

Transparent Personal Data Processing: The Road Ahead

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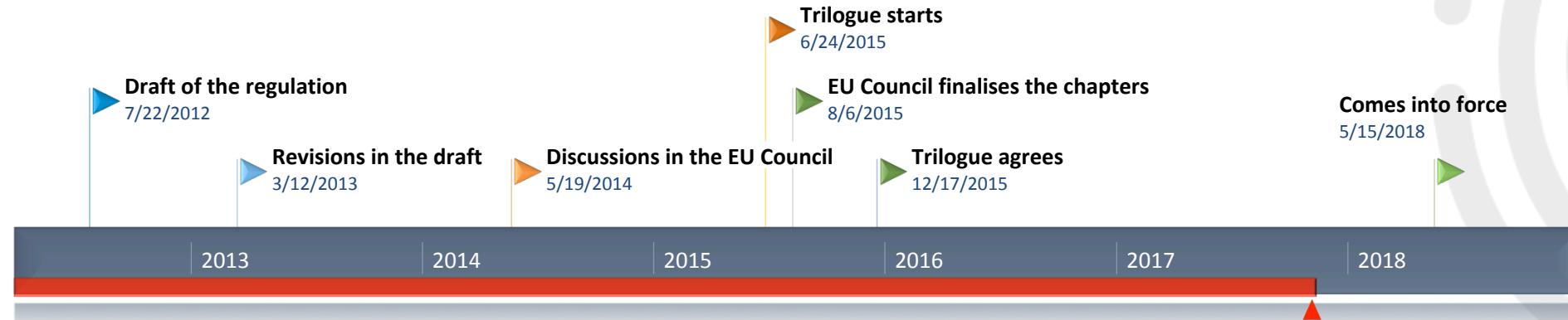
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Scalable Policy-aware Linked Data arChitecture for privacy, trAnsparency and compLiance (SPECIAL)



Companies whose business models rely on personal data



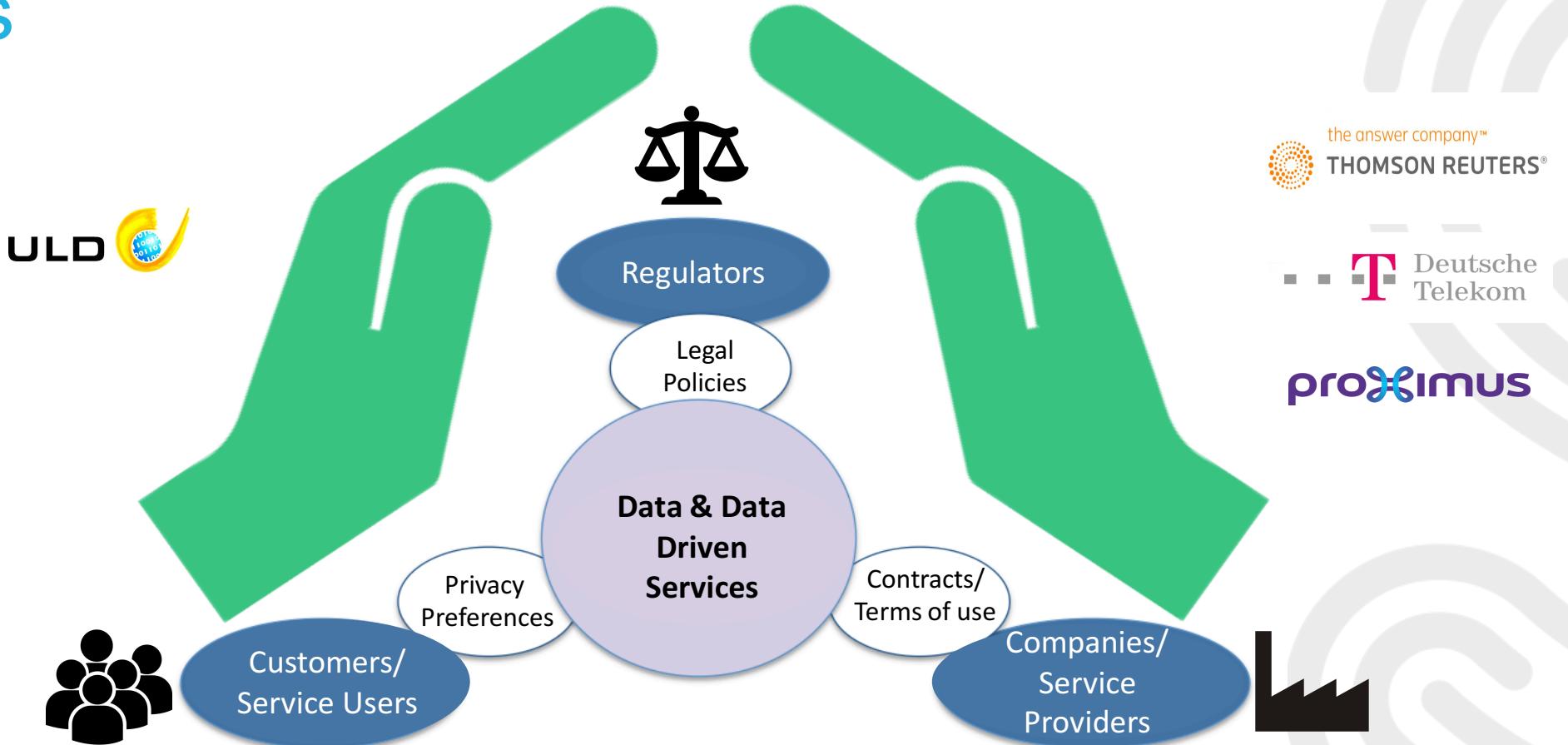
Data subjects who would like to declare, monitor and optionally revoke their (often not explicit) preferences on data sharing



