
Enterprise Data Marketplaces

Establishing Data Marketplaces based on Semantic Technologies



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WHY DATA MARKETPLACES?

The Value of Data



Uber: the world's largest taxi company owns no vehicles



AirBnB: the world's largest accommodation provider owns no real estate



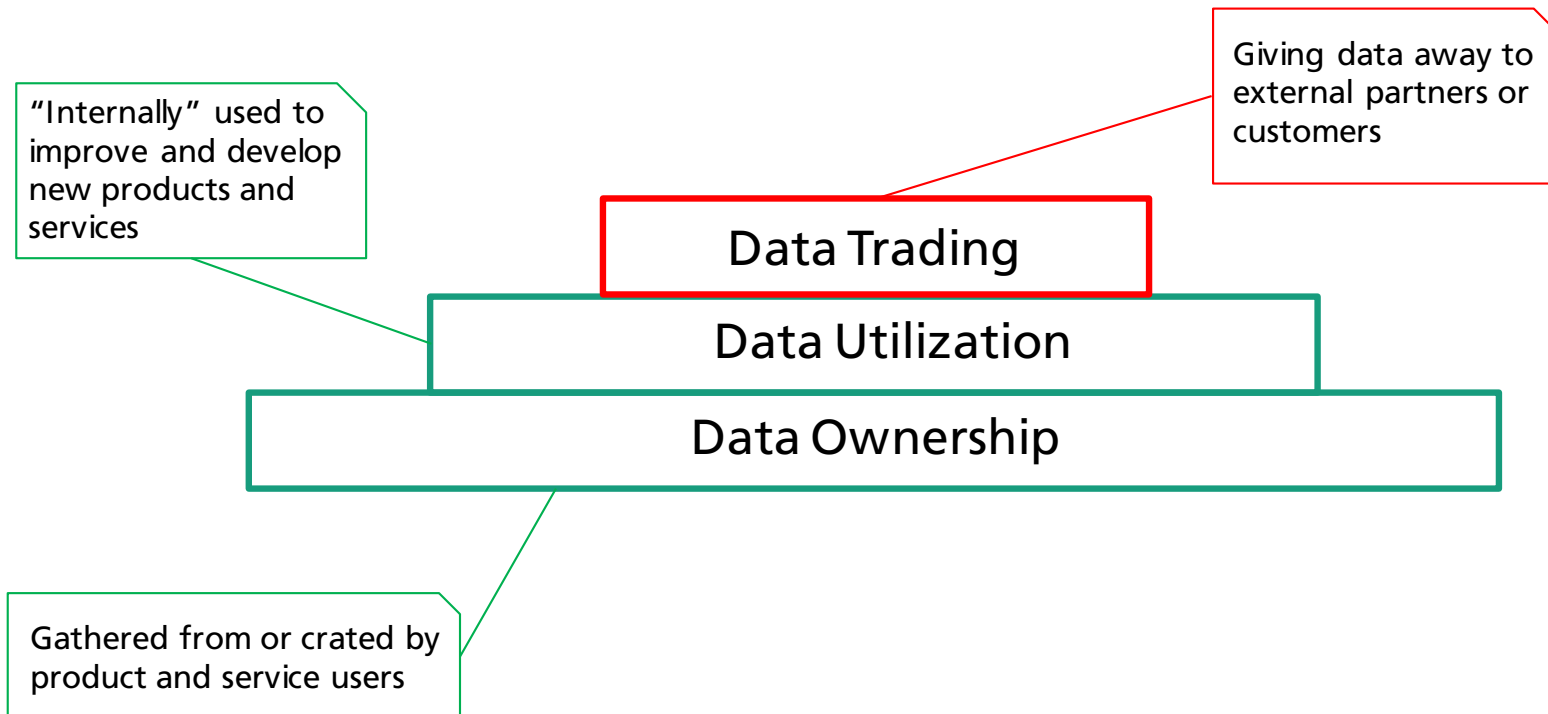
Alibaba: the most valuable retailer has no inventory



Facebook: the world's most popular media owner creates no content

The Value of Data

Data becomes the **foundation** of enterprise business models



The Problem of Trading Enterprise Data

- Proprietary data exchange policies
 - Must be implemented by each business partner
- Restrictive compliance policies
 - No common set of supported tools
- Lack of data registries with wide industry support
 - Partners must know in advance what data exists and who it provides

The Problem of Trading Enterprise Data (2)

- Security Concerns
 - Ensure trust between parties
- Data Sovereignty
 - Make sure data is used in a specified way

The Vision of a Data Marketplace

1. Describe data you **have** to provide
 - What it is **about**
 - Define **who** and **how** to access it
 - Technical (protocols)
 - Organizational (access and usage control)
 - Economical (legal, pricing)
2. Describe data you **want** to purchase
3. Data Market takes care of the rest: **connects data providers and customers**

The Challenge

Define an **Information Model** to **describe** multiple aspects of data market places

- Data offers
 - Topic, usage policies, prices,...
- Data Services and Apps
 - Used algorithms, protocols,...
- Infrastructure
 - Security capabilities, operator,...
- Participants
 - Parties that exchange data, their roles, organization...

