

The Financial Industry Business Ontology



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Ontology Evaluation Across the Ontology Lifecycle

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2008 Global Financial Crisis Stimulated Need for Improved Financial Data Standards



- Financial industry needs better data standards for:
 - identification of legal entities, their jurisdictions and ownership control hierarchies
 - Identification of financial contracts and instruments
 - classification and data linkage for aggregation
 - actionable risk intelligence

The Basel
Committee
ON
Banking
Supervision

“One of the most significant lessons learned from the global financial crisis that began in 2007 was that banks’ information technology (IT) and data architectures were inadequate to support the broad management of financial risks. Many banks lacked the ability to aggregate risk exposures and concentrations quickly and accurately at the bank group level, across business lines and between legal entities. “

Principles for effective risk data aggregation and risk reporting
Basel Committee on Banking Supervision, June 2012

Regulatory Data Challenges

- Per FSB and Basel, global SIFIs must comply with risk data aggregation requirements by early 2016.
 - ✓ A bank should establish integrated data taxonomies across the banking group, which includes information on the characteristics of the data (metadata)
 - ✓ Risk data must be complete and captured/aggregated across the enterprise
 - ✓ Risk data must be accurate and the firm must be able to reconcile/validate reports

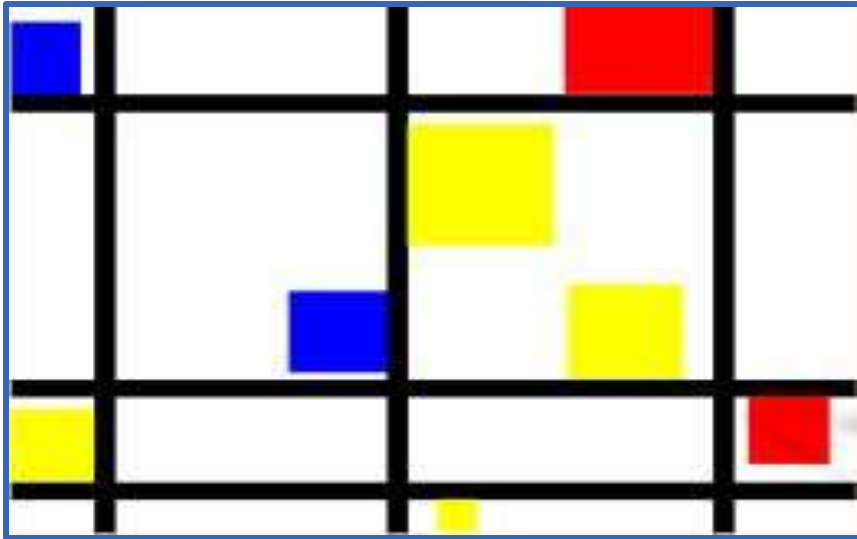


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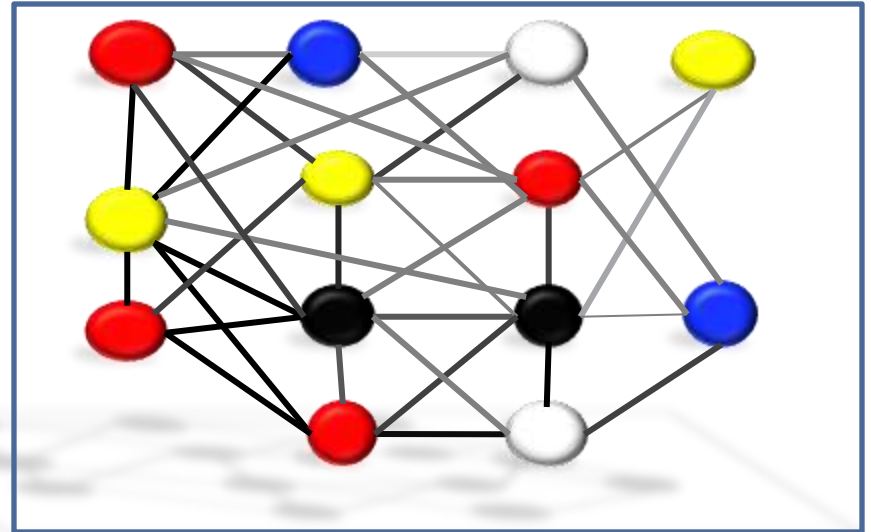
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Business Data Challenges



Current State of Business Data

- Data incongruity and fragmentation often found across silos
- Limited data standards
- Data rationalization problems
- Costly application program logic required to process data into concepts
- Brittle schemas are costly to change
- Rigid and limited taxonomies



Desired State of Business Data

- Data linkage and integration *despite* silos
- Open global *reusable* data standards
- Alignment based on *meaning*
- Highly expressive data schemas with built in *rules* that reflect *concepts*
- Flexible changeable schemas
- Rich multi-level taxonomies

How Should These Data Challenges Be Resolved?

- ✓ *How should financial data standards be defined?*
- ✓ *How should the financial industry tackle these risk data management, aggregation and reporting challenges?*
- ✓ *What technologies should be employed to fulfill these requirements?*

Semantic Web Technology can be Used to Resolve These Data Challenges

The Enterprise Data Management (EDM) Council and the Object Management Group (OMG) believe that semantic web technology

- is a *transformational* technology for defining financial data standards
- can map to and supplement existing legacy financial data standards
- is a prudent investment to better enable risk data aggregation and analytics
- can be implemented unobtrusively and incrementally with legacy data

