







# Lift your data

## Introduction to Linked Data

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#### **Current Web**



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**Statistical** 

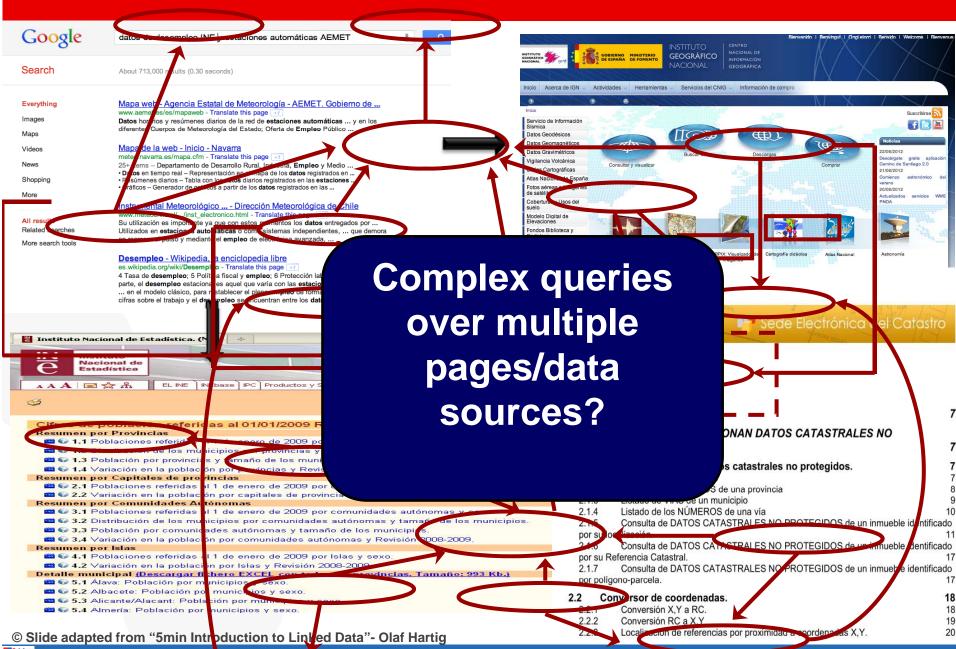
**Database** 

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Geospatial Database

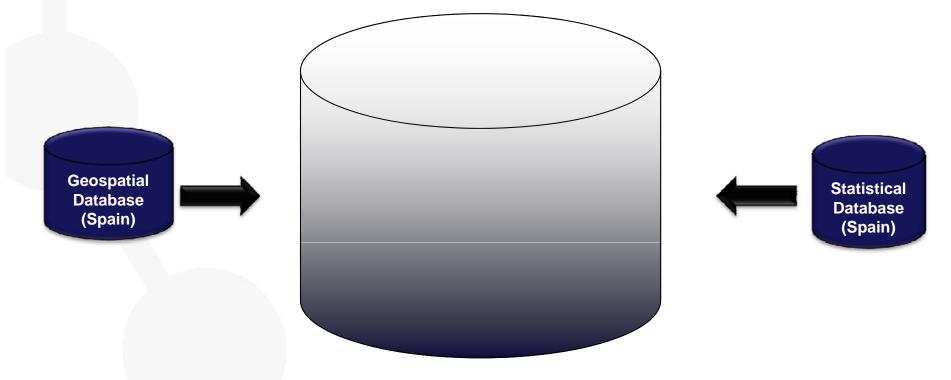
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#### What do we actually want?

- Use the Web like a single global database
  - web of documents -> web of data





#### **Linked Data enables such Web of Data**

subject

property

value

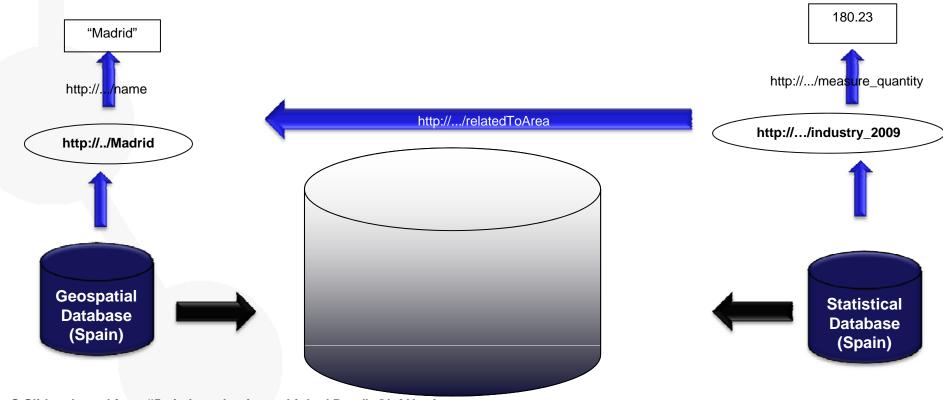
Global Identifier: URI (Uniform Resource Identifier), which is a string of characters used to identify a name or a resource on the Internet.