Regulators who can leverage technical means to check compliance with the GDPR

SPECIAL Overview

Aims



SPECIAL Overview Objectives

- Policy management framework
 - ❖ Gives **users control** of their personal data
 - ❖ Represents **access/usage policies** and **legislative requirements** in a **machine readable format**
- Transparency and compliance framework
 - ❖ Provides information on how data is **processed** and with whom it is **shared**
 - ❖ Allows data subjects to take **corrective action**
- Scalable policy-aware Linked Data architecture
 - ❖ Build on top of the Big Data Europe (BDE) platform **scalability and elasticity mechanisms**
 - ❖ Extended BDE with **robust policy, transparency** and **compliance protocols**

GDPR Impact on Innovation?



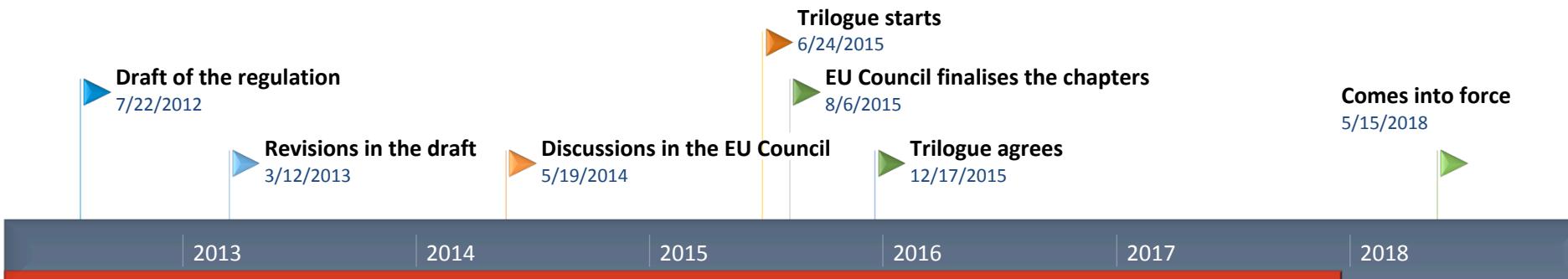
What does GDPR mean for your business?



The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) is a new EU data protection regulation that will come into force on 25 May 2018.

"The GDPR emphasises transparency, security and accountability by data controllers and processors, while at the same time standardising and strengthening the right of European citizens to data privacy."

[Source: [Dataprotection.ie](#)]



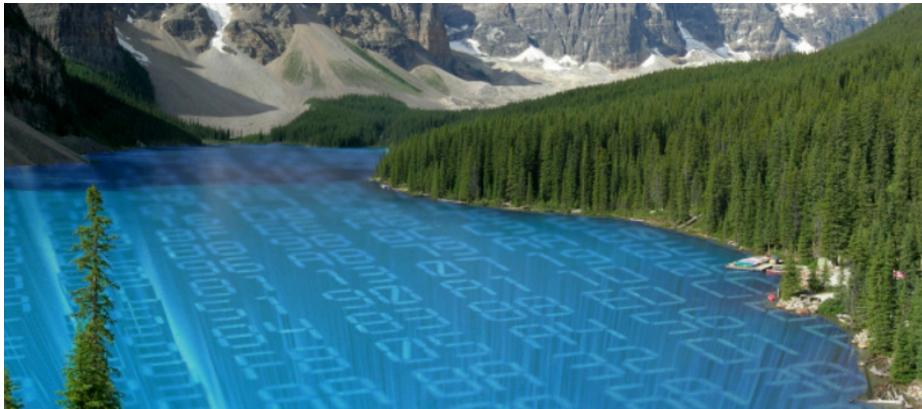
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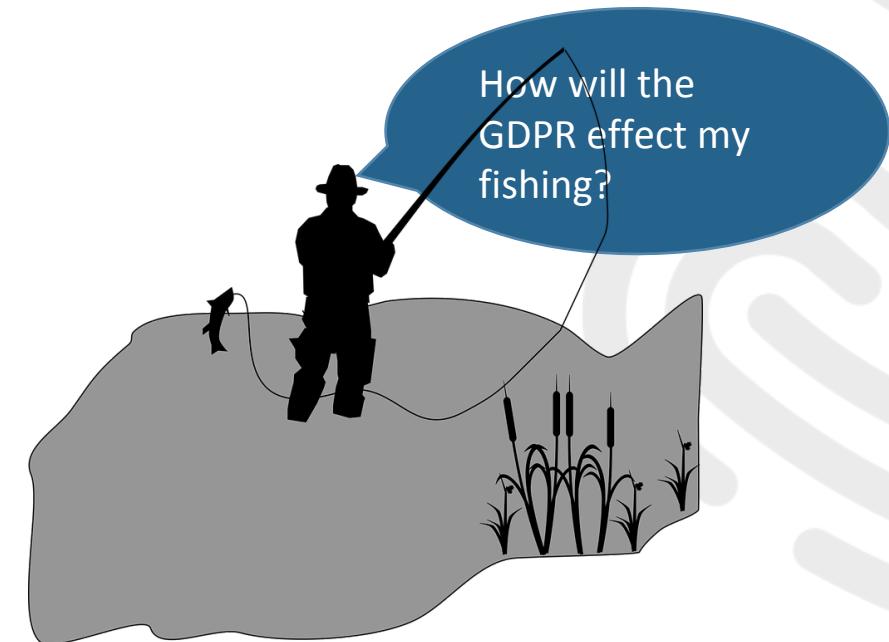