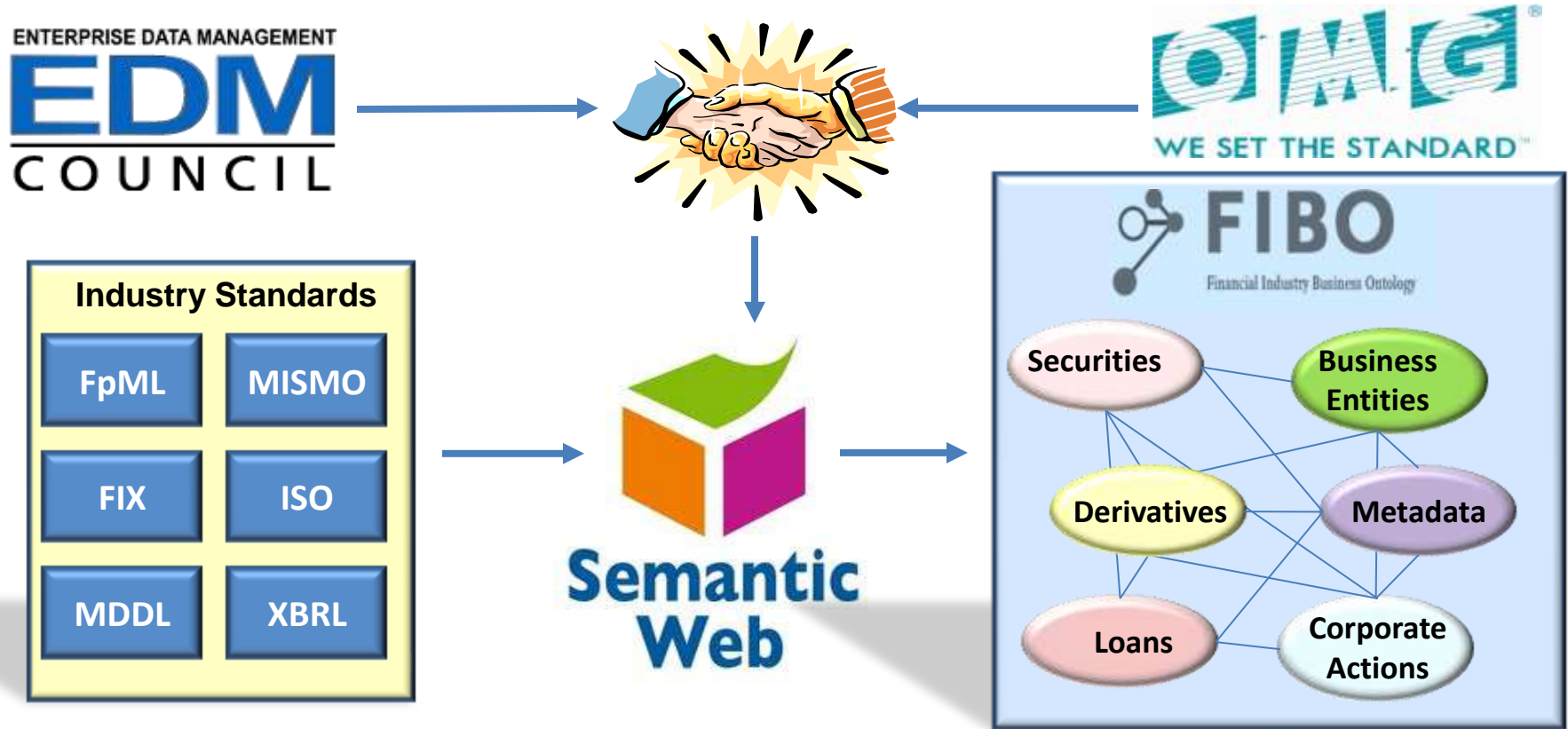


Enterprise
Linked Data
Integration



FIBO: An Emerging Open Financial Industry Data Standard

Collaborative industry initiative to describe financial data standards using *semantics*



Open semantic financial data standards are exchangeable across financial institutions and regulatory authorities for data confidence, consistency and transparency

Multiple Financial Institutions are Contributing to the FIBO Standard

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✓ Wells Fargo chairs the EDM Council's Semantic Technology Program, interfaces directly with regulatory authorities and leads the working group that is responsible for constructing the operational capabilities of FIBO

✓ Institutions providing business and/or technical resources to define and develop FIBO

Bank of America



citibank

CHASE



CREDIT SUISSE



HSBC



Manulife Financial

Morgan Stanley



STATE STREET

FannieMae



Northern Trust

BARCLAYS

Goldman Sachs

Regulatory Agencies Interested in FIBO



CFTC

has expressed strong interest in FIBO's instrument taxonomy and data definitions for swap rules



OFTR



have expressed interest in FIBO's taxonomy and data definitions for liquidity, stress test reporting, and living will

✓ Other regulatory agencies expressing direct interest in semantic financial data standards via FIBO



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FIBO Business Conceptual and Operational Ontologies are Two Sides of the Same Coin

■ FIBO Business Conceptual Ontologies

- Human facing
- Visual blueprint
- Standard terms and definitions for business concepts
- Broad based expressions of conceptual specifications, provenance, linkage and context of business constructs



• FIBO Operational Ontologies

- Machine facing (OWL)
- Derived from FIBO Conceptual Ontologies
- Optimized for performance and scalability. Fewer abstractions. Inferred relations, mappings.
- Classification, data linkage, validation and semantic query.
- Deliver executable functionality to regulators and firms to enable data linkage, transparency and risk analytics

Target Operational Capabilities of FIBO

Provide risk intelligence e.g. identifying risk exposures across legal entity ownership hierarchies and their counterparties **7**



Provide standard definitions of financial contracts, concepts and business rules; financial instrument taxonomies, integrated metadata and links to related data e.g. policy and compliance rules; for human and machine consumption **1**

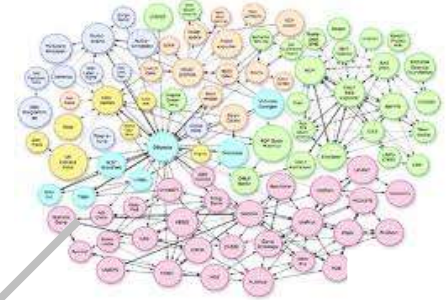
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- contracts:Swaptions_Contract
- security:Security
- debt:TradableDebtInstrument
- bond:Bond
- security:StructuredFinanceInstrument

Credit Default Swap Contract

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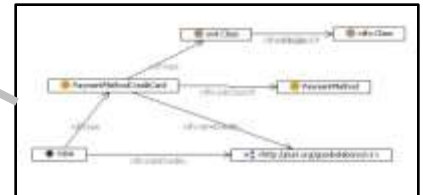
A credit default swap (CDS) is a financial swap agreement that compensates the buyer in the event of a loan default or other makes a series of payments (the CDS "fee" or "spread") to payoff if the loan defaults.

