



Installation of Apache OpenMeetings 3.1.1 on Centos 7

This tutorial is made based on fresh installations of

CentOS-7-x86_64-LiveGNOME-1503.iso

It is tested with positive result. We will use the Apache's binary version OpenMeetings 3.1.1 stable, that is to say will suppress his compilation. It is done step by step.

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Starting...

1)

At first place we must modify Selinux level security for the installation:

`yum install -y gedit`

`sudo gedit /etc/selinux/config`

...modify:

`SELINUX=enforcing`

...to

`SELINUX=permissive`

2)

----- Update Operative System -----

Update operative system:

`yum update -y`

...and reboot for kernel changes and the new Selinux configuration take effect.:

`reboot`

3)

----- ADD Repos -----

`yum install -y wget`

EPEL & Remi:

`wget http://epel.mirror.nucleus.be/7/x86_64/e/epel-release-7-5.noarch.rpm`

`wget http://rpms.famillecollet.com/enterprise/remi-release-7.rpm`

`sudo rpm -Uvh remi-release-7*.rpm epel-release-7*.rpm`

Enable Remi:

`gedit /etc/yum.repos.d/remi.repo`

...and modify:

`enabled=0`

...to

`enabled=1`

ElRepo

`rpm --import https://www.elrepo.org/RPM-GPG-KEY-elrepo.org`

`rpm -Uvh http://www.elrepo.org/elrepo-release-7.0-2.el7.elrepo.noarch.rpm`

Nux

(Only one line without space)

`rpm -Uvh http://li.nux.ro/download/nux/dextop/el7/x86_64/nux-dextop-release-0-5.el7.nux.noarch.rpm`

RpmForge

```
rpm -Uvh http://pkgs.repoforge.org/rpmforge-release/rpmforge-release-0.5.3-1.el7.rf.x86\_64.rpm
```

Adobe repo 64-bit x86_64 ## For Flash player.

```
rpm -ivh http://linuxdownload.adobe.com/adobe-release/adobe-release-x86\_64-1.0-1.noarch.rpm
```

```
rpm --import /etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-adobe-linux
```

```
yum update -y
```

4)

----- Installation of Java -----

Java is necessary to work OpenMeetings. Should install Open Java and the plugin icedtea-web:

```
sudo yum install java-1.8.0-openjdk icedtea-web
```

5)

----- Installation of LibreOffice -----

OpenMeetings will need LibreOffice to convert to pdf the uploaded office files. Install it.

Maybe it is installed but for iso server:

```
yum -y install libreoffice
```

6)

----- Installation of necessary packages and libraries -----

Should install packages and libraries we'll need later:

(Only one line with space)

```
yum install -y libjpeg libjpeg-devel ghostscript freetype freetype-devel unzip gcc gcc-c++ ncurses  
ncurses-devel make zlib zlib-devel libtool bison bison-devel openssl-devel bzip2 bzip2-devel file-  
roller git autoconf automake pkgconfig tomcat-native nmap
```

7)

----- Installation ImageMagick, Sox and Swftools -----

ImageMagick will work with images files. Should install it and some more libraries:

```
yum install -y ImageMagick giflib giflib-devel giflib-utils
```

Sox work the sound. Will compile it:

```
cd /opt
```

```
wget http://sourceforge.net/projects/sox/files/sox/14.4.2/sox-14.4.2.tar.gz
```

```
tar xzvf sox-14.4.2.tar.gz
```

```
cd /opt/sox-14.4.2
```

```
./configure
```

```
make && make install
```

Swftools work converting to swf (flash file) the uploaded files. Don't use a newer version swftools file, don't have pdf2swf.

```
cd /opt
```

```
wget http://www.swf-tools.org/swf-tools-2013-04-09-1007.tar.gz
```

```
tar xzvf swf-tools-2013-04-09-1007.tar.gz
```

```
cd /opt/swf-tools-2013-04-09-1007
```

```
./configure --libdir=/usr/lib --bindir=/usr/bin
```

```
make
```

```
make install
```

```
cd /opt
```