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Data Market



<http://themerkle.com/slur-io/>



Innovation via Anonymisation & Aggregation!

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(Legislative acts)

REGULATIONS

REGULATION (EU) 2016/679 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL.

of 27 April 2016

on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation)

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 16 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

After transmission of the draft legislative act to the national parliaments,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee (¹),

Having regard to the opinion of the Committee of the Regions (²),

The GDPR does not apply to anonymous data where the data subject is no longer identifiable.

- (26) The principles of data protection should apply to any information concerning an identified or identifiable natural person. Personal data which have undergone pseudonymisation, which could be attributed to a natural person by the use of additional information should be considered to be information on an identifiable natural person. To determine whether a natural person is identifiable, account should be taken of all the means reasonably likely to be used, such as singling out, either by the controller or by another person to identify the natural person directly or indirectly. To ascertain whether means are reasonably likely to be used to identify the natural person, account should be taken of all objective factors, such as the costs of and the amount of time required for identification, taking into consideration the available technology at the time of the processing and technological developments. The principles of data protection should therefore not apply to anonymous information, namely information which does not relate to an identified or identifiable natural person or to personal data rendered anonymous in such a manner that the data subject is not or no longer identifiable. This Regulation does not therefore concern the processing of such anonymous information, including for statistical or research purposes.

κ -Anonymity

- A record cannot be distinguished from at least $\kappa-1$ others
- Approach
 - **Suppression** certain values of the attributes are replaced by an asterisk
 - **Generalization** individual values of attributes are replaced by with a broader category

A 3-anonymous patient table

Zipcode	Age	Disease
476**	2*	Heart Disease
476**	2*	Heart Disease
476**	2*	Heart Disease
4790*	≥ 40	Flu
4790*	≥ 40	Heart Disease
4790*	≥ 40	Cancer
476**	3*	Heart Disease
476**	3*	Cancer
476**	3*	Cancer

Samarati, Pierangela, and Latanya Sweeney. *Protecting privacy when disclosing information: k -anonymity and its enforcement through generalization and suppression*. Technical report, SRI International, 1998.

Is κ -Anonymity enough?

Homogeneity Attack

Bob	
Zipcode	Age
47678	27

Background Knowledge Attack

Carl	
Zipcode	Age
47673	36

A 3-anonymous patient table

Zipcode	Age	Disease
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κ -anonymity has deficiencies when
sensitive values in an equivalence class lack diversity or
the attacker has background knowledge

κ -Anonymity & ℓ -Diversity

- Each equivalence class has at least ℓ well-represented sensitive values

Similarity Attack

Bob	
Zip	Age
47678	27

Conclusion

- Bob's salary is between [20k, 40k].
- Bob has some stomach-related disease.

A 3-diverse patient table

Zipcode	Age	Salary	Disease
476**	2*	20K	Gastric Ulcer
476**	2*	30K	Gastritis
476**	2*	40K	Stomach Cancer
4790*	≥ 40	50K	Gastritis
4790*	≥ 40	100K	Flu
4790*	≥ 40	70K	Bronchitis
476**	3*	60K	Bronchitis
476**	3*	80K	Pneumonia
476**	3*	90K	Stomach Cancer

ℓ -diversity does not consider the semantic meanings of the sensitive values

κ -Anonymity, ℓ -Diversity & \mathcal{I} -Closeness

- Distribution of sensitive attributes within each quasi identifier group should be “close” to their distribution in the entire original database

Background Knowledge Attack

Bob	
Zip	Age
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Conclusion

- Bob could have Flu, Heart Disease or Cancer!

