

Newcomers Meeting

LAYER5 Newcomers' Meeting

Like all Layer5 projects, meeting minutes are a community effort. Jump in!

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Weekly [Zoom](#) on Fridays at 8-9am Central

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April 10th, 2026

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February 6th, 2026

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Attendees

Note: Mark your attendance by committing your names : [Newcomers/week-of-02-05-2026](#)

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January 9th, 2026

Today's Facilitators: ✓ ✓

Yash Sharma, Raunak Madan, Himani Sahu, Rajesh Nagarajan

Note: Newcomers meeting will be held on Friday every week from this week

Attendees

Note: Mark your attendance by committing your names : [Newcomers/week-of-01-08-2026](#)

- Raunak Madan ✓
- Yash Sharma ✓
- Himani Sahu ✓
- Rajesh Nagarajan ✓
- Karthik balasubramanian ✓
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- Krishna MehtaL ✓
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- Utkarsh Maurya ✓
- Joy Gundu ✓
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Certification:

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Training overview:


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Topics:


- **Is this call strictly for newcomers?**
No, there is no statute of limitations on this call. :)



- **What do we do in the Newcomers call?**
 - Help you get a foothold and start contributing (see the [Contributors' Journey Map](#)).
 - Answer your questions. We're here to help you be a successful contributor.
 - Introduce you to Community Managers, MeshMates, maintainers, and other contributors like you.
- **What must I do as a newcomer?**
 - All Projects Overview: <https://layer5.io/projects>
 - All Repos Overview: <https://layer5.io/community/handbook/repository-overview>
 - Access community resources and receive meeting invites by submitting a community member form - <https://layer5.io/newcomer>)
- **UX/UI Designers** ([sign up here](#))
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 - Layer5 brand Kit: [link](#)
 - Issues:
 - *New Badge: First View* [#463](#)
 - *Feature Trailblazer Badge* [#4808](#)
- **What is MeshMate ?**
 - A [MeshMate](#) is your community onboarding buddy, who will help you land your first pull request.
 - Get yourself a [MeshMate](#).
- **Contributing Guide and Community rules**
 - [Meshery Contributing Guide](#)
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- **★ Contributing time:**
 - Add sistent components in layer5 Sistent project. ([Issues](#))
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 end-to-end tests: training [link](#)

 [Link to all good-first, help-wanted issues](#)

 Explore the list of [Open Issues tagged with hacktoberfest](#) , find one that excites you, and get yourself assigned.
- **Layer5 projects** ([see all](#)):
 - ⚙️ **Sites running on Jekyll:**
 - - <https://meshery.io>
 - - <https://docs.meshery.io>



- - <https://smp-spec.io>
- - <https://getnighthawk.dev> (project description)

⚙️ **Sites running on Gatsby:**

- <https://layer5.io/> (the next version of layer5.io - [figma project](#)) - [faster build](#)
- <https://play.meshery.io>

⚙️ **Applications running on Reactjs, Nextjs, Cytoscapejs**

- [Layer5 Cloud](#)
- [Meshery UI](#)
- [Meshery Playground](#)
- [Kanvas](#)
- [Sistent](#) - Layer5 Design System (TypeScript)
 - Meshery v0.8 Release - [Read full blog](#)
 - Meshery v0.9 roadmap: [View Roadmap](#)
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