8)

---- Installation of Adobe flash player ----

OpenMeetings even need Adobe Flash Player for rooms.

```
yum install -y flash-plugin
```

9)

---- Installation of Jodconverter ----

Jodconverter work to convert uploaded files.

cd /opt

wget <http://jodconverter.googlecode.com/files/jodconverter-core-3.0-beta-4-dist.zip>

unzip jodconverter-core-3.0-beta-4-dist.zip

10)

----- Compilation of FFmpeg -----

FFmpeg will work with video. Will install a libraries and vlc to play the recordings.

```
yum install -y glibc alsa-lib-devel faac faac-devel faad2 faad2-devel gsm gsm-devel imlib2 imlib2-devel lame-devel vorbis-tools theora-tools libvpx-devel vlc autoconf automake cmake freetype-devel gcc gcc-c++ git libtool make mercurial nasm pkgconfig zlib-devel cmake mercurial nasm
```

This ffmpeg compilation is based on this url, but updated files versions 22-3-2016:

<https://trac.ffmpeg.org/wiki/CompilationGuide/Centos>

As it is, the compilation in this url gives an error when compiling x264 (second step). After resolve that error and finish the compilation, gives an error about ogg when recording on OpenMeetings.

Then i supress one step in the url and add some ones more. And now works properly without error, and audio-video is synchronized. Ogg right.

Also i made a script to download, compile and install ffmpeg on Centos 7. It is tested and is ok. During the x265 compilation, will look like stop for a minutes in a text that say: **41%**, but not always. Don't worry, everything is going right. Be patient.

When is finished will appear a text: FFMPEG Compilation and Installation Finished!

Please download the script and read inside the zip for running it. To download:

https://cwiki.apache.org/confluence/download/attachments/27838216/ffmpeg_script_compile_Centos.zip?version=5&modificationDate=1458905206882&api=v2

After the compilation is finished you can go to **step 11)**

But if you prefer copy and paste, i **don't advise**, leave the text script:

sudo gedit /opt/ffmpeg-centos.sh

...copy the green text **from here**:

```

# Script ffmpeg Centos Fedora
# Alvaro Bustos. Thanks to Hunter
# Updated 18-3-2016
# Install libraries
yum install -y autoconf automake cmake freetype-devel gcc gcc-c++ git libtool make mercurial
nasm pkgconfig zlib-devel

# Install yasm from repos
yum install -y yasm

# Create a temporary directory for sources.
SOURCES=$(mkdir ~/ffmpeg_sources)
cd ~/ffmpeg_sources

# Download the necessary sources.
git clone --depth 1 git://git.videolan.org/x264
hg clone https://bitbucket.org/multicoreware/x265
git clone --depth 1 git://git.code.sf.net/p/opencore-amr/fdk-aac
curl -L -O http://downloads.sourceforge.net/project/lame/lame/3.99/lame-3.99.5.tar.gz
git clone http://git.opus-codec.org/opus.git
curl -O http://downloads.xiph.org/releases/ogg/libogg-1.3.2.tar.gz
curl -O http://downloads.xiph.org/releases/vorbis/libvorbis-1.3.5.tar.gz
wget http://downloads.xiph.org/releases/theora/libtheora-1.1.1.tar.gz
git clone --depth 1 https://chromium.googlesource.com/webm/libvpx.git
git clone --depth 1 git://source.ffmpeg.org/ffmpeg

# Unpack files
for file in `ls ~/ffmpeg_sources/*.tar.*`; do
tar -xvf $file
done

cd x264
./configure --prefix="$HOME/ffmpeg_build" --bindir="$HOME/bin" --enable-static && make &&
make install && make distclean; cd ..

cd x265/build/linux
cmake -G "Unix Makefiles" -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX="$HOME/ffmpeg_build"
-DENABLE_SHARED:bool=off ..../source && make && make install; cd ~/ffmpeg_sources

cd fdk-aac
autoreconf -fiv && ./configure --prefix="$HOME/ffmpeg_build" --disable-shared && make &&
make install && make distclean; cd ..

cd lame-*/
./configure --prefix="$HOME/ffmpeg_build" --bindir="$HOME/bin" --disable-shared --enable-
nasm && make && make install && make distclean; cd ..

cd opus
autoreconf -fiv && ./configure --prefix="$HOME/ffmpeg_build" --disable-shared && make &&
make install && make distclean; cd ..