The Challenge

The model should be

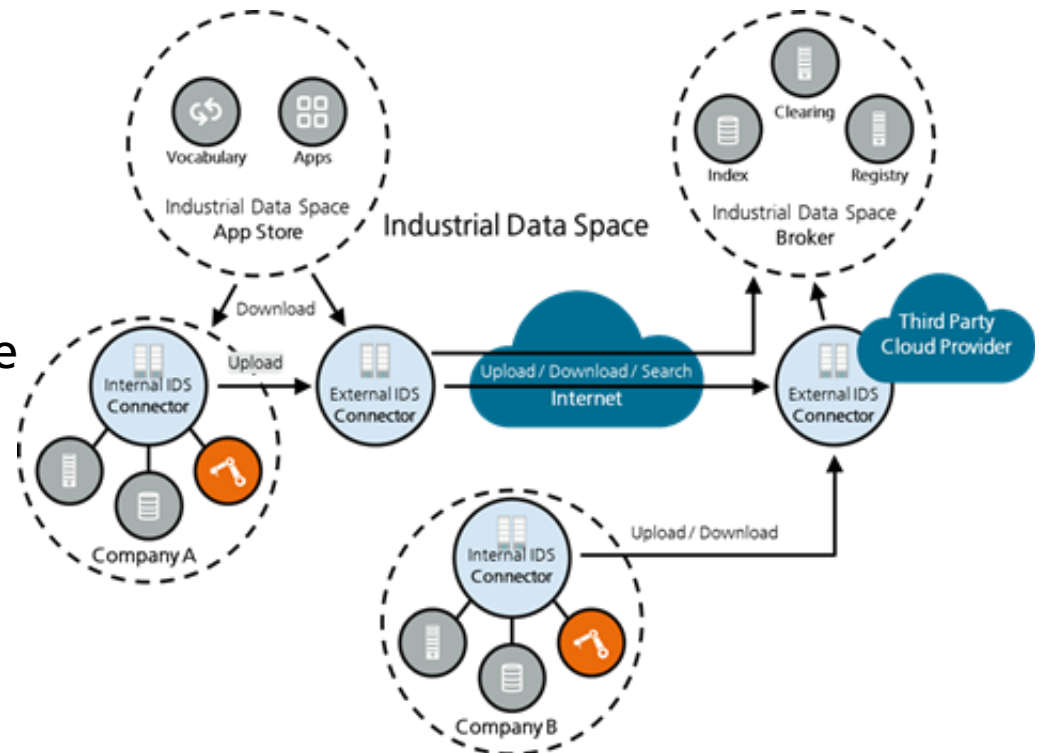
- Human readable
 - Easy formulation of queries
- Machine-processable
 - Drive search and retrieval use cases
- Technology agnostic
 - No vendor lock-in
- Extendable
 - Support future use cases

MARKETPLACE APPROACHES

Industrial Data Space (IDS)



- BMBF-funded Project(s)
- Association with 80+ Industry Members
- Standardized Architecture
- Certification of Software and Participants
- Offers Software Components
- Implementation of (reference) Use Cases



SDIL Data Catalog

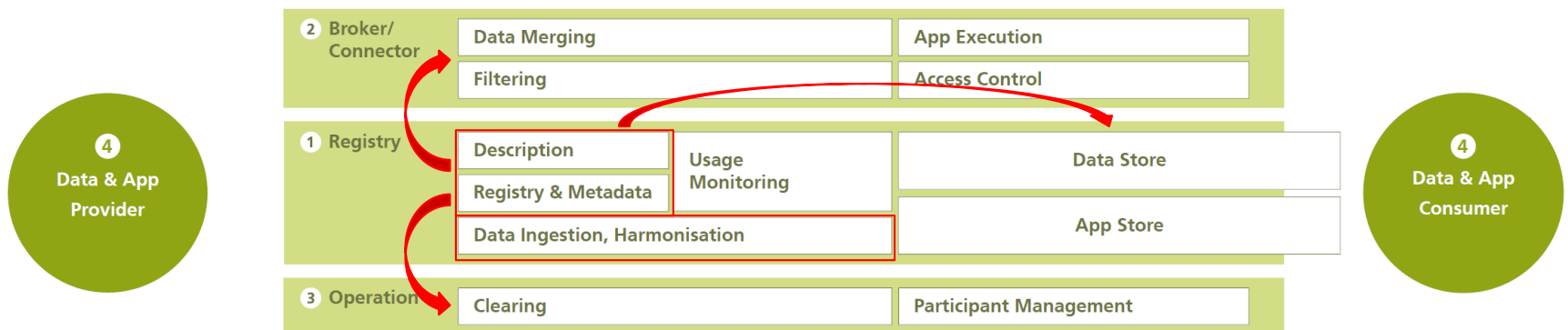
- Provided by Fraunhofer IAIS.EIS
- First Version currently rolled out
- Uses parts of the IDS Information Model to describe datasets
- Compatible with IDS Architecture
- In future act as an IDS Connector



SEMANTIC TECHNOLOGIES

What problems does it solve us?

- Common and standardized description of not only **Data** and **Apps** but all aspects of a Data Marketplace
- Allows **reuse** of existing information models
- Machine readability improves **search** and enables advanced **queries**
- Basis for **advanced** functionality (e.g., security, usage control)

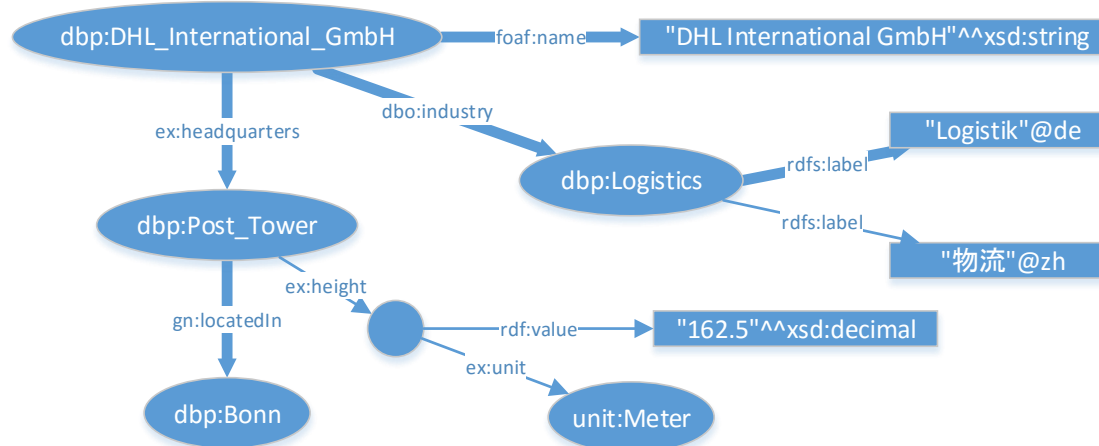


Data Integration with Semantics

- Build a **knowledge graph** to describe things and their relations
- **Triple-based form**

