LibreOffice 5.1 Features

Platform Compatibility

- LibreOffice for Windows allows input of arbitrary Unicode characters by typing the hexadecimal code and then pressing Alt+X
- LibreOffice for Android provides flat ODF support

Performance

• LibreOffice for Windows is significantly faster than previous versions

User Interface

- Reorganization of the menus in Writer, including the addition of a Styles menu
- Reorganization of the menus in Calc, including the addition of a Sheet menu
- Reorganization of the menus in Impress, including the addition of a Slide menu
- Reorganization of the Area and Line content panels in the Properties Sidebar
- New Chart sidebar, with some limitations, to edit several chart options
- An "AutoCorrect Options" item has been added in the spell checking context menu, to enter the autocorrect replacement table when there's no satisfactory suggestion in the "Always correct to" submenu
- The Spelling Dialog now has a toolbar for pasting and inserting special characters

Interoperability

- Export of the modified VBA stream back to binary Microsoft formats and OOXML, with some limitations
- Addition of a Open Remote File item to Start Screen and File menu, to open files on remote resources such as SharePoint, Google Drive and Alfresco

• Addition of a Save to Remote Server to the File menu, to save files on remote resources such as SharePoint, Google Drive and Alfresco

Writer

Addition of new contour and spacing controls to the Wrap content panel

Calc

- Added statistics regressions linear, logarithmic and power with a new dialog window to calculate them
- Option to search formatted display strings using the Find bar and "Find & Replace" dialog
- Several changes to table structured references and sticky end column/row anchors, for improved interoperability with OOXML files and consistency of behaviour with legacy spreadsheets
- Added WEEKNUM and ISOWEEKNUM functions, strictly compliant with ODF 1.2 (with additional changes to legacy WEEKNUM functions, for interoperability purposes)
- Cell reference edge added to alignment section of Calc Sidebar
- Cell styles added to Properties Pane in Calc Sidebar

Impress & Draw

- Added two new toolbox icons to toggle the Mode Tab bar, to select the Working mode among the 7 available: top half, views to edit contents (Slide, Notes, Outline and Slide Sorter), bottom half, views to edit Masters (Slide, Notes, Handouts)
- Master slide view has a different background color, to make it visually different from the content editing view
- The Shape Properties dialog for enhanced shapes now shows control points, and enables editing them by changing numeric values
- Added a new button on the presenter console to restart the timer of the slideshow without restarting the slideshow itself
- OpenGL transitions have been ported to OpenGL 2.1+, removing

support for very old GPUs but allowing a better usage of modern ones

- Four new OpenGL 2.1+ transitions have been added
- Slide Transitions have been grouped for easy selection, with a new icon based selection palette added to Impress Sidebar

Import/Export Filters

- Import of Gnumeric files (does not work on Windows)
- Import of Microsoft Write (.wri) and Apple Keynote 6 (.key) files

LibreOffice 5.1 Release Notes

https://wiki.documentfoundation.org/ReleaseNotes/5.1.