



Installation of Apache OpenMeetings 4.0.11 on PCLinuxOS 2020

pclinuxos64-MATE-2020.03.iso

This tutorial is made based on fresh installations of PCLinuxOS 2020 Mate.

It is tested with positive result. We will use the Apache's binary version OpenMeetings 4.0.11 stable, that is to say, will suppress his compilation. It is done step by step.

Starting...

1)

Update and upgrade the operative system. Please go to:

[apt-get update](#)

[apt-get upgrade](#)

2)

----- **Installation of libraries and packages** -----

(Only one line with space between each one of them)

```
apt-get install -y libjpeg-progs giflib-progs freetype-devel gcc-c++ zlib1-devel libtool bison
bison-static-devel file-roller freetype unzip gcc ncurses make zlib1 bzip2 wget ncurses zlib1
zlib1-devel x264-devel git make automake nasm pavucontrol rpm-installer freetype2 curl
```

3)

----- Installation of LibreOffice and Java Sun 1.8.x -----

When we install LibreOffice also will install automatically Java sun 1.8.x. OpenMeetings 4.0.11 need java 1.8 to work.

LibreOffice will convert to pdf the uploaded office files. We install it:

[lomanager](#)

...if show a message like this: *Please Update your system. (more details...)....*

...then please go to:

Synaptic --> Mark All Upgrades --> Apply --> Apply

...and we type in shell newly:

[lomanager](#)

...will show a window where select your locale language for LibreOffice, and after this answer yes or ok to any question.

Will start installing Java sun and continue with LibreOffice. Will install the last sun java version, but OpenMeetings 4.0.11 need java 1.8, so we install it and after this will select it by java default:

[cd /opt](#)

[wget https://github.com/frekele/oracle-java/releases/download/8u212-b10/jre-8u212-linux-x64.rpm](#)

...we install it

:

[rpm -ivh jre-8u212-linux-x64.rpm](#)

...should see the different java versions installed and you please select 8 just installed:

[alternatives --config java](#)

...and to see which is the active java version:

`java -version`

Once the installation it is finished you can change the LibreOffice language interface in:

Tools --> Options --> Language settings --> Languages --> User interface (select your language)
--> OK

LibreOffice (installed or updated 14-12-2019) is in: `/opt/libreoffice6.1`

4)

----- Installation of Adobe Flash Player -----

Flash player it is installed in Mate already, but not in KDE minimum. So will install it and firefox also, if you like it. Adobe Flash Player even is need it for cam and audio in OpenMeetings:

`apt-get install -y firefox flash-player-plugin`

5)

----- Installation of ImageMagick and Sox -----

ImageMagick, work with image files jpg, png, gif, etc. We install it:

`apt-get install ImageMagick lib64xext-devel`

Sox, work the sound. It is installed, but we'll uninstall it and compile a newer version than it is in the repo:

`apt-get remove sox`

...and download and compile the new version:

`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`

6)

----- Installation of FFmpeg and Ghostscript -----

FFmpeg will work the video. We install lame for mp3 audio:

```
apt-get install lame
```

Install FFmpeg:

```
apt-get install ffmpeg
```

The result of our videos made in OpenMeetings will be in mp4 format.

This is very important: When you update or upgrade the operative system, please do it from Synaptic.

By a script we should compile Ghostscript 9.52:

```
cd /opt
```

```
wget https://cwiki.apache.org/confluence/download/attachments/27838216/ghostscript.sh
```

```
chmod +x ghostscript.sh
```

...and run it:

```
./ghostscript.sh
```

...when be finished will announce it: **GhostScript compilation is Finished!**

```
rm -Rf /opt/ghostscript-9.52
```

7)

----- Installation of MySQL and building database -----

We'll employ MySQL server, for the database.

```
apt-get install -y mysql
```

...run mysql:

```
service mysqld start
```

...we do a mysql upgrade:

```
mysql_upgrade
```

...and give a root mysql password replacing `new-password` for your own preference, and remember it:

```
/usr/bin/mysqladmin -u root password new-password
```

