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Australian Anthony Towns won the poll from a field of several candidates after 421 votes -- from 43 percent of the eligible community of Debian developers -- were cast. He will take up the post for one year from Monday 17 April, taking over from incumbent Branden Robinson.

His appointment was announced on a posting to a Debian list on Saturday evening by the project's secretary, Manoj Srivastava.

In his platform for election, Towns said the most important issue for Debian was "increasing its tempo".

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