```

```
cd libogg-*/
./configure --prefix="$HOME/ffmpeg_build" --disable-shared && make && make install &&
make distclean; cd ..

cd libvorbis-*/
LDFLAGS="-L$HOME/ffmpeg_build/lib" CPPFLAGS="-I$HOME/ffmpeg_build/include"
./configure --prefix="$HOME/ffmpeg_build" --with-ogg="$HOME/ffmpeg_build" --disable-shared
&& make && make install && make distclean; cd ..

cd libtheora-*/
./configure --prefix="$HOME/ffmpeg_build" --with-ogg="$HOME/ffmpeg_build" --disable-
examples --disable-shared --disable-sdltest --disable-vorbistest && make && make install; cd ..

cd libvpx
./configure --prefix="$HOME/ffmpeg_build" --disable-examples && make && make install &&
make clean; cd ..

cd ffmpeg
PKG_CONFIG_PATH="$HOME/ffmpeg_build/lib/pkgconfig" ./configure
--prefix="$HOME/ffmpeg_build" --extra-cflags="-I$HOME/ffmpeg_build/include" --extra-
ldflags="-L$HOME/ffmpeg_build/lib" --bindir="$HOME/bin" --pkg-config-flags="--static"
--enable-gpl --enable-nonfree --enable-libfdk_aac --enable-libfreetype --enable-libmp3lame
--enable-libopus --enable-libvorbis --enable-libvpx --enable-libx264 --enable-libx265 --enable-
libtheora && make && make install && make distclean && hash -r; cd ..

cd ~/bin
cp ffmpeg ffprobe ffsERVER lame x264 /usr/local/bin

cd ~/ffmpeg_build/bin
cp x265 /usr/local/bin

echo "FFMPEG Compilation and Installation Finished!"
```

...to here.

Concede permission of execution:

```
chmod +x /opt/ffmpeg-centos.sh
```

```
cd /opt
```

Now be connected to Internet, run the script and wait some long minutes while the compilation:

```
./ffmpeg-centos.sh
```

Remember the warning about 8 minutes in a false stop...

All the compiled files will be installed on: **/usr/local/bin**

11)

----- Installation MariaDB database server -----

MariaDB is the database server.

We install it:

```
yum install -y mariadb mariadb-server
```

...and run mariadb:

```
systemctl start mariadb.service
```

Give a password to mariadb root . Please, modify **new-password** by your own.

```
mysqladmin -u root password new-password
```

Make a database for OpenMeetings:

```
mysql -u root -p
```

...will ask for the root password you does just now:

```
CREATE DATABASE open311 DEFAULT CHARACTER SET 'utf8';
```

...now do a new user with his own password:

```
CREATE USER 'hola'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY '123456';
```

...and give privileges to this user on the open311 database:

```
GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON open311.* TO 'hola'@'localhost' WITH GRANT OPTION;
```

```
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
```

```
quit
```

open311	name of the database
hola	user for that database
123456	password of that user

To start, restart or stop mariadb:

```
systemctl start mariadb.service
```

```
systemctl restart mariadb.service
```

```
systemctl stop mariadb.service
```

12)

----- Installation of OpenMeetings -----

We'll install OpenMeetings in /opt/red5311. All the following information will be based on this directory.

