

The International Association for Ontology and its Applications

Mission statement

"The Association is a non-profit organization the purpose of which is to promote interdisciplinary research and international collaboration at the *intersection of philosophical ontology, linguistics, logic, cognitive science, and computer science*, as well as in the applications of ontological analysis to *conceptual modeling, knowledge engineering, knowledge management, information-systems development, library and information science, scientific research, and semantic technologies* in general."



IAOA: a unique combination of key aspects

- 1. Interdisciplinarity
- 2. Cooperation between academy, industry, and communities of practice (with an eye on education)
- 3. Scientific authoritativeness
- 4. Openness
- 5. Legal status
- 6. Transparent governance

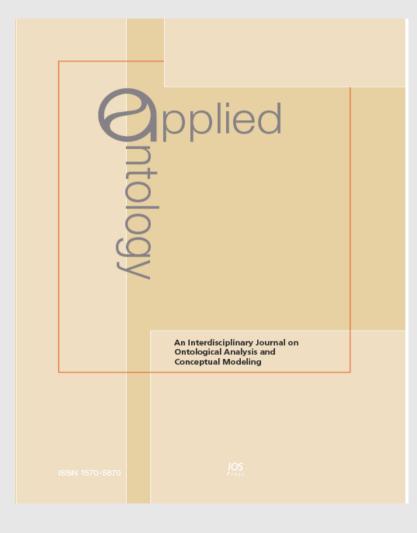
Wishes for the Ontology Summit 2012

- An increased *international participation*
- An opportunity to show (and challenge) the maturity of applied ontology research
 - from ontologies as a tool to *achieve interoperability* among information systems
 - to ontological analysis as tool to *understand* big complex systems (going beyond just the IS component)

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