



Snikket



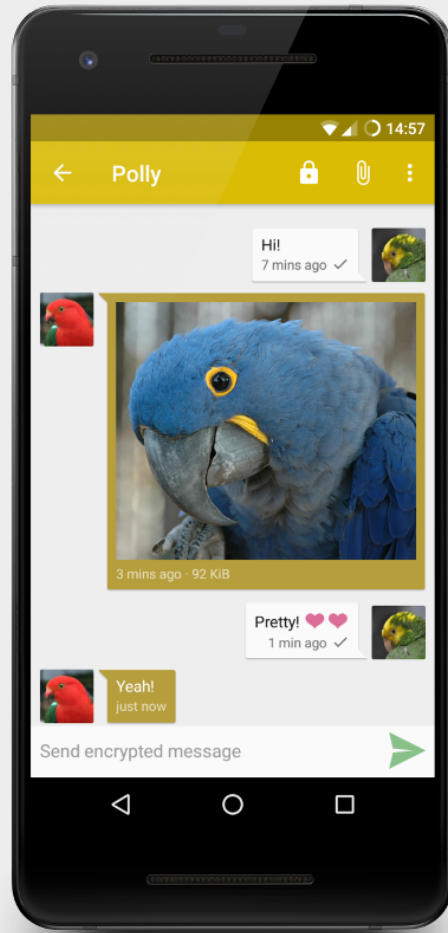
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- Working on open source, open standards, online communication and XMPP since 2005.
- Passionate about making digital freedom accessible to non-technical people.

Online messaging today

- Convenient, ubiquitous, and a privacy nightmare.
- Users are captive to a tiny number of organizations if they want to connect with their contacts.
- Ordinary people are faced with a choice: agree to (often unfair) data collection practices, or don't use modern communication tools.
- The network effect chokes potential competitors.

Snikket



- Easy to use for families, small organizations, and other groups
- Phones and tablets (Android+iOS), no phone number required
- Text messaging
- Media sharing
- Audio/video calling
- End-to-end encryption
- **Federated:** choose a provider or self-host your instance and data



Modern XMPP

- **XMPP** is an open tech standard allowing interoperable real-time communication between users and between service providers.
- Early versions of XMPP were famously used by **Google's longest-lived messaging service**, Google Talk. Now retired, WhatsApp and other proprietary silos dominate the space.
- **Snikket** is making modern XMPP accessible again to normal users. No tech giants at the wheel this time.

DAPSI helped us advance the ecosystem

- **Standards:** We updated XMPP's portable data format standards to support modern requirements and best practices, and we defined an open protocol to automatically notify contacts when you move your account to a different provider.
- **Software:** Implemented account import and export in Snikket, allowing people freedom to move between different Snikket providers, and also to/from any other XMPP-compliant communication provider.

Snikket's future

- Founded as a **not-for-profit** – surplus income is reinvested into core mission (open interoperable communication).
- Our **hosting platform**, allowing anyone **to easily start a Snikket instance** for their family, organization or other group. No data mining, no walled gardens or lock-in.
- Continue to **expand** the modern XMPP **ecosystem**.
- Partnered with JMP.chat. People can obtain a phone number to **make and receive calls/SMS** through Snikket/XMPP.
- Income also from donations and grants (NGI + DAPSI ❤️)

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and online communication!