



ETSI ISG CIM Specifications

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ETSI ISG CIM specifications to manage context information and interoperability across vertical domains

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- ✓ [MI/CIM-001-AB \(MI\)](#) Annotated Bibliography (ETSI members only)
- ✓ [GR/CIM-002-UC](#) Use Cases → published v1.1.1 [HERE](#)
- ✓ [GS/CIM-006-MOD0](#) Information Model(s) → published v1.1.1 [HERE](#)
- ✓ [GR/CIM-007-SEC](#) Security and Privacy
- ✓ [GR/CIM-008-NGSI-LD-Primer](#) for Developers published v1.1.1 [HERE](#)
- ✓ [GS/CIM-009-NGSI-LD-API](#) → published v1.2.2 [HERE](#) and new version soon

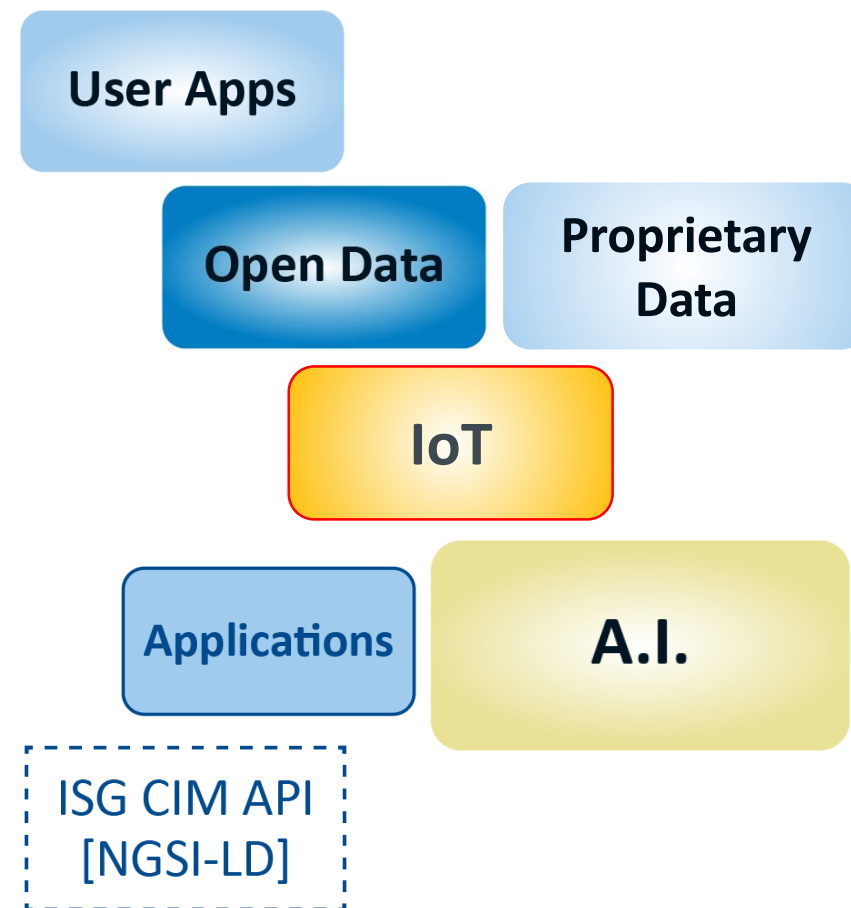
- ✓ [Whitepaper](#) explains main concepts of NGSI-LD
- ✓ [Open Area](#) for further materials