Data Model: RDF (Resource Description Framework), which is a standard model

for data interchange on the Web

**Access Mechanism: HTTP** 

**Connection: Typed Links** 



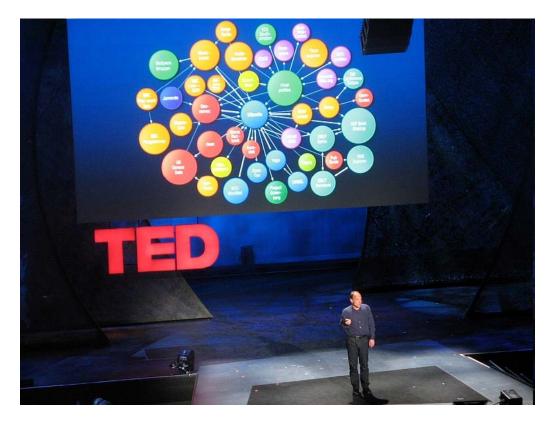
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#### The four principles (Tim Berners Lee, 2006)

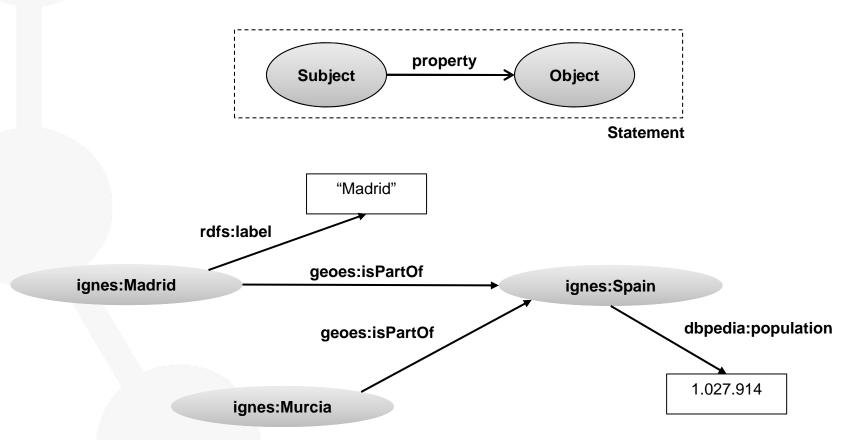
- Use URIs as names for things
- 2. Use HTTP URIs so that people can look up those names.
- 3. When someone looks up a URI, provide useful information, using the standards (RDF\*, SPARQL)
- 4. Include links to other URIs, so that they can discover more things.

- http://www.w3.org/DesignIssues/LinkedData. html
- http://www.ted.com/talks/tim\_berners\_lee\_on \_the\_next\_web.html

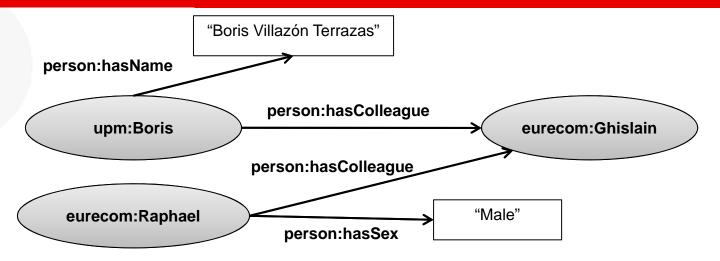


#### **Resource Description Framework (RDF)**

- RDF is a basic KR language based on semantic networks
  - Useful to represent metadata and describe any type of information in a machine-accesible way.



