

APIO Architect & Evolvable APIs

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Liferay APIs in 2018

- SOAP
- JSONWS API (/api/jsonws)
- JAX-RS (7.0+)
- ...

APIO Architect Goals

- Evolvable
- Code reuse
- Auto-documentation
- Fun!

How do we design APIs that are capable of evolving?



The diagram is a stylized temple structure. At the top is a blue triangular pediment. Below it are two red columns with vertical fluting. The columns are supported by a grey, multi-tiered rectangular base. The text 'Evolvable APIs' is centered in the pediment. 'Hypermedia' is written on the left column, and 'Shared Vocabularies' is written on the right column. 'REST Foundation' is centered on the base.

Evolvable APIs

Hypermedia

**Shared
Vocabularies**

REST Foundation

Evolvable APIs

These aren't new concepts

Hypermedia

Shared
Vocabularies

REST Foundation

*REST style is an
abstraction of the
architectural elements
within a distributed
hypermedia system*

– Roy Fielding, 2000

REST "well" done (Richardson Maturity Model)

– **Martin Fowler's blog**



GLORY OF REST



LEVEL 3	HYPERMEDIA CONTROLS
LEVEL 2	HTTP VERBS
LEVEL 1	RESOURCES
LEVEL 0	THE SWAMP OF POX

**How are we solving
this?**

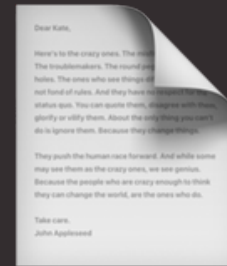


Home URL

**Consumers must only know ONE URL
And how to navigate from it**

```
{
  "@context": "https://apiosample.wedeploy.io/doc",
  "@id": "https://apiosample.wedeploy.io",
  "@type": "EntryPoint",
  "collection": [
    {
      "@id": "https://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/blog-postings",
      "@type": "Collection",
      "manages": {
        "object": "schema:BlogPosting",
        "property": "rdf:type"
      }
    },
    {
      "@id": "https://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/people",
      "@type": "Collection",
      "manages": {
        "object": "schema:Person",
        "property": "rdf:type"
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

Entrypoint with all the "root" APIs ([JSON HOME](#))



Affordance types

**Contract with consumer defines affordance types
(relations, actions, ...)
Start with IANA's 80 relation types**

```
{
  "total": 43,
  "count": 30,
  "_links": {
    "collection": {
      "href": "http://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/people"
    },
    "first": {
      "href": "http://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/people?page=1&per_page=30"
    },
    "last": {
      "href": "http://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/people?page=2&per_page=30"
    },
    "next": {
      "href": "http://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/people?page=2&per_page=30"
    },
    "self": {
      "href": "http://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/people?page=1&per_page=30"
    }
  },
}
```

Pagination (HAL)

```
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    "last": {
      "href": "http://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/people?page=1&per_page=30"
    },
    "self": {
      "href": "http://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/people?page=1&per_page=30"
    }
  },
}
```

Standard link types (IANA Link Relations)

```
{
  "@id": "http://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/people",
  "@type": [
    "Collection"
  ],
  "members": [
    ...
  ],
  "numberOfItems": 10,
  "operation": [
    {
      "@id": "people/create",
      "@type": "Operation",
      "expects": "http://apiosample.wedeploy.io/f/c/people",
      "method": "POST"
    }
  ]
}
```

Actions (Hydra + JSON-LD)


```
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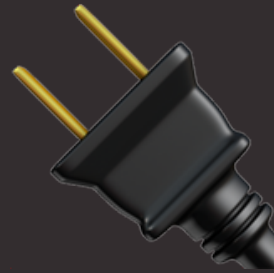
Actions (Hydra + JSON-LD)

```
{
  "@context": "http://www.w3.org/ns/hydra/context.jsonld",
  "@id": "http://apiosample.wedeploy.io/f/c/people",
  "@type": "Class",
  "description": "This form can be used to create or update a person",
  "supportedProperty": [
    {
      "@type": "SupportedProperty",
      "property": "#familyName",
      "readable": false,
      "required": true,
      "writeable": true
    },
    ...
  ],
  "title": "The person form"
}
```

Forms (Hydra + JSON-LD)

```
{
  "headline": "A blog",
  "alternativeHeadline": "A subtitle",
  "_links": {
    "creator": {
      "href": "http://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/people/1"
    },
    "self": {
      "href": "http://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/blog-postings/12"
    }
  },
}
```

Links to other resources (HAL)



Standard types

schema.org: 597 types y 867 properties

schema.org

BlogPosting

Canonical URL: <http://schema.org/BlogPosting>

[Thing](#) > [CreativeWork](#) > [Article](#) > [SocialMediaPosting](#) > **[BlogPosting](#)**

A blog post.