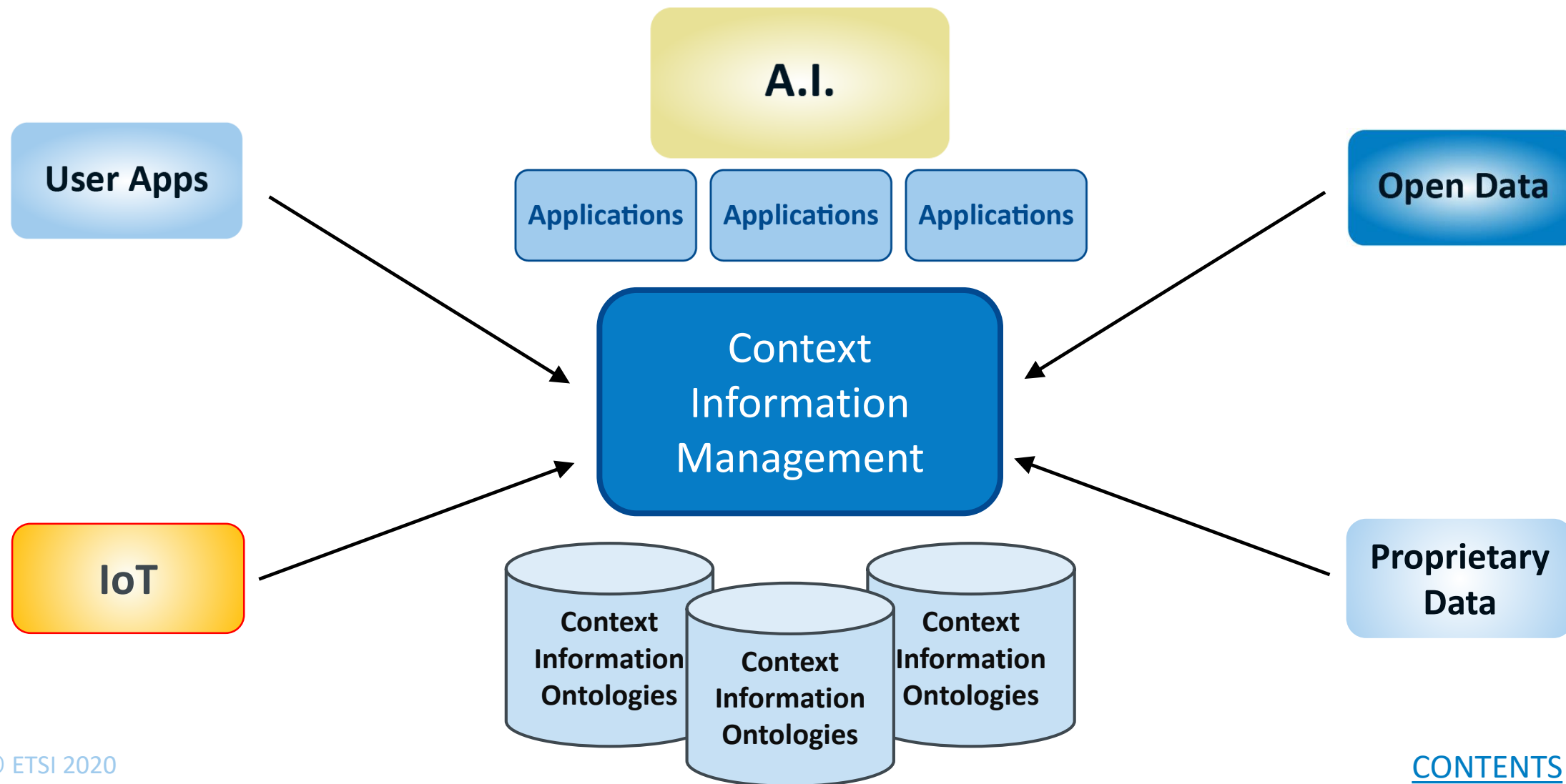
MISSION

ETSI ISG CIM: Mission

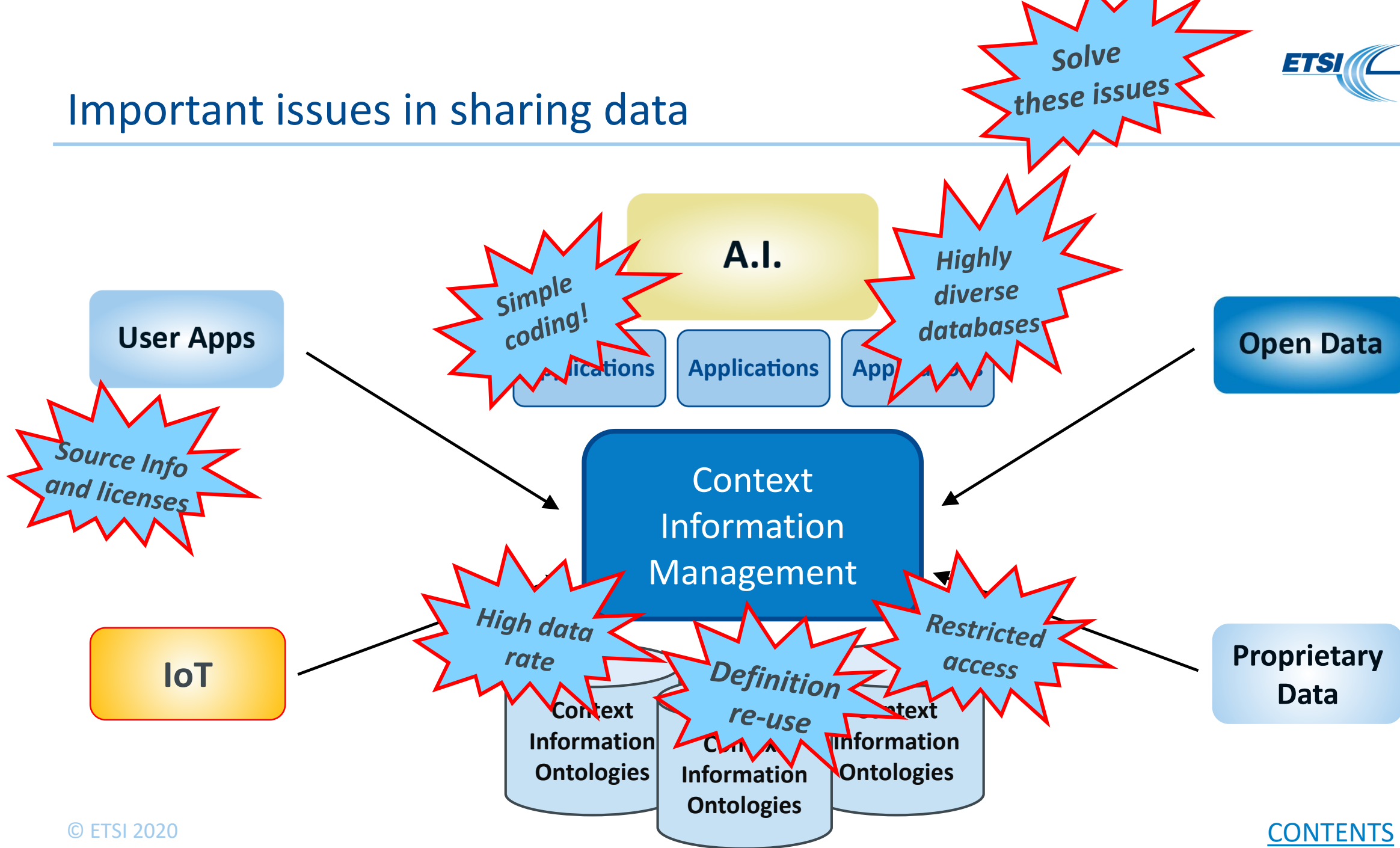
Make it easier
for END-USERS
and CITY DATABASES
and IoT internet-of-things
and third-party APPS
to exchange KNOWLEDGE



Important issues in sharing data



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A hand holding a transparent tablet with a digital interface. The interface features a central globe with the text "MISSION TASKS #1 .. #6" overlaid. The background is a blue gradient with various data visualization elements like a bar chart, a line graph, and a triangle.

- #1: Use Open Data 5 Star Model
- #2: Make the Components “Smart”
- #3: Keep it simple
- #4: Adapt to Local, Central or Federated Sources
- #5: Be flexible to model real world
- #6: Build on past experience and user expertise (timeline)