#### RDF - SPARQL

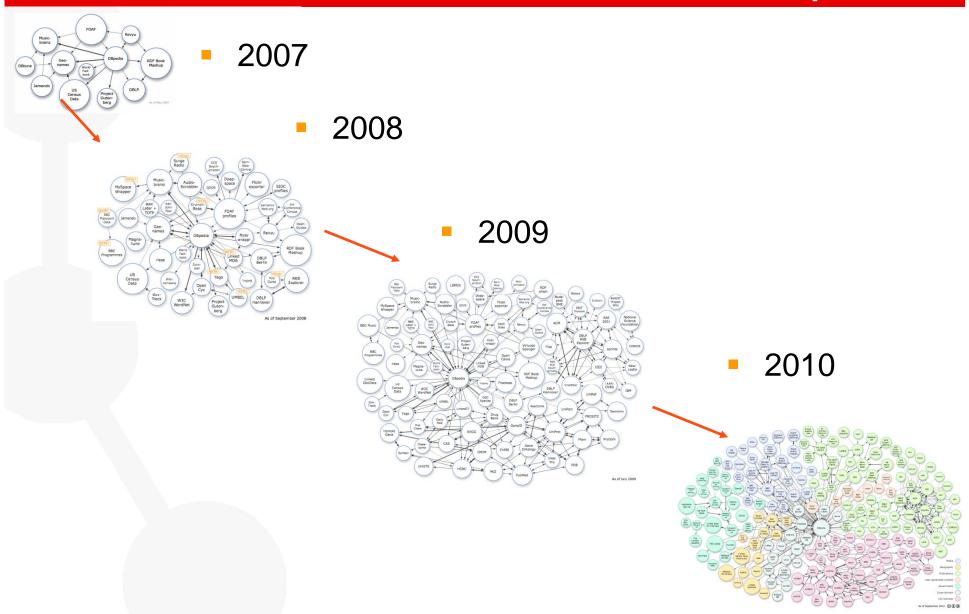


Query: "Tell me who are the persons who have Ghislain as colleague"

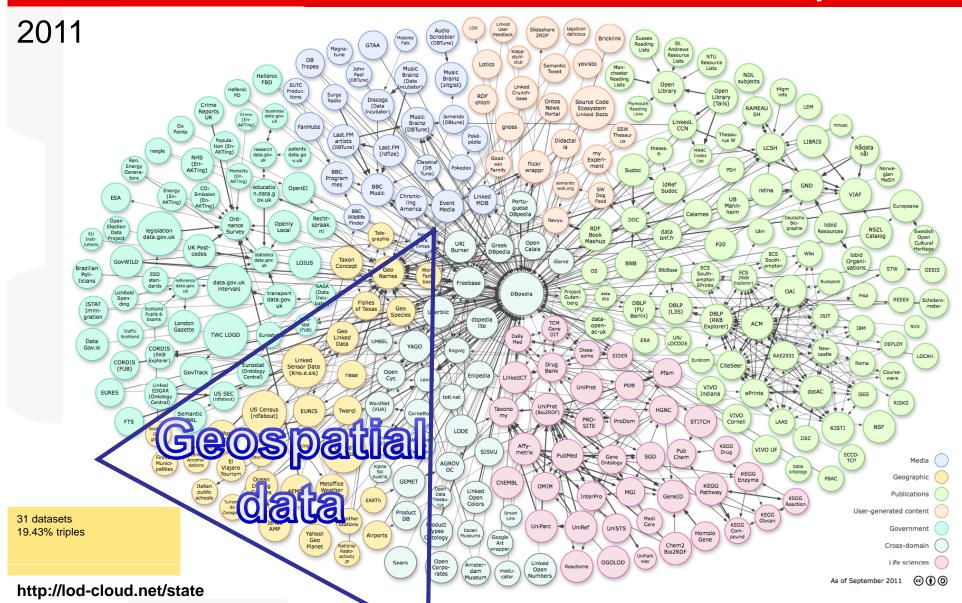


- Result: upm:Boris and eurecom:Raphael
- SPARQL query language for RDF. W3C recommendation SELECT ?s

## **Evolution of the Linked Open Data**



#### **Linked Open Data**



Linking Open Data cloud diagram, by Richard Cyganiak and Anja Jentzsch. http://lod-cloud.net/



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#### **GeoData is becoming increasingly relevant**

- Datasets in the geospatial domain contribute more than one fifth of the RDF triples in the Web of Data.
- Well-know Geo LD datasets
  - Ordnance Survey
  - GeoLinkedData
  - LinkedGeoData
  - GeoNames
  - DBPedia
  - GDAM-RDF

#### Ordnance Survey http://data.ordnancesurvey.co.uk

- Topic: Administrative units
- Datasets: The administrative gazeeter for Great Britain.
- URI pattern: http://data.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/id/{id}
- Vocabulary: Spatial Relations Ontology,
   Administrative Geography Ontology, WGS84, FOAF,
   and Gazeeter Ontology

#### GeoLinkedData http://geo.linkeddata.es/

- Topic: Hydrography, Administrative units, statistical information, meteorological features
- Datasets: Statistical, geospatial, and meteorological data.
- URI pattern:
  - http://geo.linkeddata.es/ontology/{concept|property}
  - http://geo.linkeddata.es/resource/{type}/{name}
- Vocabulary: SCOVO, FAO Geopolitical, hydrOntology, WSG84, GeoLinkedData Geometry Model, and Time Ontology.

