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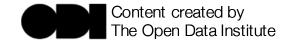
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Open data publication platforms





<u>Outcomes</u>

Evaluate a number of different approaches for publishing open data.

Publish a dataset on one of the many available platforms.





Types

Specialist Solution

- + Easy to get setup and maintain.
- + Open Data focused
- + Clear workflows for publishing open data
- + Visualisation tools
- + Data mashing tools
- + Best for transactional data

Integrated Solution

- + No new platform to learn
- + Data is provided in parallel to web
- pages
- + No separation from authoritative
- data
- + Easy discovery of data
- + Best for reference data
- + Best for Linked Open Data





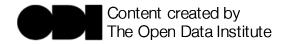
Key characteristics of specialist solution

Separate from your main org website

Designed to publish open data, not to fulfill other org goals

Examples: data.gov.uk | data.cityofchicago.org | data.sncf.com





Key characteristics of integrated solution

It is your main website

Publishes data alongside everything else that the organisation does

Examples: bbc.co.uk/programmes | southampton.ac.uk | gov.uk





Merging specialist and integrated

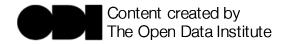
Method 1: Build the functionality of your current website into a new open data platform.

Example: West Sussex Country Council

Method 2: Hide the specialist solution behind your main website and use it as a loosely coupled CMS.

Example: southampton.ac.uk





The sliding scale of specialist solutions

- 1. Catalogue: Point to data (leave it at source)
- 2. Re-present: Provide data services (leave it at source)
- 3. Host the data: Be the source
- 4. Control the data: Be the authority
- 5. Be the hub: Host the data and processor





Specialist Solutions



http://www.flickr.com/photos/okfn





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Overview





http://demo.ckan.org/



Open Knowledge Foundation Supported

Data Catalogue

Open Source

Feels like a record manager

Simple API and search

Lots of community tools



Evolution of CKAN (v1.4)



Early) Dataset catalogue (data.gov.uk) no data hosted or searched

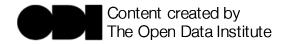
Mid) Data and dataset catalogue

no data hosted but it is searchable

Now) Integrated data driven web site

data platform is integrated with data, search and content





Features



Publish, Store and Manage Data and Metadata

Visual and Geospatial

Social

Full Stored **History**

Federate Your Data With Other Organizations

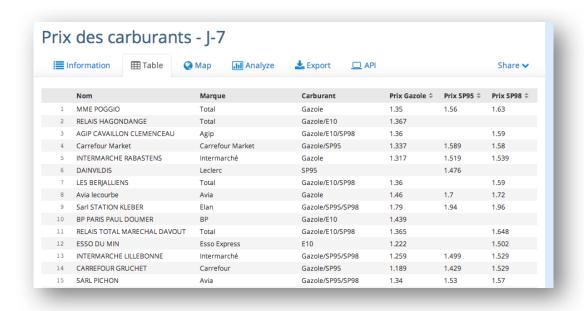
Rich RESTful JSON API for **Developers**





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Data as a Service (DaaS)

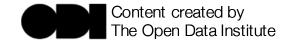
Hosted enterprise solution

Query based API (3-Star)

EU Based

Closed source





Features





Prepare data

- · Collect from any source
- · Read every kind of formats
- Understand all data types
- Make datasets findable & reusable



Reuse data

- · Full-featured secured API
- Standard access formats
- Interactive & shareable visualization
- Web extensions & open source



Scale services

- Big data technologies
- 100% cloud-based
- API factory
- Monitoring

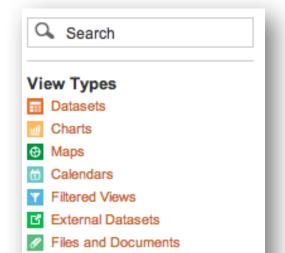




Overview

Forms

APIs





Data as a Service (DaaS)

Hosted enterprise solution

Allows user created content

Full linked API (5-Star)

