

Open Biodiversity Knowledge Management System

Semantic Suite Running on top of the
Biodiversity Knowledge Graph

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I. What is OBKMS?

EUCases : SPARQL Quer

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EUCases Data SPARQL Current Repository: OBKMS obkms

SPARQL Query

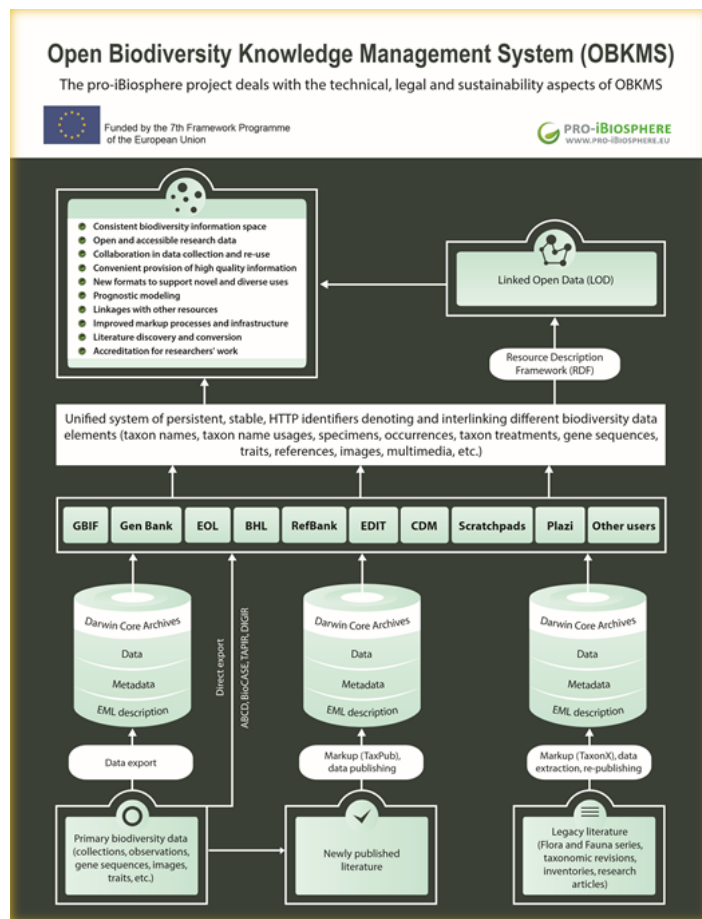
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Vision

