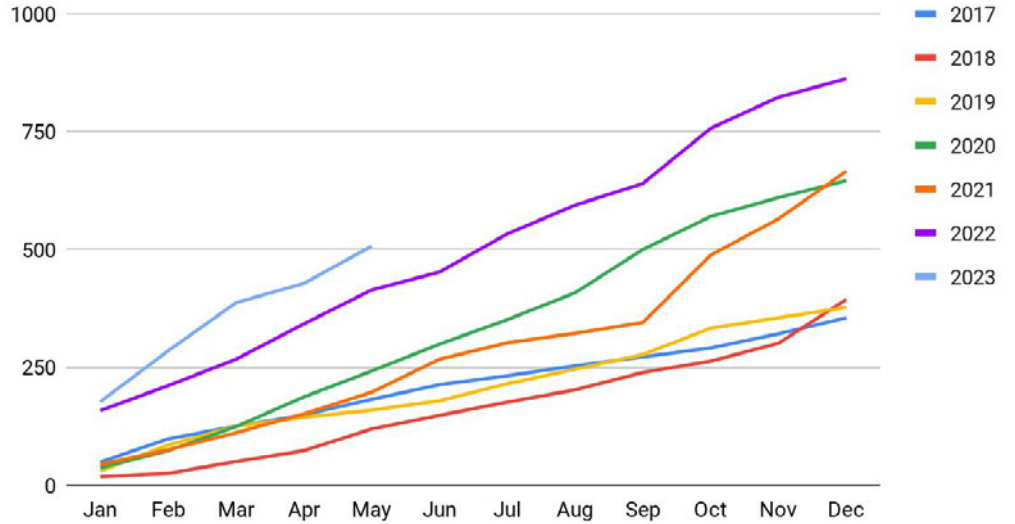


# COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS

Take a look at some numbers

- Steady growth for the past few years
- 2023 is going to be the best year ever in the project

### Community PRs merged (cumulative)



# WHAT HAPPENED IN 2020?

I don't mean C-virus!



# **PROJECT STARTED TO DIFFERENTIATE FROM THE COMPANY**

# PROJECT'S WEBSITE

# **REMOVE COMPANY'S SERVICES AND PRODUCTS FROM THE CORE**

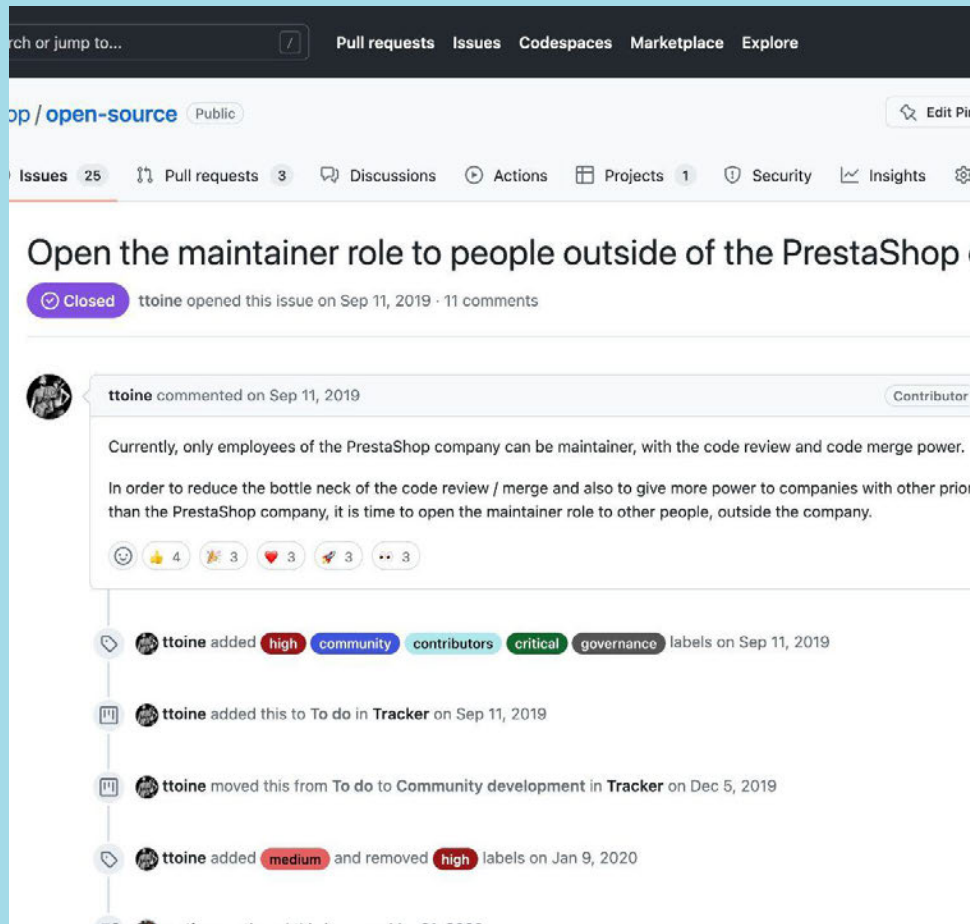
# **PROJECT'S APIS, TOOLING, PROCESSES DOCUMENTATION etc.**