Integrate with other global data standards to maximize commonality and reuse **2**



Enable risk data aggregations across multiple dimensions and taxonomies **6**

Instrument	Issuer	Face Value	Rating
Corporate Bond	ABC Corp	1000000	BBB
Corporate Bond	DEF Corp	500000	BBB
Corporate Bond	GHI Corp	750000	BBB
Corporate Bond	JKL Corp	250000	BBB
Corporate Bond	MNO Corp	150000	BBB
Corporate Bond	PQR Corp	300000	BBB
Corporate Bond	STU Corp	400000	BBB
Corporate Bond	VWX Corp	600000	BBB



Classify financial instruments into categories and flags instruments that lack compliance to data standards to better ensure reliability and conformity **3**

Enable visualizations for taxonomies, financial instruments, all forms of data relationships **5**

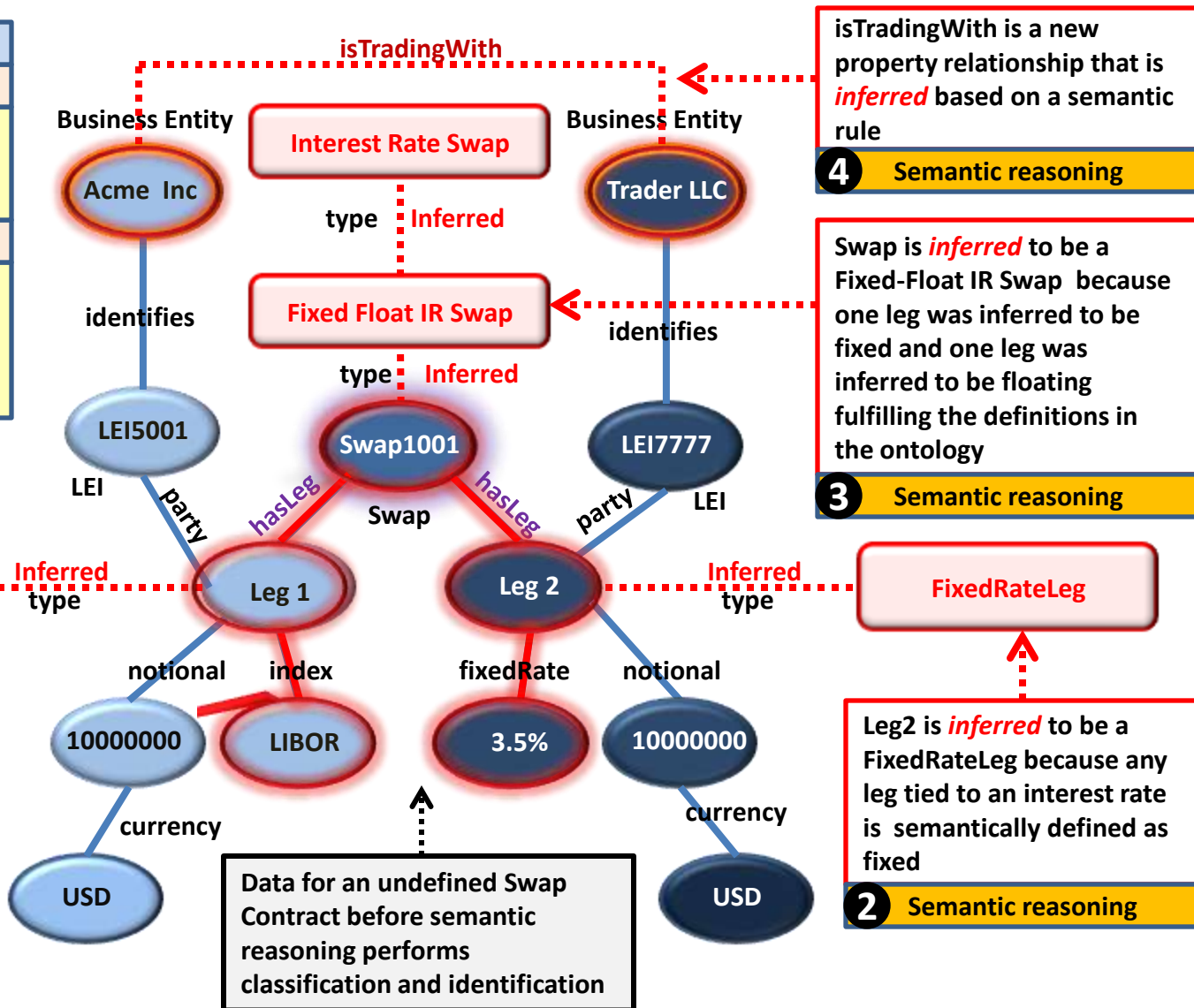


Provide semantic mapping from disparate siloed data to a common business data standard for integration **4**

