



SEMANTIC WEB



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In addition to the classic “Web of documents” W3C is helping to build a technology stack to support a “Web of data,” the sort of data you find in databases. The ultimate goal of the Web of data is to enable computers to do more useful work and to develop systems that can support trusted interactions over the network. The term “Semantic Web” refers to W3C’s vision of the Web of linked data. Semantic Web technologies enable people to create data stores on the Web, build vocabularies, and write rules for handling data. Linked data are empowered by technologies such as RDF, SPARQL, OWL, and SKOS.

Linked Data

The Semantic Web is a Web of data — of dates and titles and part numbers and chemical properties and any other

Vocabularies

At times it may be important or valuable to organize data. Using OWL (to build vocabularies, or “ontologies”) and SKOS

Query

Query languages go hand-in-hand with databases. If the Semantic Web is viewed as a global database,

data one might conceive of. RDF provides the foundation for publishing and linking your data. Various technologies allow you to embed data in documents (RDFa, GRDDL) or expose what you have in SQL databases, or make it available as RDF files.

Inference

Near the top of the Semantic Web stack one finds inference — reasoning over data through rules. W3C work on rules, primarily through RIF and OWL, is focused on translating between rule languages and exchanging rules among different systems.

(for designing knowledge organization systems) it is possible to enrich data with additional meaning, which allows more people (and more machines) to do more with the data.

Vertical Applications

W3C is working with different industries — for example in Health Care and Life Sciences, eGovernment, and Energy — to improve collaboration, research and development, and innovation adoption through Semantic Web technology. For instance,

then it is easy to understand why one would need a query language for that data. SPARQL is the query language for the Semantic Web.

by aiding decision-making
in clinical research,
Semantic Web
technologies will bridge
many forms of biological
and medical information
across institutions.

News

▼ For review: Time & date, Essential concepts

17 June 2016

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A draft of a new article, [Time & date, Essential concepts](#) is out for wide review. We are looking for comments **by 22 June**.

This article introduces a number of basic concepts needed to understand other articles that deal with time zones and handling of dates and times on the Web.

Please send any comments as github issues by clicking on the link “Leave a comment” at the bottom of the article. (This will add some useful information to your comment.)

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► Publication of the final OntoLex specification: lexicon model for ontologies (lemon)

20 May 2016

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► Unicode Conference speaker submission deadline 4 April

30 March 2016

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► Putting Linguistic Linked Data Standards in Action: Webinar on the FREG Framework

04 February 2016

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► Unicode Tutorial Workshop in Oman (Feb 14-16, 2016)

12 January 2016

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► Video published: Linguistic Linked Data and the LIDER project explained

16 November 2015

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► **New First Public Working Draft: Internationalization Best Practices for Spec Developers**

21 October 2015

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► **Best Practices for working with Multilingual Linked Data**

05 October 2015

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► **2nd Call: Linguistic Linked Data for Digital Humanities and Linguistics: 7th LIDER roadmapping workshop in Madrid, 20th October 2015**

14 September 2015

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► **Linguistic Linked Data for Digital Humanities and Linguistics: 7th LIDER roadmapping workshop in Madrid, October 2015**

31 July 2015

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EVENTS 

None. See [full list of W3C Talks and Appearances](#).



WWW2017

Perth, Australia



Permissions & Obligations
Expression WG

London

Thomson Reuters

The POE WG will meet F2F in London, taking advantage of many related events there that week. The group's primary deliverables are expected to advance to CR shortly after this meeting



WWW2018

Lyon, France

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