Documentation Update

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Status

- The sphinx approach to creating documentation seems very stable/mature now
    - As always thanks to everyone!
    - Slides almost the same as last update and the year before that...
- We had one update this year – in August
    - Some included changes were needed (referencing to web-pages and changes to advanced examples)
    - Took the opportunity to try to fix **all** links and some formatting issues, particularly in the PRM
        - Would welcome anybody to check/notify issues if they are still present.
- **e-reader** output formats
    - Still present, however unchecked with releases – would be good if somebody could do that?
    - Some errors appeared with newer version of sphinx, but I think they were fixed.

Comments

- Can developers please re-base before making a merge request?
  - Not critical, but makes handling merge requests faster
  - I know the pipeline doesn't always work for user pushes – I will try to fix this at some point
- As we move to a release phase I would encourage everybody to look at the documentation and consider updates required for new features being introduced in 11.2
- Maybe we can avoid the rush in the last days before the release this year???
  - I ask every time...
- **Deadline** is **Friday 1st December 2023** for release 11.2
  - If something is coming, would be helpful to let me know in advance and I'm happy to help with conversion/formatting etc....
  - As always will accommodate exceptions, but knowing beforehand would be helpful!

External Versions/Translation

- We recently had another request for external permission to translate documents
    - We have copyright posting, and we have twice simply said yes (with caveat of non-support and stating that these are un-official documents with reference back to the official ones in english)
    - Often the translation is for teaching/tutorials
    - It's never clear what happens after the requests
- **If this is an issue please say!**

Discussion/Request for Input

- Does the division between guides make sense?
- Should docs be restructured?
- How does documentation fit into the new web?