

# MANIFESTO FOR MEMBERSHIP



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Welcome to Silicium

**Silicium is creating a new dynamic.**

For eleven years, the non profit organization Silicium is gathering old computers. Silicium is a crossroad to federate old computers enthusiasts. We are the only one doing this, and many people are joining us, knowing that our union is a power to realise many ambitious projects.

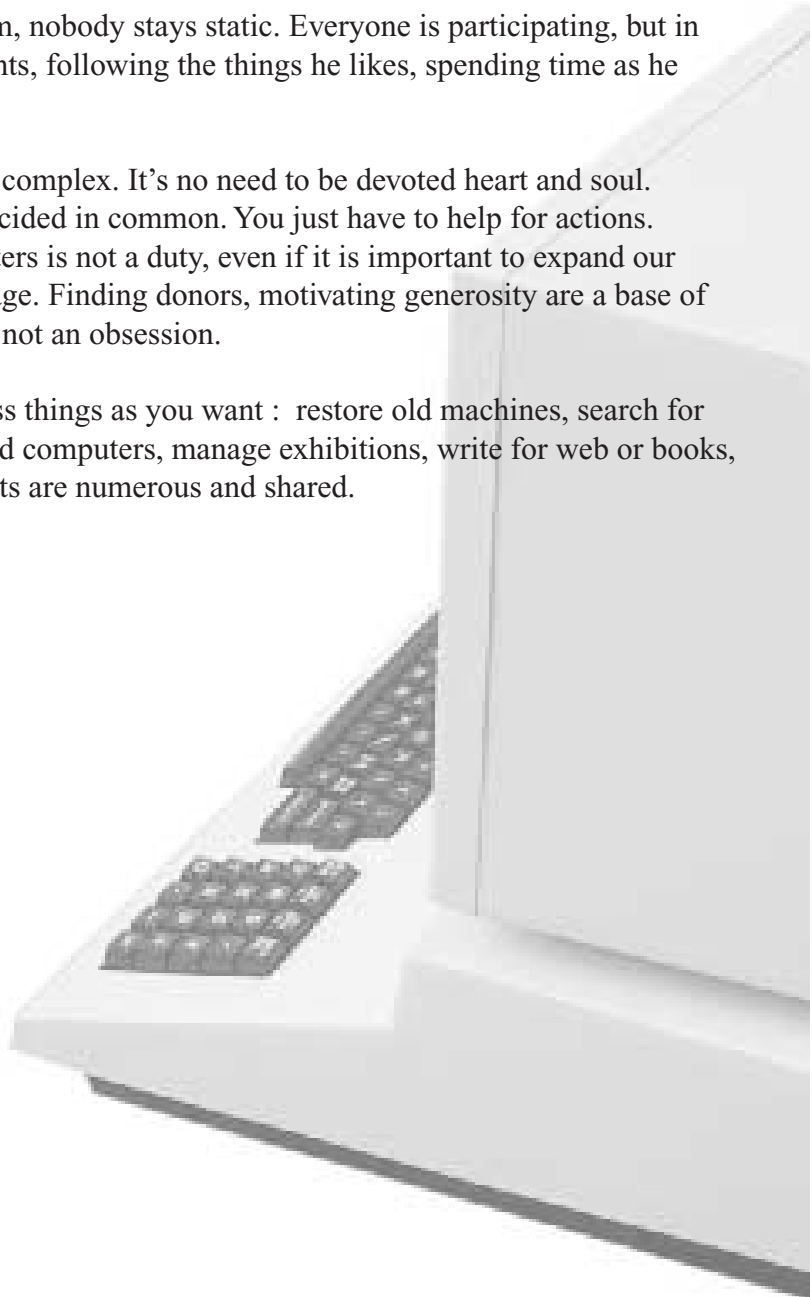
Through this few pages, we wish to explain to the newcomer the philosophy of Silicium, what we are doing together and why.

## **How does thing work**

Within Silicium, nobody stays static. Everyone is participating, but in the way he wants, following the things he likes, spending time as he can.

Things are not complex. It's no need to be devoted heart and soul. Projects are decided in common. You just have to help for actions. Giving computers is not a duty, even if it is important to expand our common heritage. Finding donors, motivating generosity are a base of our action, but not an obsession.

You can express things as you want : restore old machines, search for documents, find computers, manage exhibitions, write for web or books, create... Projects are numerous and shared.



## **Using Silicium**

We ask members a fee according to his wishes. It is clear that we need money but we don't want impose anything. One can give what he wants. An anual fee can assert contribution and involvement, to express participation. Extras are welcomed, as long as Silicium only exist through his members.

## **Participate to Silicium effort**

We oftenly meet each other to coordinate and plan our action. Some events are already scheduled, like Vieumikro convention round June and the hardcore fanatic meeting in October. New projects also need some meeting. Everyone can ask for it.

In January, Silicium publish the wishes, a bulletin for all members, donors and institutions. We present a quick state of the year passed, along with a presentation of future projects.

Members far from Toulouse can also participate. You can create a local structure in your country. There you will have full support from Silicium France. The website will be the link between all members through a cyber community. All projects, researches and proceedings will be exposed.

## **Objectives of the plan**

Silicium works at many projects. We are actually writing cdroms and books about old computers. We have started on MySilicium portal site for all members.

It's important to suggest doing new things, it maintains a motivation.

## **Vieumikro & other events**

Conventions always ask many efforts. You have to try to be present to manage things. If you're far from Toulouse, you can do your own convention with full Silicium support.

Silicium ask members to share their own machines for meetings.



So welcome to Silicium !