We'll build a database and an user for OpenMeetings. User password must be of 8 digits minimum:

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

...will ask for password (you just made right now) type it and make the database:

```
mysql> CREATE DATABASE open4011 DEFAULT CHARACTER SET 'utf8';
```

(Only one line with space between both)

```
mysql> GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON open4011.* TO 'hola'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY '1a2B3c*D' WITH GRANT OPTION;
```

...and leave MySQL:

```
mysql> quit
```

- * `open4011` is the data base name
- * `hola` is the user name for this data base
- * `1a2B3c*D` is the password for this user

You are free to change these names and password, but remember them. Later we'll need it.

Now we'll open mysql port 3306, so OpenMeetings can connect with it:

For **KDE**:

```
kwrite /etc/my.cnf
```

For **MATE**:

```
pluma /etc/my.cnf
```

...and the line number 51: `skip-networking`

...modify so, commented:

```
# skip-networking
```

...and restart mysql:

```
service mysqld restart
```

8)

----- **Installation of Apache OpenMeetings** -----

We'll install the 4.0.11 stable version.

Make a folder called **red54011** where download the Apache OpenMeetings file and where make the installation:.

```
mkdir /opt/red54011
```

```
cd /opt/red54011
```

```
wget https://archive.apache.org/dist/openmeetings/4.0.11/bin/apache-openmeetings-4.0.11.tar.gz
```

```
tar xzvf apache-openmeetings-4.0.11.tar.gz
```

```
mv apache-openmeetings-4.0.11.tar.gz /opt
```

```
.
```

9)

----- **Connector between OpenMeetings and MySQL** -----

This file-driver connect OpenMeetings to MySQL. Download and install it:

```
cd /opt
```

(Only one line without space between both)

```
wget https://repo1.maven.org/maven2/mysql/mysql-connector-java/5.1.49/mysql-connector-java-5.1.49.jar
```

...copy it to where must be:

```
cp mysql-connector-java-5.1.49.jar /opt/red54011/webapps/openmeetings/WEB-INF/lib
```

10)

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

We download the script will run red5-OpenMeetings:

```
cd /opt
```

```
wget https://cwiki.apache.org/confluence/download/attachments/27838216/red5-2
```

...copy it to where must be:

```
cp red5-2 /etc/init.d/
```

...and concede execution permission:

```
chmod +x /etc/init.d/red5-2
```

If you made the installation in any other path, edit the script and modify the line:

```
RED5_HOME=/opt/red54011
```

...to

```
RED5_HOME=/your-path-installation
```

11)

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

Restart MySQL (be connected to Internet):

```
service mysqld restart
```

...and start red5-OpenMeetings (be connected to Internet):

```
/etc/init.d/red5-2 start
```

...wait about 40 seconds in order red5 can run completely. Then, go with the browser to:

<http://localhost:5080/openmeetings>

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

OpenMeetings

1. 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).

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


Community-Support:

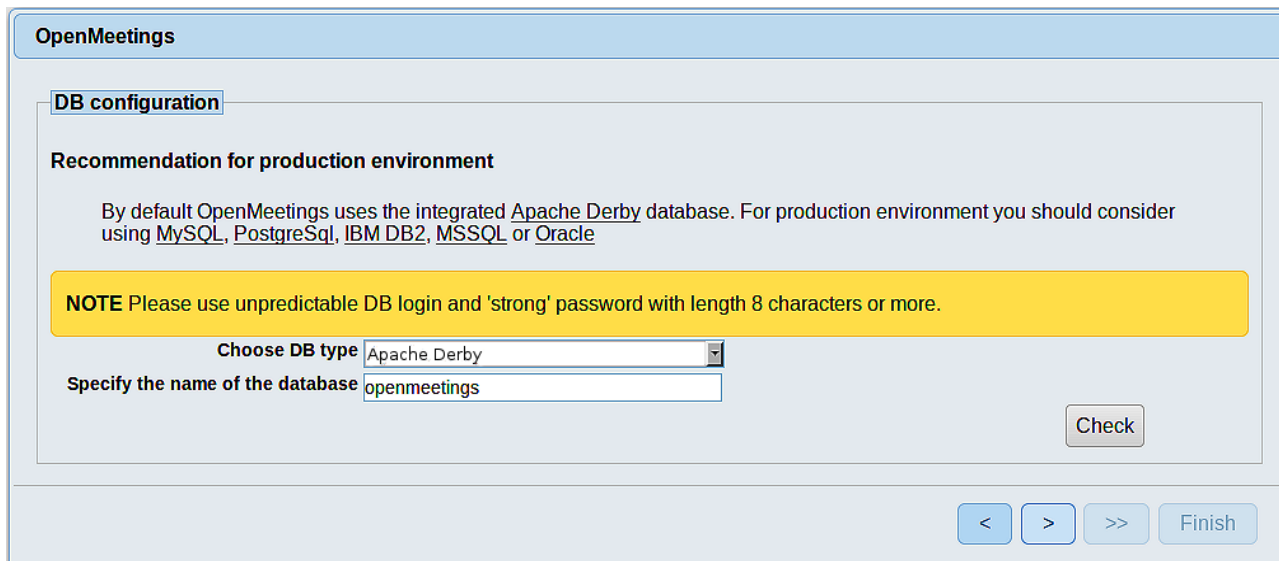
[Mailing lists](#)

Commercial-Support:

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< > >> Finish

...press on  (bottom), and will show the default database configuration with Derby, but we employ MySQL:



OpenMeetings

DB configuration

Recommendation for production environment

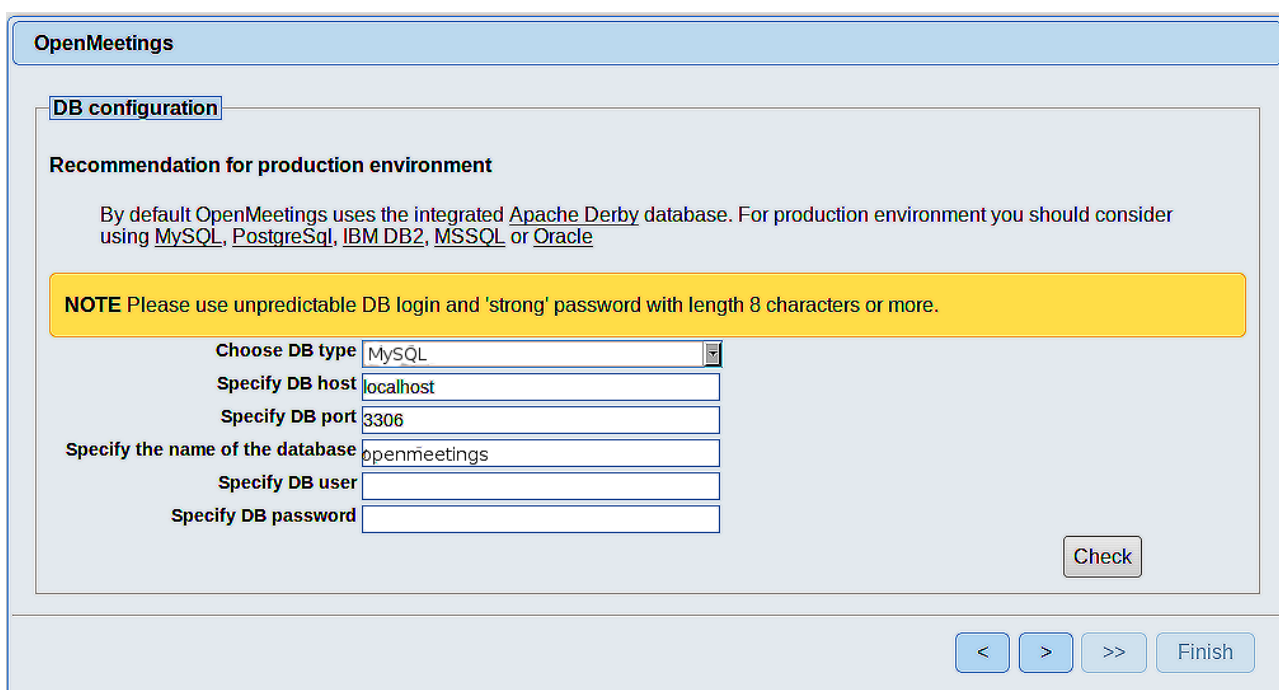
By default OpenMeetings uses the integrated Apache Derby database. For production environment you should consider using MySQL, PostgreSQL, IBM DB2, MSSQL or Oracle