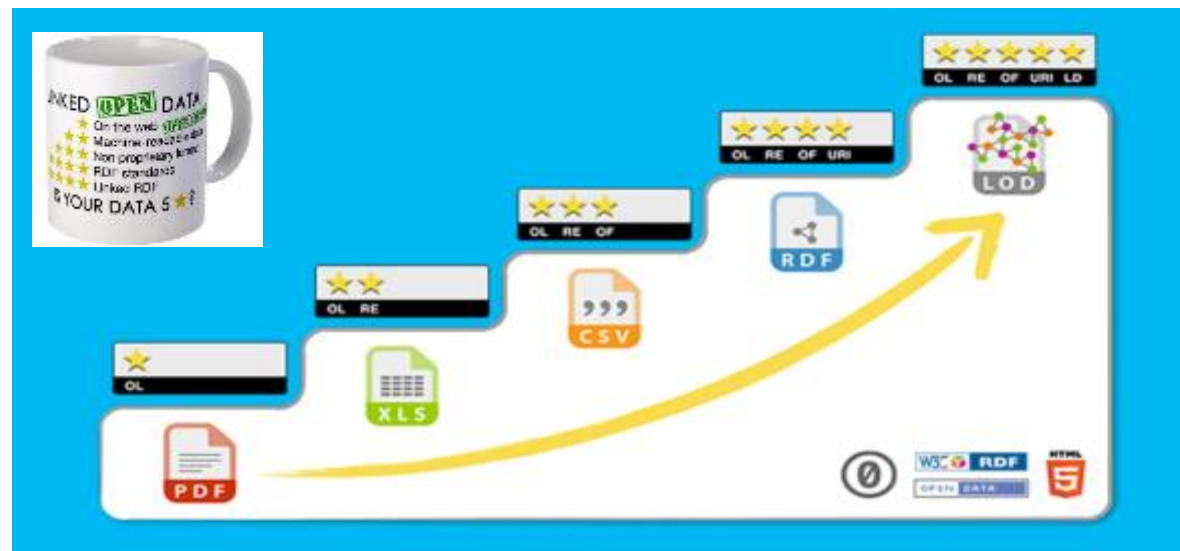
#1: use Open Data 5 Star Model (W3C, Berners-Lee)

Open Data

The World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) has developed a five star model to describe different characteristics of open data, and its usefulness for people wishing to reuse it. It is being used globally as a model for assessing data readiness for re-use.

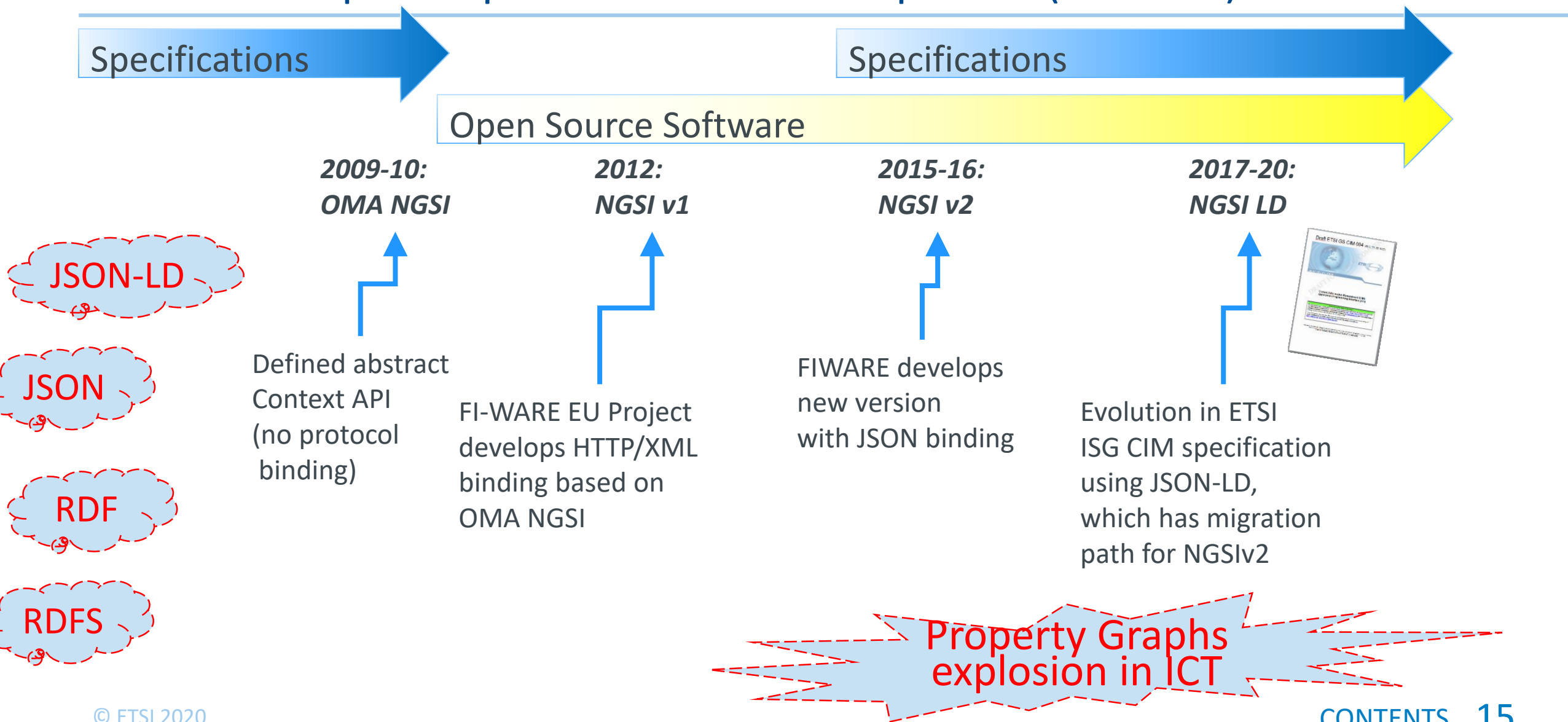
The 3-star level is considered the **minimum standard for release of government's public data of single agencies** for re-use.

