Weekly 20 - August 22 - 28, 2012

Ushahidi Weekly Update (#20)

We are a growing community. This weekly report is for the whole community and team to share what you are working on and what you need help with. Highlight your presentations, events, code and more. These reports will go out mid-week.

Date: August 22 - 28, 2012

Community and Deployers:

About: What are you working on? What do you need help with?

Deployment of the Week See all the Deployments of the Week

This is a post about the making of this map project: Hacks Hackers team in Bogota have created a Corruption Map.

Code:

About: What code are your working on? What needs help?

Twitter is changing their API Guidelines. We are working to make fixes in our code to meet the requirements. Timo blogged about this space and questions for HFOSS software.
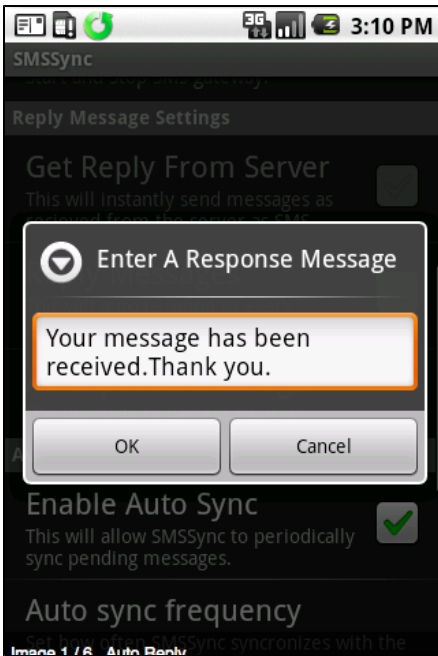
[SMSSync](#) has fresh code ready for release testing. Henry will launch this next week. SMSSync is a simple, yet powerful SMS to HTTP sync utility,that turns any Android phone into a local SMS gateway by sending incoming messages(SMS) to a configured URL(web service).

[Click to test the new SMSSync.](#)

We did some analysis of the localizations/translations vs. the majority of SMSSync users. We would be thrilled if it was translated into every language, but here is the top list of languages + location that we need a hand. As mentioned in a [previous post](#), we've made it easier to translate or localize Ushahidi software.

[SMSync](#) is currently translated in full or partial to: German, French, Hungarian, Italian, Swahili, Russian, Danish, Dutch, Serbian, and Portuguese.

Here's the top languages needed based on where the SMSSync user base is: Swahili, Hindi, Indonesian, Danish, and Italian. Other places SMSync is popular: United States, United Kingdom, Australia and Ireland.

Events:

About: Events, presentations and hosting by Ushahidi Core, Community. Share your presentations, your videos etc.

Day of SwiftRiver Beta (VIRTUAL)

The community requested a Day of SwiftRiver testing. This will give developers and community members a chance to virtually connect. We'll skype and/or IRC for real-time (freeish) collaboration. The goal is to test [Day of Swift Beta](#) discuss functionality, build stuff and file bugs. This is a virtual event on Saturday, September 8, 2012. We're using meetup for the virtual event, but you can simply Contact Us to join too.

We'll set up an etherpad and google doc to collaborate topics. The team might even designate items to test/break as part of the day. Issues, bugs and features will be tracked in [Github](#).

[Day of Swift Registration](#)

Toronto Community Event: Thursday, September 19, 2012

It has almost been a year since we've hosted our first Ushahidi Toronto event. Join us to hear about the latest in Ushahidi, meet some our local deployers, learn about a cool code hack and, most all, meet other community mappers. The goal is brainstorm on how you might be able to support their amazing work. Thanks to Mozilla for hosting us.

[Register for the Toronto Connect Event](#)

International Conference of Crisis Mappers & Random Hacks of Kindness

ICCM is October 11 – 14th in Washington, DC. This is the main event for many of us in the digital community. We've blogged before about how to join each of the events. Well, today we are happy to announce that the first ICCM – Random Hacks of Kindness will be held at RHOK.

The hackathon is seeking Challenge Submissions from hackers, deployers and humanitarians. What tool or hack would you like to see connect all of these worlds? If you have an idea, submit it by September 27th. (Submitters will need to be available during the hackathon to answer questions.)

Registration for ICCM RHOK is open.