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Working on this Journal is always enjoyable because you get to see, first-hand, the various kinds of projects and ideas going through the minds of those in our communities. It is also exciting to see the breadth of developments happening both inside and outside of OSGeo.

Volume 2 continues to capture these varied perspectives from open source communities around the world. The content in this volume is slightly different than the previous one – it has a focus on case studies and local chapter updates. We have also added a section for highlighting commentary from OSGeo sponsors – a place to describe their interest/involvement in open source or talk about ideas they'd like to share with the broader community. There are still the standard project introductions, topical studies, news and announcement sections.

The next volume will be focused on publishing the proceedings from the FOSS4G 2007 conference. If you are a conference presenter and would like to submit a paper for this next edition, please contact me. If you will be at FOSS4G, please stop by the OS-Geo booth and say hello.

We are still collecting general articles for the next volume and will publish them if space permits. I invite you to contact me directly about any article, news, report, etc. that you could contribute to future volumes. I am especially interested in Case Studies and Event Reports that help us to see what people are doing.

Continual change is one way to describe the open source geospatial community. Since I am not averse to change I see this as one of our greatest strengths. I'm interested in hearing from you. Your comments, suggestions and feedback are welcomed and encouraged. We are always looking for more volunteers to help proof-read, tweak LaTeX, improve layout/design and edit articles.

A special thank you to the OSGeo Francophone Chapter for translating Volume 1 into French. And as always, thank you to the rest of the Editorial team, proof-readers and **more than 33 contributors** to this volume.

Enjoy the articles!

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