

ISENES Semantic Landscape

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Context

Context - ISENES

Infrastructure for the European Network for Earth System Modelling

Experiments → Models → Simulations → Datasets

Full data life cycle - very long term archives

Strong links with global partners

EU Funded – 3rd funding cycle imminent

Context - Requirements

Experiments → Models → Simulations → Datasets

What are the datasets for a certain ensemble axis ?

What set of experiments are common to projects A & B ?

What is the estimated output (in Pb) experiment X ?

What are the boundary forcing requirements for experiment Y ?

What is a model's ocean advection schema ?

How is the model parametrizing sea-ice radiation ?

Upon which computational platform was the simulation ran ?

Activites

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Data Request

Dataset Publication

Citation Service

Dataset Errata

Documentation

Activities - Data Request

**Metadata describing relationships between model inter-comparison projects,
experiments & requested variables**

Useful for deriving data output size (in Terabytes)

Essential for normalizing output variables across models

Activities - Citation Service

Centralized citation management application

Links datasets to citations via persistent identifiers

Activities - Dataset Publication

Earth System Grid Federation (ESG-F)

Globally distributed P2P dataset publication system

Hosts model & observational datasets

Extensive community & tooling eco-system

Node types = Index | Identity | Compute

Activities - Dataset Errata

Documentation of dataset errata

Typically published post-simulation

Multi project support

Integrates with PID handle service using B2Handle

Activities - Documentation

Detailed documentation of projects, experiments, models, ensembles, & platforms

Ontology + Specializations + Vocabularies

Extensive web infrastructure & tooling eco-system

Well run project with good access to senior scientists

Implementations

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Data Request = XML & Python

Citation Service = JSON, PostgreSQL, PID, REST, HTML, Python

Dataset Publication = JSON, SOLR, PostgreSQL, REST, HTML, Python

Dataset Errata = JSON, PostgreSQL, REST, HTML, Python, Javascript

ES-DOC = JSON, Python, Javascript, PostgreSQL, REST, meta-programming

Takeaways

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Fluid narratives versus static ontologies

High Bus Factor

Institutional Fragmentation

Algorithm design != semantic web

Software engineering as a discipline in its own right

Simplicity is undervalued

**Are you using or are you planning to use the existing
EUDAT semantic services?**

B2 services are being used within the context of dataset errata

**Which potential needs for additional semantic services or
functionalities of existing service would you need?**

Data life cycle & provenance could be of interest

OWL & SKOS engineering might be a useful step towards unification