

Ontology Summit 2014 Launch

ONTOLOG – opening remarks

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ONTOLOG (aka. **Ontolog Forum**, est. Apr. 2002) our "*dialog in ontology*"



- **Ontolog** (a.k.a. **Ontolog Forum**) is an open virtual community for ontology and ontological engineering, with members who realize the importance and potential impact of ontology, and are passionate about moving it into the mainstream through adoption and standardization.
- **Membership** ~980; from over 40 countries; ~2850 on listserv (Dec-2013)
- **Users** - from 120+ cities globally, generating over 10,000 page views or file downloads per day
- **Hosted** on the CIM3 **collaborative work environment** infrastructure which archives all contributions and serves as a dynamic knowledge repository to the community's collective intelligence
- **Charter** - Ontolog is an open, international, virtual community of practice, whose membership will:
 - Discuss practical issues and strategies associated with the development and application of both **formal and informal** ontologies.
 - Identify ontological engineering approaches that might be applied to the UBL effort, as well as to the broader domain of eBusiness standardization efforts.
 - Strive to advance the field of ontological engineering and semantic technologies, and to help move them into main stream applications.
- **Activities:**
 - Forum discussion (archived mailing list), Weekly conference calls of active members meeting and virtual events like lectures and panel discussions, and occasional face-to-face events.
 - Specific Initiatives, Projects and Mini-series' like ... **Ontology Summits** (since 2006), **Rules-Reasoning-LogicProgramming**, **OKMDS**, **UoM Ontology Standard**, **Ontologizing the Ontolog Content**, **Database & Ontology**, **OntologyBasedStandards**, **Earth Science Ontology Dialog**, **Ontology Measurement & Evaluation**, **Open Ontology Repository**, **Semantic Wiki**, **Sharing & Integrating Ontologies**, ...
 - Hosting initiatives like [IAOA], [OOR], [SOCoP], [OntoOp], [CLv2]...



ClustrMaps for: <https://ontolog.cim3.net>



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visits since 12 Aug 2006, updated daily

We welcome your participation and contribution:

<http://ontolog.cim3.net/wiki>

ONTOLOG: proud and gratified to be an OntologySummit co-organizer ...



- We are into our 9th season of OntologySummit (which started with the Upper Ontology Summit convened by PatCassidy, LeoObrst, SteveRay and PeterYim in Mar-2006)
- Finishing up 12th successful years of the ONTOLOG community (which PeterYim, LeoObrst and KurtConrad started in Apr-2002)
- Kudos to all the efforts that have come from amazing individuals in the community
- Deeply appreciative of our esteemed collaborators in the co-organizational effort

What ONTOLOG has meant to the community...



- Passion in the pursuit of advancing Ontology and bringing it into the mainstream
- a platform for knowledge sharing and open collaboration
- Quality and reliability
- a Dynamic Knowledge Repository comprising the body-of-knowledge accumulated through a persistent archive of all community interactions

The Time Has Come ...



- for Big Data and Semantic Web to Meet Applied Ontology
- from Science to Engineering
- from Research to Development to Application
- from “weak signals” to “huge impact”
- our role: foster and facilitate collaboration
- keep the foundational building blocks “open” and “accessible” to all