**OPEN SOURCE**



**OPEN PROJECT**

# LET'S OPEN THE PROJECT





**IT TOOK THE  
PROJECT OVER A  
YEAR TO PREPARE  
EVERYTHING**

**“In 2020 the project  
opened for external  
contributors”**

“MAYBE I’LL  
TRY TO  
CONTRIBUTE  
MORE?”

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working with PrestaShop since I was 18, in industry since 2006 (yes, I started doing commercial projects in school)

**How can I help?**

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**Why?**

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**Krystian Podemski**

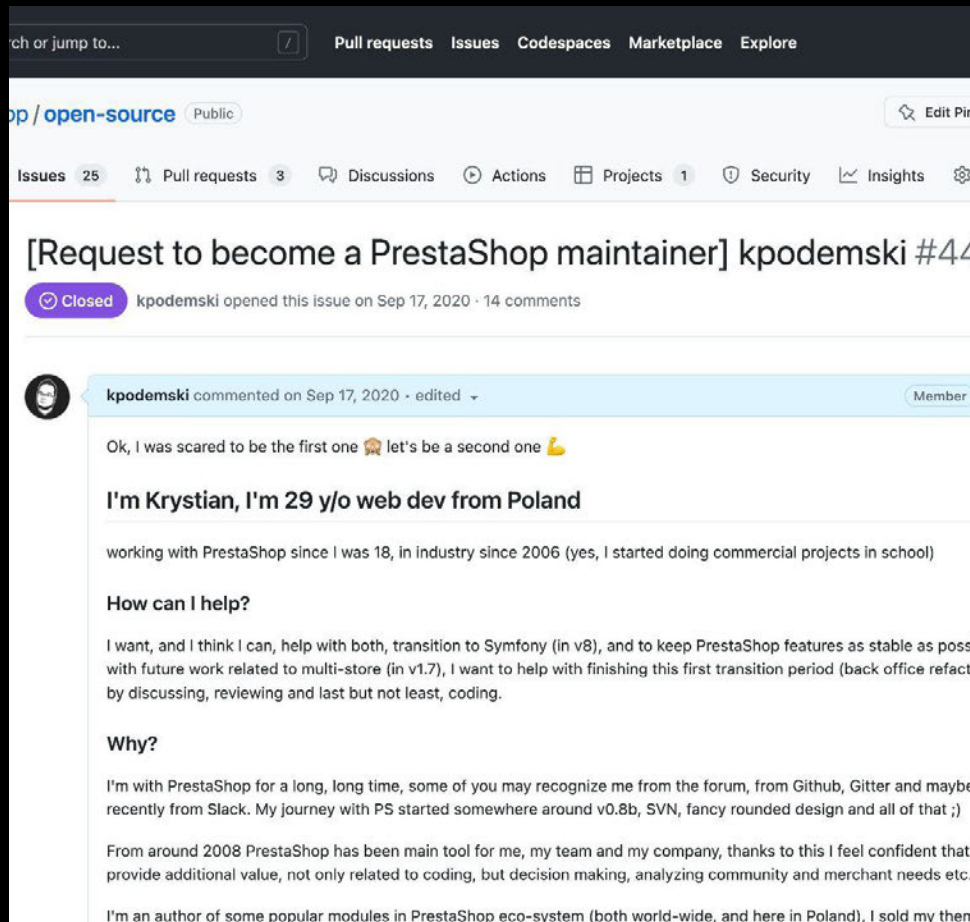
~~Tech Evangelist PrestaShop Project~~  
PHP Developer working with  
PrestaShop

# WHO WAS I IN 2020?

A contributor with over 10 years of experience in working with PrestaShop.

