

A Use Case in Environmental Science

using Linked Open Data:

Semantic Enrichment and Search

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BRITISH





EnvILOD Objectives

- Address the problem of LOD domain vocabulary enrichment and interlinking
- Develop intuitive semantic search methods
- Case study: the new British Library information discovery tool for environmental science, Envia.
- Engage with domain experts and other stakeholders.

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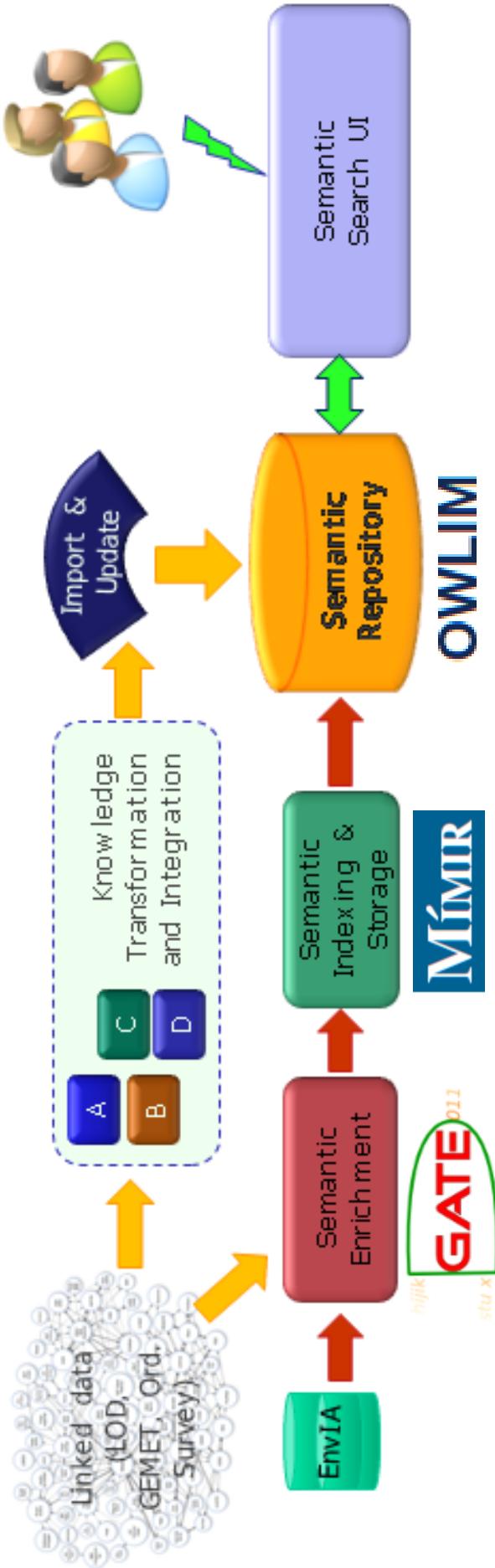
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User Survey: Key Findings

- Types of search queries related to flooding
 - Regulation & policy; Research; Risk; Spending, etc..
 - Location-based search needed
 - Language/keyword-based searches
- Example queries:
 - How is flood defence spending prioritised in non UK countries?
 - The top ten flood risk areas in Oxfordshire
 - Where has surface water flooding taken place since 2007

EnvILOD Architecture



FRM Act annual report to Parliament ... : Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act 20

EDINBURGH : SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT

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LINK



<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/Recent>

CONTENT TYPE

continuing
Electronic

DATE

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SUBJECT

Flood damage prevention—Scotland—Periodicals
Floods—Risk assessment—Scotland—Periodicals
Flood control—Scotland—Planning—Periodicals
Other social problems and services
Flood
Act
Scotland
risk
plans
Risk Management
Scottish Government
local authorities
National Park
flood protection

Docs on climate change & Oxfordshire

Searching Index "bl-geo-metadata-15102012"

climate rootchange AND {[\\$m_Location name REGEX\("\(.*\)Oxfordshire\(.*\)"\)](#)}

[Search](#)



Documents 1 to 2 of 2:

[meta4360.xml_00E9F](#)
of ecosystems to **climate change**. This study investigated the relati ... deciduous ancient semi-natural woodland at Wytham Woods in central

[meta1709.xml_0031D](#)
is controversial. **Climate change adds further uncertainty to decisio ... on growth, photosynthesis and phenology at Wytham Woods**, a

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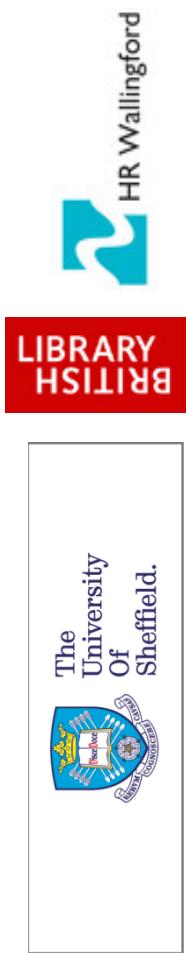
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{?xml Location &countryCode="GB" dbpediaSparql="select distinct ?inst where
{?inst id?type :Country. ?inst populationDensity ?x. FILTER(?x > 500)}"}
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Docs mentioning locations in UK
where the population density is more
than 500 people per square km

Search

Documents 1 to 8 of 8:

[meta1161.xml_000B0D](#)

Lambourn catchments, **Berkshire**, UK. Chalk catchments in **Berkshire** (UK) Lambourn catchments, **Berkshire**, UK Article

[meta1172.xml_000C9](#)

808), **Stoke-on-Trent** (n = in Coventry and **Stoke-on-Trent**) to greater

[meta756.xml_011B3](#)

Upper Thames in **Berkshire**, UK (

[meta5901.xml_011B2](#)

, Lambourn, **Berkshire**, UK (

[meta2247.xml_00573](#)

industrial heartlands of **Greater Manchester**, south Lancashire

[meta2359.xml_005EF](#)

sandstone aquifer of **South Yorkshire** between January 2002



Next Steps

- Index full-text articles and web pages
- Intuitive search UI, including location-based search
- Implement more geo-queries: flooding near Sheffield; to the south of Sheffield, ...
- Evaluation: users + gold standard
- Publications

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Questions?

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