The 4/5-star level is considered required for **multi-agency / multi-city** scenarios



- * **Data is visible, licensed** for reuse (CC), but requires considerable effort to reuse.
- ** Data is visible, licensed, and **easy to reuse**, but not necessarily by all.
- *** Data is visible and easy to **reuse by all** (not restricted to using specific software).
- **** Data is visible, easy to use and **described (with meta data)** in a **standard fashion**.
- ***** Data is visible, easy to use, described in a standard fashion and **meaning is clarified** by being **linked to a common definition (i.e. Ontology)**.

#6: Build on past experience and user expertise (timeline)



ARCHITECTURES

Information-centric with developer-friendly NGSI-LD

Machine Reasoning Systems

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NGSI-LD Advantages

- information-centric
- JSON-LD syntax
- joining verticals

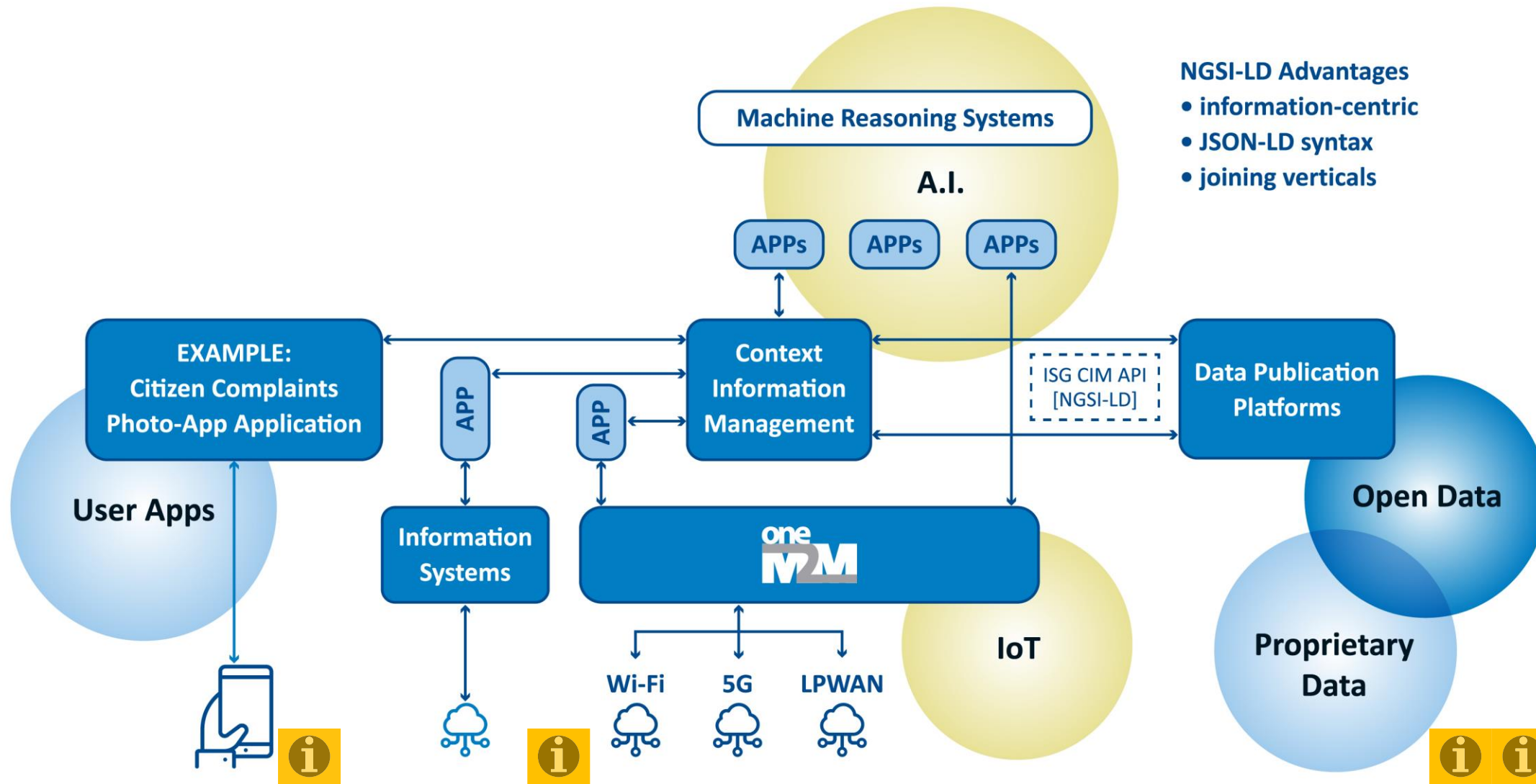
Context Information Management Layer

User Apps

IoT

Open Data

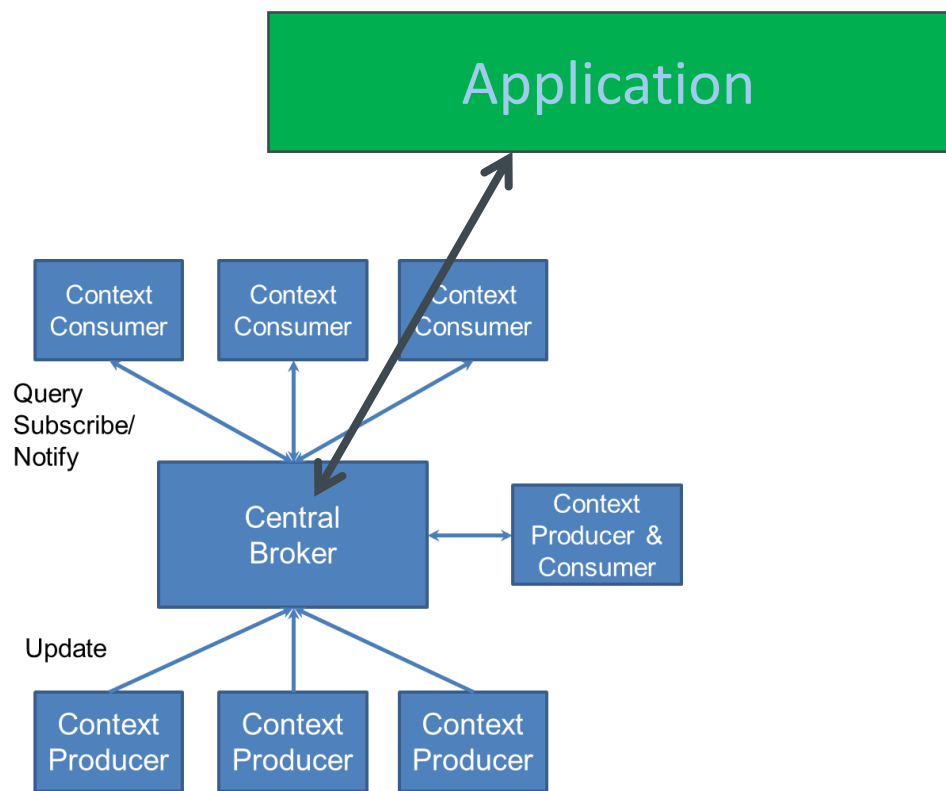
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Various Architectures possible