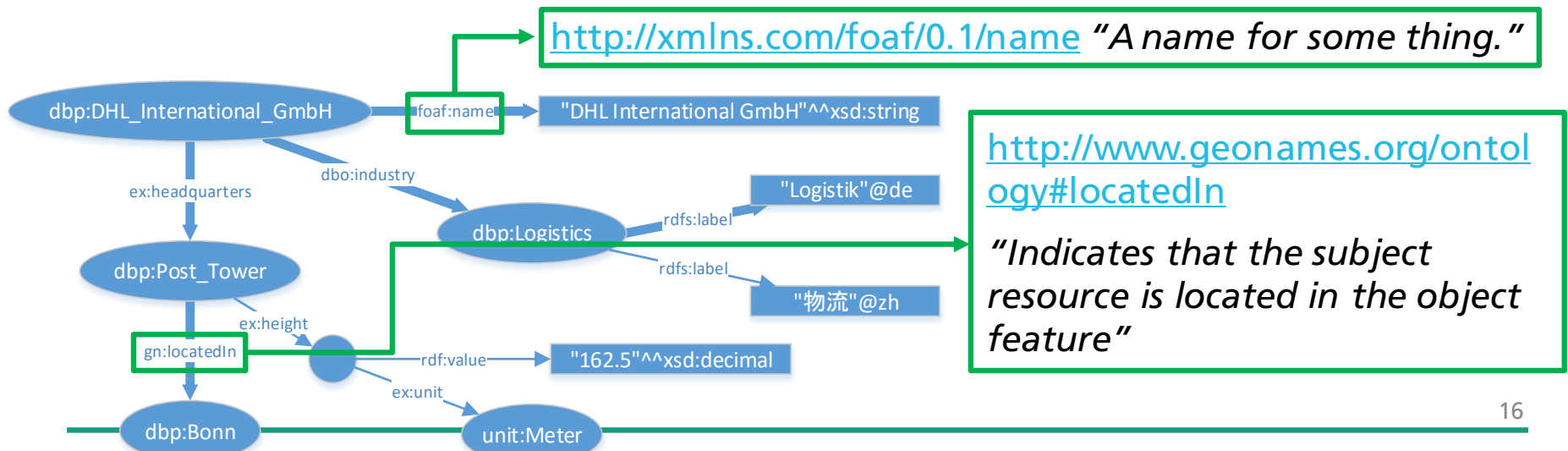


- All triple elements are **URLs**



Data Integration with Semantics (2)

- Triple elements can be **resolved**
- Can and should be **reused**
- Relations now have a **meaning** (semantics)
- We gain a **common understanding** of their meaning and the resources that are described