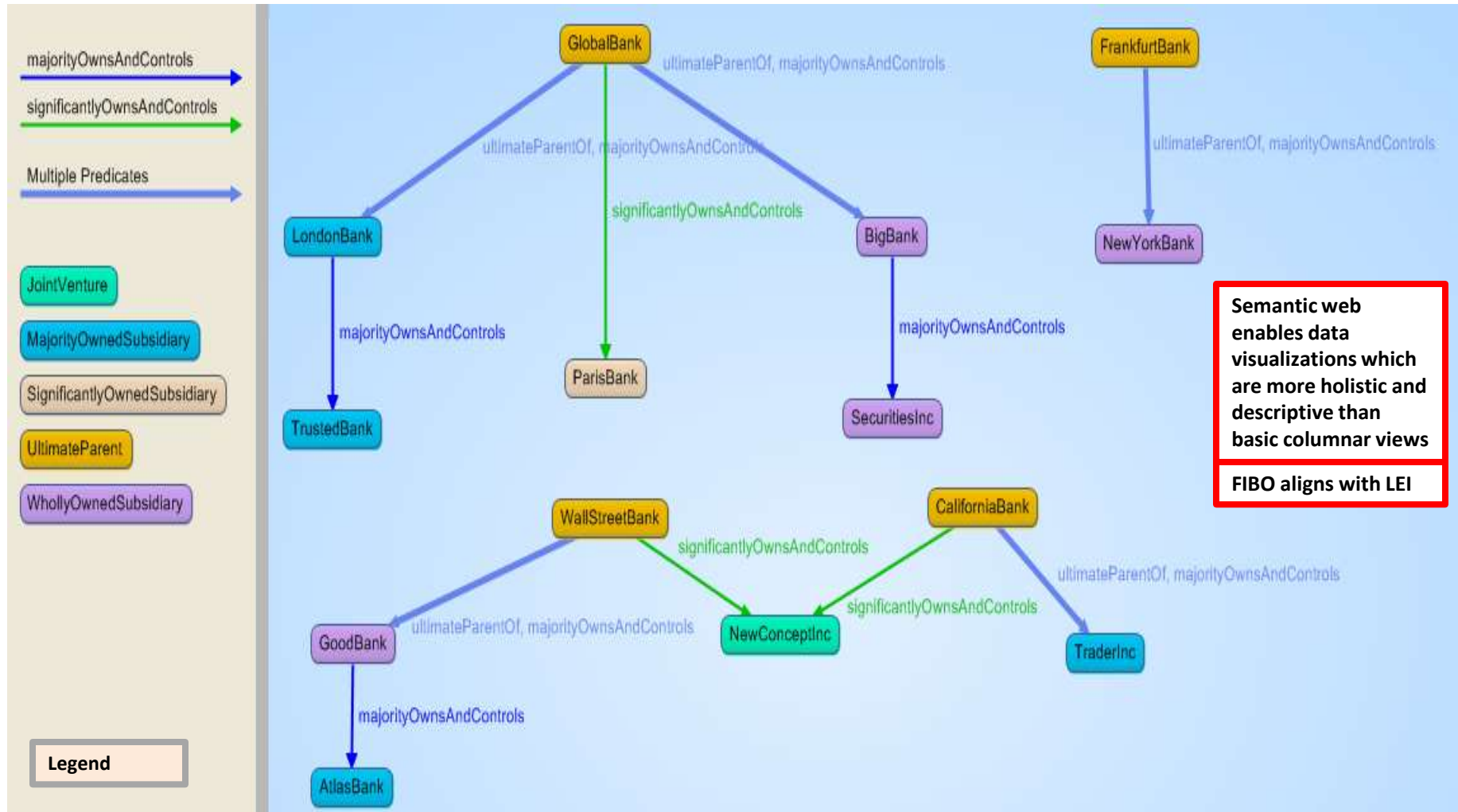


Semantic Processing *Reasons* over Data to Infer New Meanings and Relationships

Fixed Float IR Swap (Ontology)
Machine Facing Definition
Swap_Contract and hasLeg FixedRateLeg and hasLeg FloatingRateLeg
Human Facing Definition
An interest rate swap in which fixed interest payments on the notional are exchanged for floating interest payments.



Legal Entity Ownership and Control Relationships can be Queried and Displayed



FIBO Identifies Ultimate Parents, their Descendents and Trading Counterparties

This capability allows for the rollup of both positions and exposures of the subsidiaries to the level of the ultimate parent for risk analysis

Enter a SPARQL select or describe query in the text widget to the left, then press the Do Query button. All known namespace abbreviations will be in effect. Or