NOTE Please use unpredictable DB login and 'strong' password with length 8 characters or more.

Choose DB type

Specify the name of the database

...so, please scroll and **Choose DB type** to MySQL:



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Choose DB type

Specify DB host

Specify DB port

Specify the name of the database

Specify DB user

Specify DB password

Now we must introduce the database name, user name and his password we did at the step 8

Specify the name of the database = open4011

Specify DB user = hola

Specify DB password = 1a2B3c*D

...if you choose a different data, here is where type it. Please, press  button, and will go to:

Here, we must introduce a user name for OpenMeetings, and his password. This must have 8 digits minimum, and at least 1 special symbol like: + (% # ! ...etc.


Username = a-name ...this user will have administrator rights

Userpass = a-passwordfor 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

Press the button  and will lead us to a new page (below) where you can select the language

for your OpenMeetings server, as well as other options such as the configuration of the mail server being used to send invitations or meetings from OpenMeetings:

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
Configuration

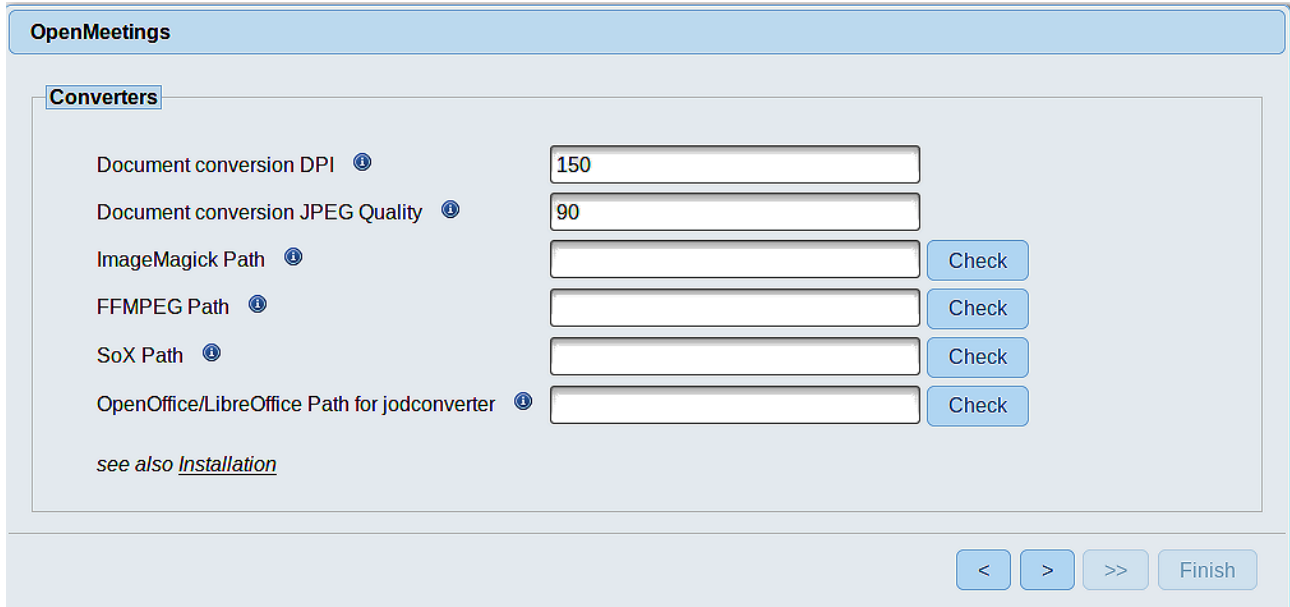
Allow self-registering	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Send Email to new registered Users	<input type="checkbox"/>
New Users need to verify their EMail	<input type="checkbox"/>
Default DB objects of all types will be created (including Rooms, OAuth2 servers etc.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mail-Referer	<input type="text" value="noreply@openmeetings.apache.org"/>
SMTP-Server	<input type="text" value="localhost"/>
SMTP-Server Port(default SmtP-Server Port is 25)	<input type="text" value="25"/>
SMTP-Username	<input type="text"/>
SMTP-Userpass	<input type="text"/>
Enable TLS in Mail Server Auth	<input type="checkbox"/>
Set inviter's email address as ReplyTo in email invitations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Default Language	<input type="text" value="inglés"/>