Usage: Over 1,000,000 domains

[\[more...\]](#)

Property	Expected Type	Description
Properties from SocialMediaPosting		
sharedContent	CreativeWork	A CreativeWork such as an image, video, or audio clip shared as part of this posting.
Properties from Article		
articleBody	Text	The actual body of the article.
articleSection	Text	Articles may belong to one or more 'sections' in a magazine or newspaper, such as Sports, Lifestyle, etc.
pageEnd	Integer or Text	The page on which the work ends; for example "138" or "xvi".
pageStart	Integer or Text	The page on which the work starts; for example "135" or "xiii".
pagination	Text	Any description of pages that is not separated into pageStart and pageEnd; for example, "1–6, 9, 55" or "10–12, 46–49".
	SpeakableSpecification or URL	<p>Indicates sections of a Web page that are particularly 'speakable' in the sense of being highlighted as being especially appropriate for text-to-speech conversion. Other sections of a page may also be usefully spoken in particular circumstances; the 'speakable' property serves to indicate the parts most likely to be generally useful for speech.</p> <p>The <i>speakable</i> property can be repeated an arbitrary number of times, with three kinds of possible 'content-locator' values:</p> <p>1) <i>id</i> - the URL of a resource that is a section of the page, identified by its <i>id</i> property. The <i>id</i> must</p>

Liferay DXP Software Reviews | Gartner Peer Insights

<https://www.gartner.com/reviews/market/.../liferay/.../liferay-dxp> ▼ Traducir esta página

★★★★★ Valoración: 4,2 - 13 reseñas

Choose business IT software and services with confidence. Read verified **Liferay** DXP Digital Experience Platforms (formerly Horizontal Portal Software) **Reviews** from the IT community.

Web Content Review Date? - Foros de la Comunidad | Liferay

https://web.liferay.com/es/community/forums/-/message_boards/.../15661982 ▼

16 ago. 2012 - I'm talking about the default **Liferay review** date functionality for web content, under the "Schedule" section, not review notifications for Kaleo Workflow. I've unfortunately been able to find very little documentation on this. I've set several relevant portal properties, and my Liferay instance is successfully able ...

```
<div class="reviewSnippetCard" itemtype="http://schema.org/Review">
  <span itemprop="publisher" itemtype="http://schema.org/Organization">
    <meta itemprop="name" content="Gartner, Inc.">
    <meta itemprop="url" content="https://www.gartner.com">
  </span>
  <span itemprop="provider" itemtype="http://schema.org/Organization">
    <meta itemprop="name" content="liferay">
    <meta itemprop="url" content="/reviews/market/horizontal-portals/vendor/liferay">
  </span>
  <span class="product-names" itemprop="itemReviewed" itemtype="http://schema.org/Product">
    <h3 itemprop="name">Liferay DXP</h3>
  </span>
  <div itemprop="reviewRating" itemtype="http://schema.org/Rating">
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  </div>
</div>
```

**How do we port this
to APIs?**

```
{  
  "blogsEntryId": "24557",  
  "subtitle": "Vero ex excepturi exercitationem.",  
  "content": "Exercitationem exercitationem temporibus eum quasi aliquid.",  
  "userId": "23422",  
  "create_date": "2017-12-30T17:31Z",  
  "modified_date": "2017-30-12",  
  "title": "Recalled to Life"  
}
```

Our good old JSON-WS

```
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  "modified_date": "2017-30-12",  
  "title": "Recalled to Life"  
}
```

Our too coupled old JSON-WS


```
{
  "@context": {
    "creator": { "@type": "@id" },
    "@vocab": "http://schema.org/"
  },
  "@id": "https://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/blog-postings/24557",
  "@type": "BlogPosting",
  "alternativeHeadline": "Vero ex excepturi exercitationem.",
  "articleBody": "Exercitationem exercitationem temporibus eum quasi aliquid.",
  "creator": "https://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/people/23422",
  "dateCreated": "2017-12-30T17:31Z",
  "dateModified": "2017-12-30T17:31Z",
  "headline": "Recalled to Life"
}
```