A completely generalised table

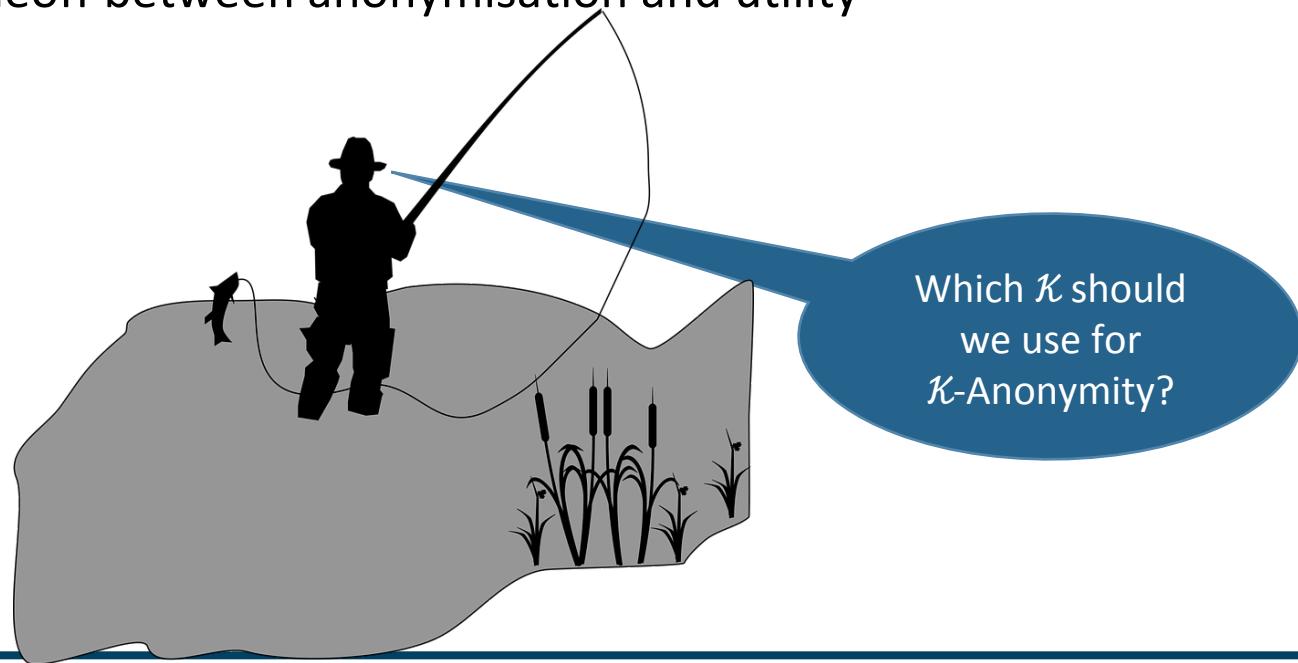
Age	Zipcode	Gender	Disease
*	*	*	Flu
*	*	*	Heart Disease
*	*	*	Cancer
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*	*	*	Gastritis

A released table

Age	Zipcode	Gender	Disease
2*	476**	Male	Flu
2*	476**	Male	Heart Disease
2*	476**	Male	Cancer
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≥ 50	4766*	*	Gastritis

Is κ -Anonymity, ℓ -Diversity & \jmath -Closeness enough?

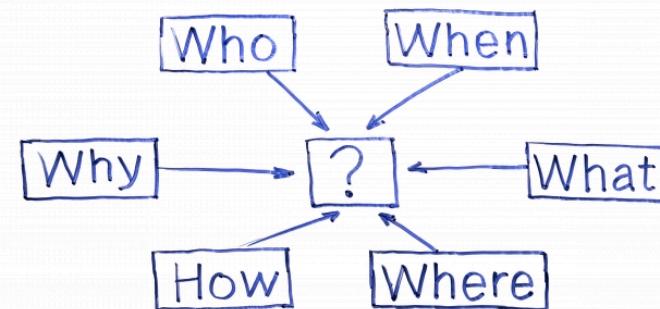
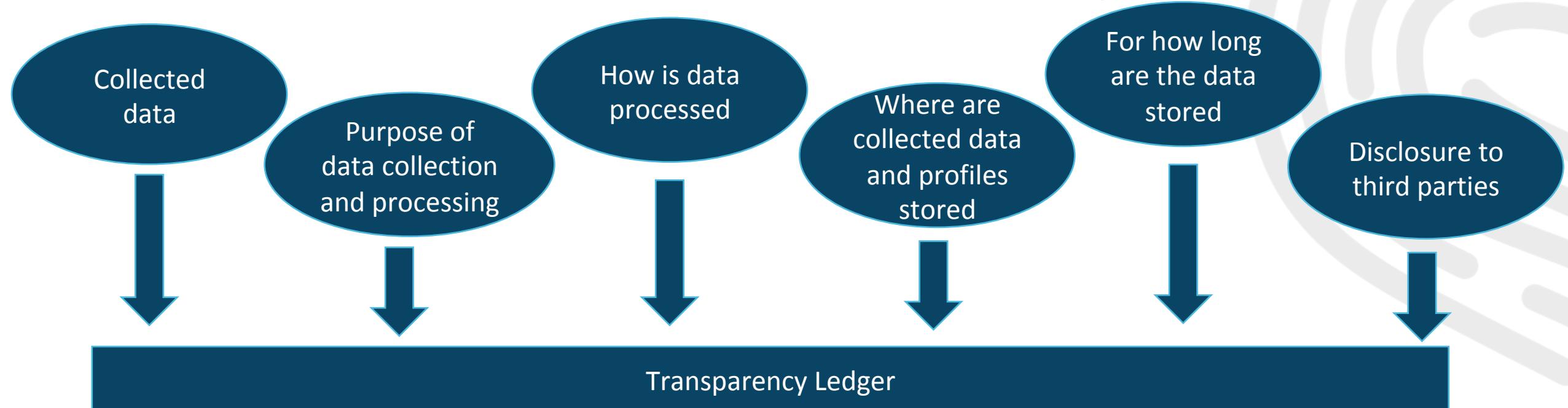
- A layered approach to anonymisation may be needed
- Even then κ , ℓ & \jmath are highly dependent on the data
- Also, there is a tradeoff between anonymisation and utility



