

Ontology Summit 2013 “postmortem” session:

**OntologySummit2013 in Numbers
Analytics & Reflections**

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Ontology Summit 2013 – statistics

(as of 2013.05.23 – 06:30 PDT)

- Co-organizers: 6
- Organizing committee Members: 16
- Advisory Committee Members: 92
- Co-sponsors: 76
- [ontology-summit] list subscribers: 579
- Communique co-editors: 16
- Virtual org sessions: 8
- Electronic Messages exchanged: 1111
- Virtual community sessions: 20
- Hackathon-Clinic sessions: 7 (new!)
- Two-day Symposium
 - ♦ registrants: 69(o) 31(v)
 - ♦ Attendees: est. 35(o) 34(v)
- Presentations made: 99
- Communique endorsements: 141 (2012.05.23)

Comparing to previous years

(when we had numbers)

Ontology Summit 2007 - statistics

- Co-organizers: 7
- Organizing committee Members: 12
- Advisory Committee Members: 0 (not yet established)
- Co-sponsors: 49
- [ontology-summit] list subscribers: ?
- Communique co-editors: 2 ... (Communique fits into 2 pages)
- Virtual organizing sessions: 0 (not yet established)
- Virtual community sessions: 0 (not yet established)
- Electronic Messages exchanged: 1600
- Two-day Symposium registrants: 60 (est.)
- Presentations made: 18
- Communique endorsements: 57

Ontology Summit 2011 - statistics

- Co-organizers: 6
- Organizing committee Members: 20
- Advisory Committee Members: 114
- Co-sponsors: 64
- [ontology-summit] list subscribers: 406
- Communique co-editors: 16
- Virtual organizing sessions: 11
- Electronic Messages exchanged: 1220
- Virtual community sessions: 15
- Two-day Symposium registrants: 95
- Presentations made: 93
- Communique endorsements: 91

Ontology Summit 2012 – statistics

(as of 2012.04.26 – 08:00 PDT)

- Co-organizers: 6 =
- Organizing committee Members: 26 +
- Advisory Committee Members: 93 -
- Co-sponsors: 73 +
- [ontology-summit] list subscribers: 501 +
- Communique co-editors: 14 -
- Virtual organizing sessions: 11 =
- Electronic Messages exchanged: 1310 +
- Virtual community sessions: 17 +
- Two-day Symposium registrants: 80 -
- Presentations made: 99 +
- Communique endorsements: 144 + (2012.05.19)

Legend: = same ; + increased ; - decreased (as compared to last year)

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Reflections

- Process has matured and proven to be **very** effective (although it's not something that is very scalable)
- Critical success factor is in the dedication of contributors ... something we need to understand more, and possibly learn how it can be replicated
- constant “fight” between leveraging the Summit to
 - ♦ Advance the Ontology discipline (inward facing), to
 - ♦ Promote the Ontology discipline (outreach)
- Inherent weaknesses of community members in “marketing” and “public relations” skills (as well as in getting work funded) is our ‘Achilles’ heel’

For discussion today ...

- (1) What are the greatest barriers today to having
 - (i) system architects/designers, and
 - (ii) software engineers,
... employ ontology in their work
- (2) what features need to be improved/added to software tools and IDE's to take down the above barriers
- (3) what else are needed on software tools and IDEs to help improve the ontology development process and the quality of the ontology and ontology-driven applications?