Shared vocabularies

Mapping internal BlogEntry **with** schema.org BlogPosting


```
{
  "@context": {
    "creator": { "@type": "@id" },
    "@vocab": "http://schema.org/"
  },
  "@id": "https://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/blog-postings/24557",
  "@type": "BlogPosting",
  "alternativeHeadline": "Vero ex excepturi exercitationem.",
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Defining **types** and their **mapping** to **internal models** and actions is the most important API design activity

**How is APIO Architect
enabling this?**

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- Representor pattern
- Routes
- Permissions
- Affordances

Representor Pattern

**Which format is
better?**

```
{
  "gender": "female",
  "familyName": "Hart",
  "givenName": "Sophia",
  "jobTitle": "Junior Executive",
  "name": "Sophia Hart",
  "birthDate": "1965-04-12T00:00Z",
  "email": "sophia.hart@example.com",
  "_links": {
    "self": {
      "href": "http://localhost:8080/o/api/p/people/30723"
    }
  }
}
```

HAL

```
{
  "class": "BlogPosting",
  "properties": {
    "headline": "Hello DEVCON!",
    "content": "The content of this blog posting"
  },
  "actions": [
    {
      "name": "delete-blog-posting",
      "title": "Delete Blog Posting",
      "method": "DELETE",
      "href": "http://localhost:8080/o/p/blogs/32400"
    }
  ],
}
```

SIREN

```
{  
  "gender": "female",  
  "familyName": "Hart",  
  "givenName": "Sophia",  
  "jobTitle": "Junior Executive",  
  "name": "Sophia Hart",  
  "birthDate": "1965-04-12T00:00Z",  
  "email": "sophia.hart@example.com",  
  "@id": "http://localhost:8080/o/api/p/people/30723",  
  "@type": "Person",  
  "@context": "http://schema.org"  
}
```

JSON-LD

**Which format is
better?**

All of them

All of them

or none

**It depends on your
case**

**Whats the solution
then?**

Representor Pattern


```
public Representor<BlogEntry, Long> representor(Builder<BlogEntry, Long> builder) {  
    return builder.types(  
        "BlogPosting"  
    ).identifier(  
        blogEntry -> blogEntry.getId()  
    ).addDate(  
        "createDate", blogEntry -> blogEntry.getCreateDate()  
    ).addDate(  
        "publishedDate", blogEntry -> blogEntry.getLastPublishDate()  
    ).addString(  
        "alternativeHeadline", blogEntry -> blogEntry.getSubtitle()  
    ).addString(  
        "articleBody", blogEntry -> blogEntry.getContent()  
    ).addString(  
        "description", blogEntry -> blogEntry.getDescription()  
    ).addString(  
        "headline", blogEntry -> blogEntry.getTitle()  
    ).build();  
}
```

Lambdas FTW

With the **Representor Pattern** internal models are **transformed** to types and stored as a **generic representation** that can be then **mapped** to the representation format chosen by the user

How is APIO Architect enabling this?

- ~~Representor pattern~~
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Abstract away REST


```
{
  "@id": "http://apiosample.wedeploy.io/p/people",
  "@type": [
    "Collection"
  ],
  "members": [
    ...
  ],
  "numberOfItems": 10,
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    {
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      "expects": "http://apiosample.wedeploy.io/f/c/people",
      "method": "POST"
    }
  ]
}
```

Actions (Hydra + JSON-LD)


```
public static Form<BlogPostingForm> buildForm(Builder<BlogPostingForm> FormBuilder) {  
    return FormBuilder.title(  
        language -> "The blog posting form"  
    ).description(  
        language -> "This form can be used to create or update a blog posting"  
    ).constructor(  
        BlogPostingForm::new  
    ).addRequiredDate(  
        "displayDate", BlogPostingForm::_setDisplayDate  
    ).addRequiredString(  
        "alternativeHeadline", BlogPostingForm::_setAlternativeHeadline  
    ).addRequiredString(  
        "articleBody", BlogPostingForm::_setArticleBody  
    ).addRequiredString(  
        "description", BlogPostingForm::_setDescription  
    ).addRequiredString(  
        "headline", BlogPostingForm::_setHeadline  
    ).build();  
}
```

Semantic DSL for forms

```
public class BlogPostingForm {  
  
    String alternativeHeadline;  
    String articleBody;  
    String description;  
    Date displayDate;  
    String headline;  
  