A valid example to configure the mail server with Gmail, is as follows:
(replace **john@gmail.com** with your real Gmail account)

Mail-Refer	==	john@gmail.com
SMTP-Server	==	smtp@gmail.com
SMTP-Server Port (default SmtP-Server Port is 25)	==	587
SMTP-Username	==	john@gmail.com
SMTP-Userpass	==	password of john@gmail.com
Enable TLS in Mail Server Auth	==	...turn green the button to activate
Default Language	==	...select your language

...the rest you can modify as you liked.

Now press the button  and a new page will appear:



OpenMeetings

Converters

Document conversion DPI ⓘ

Document conversion JPEG Quality ⓘ

ImageMagick Path ⓘ

FFMPEG Path ⓘ

SoX Path ⓘ

OpenOffice/LibreOffice Path for jodconverter ⓘ

see also [Installation](#)

< > >> Finish

Here we'll introduce the respective paths for the image, video, audio and conversion of uploaded files:

ImageMagick Path == `/usr/bin`

FFMPEG Path == `/usr/local/bin`

SOX Path == `/usr/local/bin`

OpenOffice/LibreOffice Path for jodconverter == `/opt/libreoffice6.1`

As you go introducing paths, you can check if they are correct by pressing the button labeled **Check**. If it does not display any error message, that is OK.

Once completed the paths, please press the button  and move on to another page that would be to activate the SIP. We will leave it as is, unless you want to activate it knowing what it does:

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Crypt Type

Crypt Class ⓘ

red5SIP Configuration

Enable SIP ⓘ

SIP rooms prefix ⓘ

SIP extensions context ⓘ

< > >> Finish

Now push the button  Will show this window:

OpenMeetings

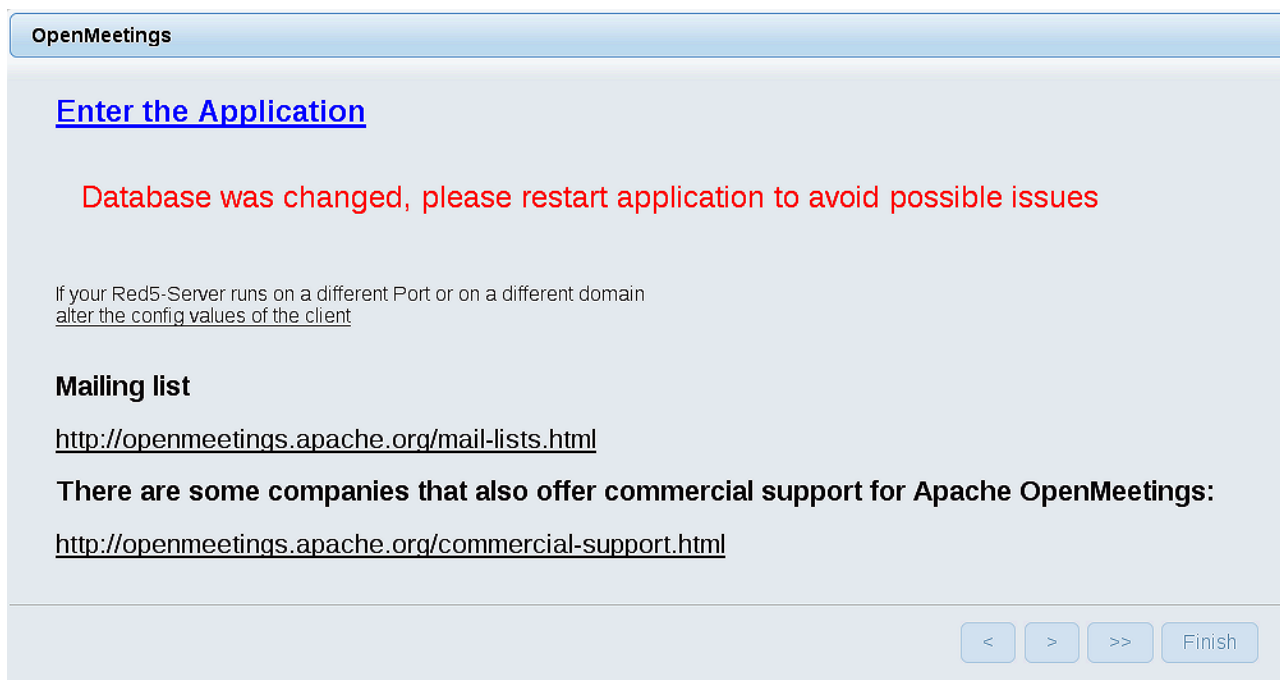
Please click "Finish" button to start installation!

< > >> Finish

Press **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 shell window, and run this command (be connected to Internet):

[/etc/init.d/red5-2 restart](#)



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:

The screenshot shows the login page of the OpenMeetings application. It has a blue header bar with the text "Login". Below the header, there are two input fields: "Username or mail address" and "Password". To the right of the "Password" field, there is a checkbox labeled "Remember login". Below the input fields, there are two links: "Forgotten your password?" and "Network testing". At the bottom of the page, there are two buttons: "Not a member?" and "Sign in".

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

...**Congratulations!**

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

<http://localhost:5080/openmeetings>

Remember to open in the server the two following ports:

1935 5080

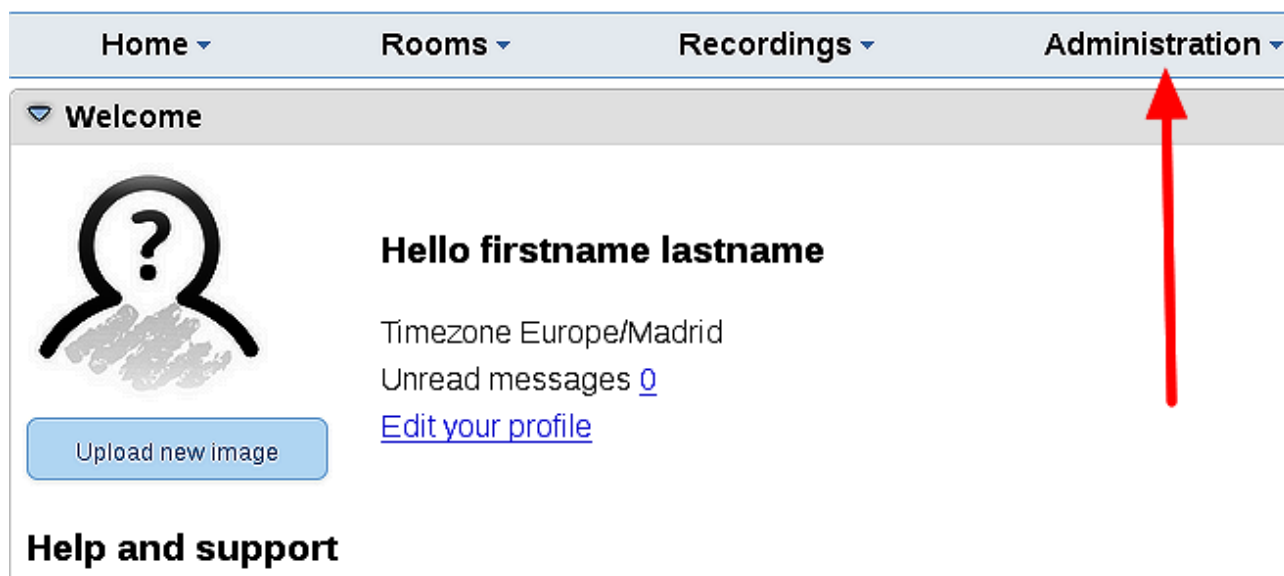
...in order that it could accede to OpenMeetings from other machines, in Lan or Internet.