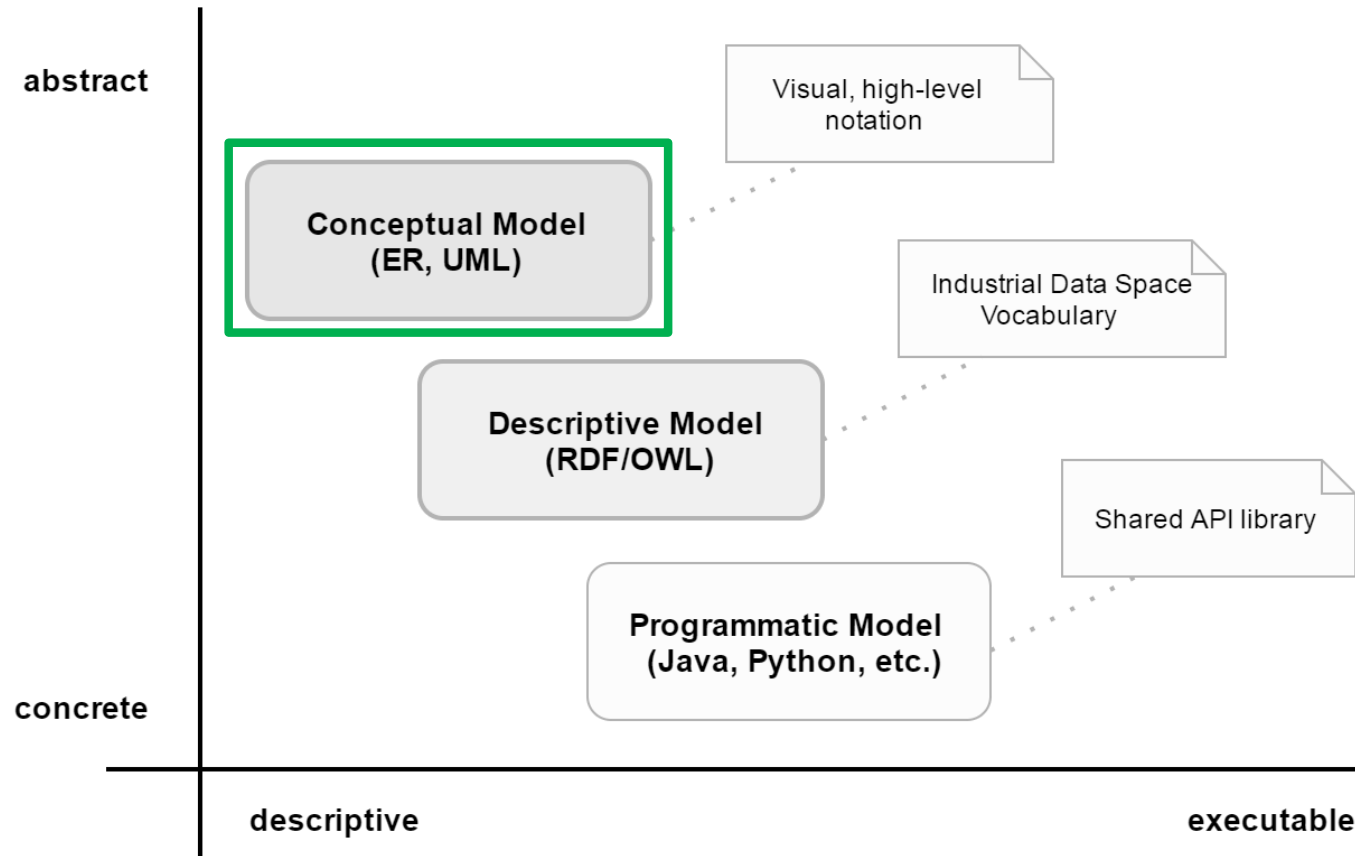


Data Integration with Semantics (3)

- **Shared understanding**
 - Meaning of data is clear to humans **and** machines
- **Existing models** and knowledge for various domains, e.g.,
 - People and their relations, Organizations
 - Business Processes
 - Policies
- **Easy to integrate and combine** knowledge graphs
 - Query multiple data sources “at once”

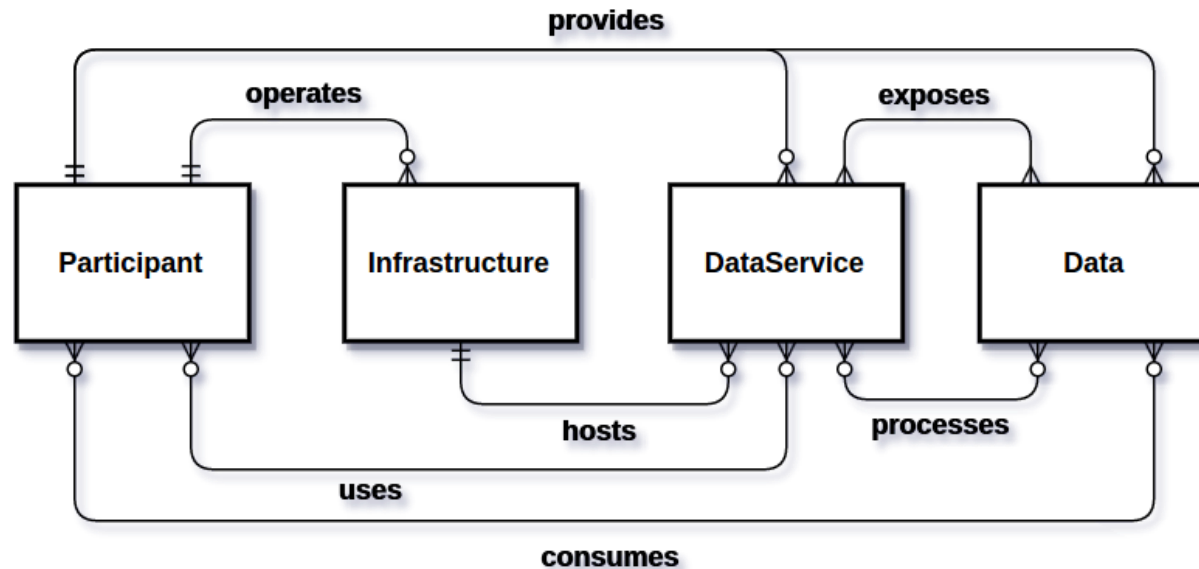
A SEMANTIC INFORMATION MODEL FOR THE IDS

A Semantic Information Model for Data Marketplaces



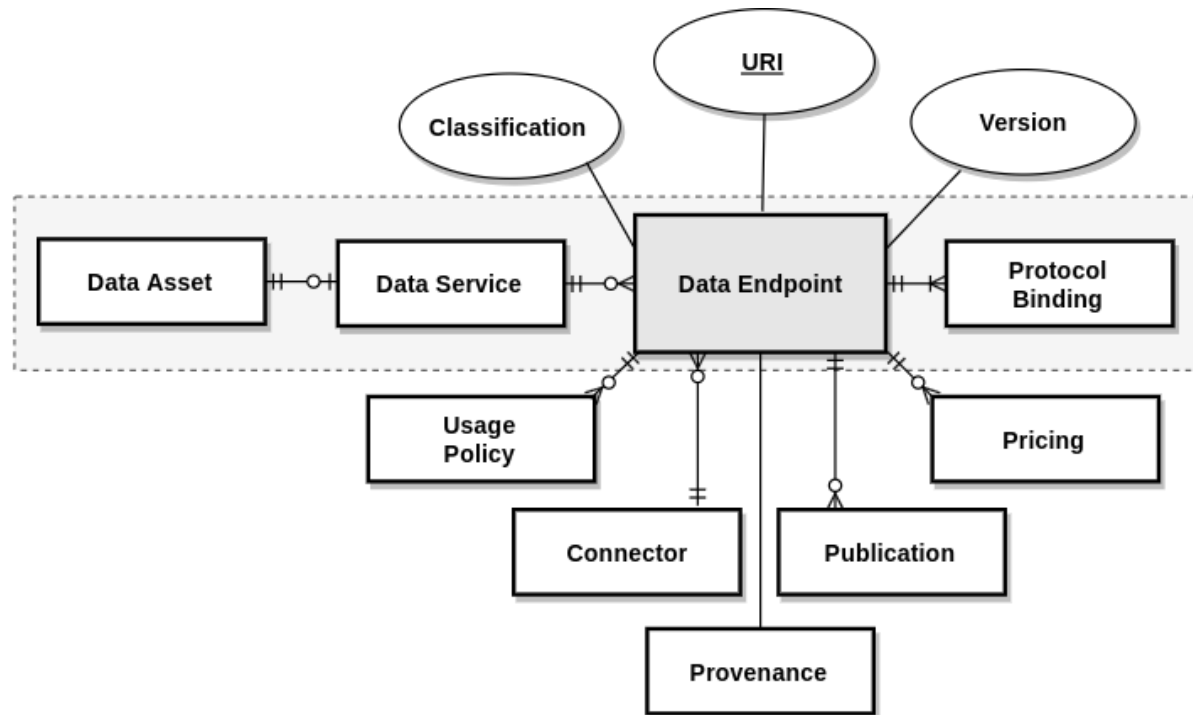
A Semantic Information Model for Data Marketplaces – Conceptual Level