***Considering that it is getting harder and harder to guarantee anonymity while preserving utility,
what is the alternative?***

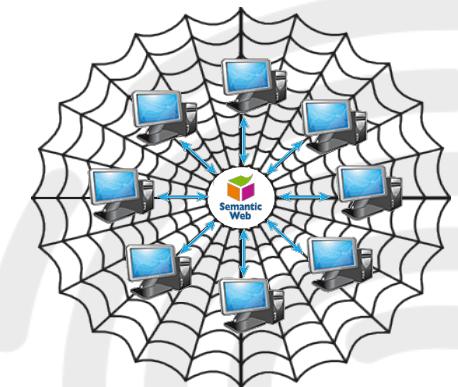
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What needs to be recorded in the ledger?

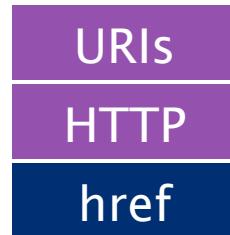


Challenges and Opportunities

How can we ensure Interoperability?



- Globally Unique identifiers
- A common protocol
- **Links between Documents**



- Globally Unique identifiers
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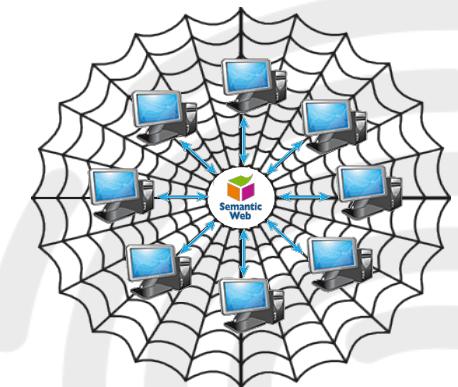
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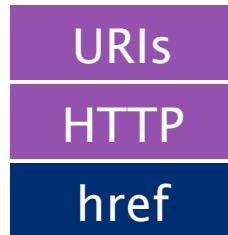
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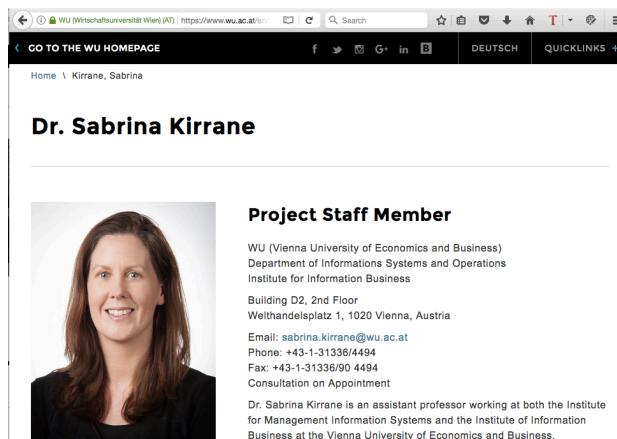
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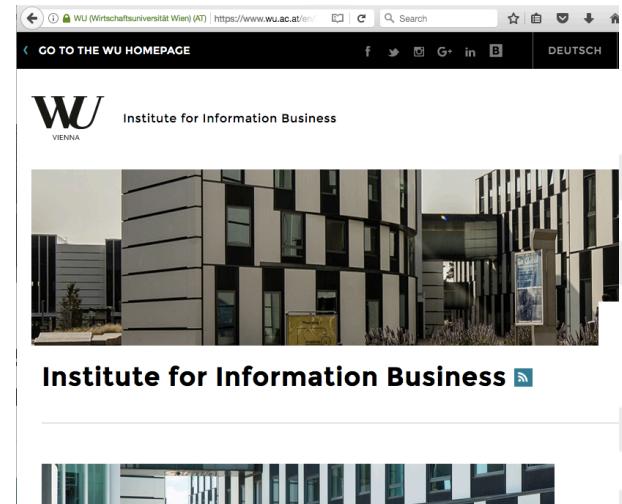
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Abstract

This specification describes the FOAF language, defined as a dictionary of named properties and classes using W3C's RDF technology.