34 Results

Create Visual Graph

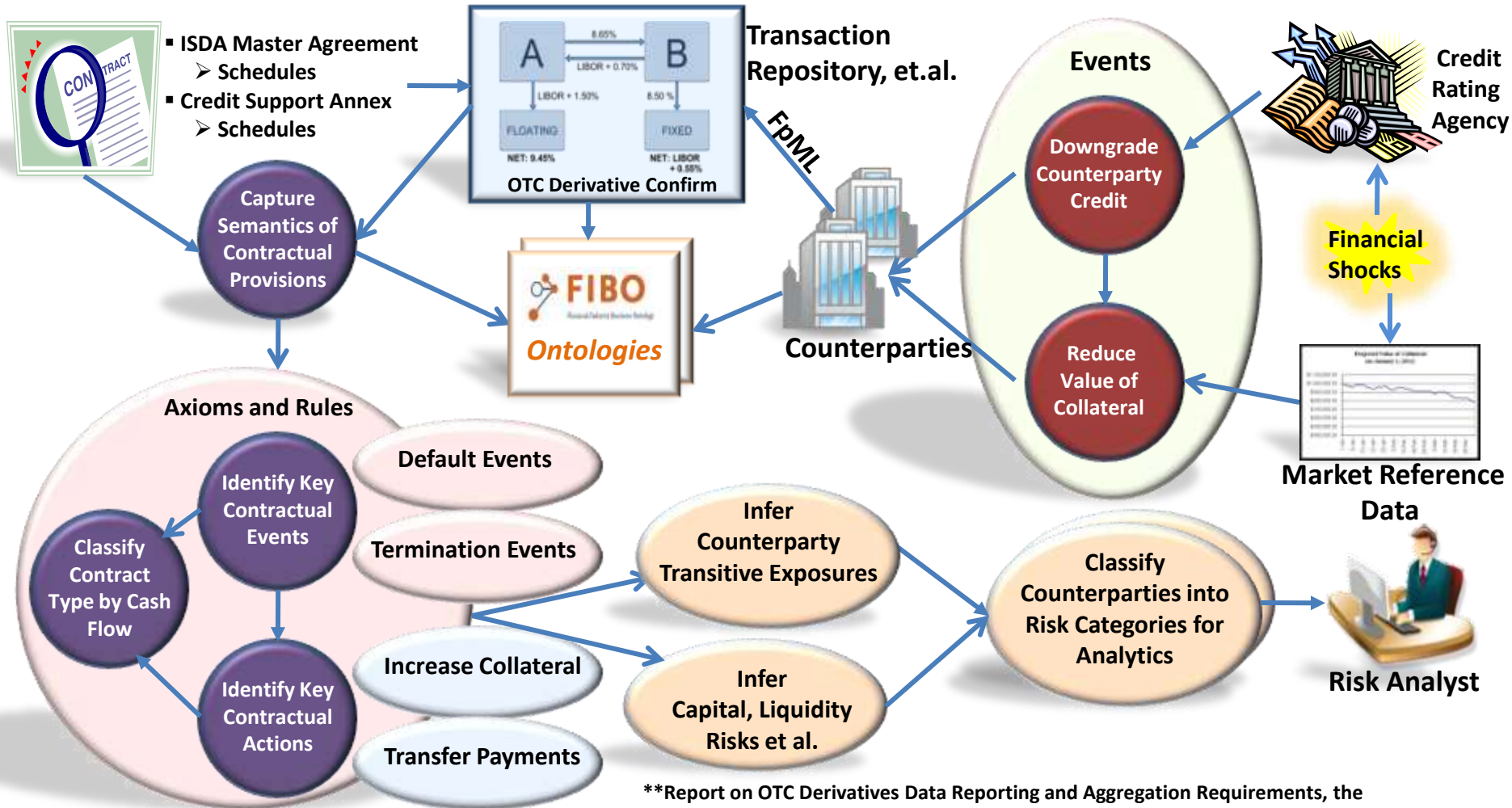
Add to Visual Graph

Write Text Report

Save as CSV

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AcmInvestmentsCompany		GoodBank	Interest_Rate_Swap_Contract	InterestRate:IRSwap:OIS	Swap_Contract-SC09	10000000.00	USD
CaliforniaBank		LondonBank	Credit Default Swap Contract	Credit:SingleName:Corporate	Swap_Contract-SC143	16000000.00	USD
CaliforniaBank		AtlasBank	Interest_Rate_Swap_Contract	InterestRate:IRSwap:Basis	Swap_Contract-SC01	20000000.00	USD
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GlobalBank		WallStreetBank	Credit Default Swap Contract	Credit:SingleName:Muni	Swap_Contract-SC119	19000000.00	USD
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NationalBank		WallStreetBank	Interest_Rate_Swap_Contract	InterestRate:IRSwap:FixedFloat	Swap_Contract-SC10	40000000.00	USD
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FIBO Can Play a Useful Role in Risk Intelligence