■ Information Model of the Industrial Data Space

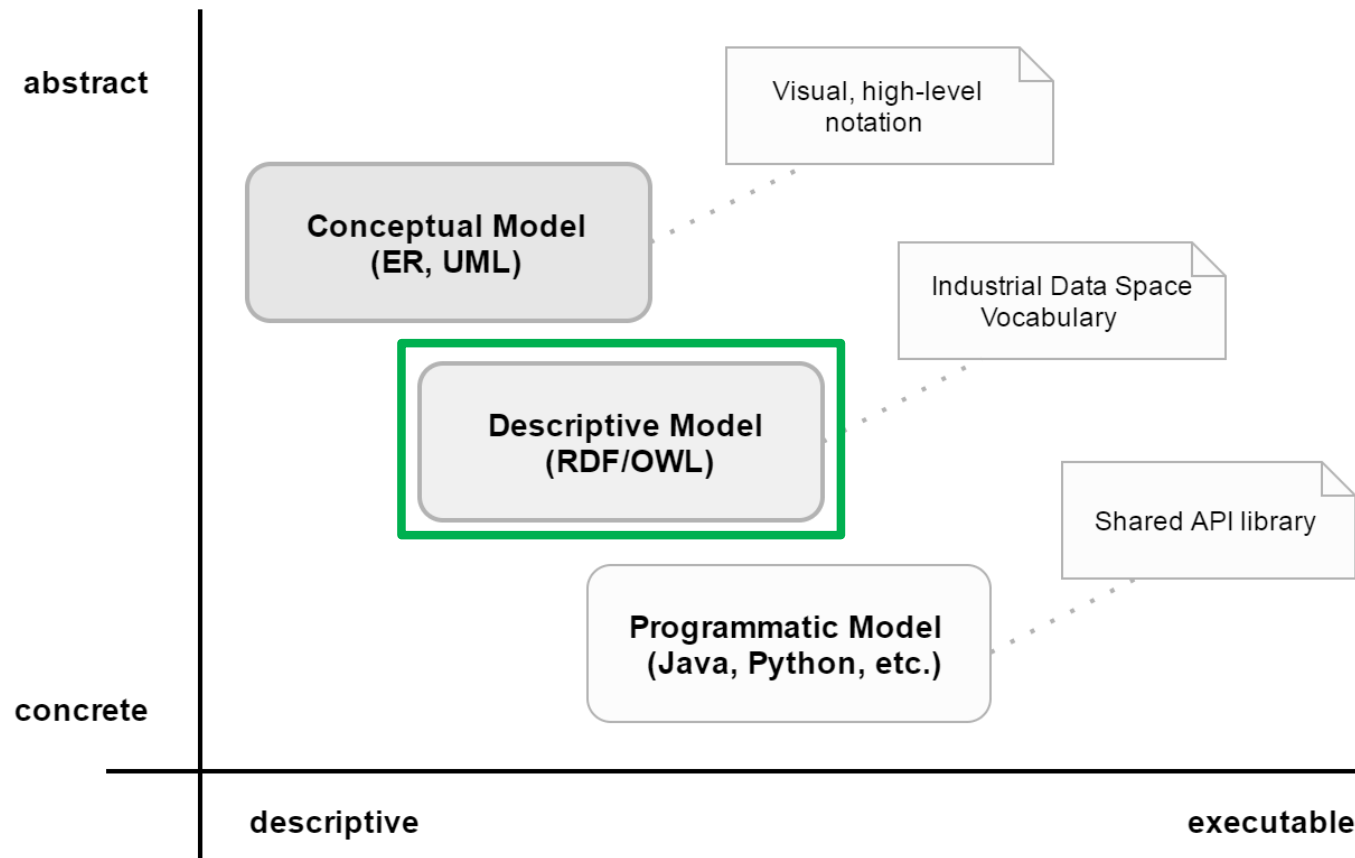


A Semantic Information Model for Data Marketplaces – Conceptual Level (2)

