Blog

July 22, 2023 SimpleX Chat v5.2 released

What's new in v5.2:

- message delivery receipts with opt-out per contact!
- filter favorite and unread chats.
- more usable groups:
 - view full original replied message in info.
 - share your address with your contacts and group members via your chat profile.
 - search new and existing members.
- stability improvements:
 - keep your connections working after restoring from backup.
 - restart app (Android) or reconnect servers (iOS).
 - more reliable switching of the receiving address.
 - more stable message delivery.
- other improvements:
 - better disappearing messages.
 - prohibit message reactions.

Platform evolution:

- problems of public groups problems of public groups and their future.
- what about read receipts?

May 23, 2023 SimpleX Chat v5.1 released

What's new in v5.1:

- message reactions
- improved messages:
 - voice messages up to 5 minutes.
 - custom time to disappear.
 - message editing history.
- new design and customizable themes that you can share!
- self-destruct passcode

Also, we added Japanese and Portuguese ${\rm (Brazil)}^*$ interface languages, thanks to our users and Weblate.

* These features are available in the Android version only.language interface, thanks to our users and Weblate!

SimpleX Chat vision and funding:

- why is it a commercial company?
- how is it funded and what is the business model?
- · what is next?

What's new in v5.0:

- send videos and files up to 1gb
- app passcode independent from system authentication
- networking improvements

Also, we added Polish language interface, thanks to our users and Weblate!

Mar 28, 2023 SimpleX Chat v4.6 released

- ARMv7a and Android 8+ support!
- hidden chat profiles
- group/community moderation
- group welcome message
- improved audio/video calls
- reduced battery usage
- SMP server monitoring: status bot and page

Also, we added Chinese and Spanish language interface, thanks to our users and Weblate!

Mar 1, 2023 SimpleX File Transfer Protocol

A new protocol for sending large files efficiently, privately and securely. It will be soon integrated into SimpleX Chat apps.

Feb 4, 2023 SimpleX Chat v4.5 released

- multiple chat profiles.
- message draft.
- transport isolation.
- reduced battery usage.
- private filenames.

Also, we added Italian language interface, thanks to our users and Weblate!

Jan 3, 2023 SimpleX Chat v4.4 released

- disappearing messages.
- "live" messages.
- connection security verification.
- animated images and stickers now on iOS too.

Also, we added French language interface, thanks to our users and Weblate!

Dec 6, 2022 SimpleX Chat reviews and v4.3 released

November reviews:

- Privacy Guides recommendations.
- Review by Mike Kuketz.
- The messenger matrix.
- Supernova review and messenger ratings.

v4.3 is released:

- instant voice messages!
- irreversible deletion of sent messages for all recipients
- improved SMP server configuration and support for server passwords
- privacy and security improvements: protect app screen, SimpleX links security, etc.

Nov 8, 2022 <u>Security audit by Trail of Bits, the new website and v4.2</u> released

"Have you been audited or should we just ignore you?"

SimpleX Chat has now been audited by <u>Trail of Bits</u>, 4 issues were identified, and 3 of them are fixed in 4.2

The new website is live: https://simplex.chat

v4.2 is released:

- group links group admins can create the links for new members to join
- auto-accept contact requests + configure whether to accept incognito and welcome message
- small things: change group member role, mark chat as unread, send stickers and GIFs from Android keyboards.
- manually switch contact or member to another address / server (BETA)
- receive files faster (BETA)

Sep 28, 2022 v4: local database encryption

- encrypted local chat database if you already use the app, you can encrypt the database in the app settings
- support for self-hosted WebRTC ICE servers
- improved stability of creating new connections: more reliable groups, files and contacts
- deleting files and media for security and to save storage
- For developers TypeScript SDK for integrating with SimpleX Chat
- support animated images in Android app
- German language in mobile apps UI

Sep 1, 2022 v3.2: Incognito mode

- Incognito mode use a new random profile name for each contact
- use .onion server addresses with Tor
- · endless scrolling and search
- · choose accent color and dark mode
- reduced APK size for direct download and in F-Droid repo from 200 to 46Mb!

Implementation audit is arranged for October!

Aug 8, 2022 v3.1: chat groups

- finally, secret chat groups nobody but members know they exist!
- access to messaging servers via Tor on all platforms
- advanced network settings to optimize traffic usage
- published chat protocol
- new app icons

Jul 23, 2022 v3.1-beta: access servers via Tor

- terminal app: access to messaging servers via SOCKS5 proxy (e.g., Tor).
- mobile apps: join and leave chat groups.
- optimized battery and traffic usage up to 90x reduction!
- two docker configurations for self-hosted SMP servers.

Jul 11, 2022 v3: instant push notifications for iOS and audio/video calls:

- chat database export and import
- end-to-end encrypted audio/video calls
- protocol privacy and performance improvements

Jun 4, 2022 v2.2: the new Privacy and Security settings

May 24, 2022 v2.1: clearing messages for better conversation privacy

May 11, 2022 v2.0 released - sending images and files in mobile apps

Apr 04, 2022 <u>Instant notifications for SimpleX Chat mobile apps</u>

Mar 08, 2022 Mobile apps for iOS and Android released!

Feb 14, 2022. SimpleX Chat: join our public beta for iOS!

Jan 12, 2022. <u>SimpleX Chat v1 released: the most private and secure chat and application platform</u>

Dec 08, 2021. SimpleX Chat v0.5 released: the first chat platform that is 100% private by design - no access to your connections graph

Sep 14, 2021. <u>SimpleX Chat v0.4 released: open-source chat that uses privacy-preserving message routing protocol</u>

May 12, 2021. SimpleX Chat Prototype!

Oct 22, 2020. SimpleX Chat