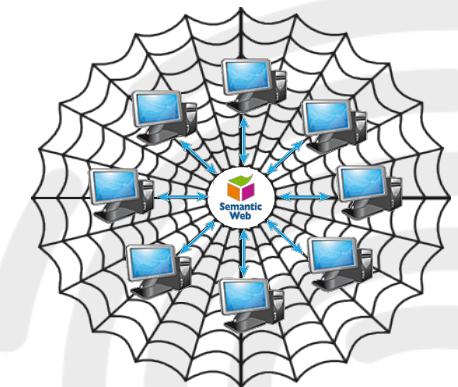
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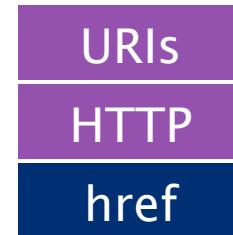
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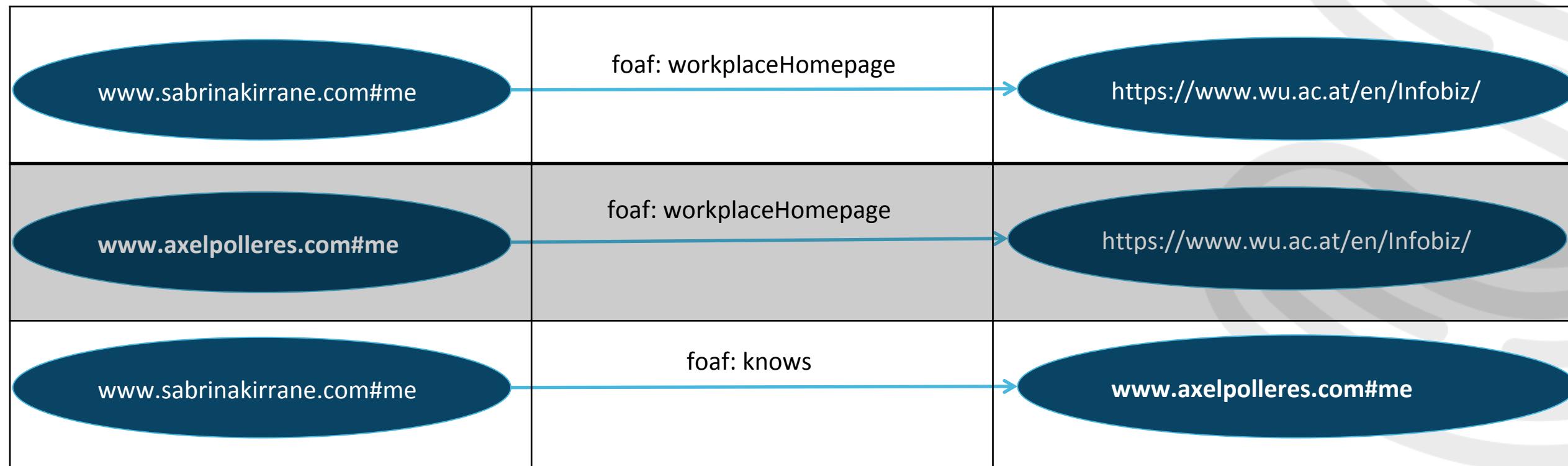
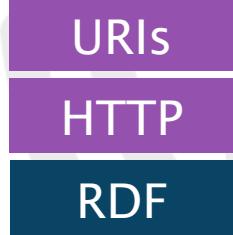
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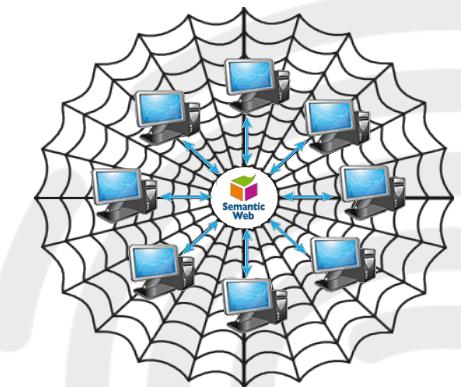


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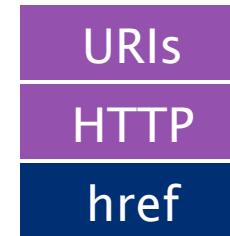