- Description of a Service that offers data

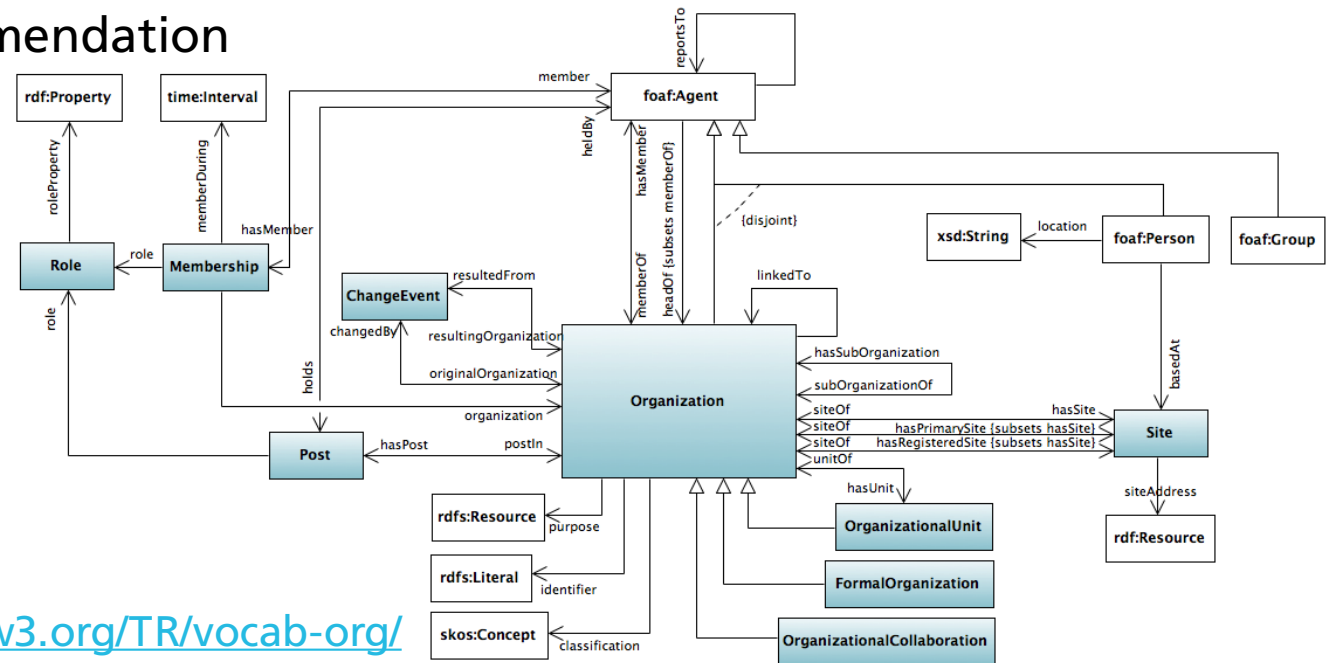


A Semantic Information Model for Data Marketplaces



A Semantic Information Model for Data Marketplaces – Descriptive Level

- The Organization Ontology (ORG)
 - A core ontology for organizational structures
 - W3C recommendation



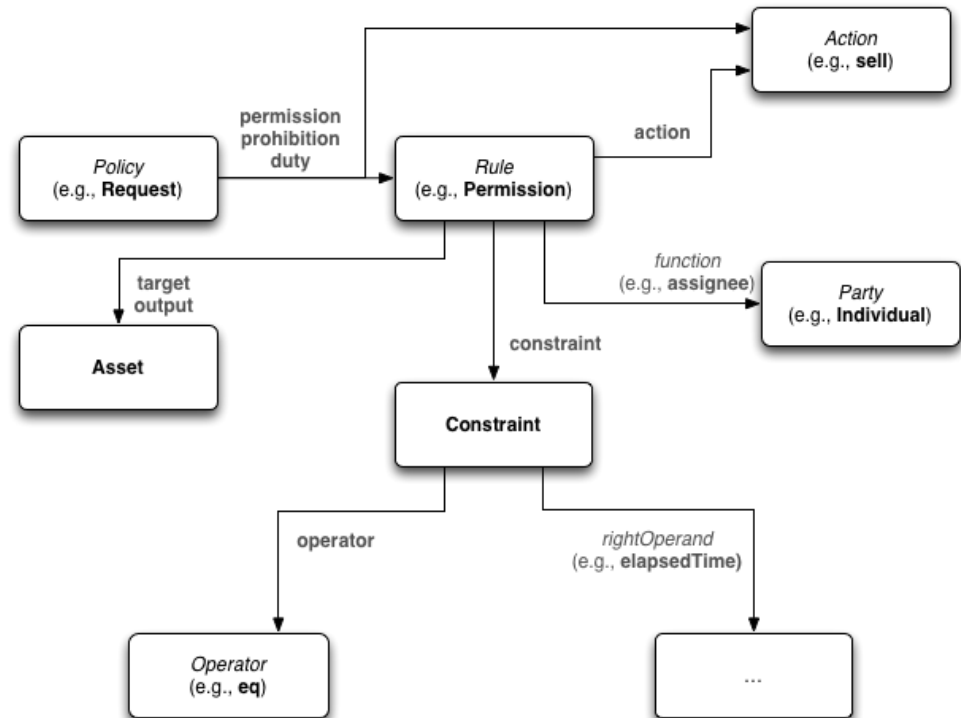
<https://www.w3.org/TR/vocab-org/>

A Semantic Information Model for Data Marketplaces – Descriptive Level (2)

■ Open Digital Rights Language (ODRL)

- support traditional rights expressions for commercial transaction, open access expressions for publicly distributed content, and privacy expressions for social media

- <https://www.w3.org/ns/odrl/2/ODRL21>



A Semantic Information Model for Data Marketplaces – Descriptive Level (3)