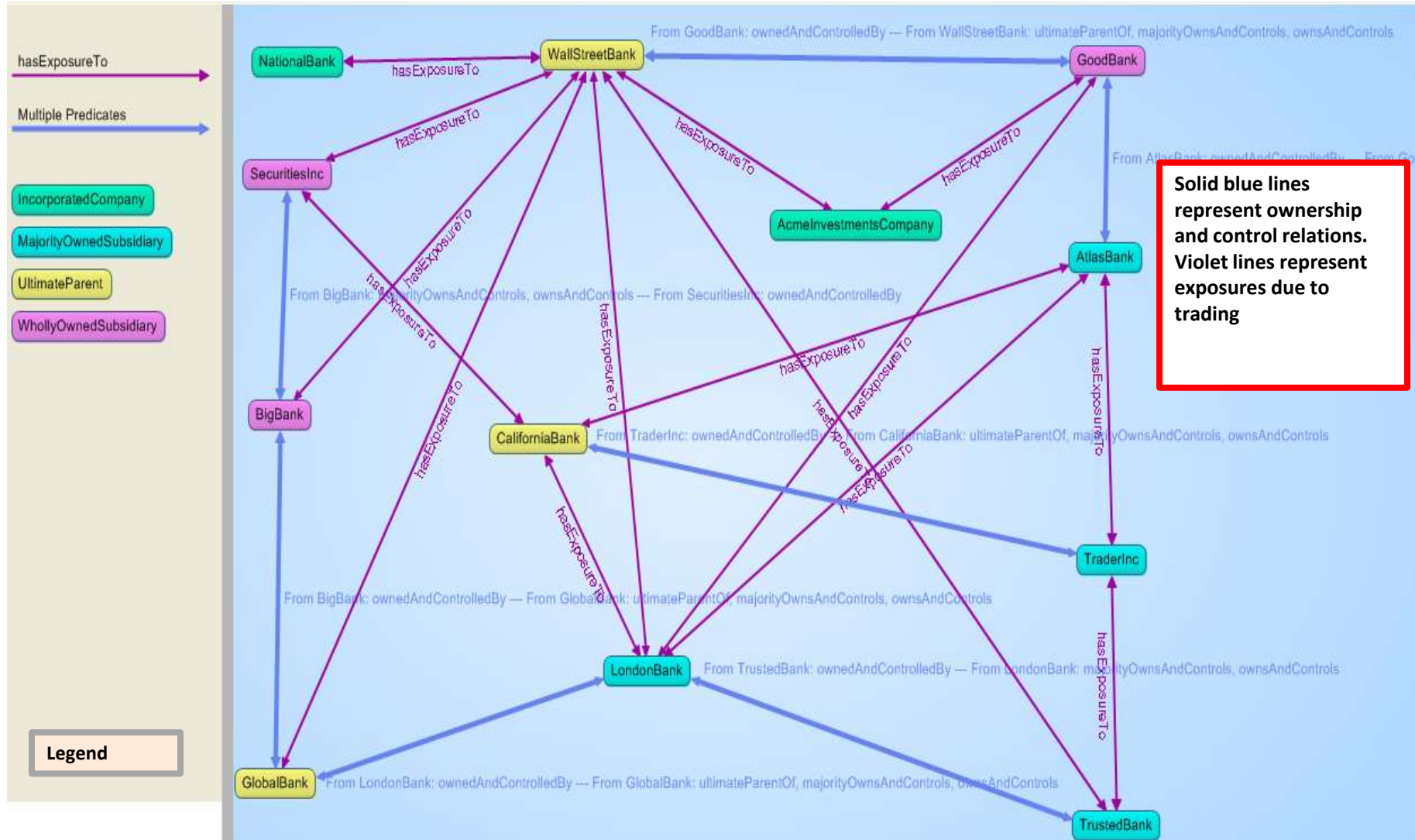


* W. Brammertz, "Unified Financial Analysis: The Missing Links of Finance", 2009

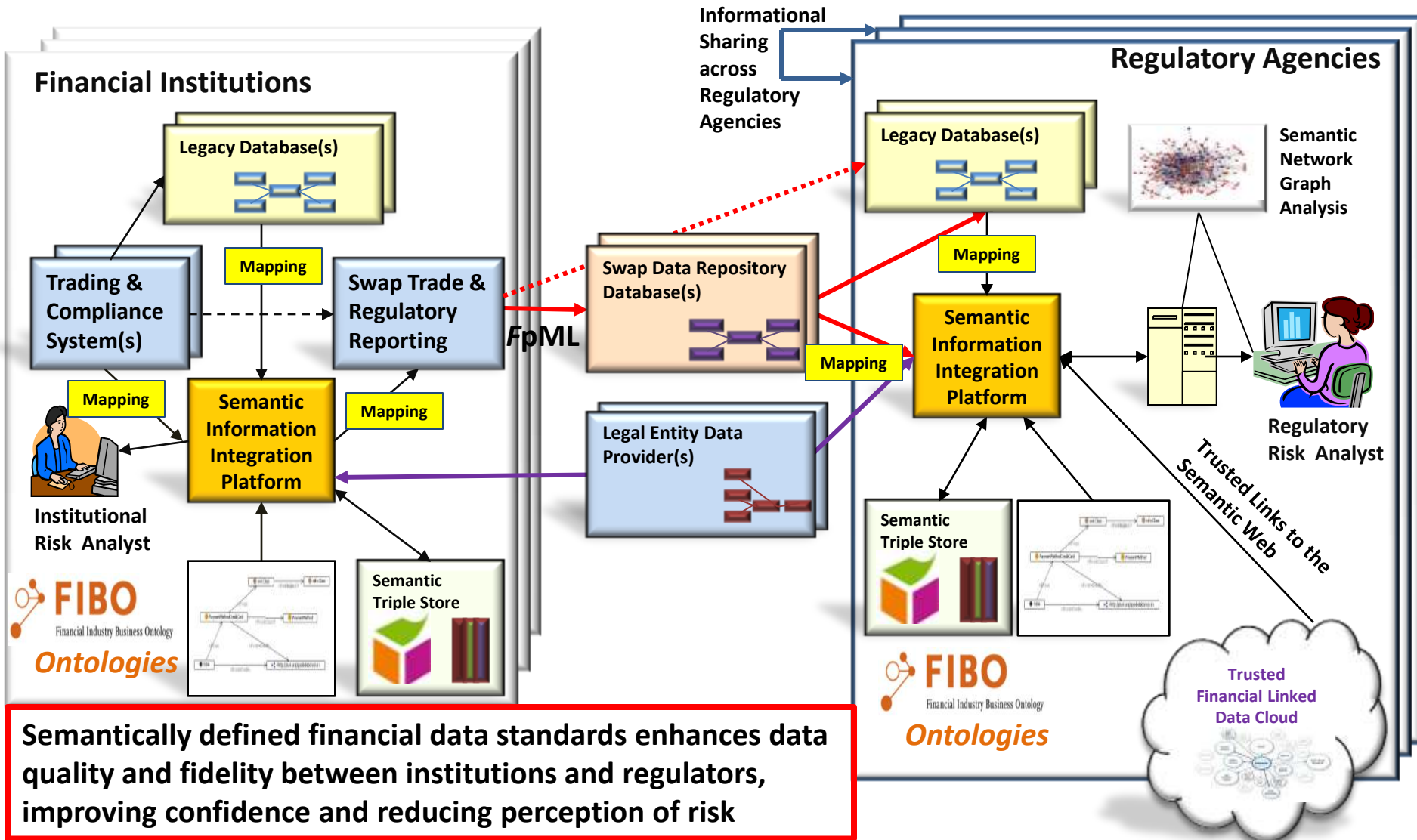
**Report on OTC Derivatives Data Reporting and Aggregation Requirements, the International Organization of Securities Commissioners (IOSCO), August 2011