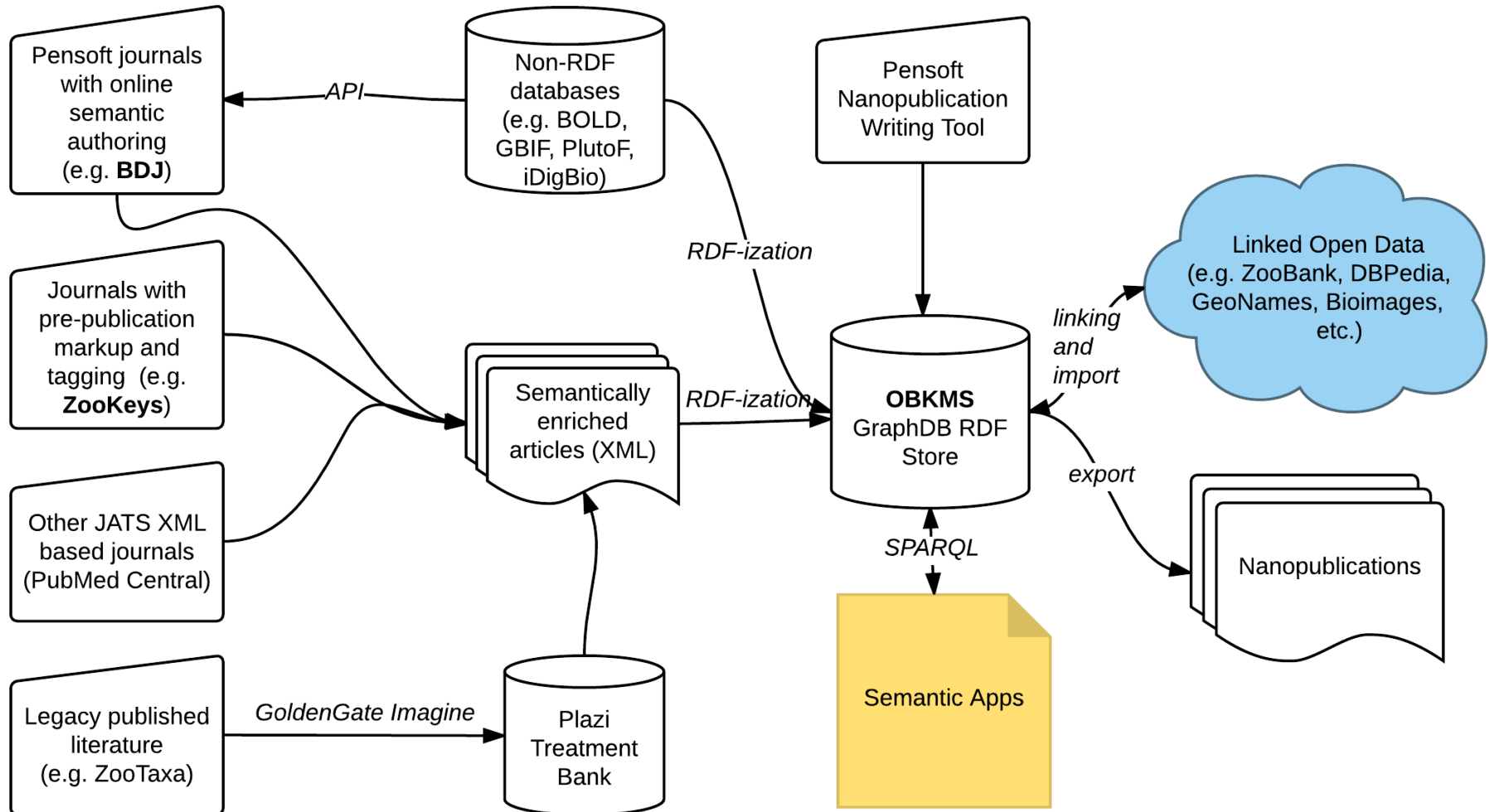


● Ten key outputs of the pro-iBiosphere project →

- Linked Open Data
 - Taxon names
 - Taxon name usages
 - Specimens
 - Occurrences
 - Taxon treatments
 - Gene sequences
 - Traits
 - References
 - Images
 - Multimedia
- Biodiversity Knowledge Graph

<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.191785>

Software architecture



Reason-able view of biodiversity data

<http://www.slideshare.net/ontotext/two-reasonable-views-to-the-web-of-linked-data>

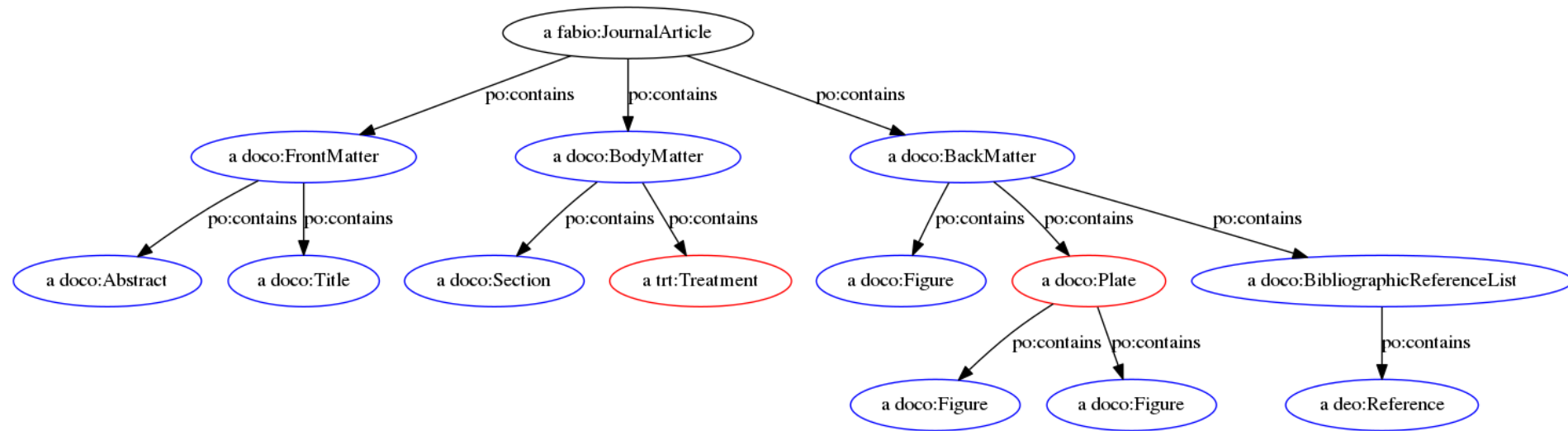
- Group selected datasets and ontologies in a **single semantic repository**: tractable reasoning
- OBKMS includes:
 - GBIF datasets (taxonomic backbone)
 - GeoNames country data
 - Bioimages Darwin-SW formatted data
 - Genetic data: Bio4j