Classes

```
ids:Connector rdfs:subClassOf
ids:InfrastructureComponent;
  a owl:Class;
  rdfs:label "Connector"@en ;
  rdfs:comment "Connector for
hosting data services."@en;

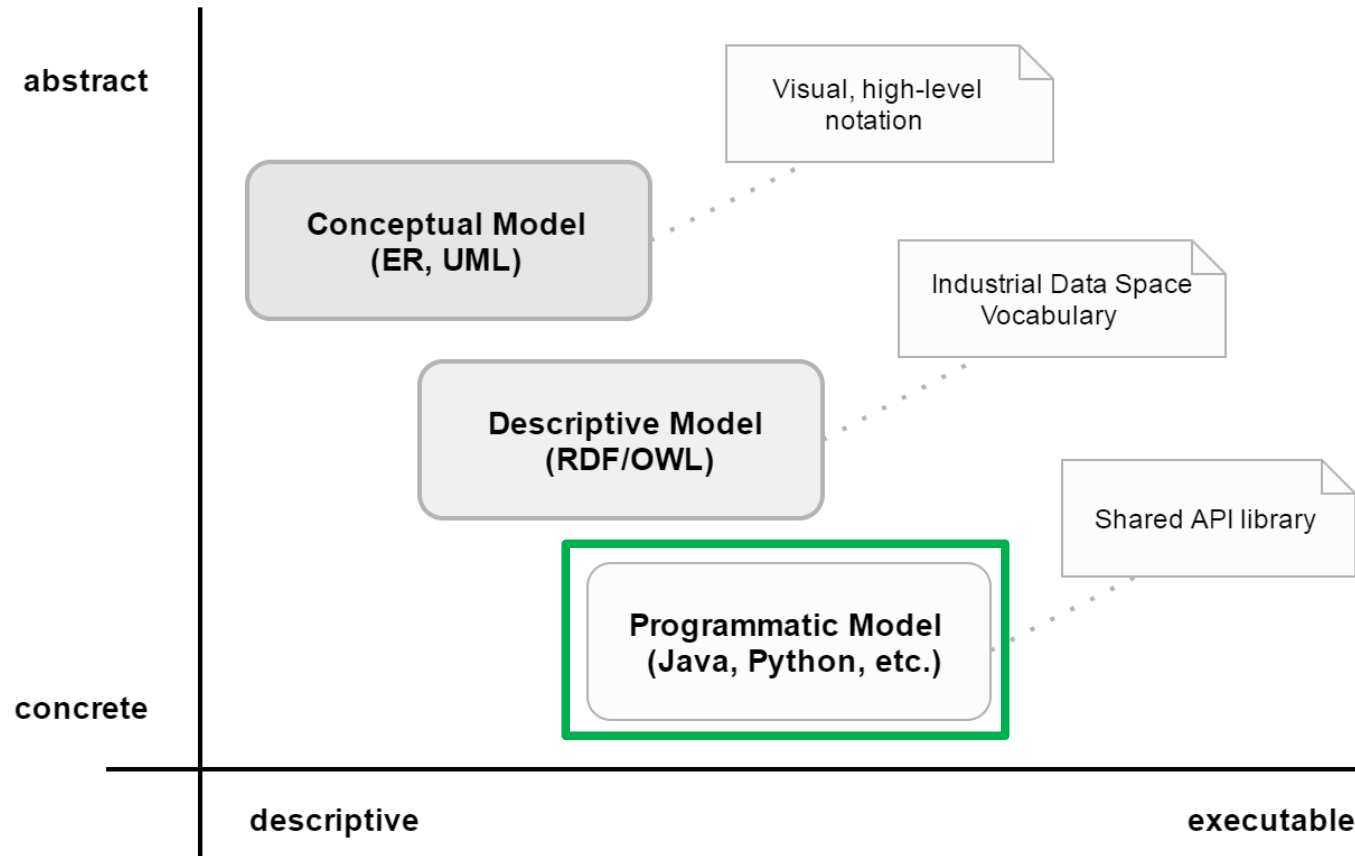
  ids:validation [
    owl:onProperty ids:provides;
    valid:relationType
"@OneToMany";
  ].
```