Centralised

Simplicity

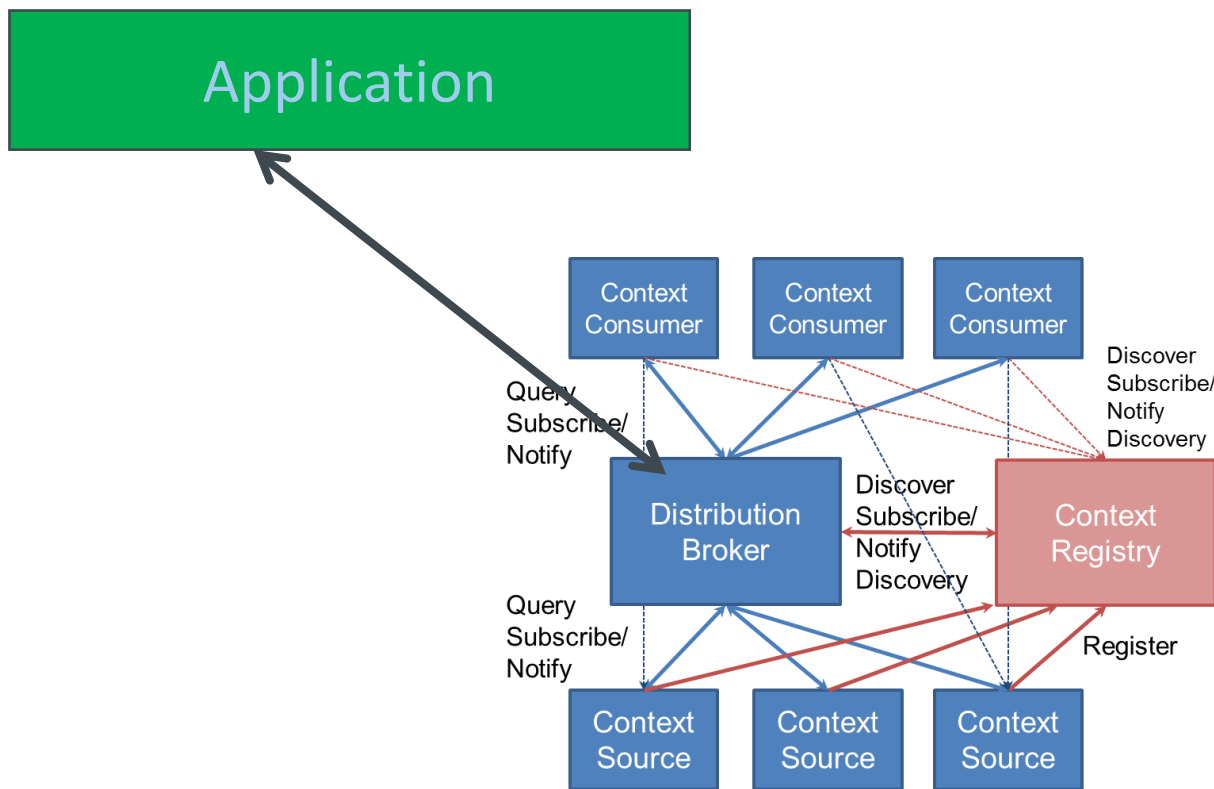
Distributed

Federated

← NGSI-LD API →

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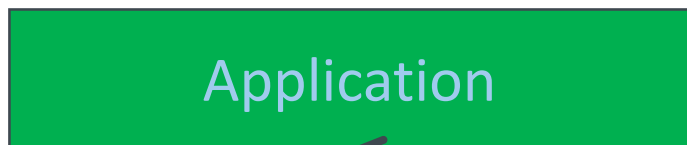
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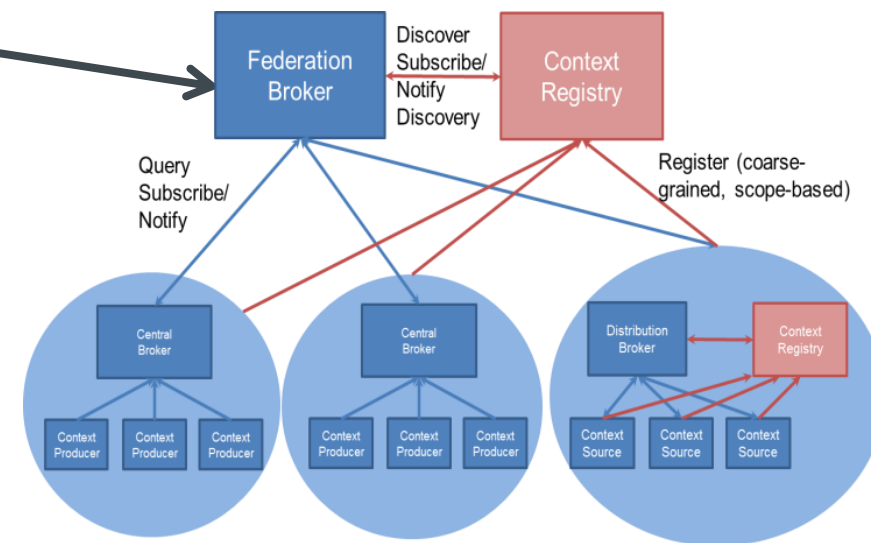
More flexibility