Call to our folder of installation red5311

Make the folder:

```
mkdir /opt/red5311
```

```
cd /opt/red5311
```

...and download the OpenMeetings file:

```
wget http://apache.rediris.es/openmeetings/3.1.1/bin/apache-openmeetings-3.1.1.zip
```

```
unzip apache-openmeetings-3.1.1.zip
```

...save the unloaded file to /opt:

```
mv apache-openmeetings-3.1.1.zip /opt
```

Unload and install the connector between OpenMeetings and MariaDB:

```
cd /opt
```

```
wget http://repo1.maven.org/maven2/mysql/mysql-connector-java/5.1.38/mysql-connector-java-5.1.38.jar
```

...and copy it to where must be:

```
cp /opt/mysql-connector-java-5.1.38.jar /opt/red5311/webapps/openmeetings/WEB-INF/lib
```

Now we are going to configure OpenMeetings for our database in MariaDB:

```
gedit /opt/red5311/webapps/openmeetings/WEB-INF/classes/META-INF/mysql_persistence.xml
```

Modify on line 72:

, Url=jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/openmeetings

..to

, Url=jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/**open311**

...it is the name of the database that we did initially.

Modify on line 77:

, Username=root

...to

, Username=hola

...is the user that we did initially for the database.

Modify on line 78:

, Password=" />

...to

, Password=123456" />

...it is the password that we did initially for the user "hola" in the database.

Logically if initially you choose another name and password for the database, you will to change them here.

We protect the access to the file:

(Only one line without space)

```
chmod 640 /opt/red5311/webapps/openmeetings/WEB-INF/classes/META-INF/mysql_persistence.xml
```

13)

---- Script to launch red5-OpenMeetings ----

Build a script to start and stop red5-OpenMeetings, that we'll call red5:

```
cd /opt
```

```
sudo gedit /etc/init.d/red5
```

...copy and past the text **from here**:

```

#
#!/bin/sh -e
#
# Startup script for Red5

export RED5_HOME=/opt/red5311

start_red5="$RED5_HOME/red5.sh start"
stop_red5="$RED5_HOME/red5-shutdown.sh stop"

start() {
    echo -n "Starting Red5: "
    ${start_red5} &
    echo "done."
}

stop() {

echo -n "Shutting down Red5: "
${stop_red5}
echo "done."
}

case "$1" in
    start)
        start
        ;;
    stop)
        stop
        ;;
    restart)
        stop
        sleep 10
        start
        ;;
    *)
        echo "Usage: $0 {start|stop|restart}"
esac

exit 0

```

...to here.

If you made the installation in any other path, can modify the line:

RED5_HOME=/opt/red5311

...to

RED5_HOME=/your-path-installation

Concede permission of execution to the script:

`chmod +x /etc/init.d/red5`

14)

----- Run red5-OpenMeetings -----

Restart mariadb:

`systemctl restart mariadb.service`

...and start red5-OpenMeetings, maybe in other window shell:

`/etc/init.d/red5 start`

...wait 40 seconds about, in order that red5 it is running completely, and later can go to:

<http://localhost:5080/openmeetings/install>

...there will appear a page similar to this one:

The screenshot shows a configuration interface for the OpenMeetings application. It includes sections for enabling various features:

- 1. Enabling Image Upload and import to whiteboard**
 - Install **ImageMagick** on the server, you can get more information on <http://www.imagemagick.org> regarding installation. The instructions for installation can be found there <http://www.imagemagick.org/script/binary-releases.php>, however on most linux systems you can get it via your favorite package managers (apt-get it)
- 2. Enabling import of PDFs into whiteboard**
 - Install **GhostScript** on the server, you can get more information on <http://pages.cs.wisc.edu/~ghost/> regarding installation. The instructions for installation can be found there, however on most linux systems you can get it via your favorite package managers (apt-get it).
 - Install **SWFTools** on the server, you can get more information on <http://www.swf-tools.org/> regarding installation. Some of the Linux distributions already have it in their package manager see <http://packages.debian.org/unstable/utils/swf-tools>, the recommended version of **SWFTools** is 0.9 as prior version have a bug that does lead to wrong object dimensions in the Whiteboard
- 3. Enabling import of .doc, .docx, .ppt, .pptx, ... all Office Documents into whitebaord**
 - OpenOffice-Service** started and listening on port 8100, see [OpenOfficeConverter](#) for details
- 4. Enabling Recording and import of .avi, .flv, .mov and .mp4 into whiteboard**
 - Install **FFMpeg**. You should get FFMPEG in an up to date copy! For Windows you can download a Build for example from <http://ffmpeg.arrozcru.org/builds/> Linux or OSx Users should be able to use one of the various Installation Instructions on the Web. You need to enable libmp3lame!
 - Install **SoX** <http://sox.sourceforge.net/>. You should install SoX in a up to date copy! SoX 12.xx will NOT work!

