jitsi

Open Source Videoconferencing Server

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Motivation

- Massive concerns around security, privacy, and transparency [1] at most major web videoconferencing providers
- Upcharge for encryption or unavailable
- Lack of control over infrastucture
- Significant subscription costs
- Performance problems / outages due to sudden increase in load

History

- 2003 JsPhone French student project
- 2008 Renamed SIP Communicator
- 2009 Blue Jimp company founded
- 2011 Renamed Jitsi (from the Bulgarian "жици", or "wires") now supports audio/ video over XMPP Jingle extensions
- 2012 Conferencing via routed video streams
- 2013 Video routing extracted as separate server application 'Jitsi Videobridge', adds support for ICE and DTLS/SRTP, becoming WebRTC compatible
- 2014 Jitsi Meet community project
- 2015 Acquired by Atlassian
- 2016 Acquired by 8x8

Accessing jitsi

Servers:

Public use: https://meet.jit.si/

Build your own

Clients:

Mobile: iOS & Android Web: Browser based

Desktop: Electron Client

Integrations

Telephony: Jigasi – SIP bridge

Calendars: Google, Microsoft Office 365

Output streams: Jibri - YouTube livestream, recording to Dropbox

YouTube video sharing

Profiles: gravatar



Security

Meetings:

Ephemeral – created when first participant arrives, destroyed when last leaves

Meeting names:

Name is all the security there is! Protect them!

Don't use easily guessable names . warns you if you do

- Passwords can be set: look for in bottom right
- End-to-end security
- Limited analytics and metrics collected

More detail: https://jitsi.org/security/

Web UI (tile view)



Web UI (focus view)



Mobile UI (focus view)



Mobile UI (tile view)

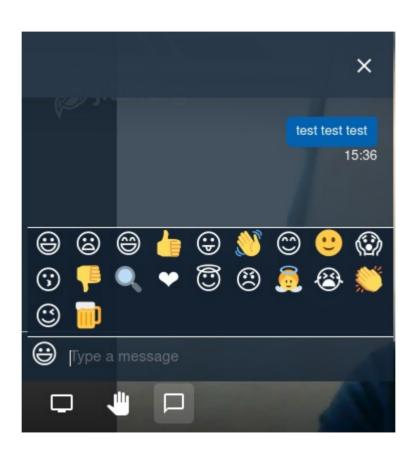


Features

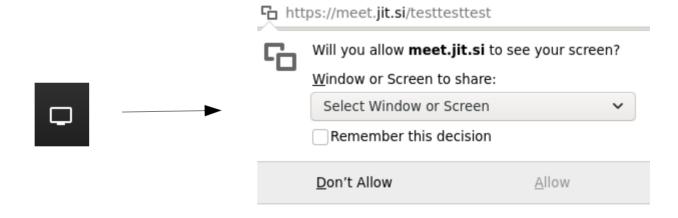
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Show or hide video thumbnails	E
Mute or unmute your microphone	M
Start or stop your camera	V
Manage call quality	A
Open or close the chat	C
Switch between camera and screen sharing	D
Raise or lower your hand	R
View or exit full screen	S
Toggle tile view	W
Show or hide keyboard shortcuts	?
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Show speaker stats	■
Focus on your video	0
Focus on another person's video	1-9

Features - Chat



Features – Screen Share



Moderation

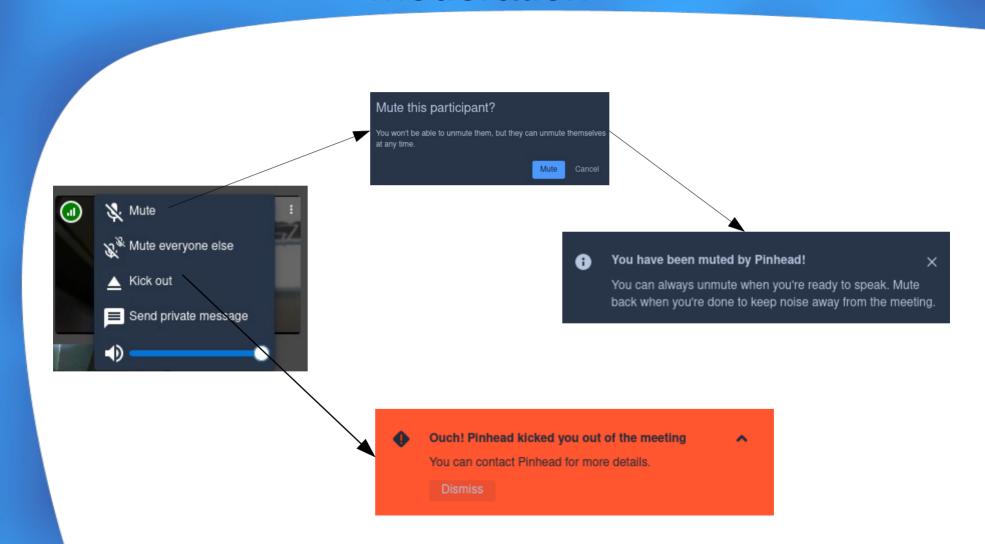
• Public server:

Public moderation model – no special moderators

• Private server : configurable



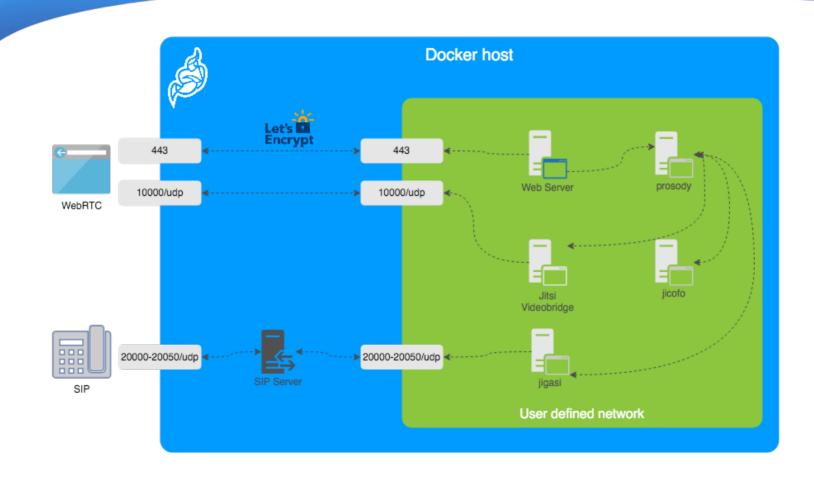
Moderation



Stats



Self-Hosting – Architecture



Self-Hosting – Debian / Ubuntu

Debian / Ubuntu Packaging

Debian 10 / Ubuntu 18.04 or later

Jitsi package repository

Firewall config

TLS certs

```
sudo apt install jitsi-meet
sudo apt install jigasi
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Self-Hosting – Container Based

- git clone https://github.com/jitsi/docker-jitsi-meet/releases/latest
- Create .env file: cp env.example .env
- **Set strong passwords**: ./gen-passwords.sh
- Create CONFIG directories:

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mkdir -p ~/.jitsi-meet-cfg/{web/letsencrypt,transcripts,prosody/config,prosody/prosody-
plugins-custom,jicofo,jvb,jigasi,jibri}
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- docker compose up -d
- Configure / customize
- Profit!

Self-Hosted - Manual

- https://jitsi.github.io/handbook/docs/devops-guide/devops-guide-manual
- Manual installation is not recommended

Features

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