***Joint Study on the Feasibility of Mandating Algorithmic Descriptions for Derivatives, SEC/CFTC, April 2011

Visualization of Ownership Hierarchies and Exposures to Counterparties

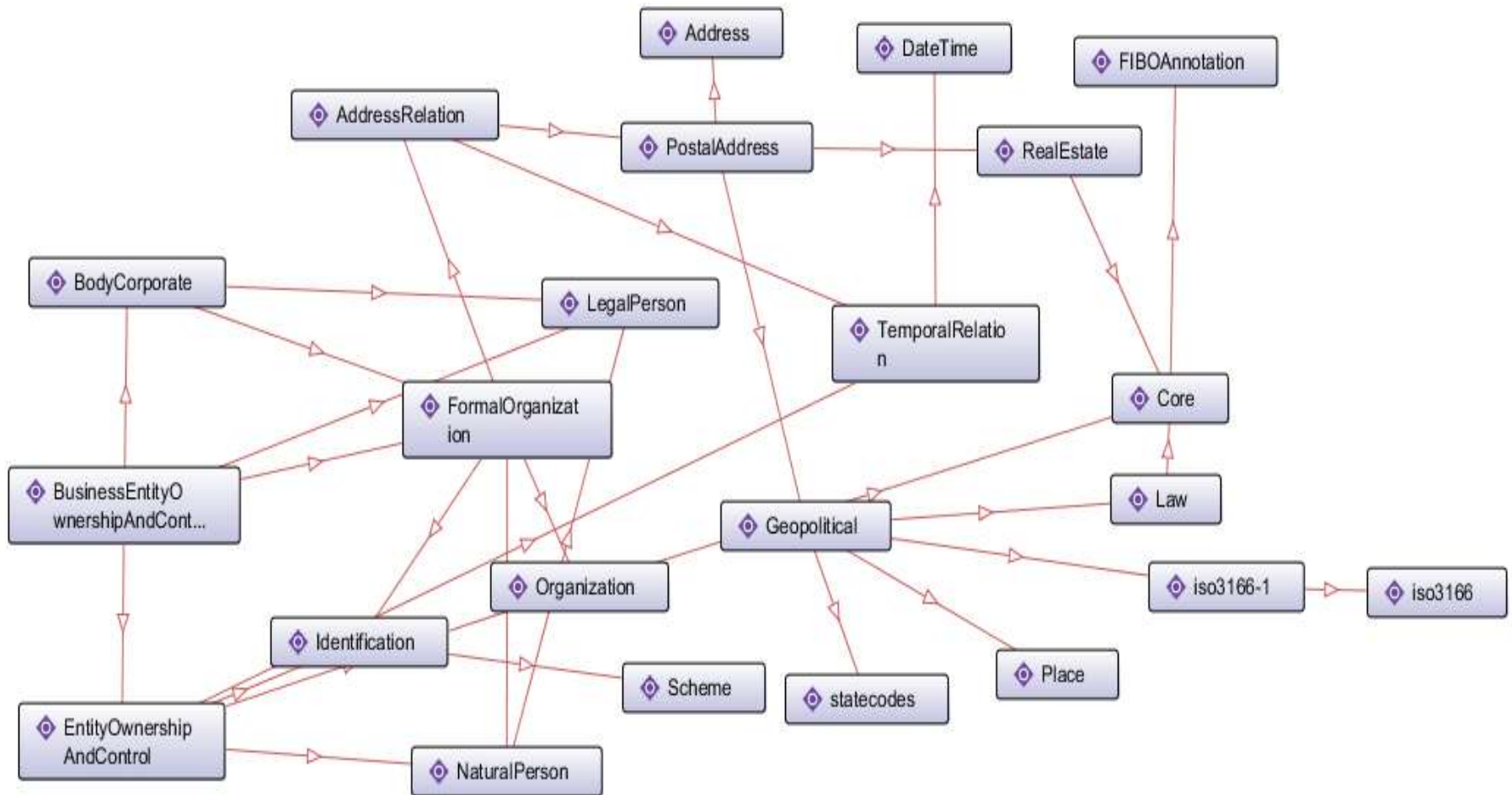


Proposed FIBO Architecture for Institutional and Macroprudential Oversight

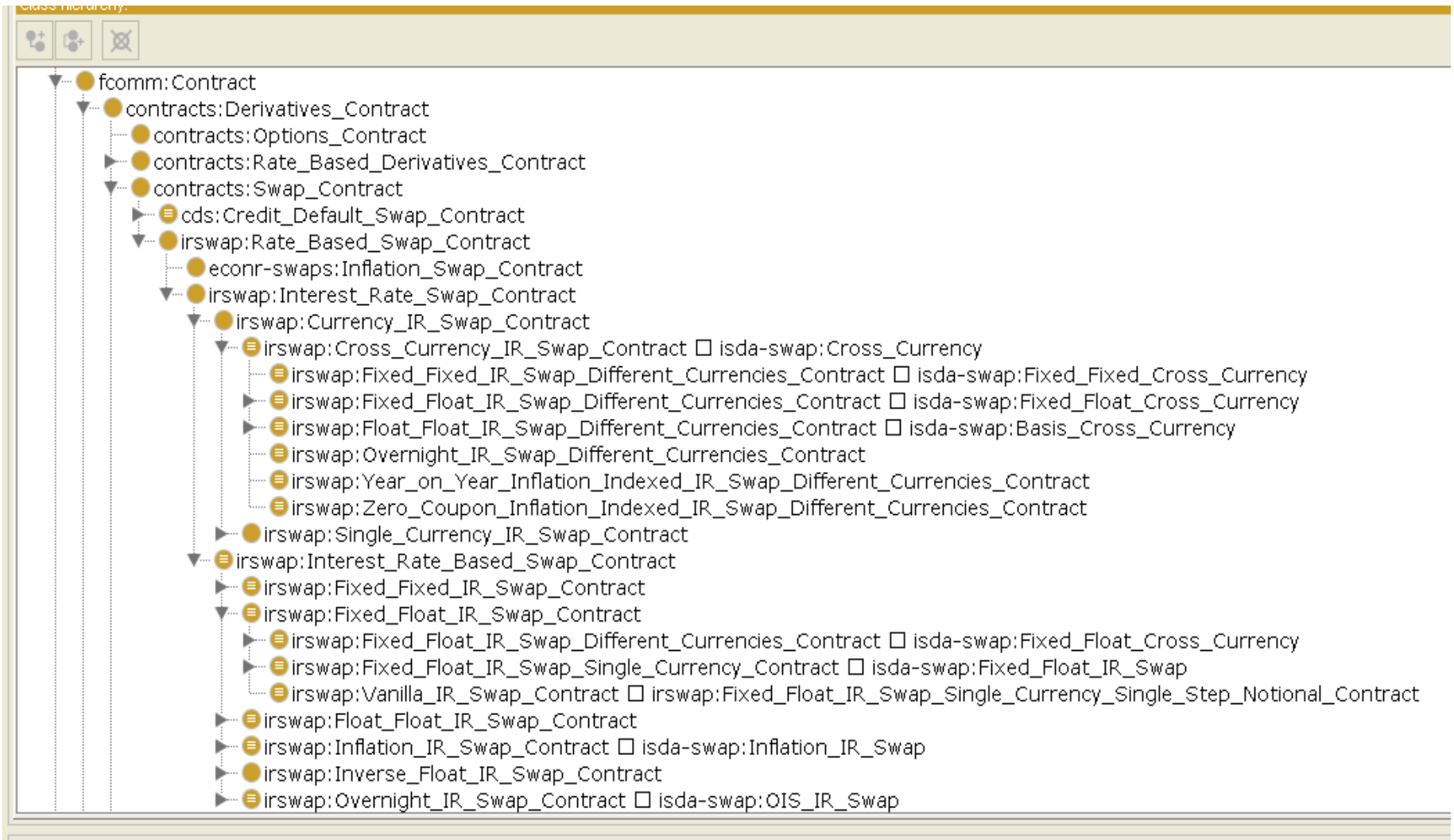


Semantically defined financial data standards enhances data quality and fidelity between institutions and regulators, improving confidence and reducing perception of risk

FIBO Operational Ontologies are Highly Modular and Reusable



FIBO Defines Multi-faceted Poly-hierarchical Classifications of Swap Contracts



FIBO Uses OWL 2 DL to Describe Necessary and Sufficient Conditions for Contracts

The screenshot displays a software interface for viewing OWL 2 DL class definitions. On the left, a 'Class hierarchy' pane shows a tree structure of classes. The class 'cds:Single_Name_Credit_Default_Swap_Contract' is highlighted. The main area on the right shows the 'Description' and 'Annotations' for this class.