US Based

Closed source







Features



Data Publishing, Optimized for Business Users

Flexible **Metadata** Management

Federate Your Data With Other Organizations

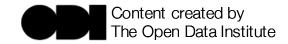
Metrics of the Success of Your Initiative in Real-time

Anyone Can Create Maps and Charts

Data Becomes Social

Developers Are Supported Every Step of the Way





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Integrated solutions

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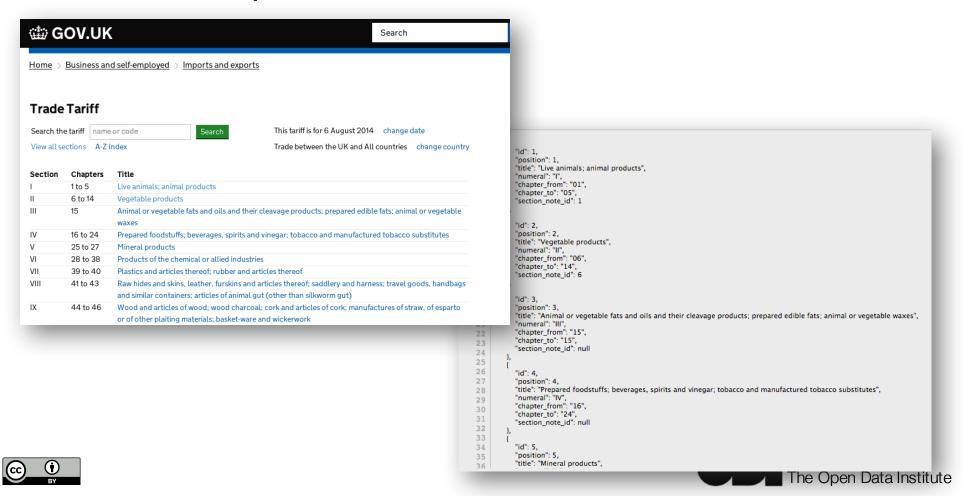
Data driven web site

Best for reference and live data

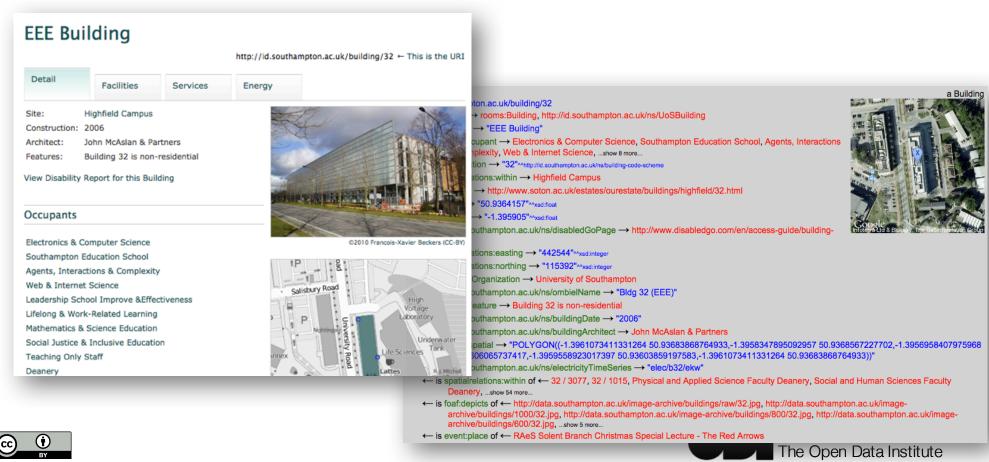




The developers secret



Linked data Amazing but challenging to publish and use



Formats, Structures and Files

Data formats are complex and have suffered benefited from years of development in many different domains.

One thing is bringing them all together.







Recap

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Both great for open data

Integrated solutions more suited for building a web of linked data





Exercise

Each table will have one of the publication platforms to explore.

Your task is to publish a prescribed dataset on this platform, with an associated open data certificate.