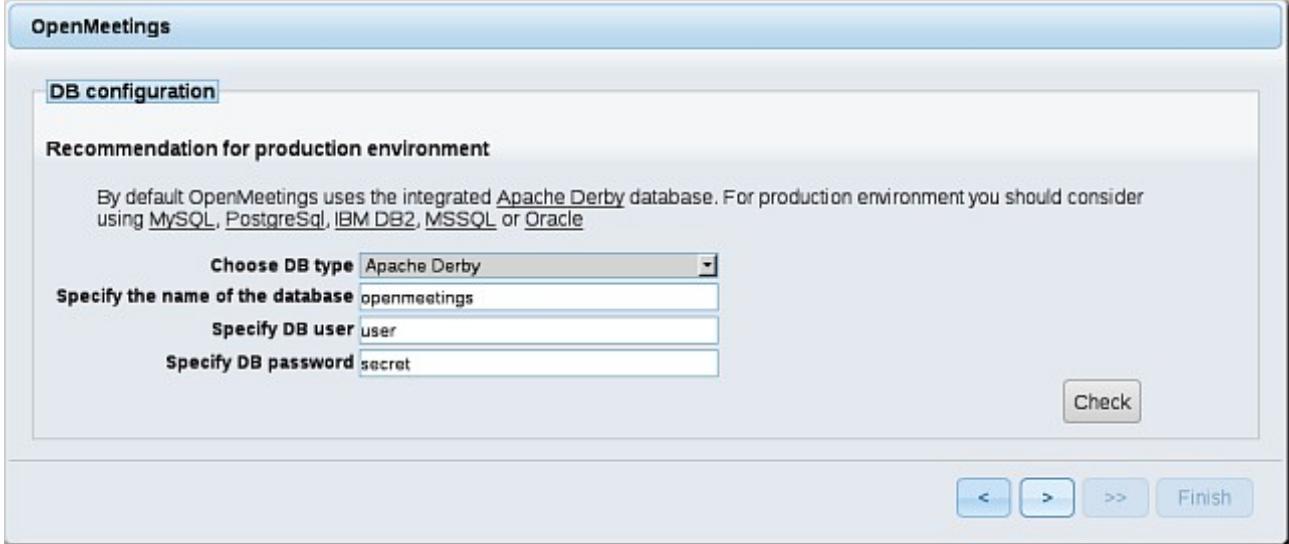
If you have further questions or need support in installation or hosting:

Community-Support:

[Mailing lists](#)