Properties

```
ids:provides a owl:ObjectProperty;
  rdfs:domain ids:Connector;
  rdfs:range ids:DataEndpoint;
  rdfs:label "provides"@en;
  rdfs:comment "The DataEndpoints
provided by a Connector."@en.

ids:securityProfile a
owl:ObjectProperty;
  rdfs:domain ids:Connector;
  rdfs:range ids:SecurityProfile;
  rdfs:label "securityProfile"@en;
  rdfs:comment "The SecurityProfile
supported by the Connector."@en.
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A Semantic Information Model for Data Marketplaces



A Semantic Information Model for Data Marketplaces – Programmatic Level

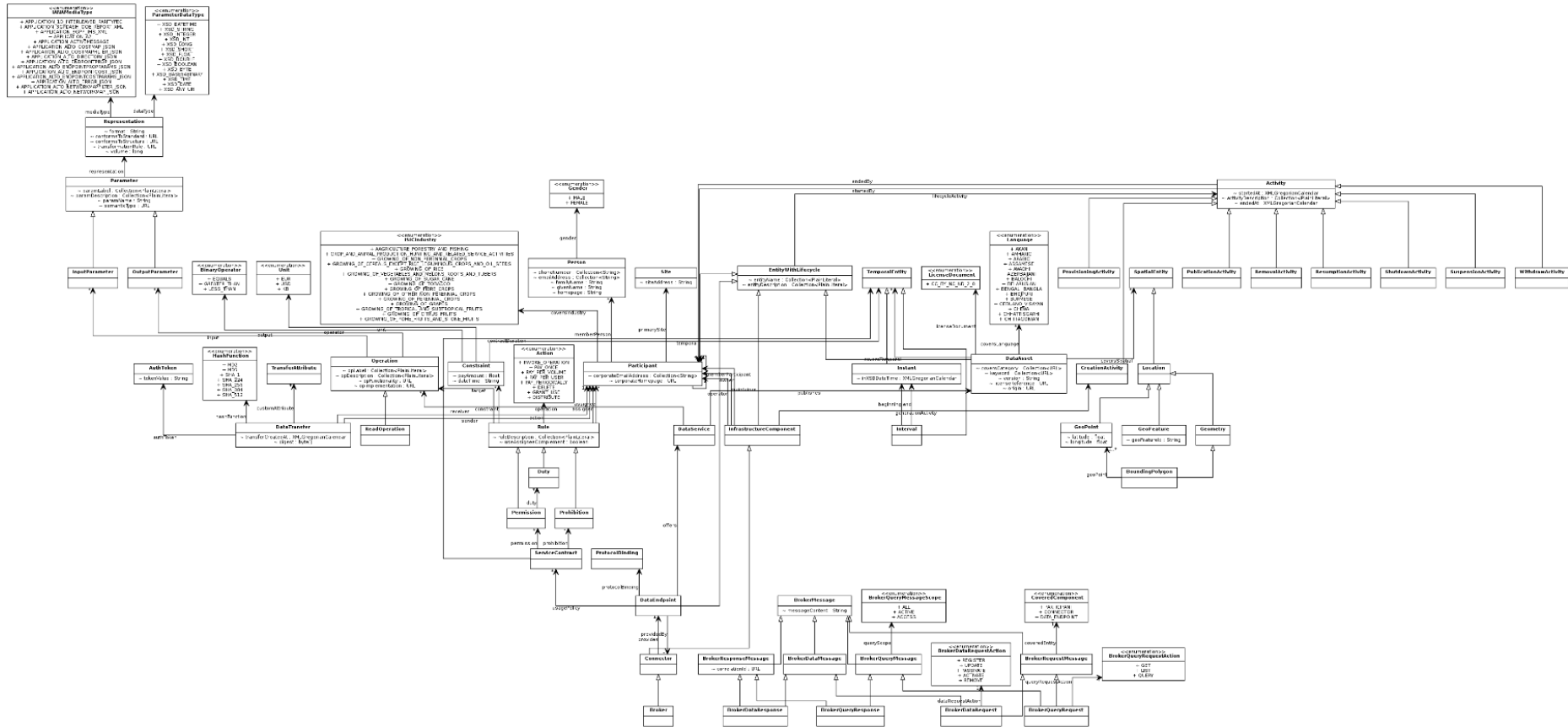
- Participants should describe their assets as Linked Data using the IDS Information Model, e.g.,
 - Connectors
 - Usage Policies
 - Services
 - Data Assets
 - Apps
 - ...

A Semantic Information Model for Data Marketplaces – Programmatic Level (2)

- Different ways of creating these descriptions:
 - **Directly:** using plain-text (editor, RDF syntax checker)
 - **Tool-supported:** e.g., Protege, TopBraid, VoCol
 - **Programmatically:** using RDF libraries (e.g., Jena, RDF4J)

- Valid solutions, **but**
 - require **knowledge of RDF** of any IDS participant
 - **teaching RDF does not scale** for a high number of participants

A Semantic Information Model for Data Marketplaces – Programmatic Level (3)



A Semantic Information Model for Data Marketplaces – Programmatic Level (4)

- Automatic generation from the descriptive model:
 - Java Libraries
 - Artifacts: sources (RDF + Java classes), binaries, documentation (javadoc, class diagram) and tests (+source for additional documentation of usage)
 - Class diagram of the model (previous slide)
 - Other Documentation

A Semantic Information Model for Data Marketplaces – Programmatic Level (5)

```
■ Connector connector = new ConnectorBuilder(new
    URL("http://example.org/companyA/connector"))
    .operator(participant.getId())
    .maintainer(participant.getId())
    .owner(participant.getId())
    .generationActivity(creationActivity)
    .lifecycleActivities(Arrays.asList(creationActivity))
    .entityNames(Arrays.asList(new
PlainLiteral („Connector")))
    .entityDescriptions(Arrays.asList((new
PlainLiteral („IDS Connector for classified business
data.", "en"))))
    .build();

■ connector.toRdf()
```

A Semantic Information Model for Data Marketplaces – Programmatic Level (6)

```
http://companyA.com/IDS/connector1 a ids:Connector ;
  ids:entityName [
    a skos:Collection ;
    skos:member "Official IDS Connector of companyA"@en] ;
  ids:operator
<http://industrialdataspace.org/participants/companyA> ;
  ids:owner
<http://industrialdataspace.org/participants/companyA> ;
  ids:provides [ a
    skos:Collection;
    skos:member
<http://industrialdataspace.org/connector1/endpoint1>
  ] ;
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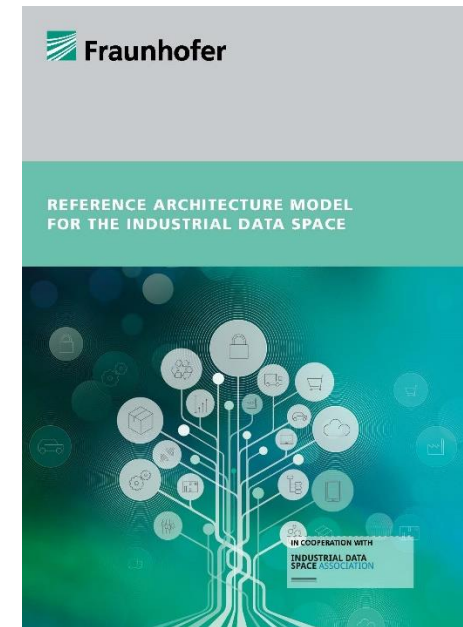
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MODEL APPLICATIONS

Industrial Data Space (IDS)

- Installable components available for association members
 - Connector, Broker, App Store
- Central element: **IDS Information Model**
 - Reference Architecture Document
 - Under Apache 2.0 license
 - Developed on GitHub
 - <https://github.com/IndustrialDataSpace>



Conclusions

- Benefits of a Semantic Data Model
 - Builds a **common** human-readable and machine-processable **understanding** of a Data Marketplace
 - Data and Apps
 - Infrastructure and Participants
 - Easy **adoption** of existing models
 - **Extensible** for future requirements
 - **Usable** also by non-RDF experts

Thank You!

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