Class hierarchy:

- fcomm:Contract
 - contracts:Derivatives_Contract
 - contracts:Options_Contract
 - contracts:Rate_Based_Derivatives_Contract
 - contracts:Swap_Contract
 - cds:Credit_Default_Swap_Contract
 - cds:Index_Credit_Default_Swap_Contract
 - cds:Single_Name_Credit_Default_Swap_Contract**
 - irswap:Rate_Based_Swap_Contract
 - contracts:Swaptions_Contract
 - security:Security
 - fcomm:Contract_Term
 - fcomm:Currency
 - fcomm:Currency_Amount
 - fcomm:Date_Adjustment
 - fcomm:Date_Adjustment_Scheme
 - fcomm:Financial_Date
 - fcomm:Financial_Rate
 - fcomm:Identifier
 - fcomm:Num_Repeats
 - fcomm:Party
 - fcomm:PartyIdentifier
 - fcomm:Period
 - fcomm:Repeating_Dates
 - fcomm:Repeating_Interval
 - fcomm:Schedule
 - fcomm:Schedule_Frequency
 - fcomm:Step

Description: cds:Single_Name_Credit_Default_Swap_Contract

Equivalent To +

- cds:Credit_Default_Swap_Contract and (contracts:has_Swap_Leg some (cds:Contingent_Leg and ((cds:has_Reference_Entity some legal-pers:Municipality) or (cds:has_Reference_Entity some legal-pers:Sovereign) or (cds:has_Reference_Entity some corp:BodyCorporate))))

SubClass Of +

- cds:Credit_Default_Swap_Contract

SubClass Of (Anonymous Ancestor)

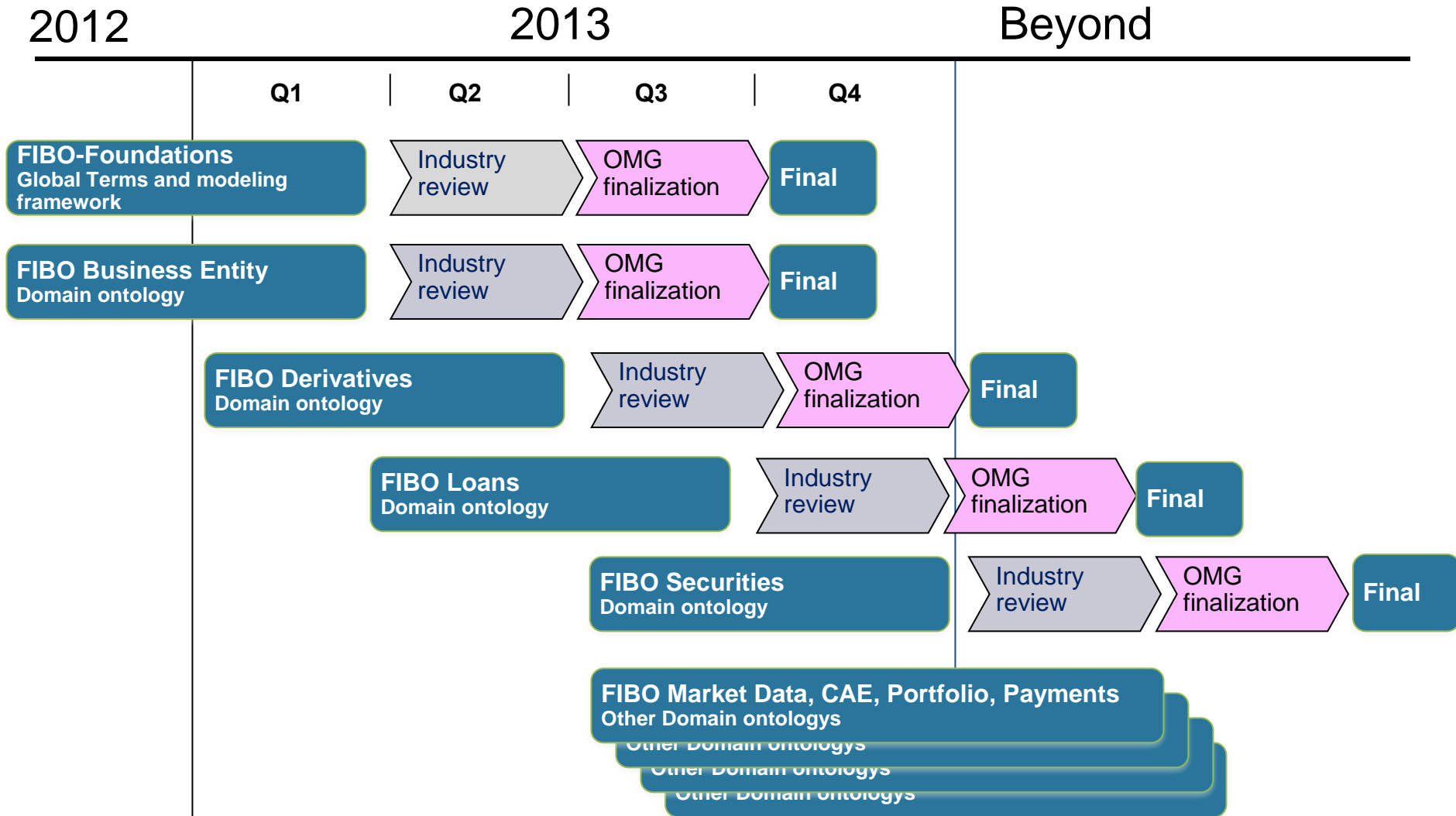
- contracts:Swap_Contract and (contracts:has_Swap_Leg some cds:Contingent_Leg) and (contracts:has_Swap_Leg some cds:Fee_Payment_Leg)

Annotations: cds:Single_Name_Credit_Default_Swap_Contract

Annotations +

- rdfs:label Single-Name Credit Default Swap Contract
- meta:definition [type: xsd:string] The simplest - and most common - type of credit default swap is one where there is just one reference entity. This is called a single-name credit default swap. The reference entity can be any borrower, but is most often one of a few hundred widely traded companies (corporate or financials) or a handful of governments (sovereigns). Credit default swaps can be used to transfer types of credit risk other than borrowings (such as trade debt), but these contracts are not standard and are rarely seen in practice.
- A single name credit default swap acts like an insurance contract against the default of a reference entity. The buyer of protection (known in the contract as the 'fixed rate payer') makes periodic premium payments to the seller of protection (the 'floating rate payer').

FIBO Provisional Roadmap



Current Quality Measures for FIBO

- Conceptual Ontologies
 - Visual Modeling
 - Consensus input and extrinsic validation by business domain SMEs from the financial industry
 - Formal and rigorous standardization and review processes via OMG
- Operational Ontologies
 - Consensus input and extrinsic validation by technology and ontology SMEs from the financial and vendor communities
 - Validation of executable reference operational ontologies developed as prototypes of specific use cases

Intrinsic Quality Control Direction for FIBO Ontologies

- Intent is to analyze FIBO using intrinsic ontology evaluation tools depending upon availability:
 - OOPS! (OntOlogy Pitfall Scanner!) – sample tested already
 - OntoQA
 - OQuaRE
 - OntoClean
 - Other tools as they emerge