12)

----- **Configuration of OpenMeetings** -----

Once you acced to OpenMeetings, if you would like to do any modification in the configuration, please go to:

Administration → Configuration



The screenshot displays the OpenMeetings web application interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with four menu items: "Home", "Rooms", "Recordings", and "Administration". The "Administration" menu item is highlighted with a red arrow pointing upwards. Below the navigation bar, the main content area shows a "Welcome" message. On the left, there is a profile icon with a question mark and a button labeled "Upload new image". To the right of the icon, the text reads "Hello firstname lastname", followed by "Timezone Europe/Madrid", "Unread messages 0", and a link "Edit your profile". Below the profile information, there is a section titled "Help and support".

...and following the order of the red arrows:

The screenshot shows the Administration section of the Apache OpenMeetings interface. On the left is a table of configuration items, and on the right is a configuration form for the selected item 'path.ffmpeg'.

ID	Key	Value
1	crypt.class.name	org.apache.openmeetings.util.crypt.SCryptImplementation
2	allow.frontend.register	true
3	allow.soap.register	true
4	allow.oauth.register	true
5	default.group.id	1
6	mail.smtp.server	localhost
7	mail.smtp.port	25
8	mail.smtp.system.email	noreply@openmeetings.apache.org
9	mail.smtp.user	
10	mail.smtp.pass	
11	mail.smtp.starttls.enable	false
12	mail.smtp.connection.timeout	30000
13	mail.smtp.timeout	30000
14	application.name	OpenMeetings
15	default.lang.id	8
16	document.dpi	150
17	document.quality	90
18	path.imagemagick	
19	path.sox	
20	path.ffmpeg	
21	path.office	
22	dashboard.rss.feed1	http://mail-archives.apache.org/mod_mbox/openmeetings-user/?format=atom
23	dashboard.rss.feed2	http://mail-archives.apache.org/mod_mbox/openmeetings-dev/?format=atom
24	send.email.at.register	false
25	send.email.with.verification	false

The configuration form for 'path.ffmpeg' shows the following details:

- Type: string
- Key: path.ffmpeg
- Value: (empty field)
- Last update: Oct 17, 2017 5:54:57 PM
- Updated by: toro
- Comment: Path To FFMPEG

Red arrows labeled 1, 2, and 3 point to the 'path.ffmpeg' row in the table, the 'Value' field in the form, and the 'Last update' field in the form, respectively.

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

<https://openmeetings.apache.org/mailling-lists.html>



Also you can download if you like, a wallpaper of OpenMeetings for different devices such as:

PC, Mac, Smartphone, iPhone and Tablets. Here is the link to download:

[OpenMeetings Wallpaper Download](#)

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Can find them here:

[Live iso download](#)

Thank you.

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