II. Semantic Model of a Biodiversity Publication

Semantic model of a biodiversity publication: **Key ontologies**

- Semantic Publishing and Referencing Ontologies (SPAR)
 - FRBR-aligned Bibliographic Ontology (FaBiO)
 - Citation Counting and Context Characterization Ontology (C4O)
 - Document Components Ontology (DOCO)
 - Publishing Roles Ontology (PRO)
- Treatment Ontology
- Darwin-SW

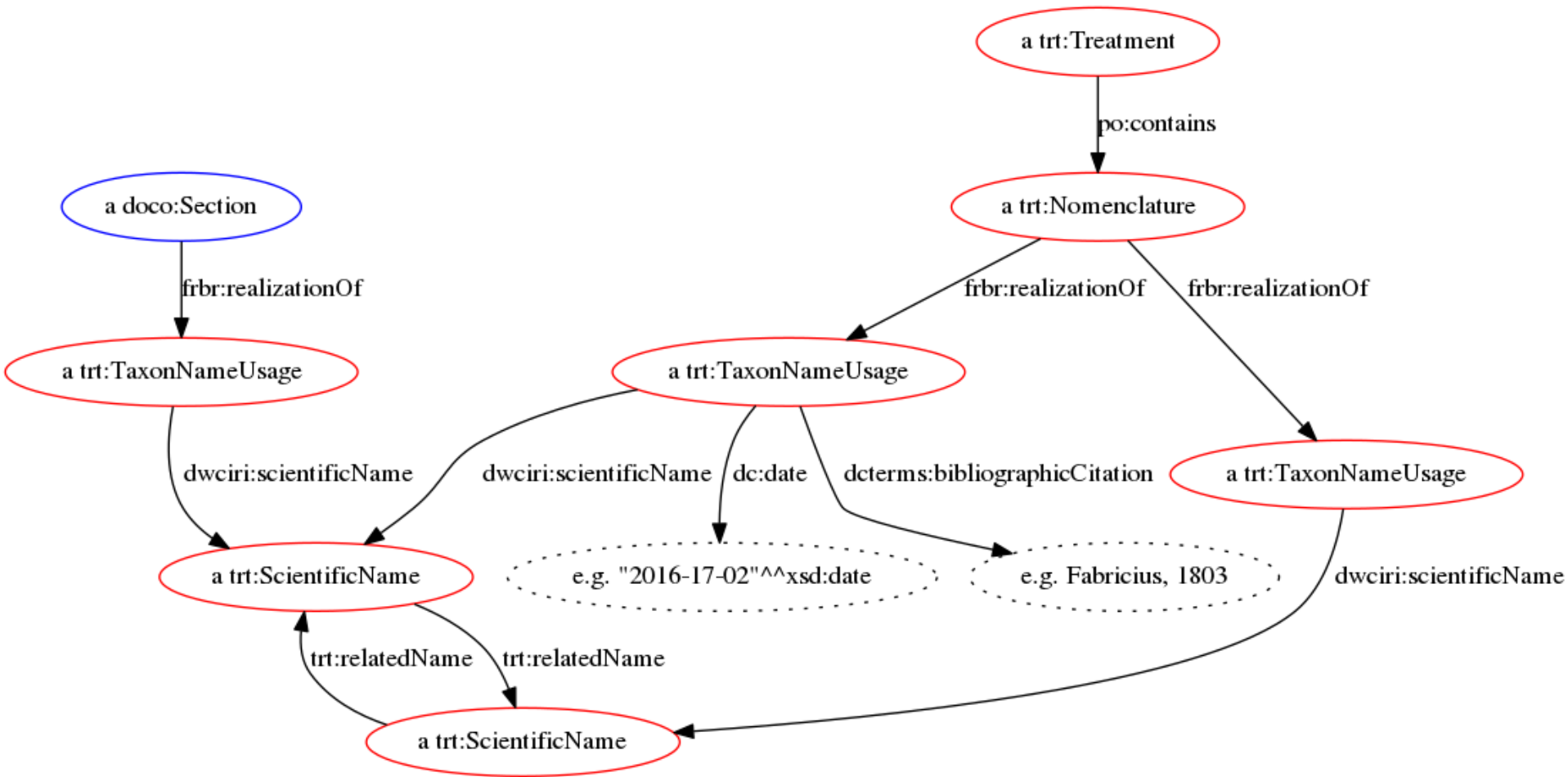
Semantic model of a biodiversity publication: Graph representation, **Article structure**