}
```

It's just a POJO

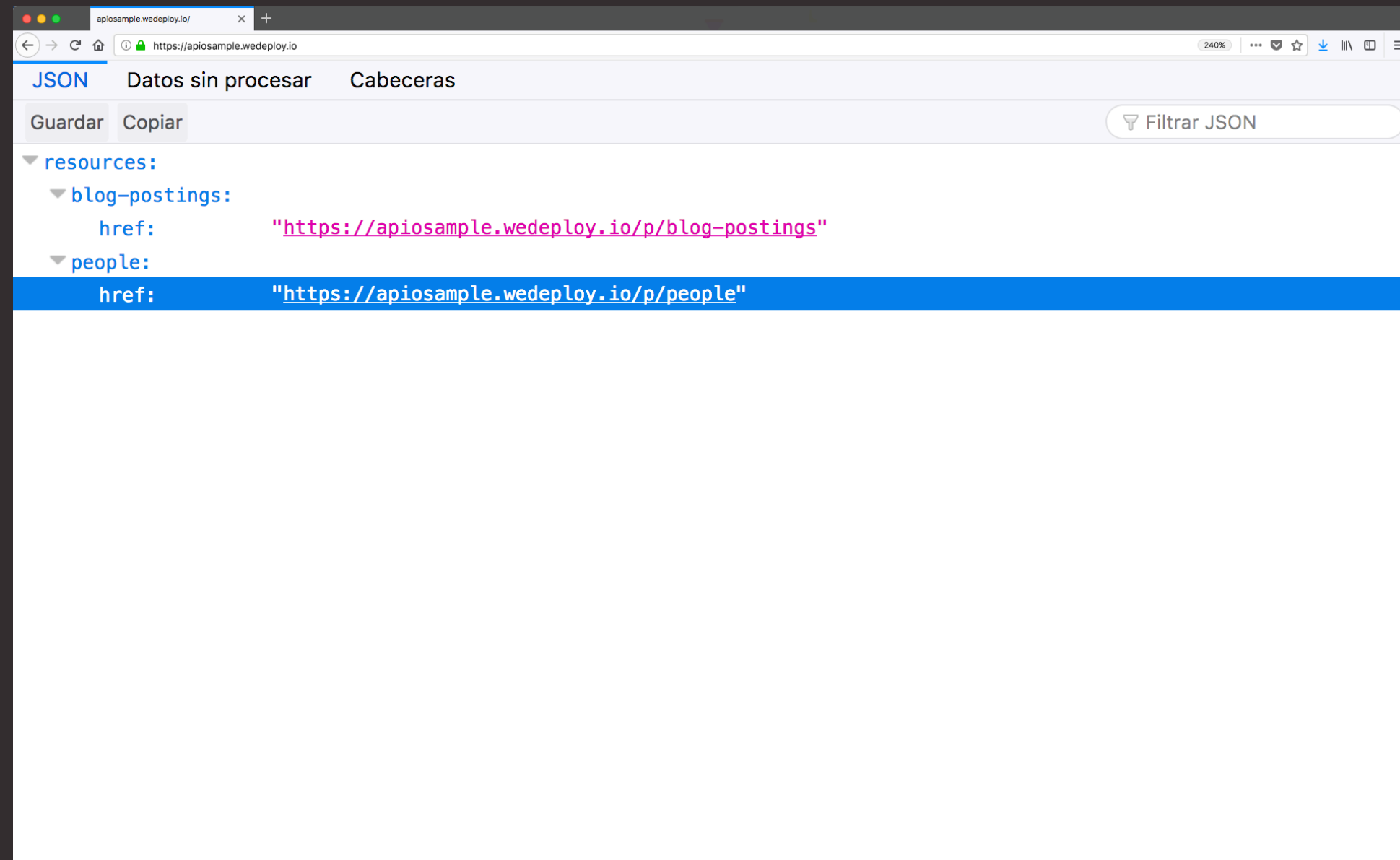
```
public NestedCollectionRoutes<BlogEntry, Long> collectionRoutes(
    Builder<BlogEntry, Long> builder) {

    return builder.addGetter(
        this::_getPageItems
    ).addCreator(
        this::_addBlogEntry,
        _hasPermission.forAddingEntries(BlogEntry.class),
        BlogPostingForm::buildForm
    ).build();
}
```

Routes for collections

modules/apps/headless-apio

apiosample.wedeploy.io





#apio-users

Thank you!

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