Debian leader Hartman says one year at the helm will do for now

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When Hartman was elected leader in April last year, he told iTWire in an interview that one of his priorities was to improve the process of decision-making.

And he says that during his tenure as leader, that problem has been tackled, at least to some extent. "I think we've made good progress figuring out how to make decisions," he told iTWire.

"Unfortunately, some of the decisions have had no easy answers. Feelings build up, and just because we've decided doesn't magically make that go away. We need to remind ourselves that we are still a community and find a way to process these feelings. That's something I am very interested in working on, but it's not something I can work on alone."

Hartman, who has been a maintainer of the Kerberos software for Debian for many years, said that one of the keys to the success of the project was delegation. "We let individual maintainers have significant autonomy working on their own parts of Debian," he said. "Similarly, we put together teams to divide the work of Debian."