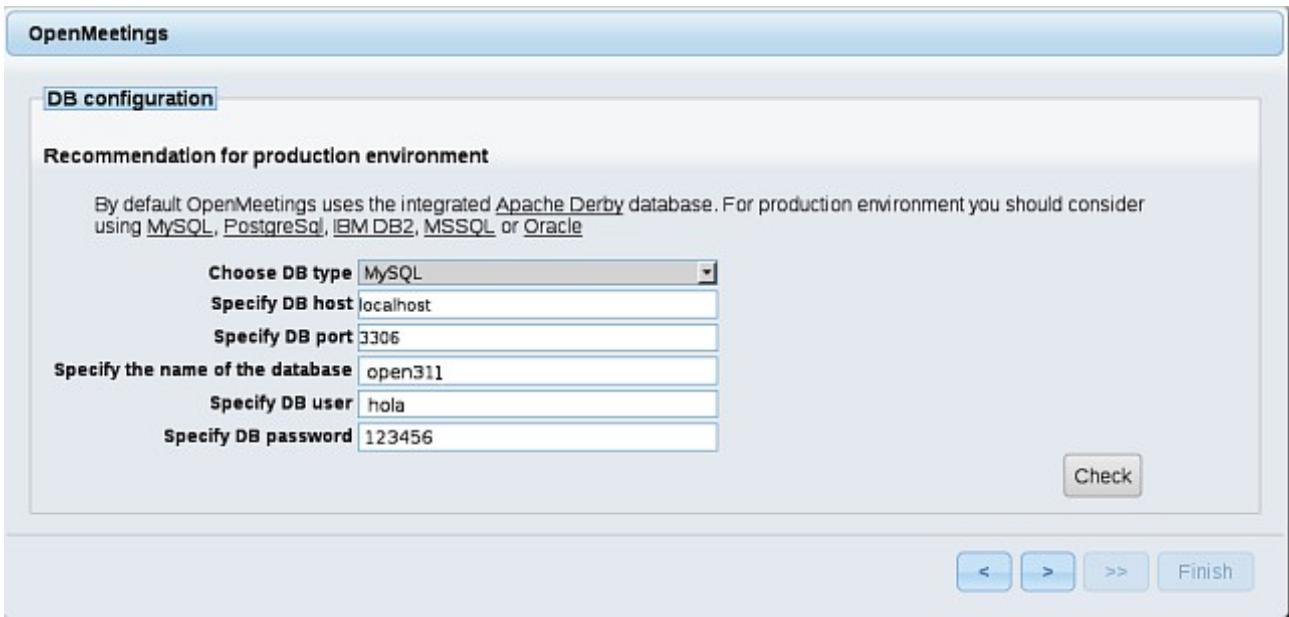
Commercial-Support:

...push on  (bottom), and will show the default database configuration with Derby, but we should use MySQL, (MariaDB):



The screenshot shows the 'DB configuration' step of the OpenMeetings setup wizard. The title bar says 'OpenMeetings'. The main area is titled 'DB configuration' and contains a section for 'Recommendation for production environment'. It states: 'By default OpenMeetings uses the integrated Apache Derby database. For production environment you should consider using MySQL, PostgreSQL, IBM DB2, MSSQL or Oracle'. Below this, there are four input fields: 'Choose DB type' (set to 'Apache Derby'), 'Specify the name of the database' (set to 'openmeetings'), 'Specify DB user' (set to 'user'), and 'Specify DB password' (set to 'secret'). A 'Check' button is located to the right of the input fields. At the bottom of the window are navigation buttons: '<', '>', '>>', and 'Finish'.

...then, scroll and **Choose DB type** to MySQL:



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...will show the data base configuration we made in step 12, or with your own modifications.
Please, push  button and will go to:

The screenshot shows the 'Userdata' configuration window for OpenMeetings. It contains four input fields: 'Username', 'Userpass', 'EMail', and 'User Time Zone'. The 'User Time Zone' field is set to 'Europe/Madrid'. Below this is a 'Group(Domains)' section with a single 'Name' input field. At the bottom right are navigation buttons: '<', '>', '>>', and 'Finish'.

Now we must introduce the followings data:

Username = a-name ...this user will be administrator.

Userpass = a-password ...for the previous user.

Email = email-adress ...of the previous user.

User Time Zone = Country where is this server

Name = example-openmeetings ...group name to choose.

When the installation be finished, shouldd configure the rest.

Now go to bottom page and touch the button (double arrow). Will show this window:

The screenshot shows a confirmation window for the OpenMeetings installation. It displays the message 'Please click "Finish" button to start installation!' and features a large empty input field. At the bottom right are the same navigation buttons as the previous window: '<', '>', '>>', and 'Finish'.

Clic **Finish** button...wait a seconds untill the tables are fill in the database.

