

## Semantics Management and Discovery

Since 1987 the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) have been addressing the development, editing and dissemination of metadata standards. In order to promote metadata exchange and dissemination, Working Group 2 (ISO/IEC), in collaboration with the German Institute for Standardization (DIN) and TMF – Technology, Methods, and Infrastructure for Networked Medical Research, will be holding the "15th International Open Forum on Metadata Registries" on May 30 this year.

In 2012, the theme of the forum is „Semantics Management and Discovery“ focusing on the healthcare sector. Medical research relies on the availability and application of standards because precise definition of data acquisition criteria has a considerable impact on the meaningfulness and quality of clinical and epidemiological studies.

However, the concepts, models, technologies, and solutions employed are not unique to medicine. Description of data, products and services by metadata is a general prerequisite for cooperation and interoperability in a networked world. Appropriate registries collect those metadata and make them accessible. Such registries can be part of the IT infrastructure of companies, or a national service provided by government agencies. As a result, this year's forum also offers contributions toward the use of metadata in the telecommunications industry, in the insurance sector, and in geo-information systems.

The "15th International Open Forum on Metadata Registries" will be held on the premises of the TMF in Berlin. It targets users of metadata as well as standardization experts and developers of solutions applying the standards. The aim is to promote metadata dissemination through an exchange of information about it.

### TMF Forum "Metadata and Linked Data" – Workshop

This workshop is devoted to current standards that are important in the field of medical research and semantic interoperability. The organizers are thus meeting a request often expressed by the community, that the complex standards be presented systematically on one occasion. The target group is medical data specialists interested in terminologies, semantics and interoperability in clinical research. Prior knowledge of the various topics is not required but fundamental knowledge of basic technologies like XML, HTTP and UML will be useful. **The workshop will be held in German.**

## Exchange of Information and Shared Solutions for Health Research

The host of this year's forum is TMF – Technology, Methods, and Infrastructure for Networked Medical Research, an umbrella organization committed to improving the safety, quality and efficiency of networked medical research in Germany. Members of the TMF are cross-regional networks and networked medical research institutes, such as the Competence Networks in Medicine, Networks for Rare Diseases, Zoonosis Networks, Coordination Centers for Clinical Studies, or the National Genome Research Network (NGFN). On behalf of the TMF, tools for standardized preparation and evaluation of data from clinical studies were developed and made available in recent years. In its endeavors, the TMF paid special attention to the use and support of international standards.

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Synergy, quality & standards – shared solutions for health

# Program

## May 30, 2012 – Open Forum on Metadata Registries

- 9:00 AM Welcome and Introduction  
Sebastian C. Semler, TMF, Germany
- 9:10 AM ISO 11179 Metadata Registries (MDR) and ISO 19763 Metamodel Framework for Interoperability (MFI)  
Denise Warzel, ISO/WG2 Convenor, U.S. National Cancer Institute, USA
- 9:30 AM Healthcare: Mapping EHR Data to a Research Case Report Form: How a Metadata Repository, CDISC's SHARE, can improve the IHE profile Clinical Research Data (CRD)  
Bain L, CDISC Liaison to Healthcare, USA; Evans J, CDISC Director of Technical Services, USA; Lastic P Y, Senior Director of Data Privacy and Healthcare Interoperability Standards, Sanofi-Aventis, France
- 10:05 AM Telecommunications: Metadata Requirements in Telecommunications Cloud Computing  
Ewelina Szczekocka, Telekomunikacja Polska, Poland
- 10:40 AM Coffee Break
- 11:00 AM GeoSpatial: The Ingest, Storage, and Retrieval of Geopolitical Code Sets in a 11179 Metadata Registry  
Gramm Richardson, U.S. Department of Defense, USA
- 11:35 AM Oxford MDR  
Steve Harris, Jim Davies, Oxford Computing Laboratory, UK
- 12:10 PM Lunch
- 1:15 PM Telecommunications: Representing Semantics for User Oriented Service Compositions  
Mariano Belaunde, Orange Labs, France
- 1:50 PM Healthcare: A National Metadata Repository for Empirical Research in Germany  
Stausberg J, LMU Munich, Germany; Drepper J, TMF, Berlin, Germany; Löbe M, University of Leipzig, Germany; Ngouongo S, LMU Munich, Germany; Verplancke P, XClinical, Munich, Germany

- 2:25 PM Healthcare: The TMF and its Metadata and Linked Data Forum  
Löbe M, University of Leipzig, Germany; Drepper J, TMF, Berlin, Germany; Stausberg J, LMU Munich, Germany; Verplancke P, XClinical, Munich, Germany
- 3:00 PM Break
- 3:20 PM Healthcare: Implementation of an ISO/IEC 11179 Based Metadata Registry to Foster Interoperability of Health Telematics Applications  
Bernhard Rimatzki and Peter Haas, Fachhochschule Dortmund, Germany
- 3:55 PM Healthcare: Sharing of OID Registry Information  
Gessner C, TMF, Berlin, Germany; Thun S, Hochschule Niederrhein, Krefeld, Germany; Sabutsch S, ELGA GmbH, Vienna, Austria; Heitmann K, Heitmann Consulting and Services, Hürth, Germany
- 4:30 PM Closing Remarks

## May 29, 2012 – TMF Forum Metadata and Linked Data Workshop (held in German language)

- 10:30 AM Introduction
- 10:40 AM ISO 11179 Edition 3 Metadata Registries (MDR)  
Matthias Löbe, University of Leipzig, Germany
- 12:10 PM Lunch
- 12:40 PM Common Terminology Services Release 2 (CTS 2)  
Robert Muetzner, Fachhochschule Dortmund, Germany
- 2:10 PM Coffee break
- 2:25 PM Operational Data Model (ODM)  
Christian Bauer, University Medical Center Göttingen, Germany
- 3:25 PM Coffee break
- 3:40 PM Semantic Web Technologies  
Magnus Knuth, Hasso-Plattner-Institute Potsdam, Germany
- 5:10 PM Summary and final discussion

# Organisational issues

## Dates and times

Open Forum: May 30, 2012 | 09:00 AM-04:45 PM  
Workshop: May 29, 2012 | 10:30 AM-05:40 PM

## Venue

TMF Conference rooms: Georgenstraße 22 | D-10117 Berlin

## How to get there

- By rail: from Berlin main station (Hauptbahnhof), take the S-Bahn (suburban rail service) and alight at Friedrichstraße.
- By air: from Tegel airport, take the no. 128 bus to Kurt-Schumacher-Platz. Then take the U6 (underground) to Friedrichstraße. From Schönefeld airport take the Railway to S-Bahn station Friedrichstraße.

The venue is only a short walk from the Friedrichstraße station (map see: <http://www.tmf-ev.de/EnglishSite/AboutUs/Contact.aspx>).

## Chairs

### Open Forum on Metadata Registries

- Denise Warzel, Convenor Working Group 2 (ISO/IEC), US National Cancer Research Institute
- Prof. Dr. Jürgen Stausberg, German delegate Working Group 2 (ISO/IEC), vice spokesman of TMF WG IT-QM
- Sebastian Claudius Semler, Executive Director, TMF e.V.

### Workshop of the TMF Forum "Metadata and Linked Data"

- Matthias Löbe, University of Leipzig, Germany

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## Registration

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