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About AIMS

The AIMS Metadata Community of Practice is glad to announce a series of webinars called **Linked Open Data @ AIMS** that will take place from December 2012 to February 2013.



Link Open Data



The traditional approach of sharing data within silos seems to have reached its end. From governments and international organizations to local cities and institutions, there is a widespread effort of opening up and interlinking their data. Linked Data, a term coined by Tim Berners-Lee in his [design note](#) regarding the Semantic Web architecture, refers to a set of best practices for publishing, sharing, and interlinking structured data on the Web.

Linked Open Data (LOD), a concept that has leapt onto the scene in the last years, is Linked Data distributed under an open license that allows its reuse for free. Linked Open Data becomes a key element to achieve interoperability and accessibility of data, harmonisation of metadata and multilinguality.

About Linked Open Data @ AIMS

Six specialists will introduce the concepts of Linked Open Data and Semantic Web in the 6 languages used on AIMS - English, French, Spanish, Arabic, Chinese and Russian - with the objective to contextualize the initiatives related to Linked Open Data currently taking place within the AIMS Communities of Practice.

Agenda and Speakers

An announcement will be distributed with more detailed information, as title and abstract, before the each webinar takes place.



Webinar in English | 4th December 2012 - 04:00pm Rome time

Tom Baker, Dublin Core Metadata Initiative (DCMI)
(Washington, USA)



Webinar in Spanish | 11th December 2012 - 04:00pm Rome time

Daniel Vila, Ontology Engineering Group, Universidad Politécnica de Madrid
(Madrid, Spain)



Webinar in Arabic | 15th January 2013 - 11:00am Rome time

Ibrahim Elbadawi, UAE Federal eGovernment
(Dubai, United Arab Emirates)



Webinar in French | 22nd January 2013 - 11:00am Rome time

Christophe Guéret, Department of Artificial Intelligence at Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
(Amsterdam, The Netherlands)



Webinar in Chinese | 29th January 2013 - 02:00pm Rome time

Marcia Zeng, School of Library and Information Science, Kent State University (Kent, Ohio, USA)



Webinar in Russian | 5th February 2013 - 11:00am Rome time

Irina Radchenko, Research and Educational Center of Semantic Technology (Moscow, Russian Federation)

Who should attend

Linked Open Data @ AIMS is not restricted to the agricultural information management community, anyone interested in an introduction to Linked Open Data and the Semantic Web may join.

How to join Linked Open Data @ AIMS

The webinars are open to anyone but places are limited. If you are interested to attend any of the webinars, send an e-mail to AIMS@fao.org at least one day before, containing the following information:

- your name
- your affiliation
- your role
- your country



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