Legend:

- blue ovals: OBKMS nodes, representing XML elements
- red ovals: OBKMS nodes, representing XML elements, but not defined in SPAR

Semantic model of a biodiversity publication: Graph representation, **Treatment**



Properties of *taxon name usage* (TNU)

Property	Description
dwciri:scientificName	Links TNU to a trt:ScientificName
Type*	(Optional) E.g. “new sp.,” “new comb.,” etc.
dc:date	Gives the date of the taxon name usage as literal
dcterms:bibliographicCitation	(Optional) links the TNU to a bibliographic reference as literal
biro:references	(Optional) Links the TNU to a bibliographic reference
dwciri:toTaxon	(Optional) Links the TNU to a taxon (concept)
c4o:hasContent	Free text comments as literal

* Can be realized as sub-subproperty of dwciri:scientificName or as a separate type property

Example 1: Using the semantic model to understand the context of a *taxon name usage*

Task: *find all taxon name usages in figure captions, where the caption indicates that we dealing with a voucher or a type specimen!*

```
...
SELECT ?fig ?scientific_name ?caption_text
WHERE {
    ?name a                               trt:ScientificName ;
          skos:prefLabel                  ?scientific_name .
    ?tnu  a                               trt:TaxonNameUsage;
          dwciri:scientificName          ?name .
    ?fig  frbr:realizationOf              ?tnu ;
          a                               doco:Figure ;
          po:contains                     ?caption .
    ?caption c4o:hasContent ?caption_text.
    FILTER (regex ?caption_text, "voucher") || regex(?caption_text, "type"))
}
```

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Example 2: Using the semantic model to find related names

A rule for creating new relations:

```
PREFIX trt: <http://plazi.org/treatment#>
INSERT {
    ?a trt:relatedName ?b .
    ?b trt:relatedName ?a .
}
WHERE {
    ?a a trt:ScientificName .
    ?b a trt:ScientificName .
    ?c a trt:Nomenclature ;
        frbr:realizationOf
            [ dwciri:scientificName ?a ];
            [ dwciri:scientificName ?b ].
}

# if two names are mentioned in the same nomenclature
# section then they are related
```

Define related names as a transitive and reflexive property in OWL:

```
trt:relatedName rdf:type owl:ObjectProperty ,
                    owl:TransitiveProperty,
                    owl:ReflexiveProperty ;
    rdfs:domain trt:ScientificName ;
    rdfs:range trt:ScientificName ;
    rdfs:comment "Indicates that two
names are connected via a chain of nomenclatural
name usages." .
```

Example 2: Using the semantic model to find related names

R library enabling the taxonomist to browse OBKMS

Restarting R session...

```
> library(obkms)
> find_related_names("Harmonia manillana")
```

	id	label	rank
1	pensoft:8c4f976c-1eac-4ea8-8ea0-ed8bf4b1e82e	Harmonia manillana	species
2	pensoft:922d1e1e-25e1-4894-9bf4-cbb904a7a65c	Leis dunlopi	species
3	pensoft:40f149be-f28c-4dfb-be31-077292c2359e	Caria manillana	species
4	pensoft:3d6a8384-311e-4b40-b465-6746f4d2c85f	Leis atrocincta	species
5	pensoft:283125dc-fd20-46fe-bb01-1630455d4226	atrocincta	variety
6	pensoft:130baaad-d5c4-4ac2-8ed5-4ac9201516dc	Neda paulinae	species
7	pensoft:f92aaf7e-f6d0-454f-ab79-f93d4cd5248d	Caria paulinae	species
8	pensoft:71899792-67ab-4753-95f5-82807fa1bc63	Leis cerasicolor	species
9	pensoft:7e5fad4f-47b6-44b7-bd5b-351cae8cbf1d	Leis aterrima	species
10	pensoft:db237747-571c-4e47-807a-4af33c38bf2d	Leis papuensis	species
11	pensoft:ebb7e446-faaa-43a3-8d0a-7658bf3a519c	Leis papuensis var. suffusa	species