### LinkedGeoData http://linkedgeodata.org/

- Topic: Points of interest
- Datasets: OpenStreetMap database
- URI pattern: http://linkedgeodata.org/triplify/{id}
- Vocabulary: LGD Ontology, WGS84, NeoGeo

#### GeoNames http://www.geonames.org/

- Topic: Toponyms
- Datasets: Datasets used by geonames
- URI pattern: http://sws.geonames.org/{id}
- Vocabulary: GeoNames Ontology, WGS84

#### DBPedia http://dbpedia.org/

Topic: General knowledge

Datasets: Wikipedia

URI pattern: http://dbpedia.org/resource/{name}

Vocabulary: DBPedia ontology, WGS84

#### **GADM-RDF** http://gadm.geovocab.org/

- Topic: Global administrative areas
- Datasets: countries and lower level subdivisions.
- URI pattern: http://gadm.geovocab.org/id/{id}
- Vocabulary: gadm ontology, NeoGeo Ontology, DBPedia ontology, WGS84

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#### The Five Stars deploymet scheme

#### Is your data five stars?

- make your stuff available on the Web (whatever format) under an open license 1
- $\star$  make it available as structured data (e.g., Excel instead of image scan of a table)<sup>2</sup>
- $\star\star\star\star$  use non-proprietary formats (e.g., CSV instead of Excel)<sup>3</sup>
- $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  use URIs to identify things, so that people can point at your stuff<sup>4</sup>
- $\star$   $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  link your data to other data to provide context<sup>5</sup>



http://lab.linkeddata.deri.ie/2010/star-scheme-by-example/

#### One Star: Open Data & Open License



data.gov.uk
Opening up government





nature.com linked data

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UK PSI Public Sector Information	Content, Data	Υ	N
Free Art License	Content	Y	Y
MirOS License	Code, Content	Υ	N

http://opendefinition.org/licenses/

#### **Two stars: Reusability**

- Data are reusable
- Some formats are helpful
  - Excel, CSV, JSON, XML, GML
- Others not really
  - PDF, HTML, MS Word



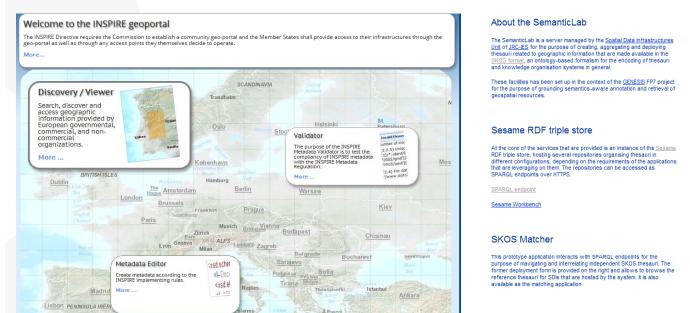
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#### **Three stars: Specialist formats**

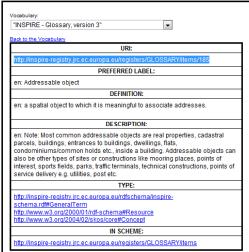
- Specialist tools often have specialist formats
  - Few people have the tools
  - Expensive
  - Difficult to re-use
  - Geospatial tools, statistical packages, etc...
- Use Open standards
  - CSV, JSON, XML, GML, OGC Web services, TSV, RDF

Credit: Richard Ciganiak: http://www.slideshare.net/cygri/edf2012-the-web-of-data-and-its-five-stars

#### **Towards INSPIRE (5-Stars) Dataset?**



Browse sample SKOS repository



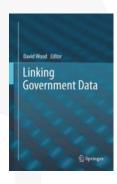
\* INSPIRE GeoPortal (to find datasets)
http://inspire-geoportal.ec.europa.eu/discovery/

SKOS Glossary for Spatial Data Infrastructure: http://semanticlab.jrc.ec.europa.eu/



http://www.flickr.com/photos/wwworks/4759535950/

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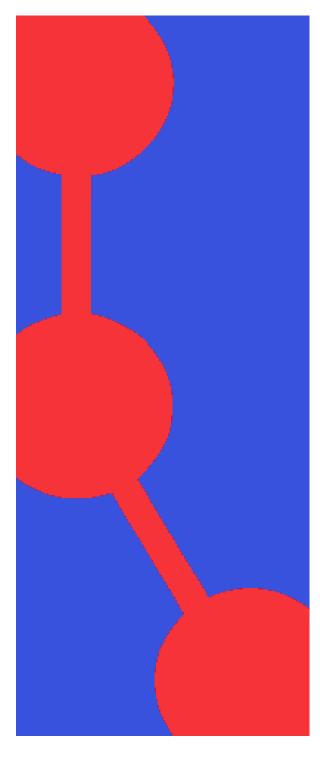
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