

# **Coalition of Wikis?**

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# How did Ontolog develop?

**Ontolog inherited an impressive group of participants:**

- **SRKB project for Shared Reusable Knowledge Bases, which led to projects that developed KIF, KQML, and Common Logic.**
- **IEEE SUO project for a Standard Upper Ontology, which led to several projects, including SUMO.**

**Peter Yim devoted a considerable amount of time and resources:**

- **Ontolog Forum and archives with over 1000 subscribers.**
- **Wiki, workshops, telecons, and related projects and email lists.**

**Ontolog Forum will continue for some indefinite period.**

**Questions:**

- **How can we maintain and build on this foundation?**
- **What are our goals and hopes for the future?**
- **What kind of organization and technology can help?**

# Coalition of Wikis

**A single wiki, by itself, does not draw much attention:**

- **Each note to an email list pops up in each subscriber's mailbox.**
- **But a wiki requires a conscious decision for each visit.**
- **An Ontolog wiki is not likely to reach a critical mass that causes its subscribers to visit on a daily basis.**

**But there are many groups with related interests:**

- **Email lists on AI, NLP, cognitive sciences, and applications.**
- **Conference series on many related subjects.**
- **Miscellaneous blogs, wikis, etc.**

**Can we develop a coalition with these related groups?**

- **Each group would control its own wiki.**
- **All wikis would have "What's New?" pages with pointers to related discussions and topics in other wikis.**
- **Subscribers to one wiki could also contribute to the others.**