# THE FIRST ACCEPTED COMMUNITY MAINTAINER

People from the community  
with the same tools as  
company employees.



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# NEW ROLES

- The role is open for active members of the community
- Company employees don't automatically become committers

The screenshot shows the PrestaShop website's navigation menu at the top with links for About, News, Download, Community, Support, and Resources. The breadcrumb trail reads: Home > Maintainer's guide > How to become a committer. The main heading is 'How to become a committer'. Below it, the text states: 'In the PrestaShop project, committers are contributors with merge rights. Committers participate in reviewing code contributions.' The next section is 'Prerequisites to become a committer', which includes two numbered lists: 1. Active participation in the project (with sub-points: Have at least one accepted, quality Pull Request; Display a record of Pull Request reviews; Real interest in getting involved in code review.) and 2. Cultural convergence (with sub-points: Respect the Code of Conduct; Agree to work together with the rest of the maintainer team towards main goals (see The Future Architecture): migration to Symfony, adoption of VueJS...). The final section is 'Requirements to continue being a committer', which includes the text 'All the above, plus:' followed by two numbered lists: 1. Continuous participation and involvement (with sub-point: Actively and responsibly review Pull Requests.) and 2. Responsible behavior. On the right side of the page, there is a 'Table of Contents' with links to 'Prerequisites to become a committer', 'Requirements to continue being a committer', 'How to apply to become a committer', and 'How to lose the committer status'.

# IMPROVED ONBOARDING

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## PrestaShop maintainer's guide

This section describes processes and guidelines for project maintainers.

- [General guidelines](#)
- [How to become a maintainer](#)
- [How to become a committer](#)
- [Summary of how GitHub Issues and Pull Requests are processed](#)
- [Processes](#)

### Related content

- [Project organization](#)

# PROJECT'S SLACK CHANNEL

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## PrestaShop Project's Slack Chat

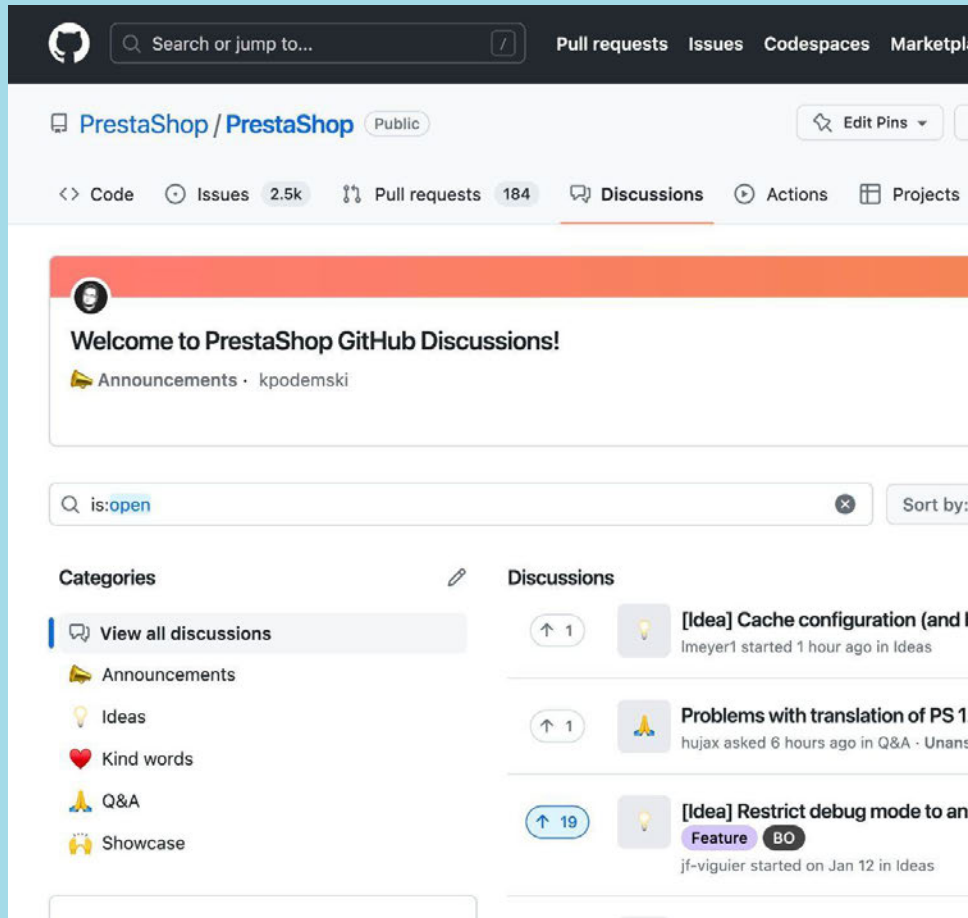
The project's Slack chat is open to anyone who wants to discuss, help and contribute to the PrestaShop open source project. If you are a contributor, or want to become one, this is definitely the place to be!