When has concluded, this another page will appear. **Don't** clic on [Enter the Application](#). First is need it to restart the server. Please, open a new terminal and restart red5:

[/etc/init.d/red5 restart](#)

OpenMeetings

Enter the Application

Database was changed, please restart application to avoid possible issues

If your Red5-Server runs on a different Port or on a different domain
alter the config values of the client

Mailing list

<http://openmeetings.apache.org/mail-lists.html>

There are some companies that also offer commercial support for Apache OpenMeetings:

<http://openmeetings.apache.org/commercial-support.html>

[<](#) [>](#) [>>](#) [Finish](#)

Now yes, you can clic on **Enter the Application**, or go with your browser to:

<http://localhost:5080/openmeetings>

...and will take us to the entry of OpenMeetings:

Login

Username or mail address

Password

Remember login

[Forgotten your password?](#) [Network testing](#)

[Not a member?](#) [Sign in](#)

Introduce the user's name and the password that you have choosen during the installation, push **Sign in** and...

...**Congratulations!**

The next time that you like to accede OpenMeetings, will be:

<http://localhost:5080/openmeetings>

Remember to open in the server, the two following ports:

1935 5080

...in order that it could accede to OpenMeetings from other machines in Lan or Internet.

15)

----- OpenMeetings's configuration -----

Once you acced to OpenMeetings, go to:

Administration → Configuration

The screenshot shows the OpenMeetings web interface. At the top, there is a logo consisting of three stylized human figures in orange, green, and purple, followed by the text "OpenMeetings". Below the logo is a navigation bar with links for "Home", "Rooms", "Recordings", and "Administration". A red arrow points upwards from the bottom of the page towards the "Administration" link in the navigation bar. The main content area has a grey header titled "Welcome". It features a placeholder profile picture with a question mark icon and a "Upload new image" button. To the right of the profile picture, the text "Hello firstname lastname" is displayed in bold, followed by "Timezone Europe/Madrid", "Unread messages 0", and a link "Edit your profile". Below this, there is a section titled "Help and support" with links to "Project website (<http://openmeetings.apache.org>)", "User mailing list (<http://openmeetings.apache.org/mail-lists.html>)", and "Network testing".

...introduce the parameters for the conversion of files, the audio and the video:

ID	Key	Value
1	email.username	toro
5	default_group_id	1
6	smtp_server	localhost
7	smtp_port	25
8	system_email_addr	toro@hola.com
9	email_username	toro@hola.com
10	email_userpass	123456
11	mail.smtp.starttls.enabled	0
12	mail.smtp.connection.timeout	30000
13	mail.smtp.timeout	30000
14	application.name	OpenMeetings
15	default_lang_id	1
16	swftools_zoom	100
17	swftools_jpegquality	85
18	swftools_path	/usr/bin
19	imagemagick_path	/usr/bin
20	sox_path	/usr/local/bin
21	ffmpeg_path	/usr/local/bin
22	office.path	/usr/lib64/libreoffice
23	jod.path	/opt/jodconverter-core-3.0-beta-4/lib

Clic on: **swftools_path**...and to the right in **Value** type: [/usr/bin](#)

Clic on: **imagemagick_path**...and to the right in **Value** type: [/usr/bin](#)

Clic on: **sox_path**...and to the right in **Value** type: [/usr/local/bin](#)

Clic on: **ffmpeg_path**...and to the right in **Value** type: [/usr/local/bin](#)

Clic on: **office.path**...and to the right in **Value** type: [/usr/lib64/libreoffice](#)

Clic on: **jod.path**...and to the right in **Value** type: [/opt/jodconverter-core-3.0-beta-4/lib](#)

Remember save after each change (**arrow number 3**, in the up screenshot).

Now there is OpenMeetings ready to work rightly.

We are going to remove files and folders that already do not serve us, if you do not want to save them:

```
rm -f /opt/jodconverter-core-3.0-beta-4-dist.zip
```

```
rm -f /opt/mysql-connector-java-5.1.38.jar
```

```
rm -f /opt/sox-14.4.2.tar.gz
```

```
rm -f -R /opt/sox-14.4.2
```

And this is all.

If you have some doubt or question, please raise it in the Apache OpenMeetings forums:

<http://openmeetings.apache.org/mail-lists.html>

Thank you.

Alvaro Bustos