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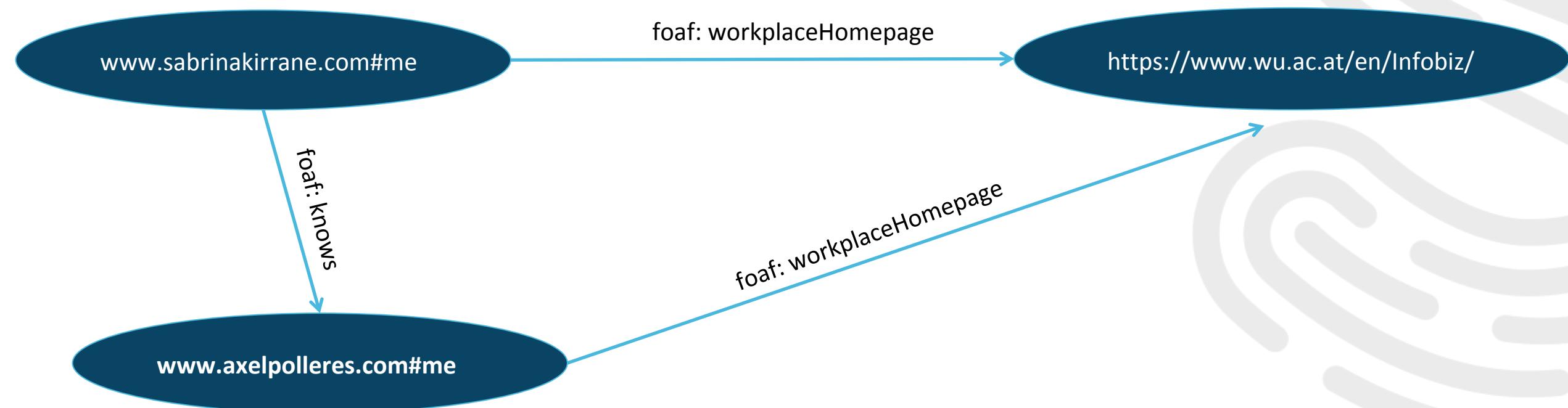
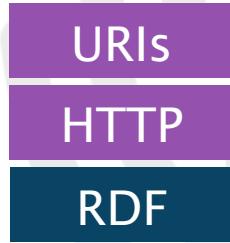
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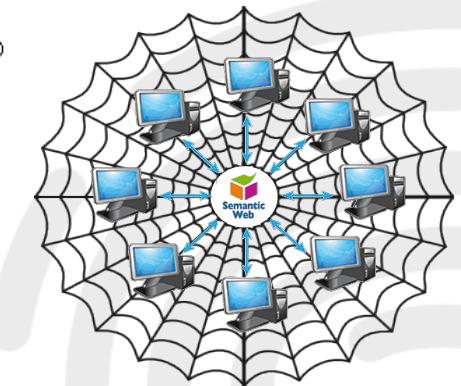


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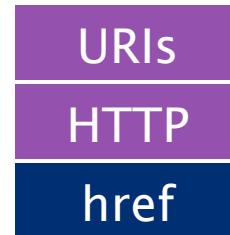


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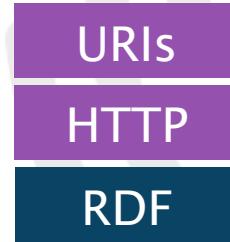
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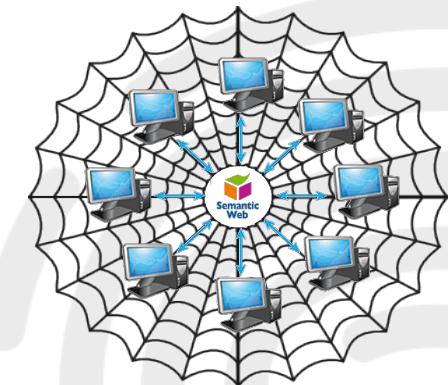
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- Common data model for encoding data (**triples**) 
- Common ways of serialising data (**syntaxes**)  
- Well-defined languages for saying what terms mean (**semantics**)  
- Common ways to query data (**query languages**) 

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What do we have in terms of vocabularies?