[Request An Invitation For PrestaShop's Slack Chat](#)

### Ground rules & good practices

- Communicate respectfully and constructively. The project's Code of Conduct applies to Slack as well. Disrespectful behavior is not tolerated.
- English is the project's official working language. When discussing in public channels, please use English only.
- Help people know who you are by filling out your Slack user profile. Consider adding your real name, your company, and your location, if you have one.
- If you need help, see [Get help with PrestaShop](#).
- If you find a bug in the project, don't forget to [report it on GitHub](#).
- If you find the solution to your question, consider [improving the docs](#).

# GITHUB DISCUSSIONS





# PROJECT'S BLOG

(new PrestaShop())->build();

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## PrestaShop ZIP Archives Repository Is Available

KEEPING PAST PRESTASHOP VERSIONS

In order to make sure old release packages remain available for anyone who needs them, we published a repository "ZIP Archives", which aims to store all published PrestaShop ZIP archives.

MAY 25, 2023 | 0 COMMENTS

## PrestaShop 8.1 Release Candidate Is Ready To Be Tested

AFTER THE BETA, THE FIRST RELEASE CANDIDATE FOR PRESTASHOP 8.1 IS NOW READY FOR YOU TO TEST!

We are happy to announce the first release candidate of PrestaShop 8.1.

# DEV DOCS

The screenshot shows the left-hand navigation menu of the PrestaShop DevDocs website. At the top, there is a purple header with the 'PrestaShop DevDocs' logo and a search bar. Below the header, a dropdown menu is set to 'PrestaShop 8'. The main navigation list includes: 1. Basics, 2. Core Reference, 3. Testing, 4. Modules, 5. Themes, 6. Webservice API, 7. Contribute, 8. Scale, 9. The PrestaShop Project, and 10. FAQ. At the bottom of the sidebar, there are links for 'PrestaShop on GitHub', 'Report a bug', and 'Join us on Slack'.

## PrestaShop Developer Docs

PrestaShop is a free and Open Source e-commerce web platform, committed to providing merchants and customers. It is written in PHP, is highly customizable, supports all the languages and localized for many countries, has a fully responsive design (both front and back office). [Learn more about PrestaShop Project.](#)

This site covers the technical aspects of PrestaShop and it's tailored for theme, module and plugin developers.

Are you a PrestaShop user? [head to User Documentation](#)

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# LIVE UPDATES

The screenshot shows a live stream interface. On the left, a video player displays a speaker, Krystian Podemski, with his name below the video. On the right, a presentation slide is visible. The slide has a title 'Minimum PHP compatibility for PrestaShop 9.0' and a URL: <https://build.prestashop-project.org/news/2024/05/15/minimum-php-compatibility-for-prestashop-9-0/>. Below the title is a 'PHP compatibility chart' table. The table shows that PrestaShop 9.0 is compatible with PHP 8.1 and 8.2. The video player at the bottom shows a progress bar and a timestamp of 11:28 / 56:58.

Krystian Podemski

## Minimum PHP compatibility for PrestaShop 9.0

<https://build.prestashop-project.org/news/2024/05/15/minimum-php-compatibility-for-prestashop-9-0/>

PrestaShop Version	PHP Version	
	8.1	8.2
9.0	✓	✓

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# OFFICE HOURS

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## PrestaShop Project's Office Hours

The Office Hours initiative is about project members making themselves available to the community (almost) every Tuesday to discuss ongoing projects, pull requests, architectural decisions, etc. This is also a chance to answer questions from the community and finish their contributions.