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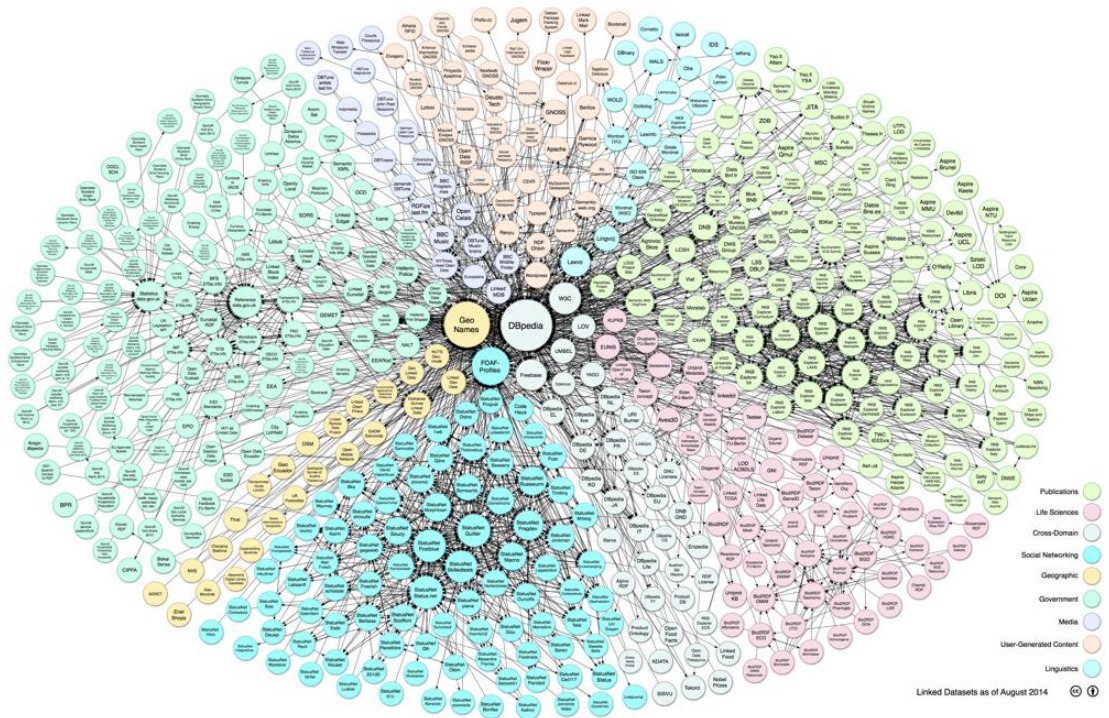
III. OBKMS as part of Linked Open Data

Crosslinking of identifiers (examples)

OBKMS Identifier Type	External Link
fabio:SubjectDiscipline	DBPedia
trt:ScientificName	ZooBank
dwc:Location	GeoNames
dsw:Occurrence	GBIF
fabio:JournalArticle	DOI
foaf:Agent	ORCID

OBKMS Linked Open Dataset

- Plain RDF
- Nanopublications



IV. Applications of OBKMS

OBKMS for collection managers and database aggregators

- Semantic web-app
 - Track published museum specimens
- Taxonomic API
 - Track new nomenclatural changes

OBKMS for scientists

Some ideas:

1. *Estimate the number of undescribed species per taxon by looking at the frequency of species description in that taxon. Also: generate stats on taxonomic activities, e.g., most studied/published taxa.*
2. *Perform hidden topic analysis and create a recommendation algorithm based on top of that.*

Thank you!

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prototype and nanopublication presentation

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09:00 – 09:15 Talk 1028 and Talk 1012

02:00 PM Workshop 08

Friday CTEC Auditorium

09:00 – 09:15 Talk 1011