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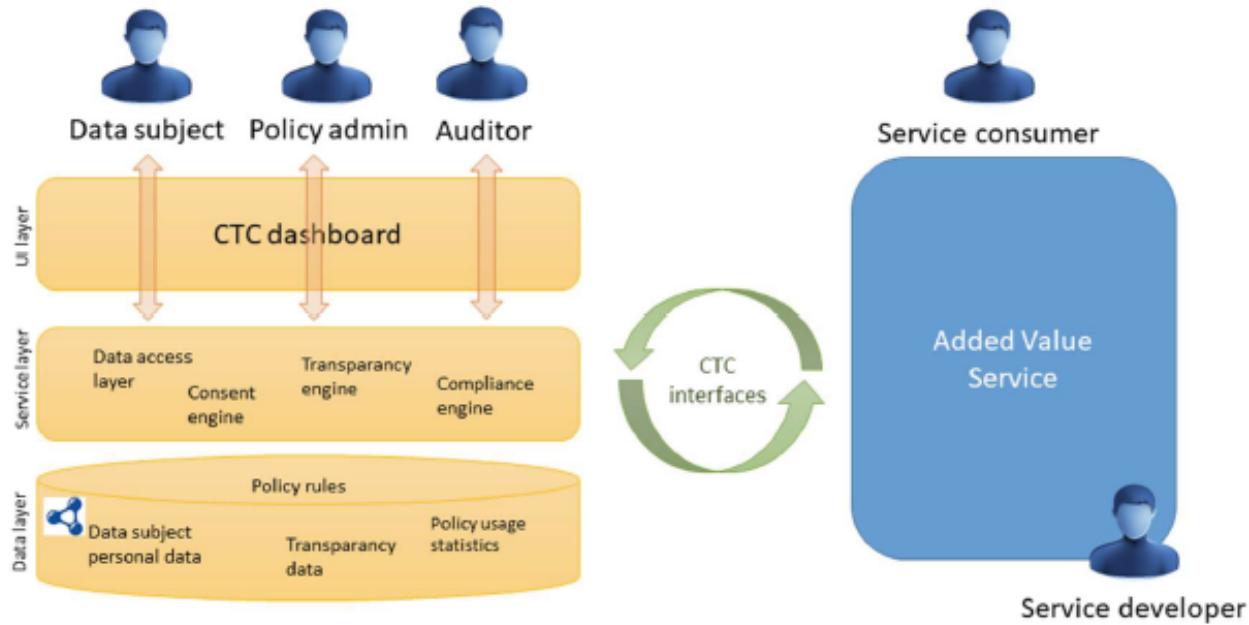
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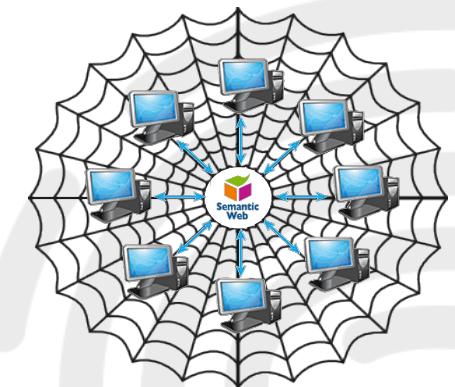


- Enable the acquisition of **user consent** at in a dynamic fashion
 - Provide **transparency** on how data is processed and with whom it is shared
 - Automatically verify **compliance** with usage control policies
- N.B. More transparency
Although still a high dependency on legal enforcement

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How can we ensure Integrity & Reliability?

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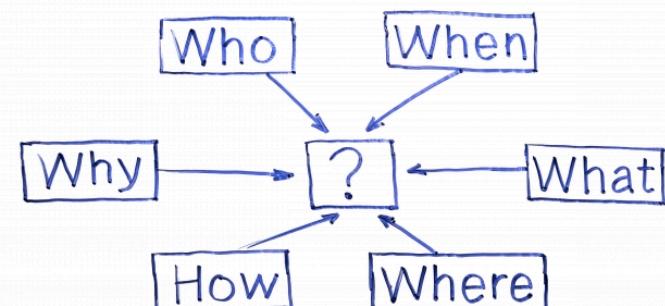


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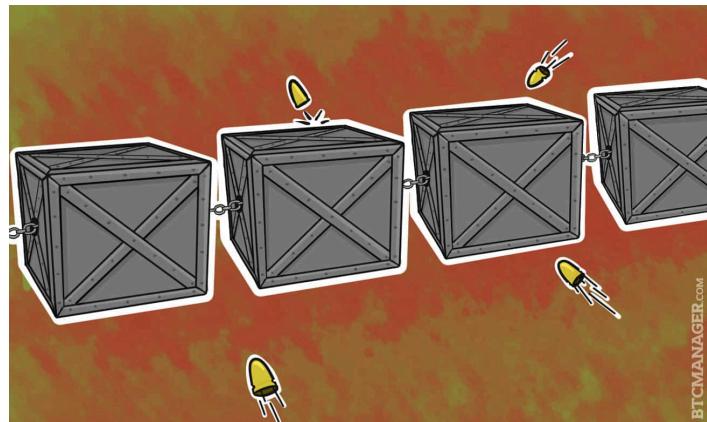
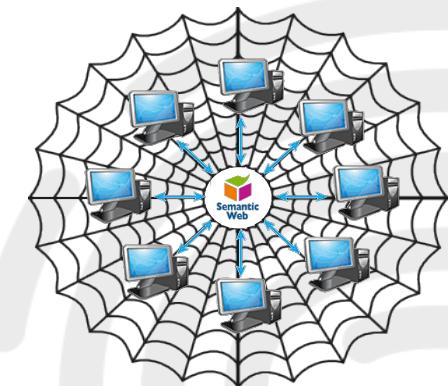
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How do we handle Rectification & Erasure?

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