Eco Hacker Farm

Sustainable living using appropriate technology and permaculture principles.
Who we are & what we do...

- an umbrella organization that helps to set up and support, new and existing projects that combine hackerspaces with permaculture farms to provide a sustainable living space

What does this mean in reality?

- try to live up to our ideals
- fostering an online / offline community
  - Online projects
    - Eg powerplant
  - Location based projects
    - Eg building a compost toilet

- Provide assistance with infrastructure
- Share information and knowledge
- Share donations within projects
- Monthly online meetings to discuss progress
Administration, Finance & Governance

Administration is done by project managers

Finance - semi-transparent

- Omits people’s names
- Publicly available financial summary updated monthly
- Can be easily audited

Governance / Decision making - made during public online meetings (anyone who is interested can attend) *eg. allocation of funds, membership definition etc.*

Decisions for Eco Hacker Farm at the moment are made using consensus.
Online project: What’s powerplant?

An opensource app for anyone who wants to plan a garden using permaculture principles.

What is permaculture??

Overarching principle system based on the following ideals:

. care for the earth
. care for the people
. fair share

Issue Tracking: work.ecohackerfarm.org

Specification: Software Specification for powerplant

Rapid Prototype: https://marvelapp.com/94c4bh4

Development Log: Development Log

WorkFlow, Datastructure Diagram, Data Flow Diagram: draw.io
Current location: Kuckucksmühle

North west of Berlin in Heiligengrabe

**Number of permies:** 4 people, 4 chickens, 3 dogs, 1 cat

**Number of volunteers:** 3 people

**Membership definition:** still in progress but basic structure set up

**Finance:** self funded by project managers, donations & room rental - current expenditure c. Eur 750 per month*

**Greatest success:** application of permaculture principles in the garden

**Greatest hurdle:** becoming sustainable

**Work in progress:** setting up an association, funding research, powerplant...
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Finance is semi-transparent:
- Publicly available financial summary published monthly
- Omits people’s names
- Can be easily audited upon request (preparation for association reg)

Governance:
- Day to day decisions taken by project managers especially when a decision has to be made there and then
- Other decisions discussed in the community/publicly depending on the topic
Areas of interest to get involved in...

- Become part of the community
  - Participate in decision making / discussion meetings
  - Volunteer at our current location or online in the various ongoing projects
  - Encourage other projects to join the umbrella organisation (if they fit within our scope and ideals)
  - Start your own Eco Hacker Farm!
  - … insert your ideas here :-)

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