### Join the next meeting!

Would you like to discuss a pull request you are working on? Or the future of the project? Do you just want to listen to the meeting will be a great idea.

Office Hours are held on this [Google Meet room](#) every Tuesday at 11 am (Paris time), except for bank holiday days in most countries.

If you want to suggest topics for discussion, please consider [filling out this form](#).

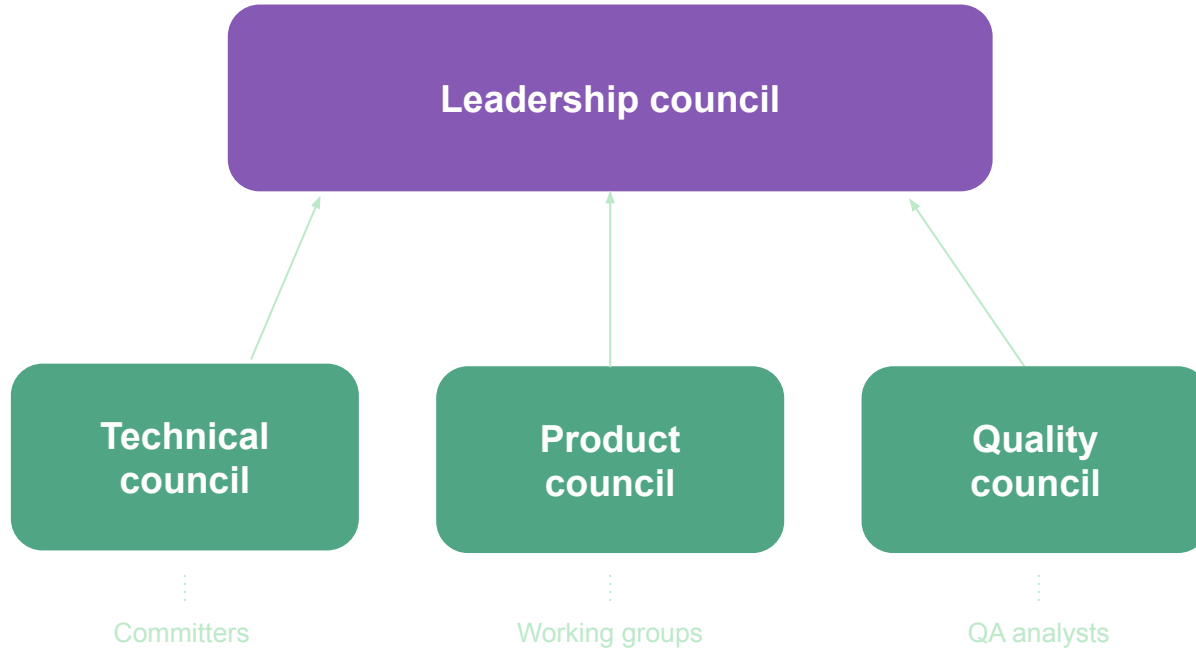
**EVERYTHING WE DID, HELPED**

**What's next?**

**MORE CONTRIBUTIONS**  
**MORE CHALLENGES**  
**MORE TO DO**

**LET INVALUABLE  
INSIGHTS AND IDEAS  
FROM THE  
COMMUNITY, BECOME  
THEIR NEXT PROJECT**

# A NEW ORGANIZATION FOR THE PROJECT





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**Councils are meant as self-organized, lightweight groups whose mission is to facilitate decision-making.**

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**Membership to councils is  
invite-only.**

# A NEW ORGANIZATION FOR THE PROJECT

**Councils are open to the community.**

# **A NEW ORGANIZATION FOR THE PROJECT**

**Each Council has a lead with a veto rights to override some of the decisions.**

# **A NEW ORGANIZATION FOR THE PROJECT**

**The Leadership Council is in charge of providing structure and a general direction for the project.**

# A NEW ORGANIZATION FOR THE PROJECT

**We use lazy consensus to  
accelerate decision-making.**

# RECORD OF CONTRIBUTIONS IN 2023

**The project dynamics are better than ever before.**

**EMPOWER AND TRUST  
THE COMMUNITY  
TO MAKE  
OPEN SOURCE PROJECT  
GREAT**



**THANK YOU!**

**PRESTASHOP**