Various Architectures possible



← NGS-LD API →

NOTE: functionality of Context Broker or Context Registry is described in a separate presentation. Their roles are to allow discovery and authorised access to repositories of Context Information, as well as scalable execution of Queries.



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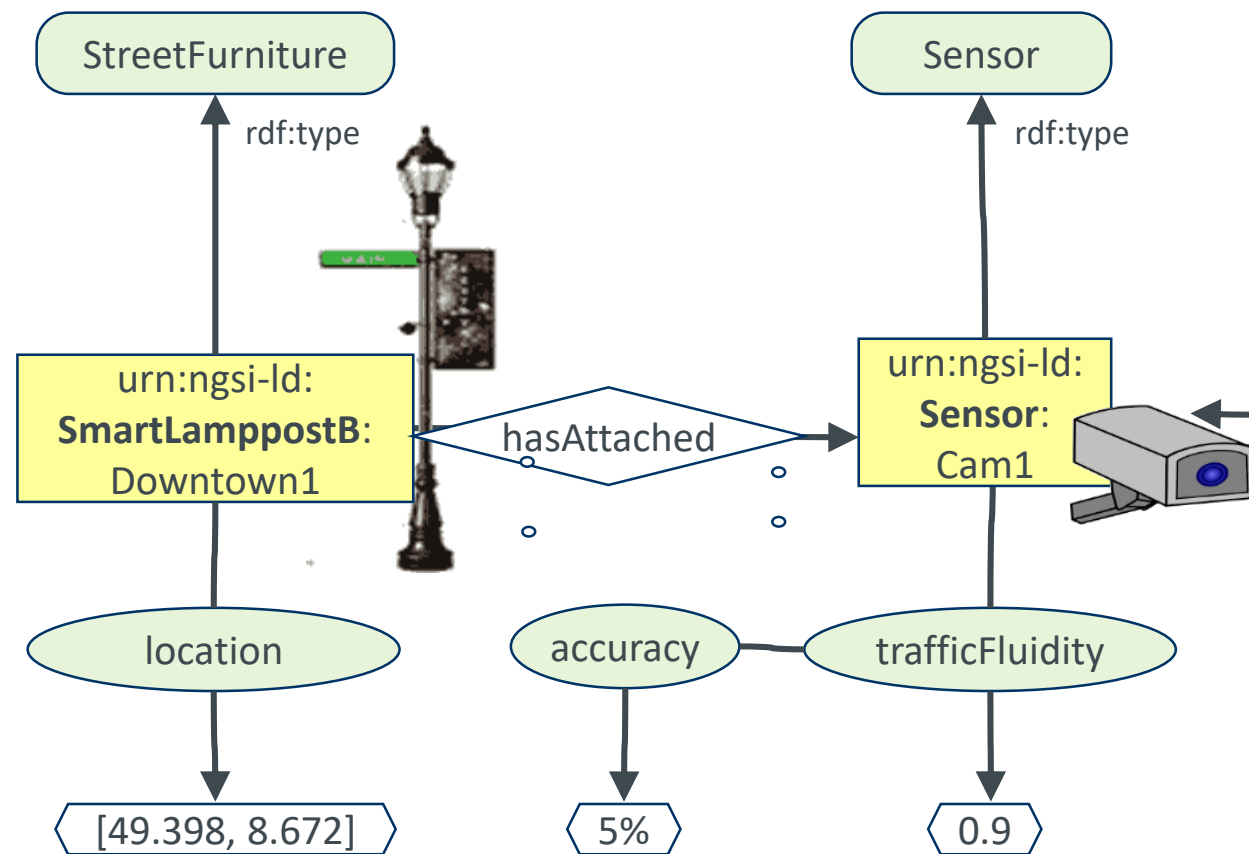
Integration of multiple Systems

NGSI-LD INFORMATION MODEL

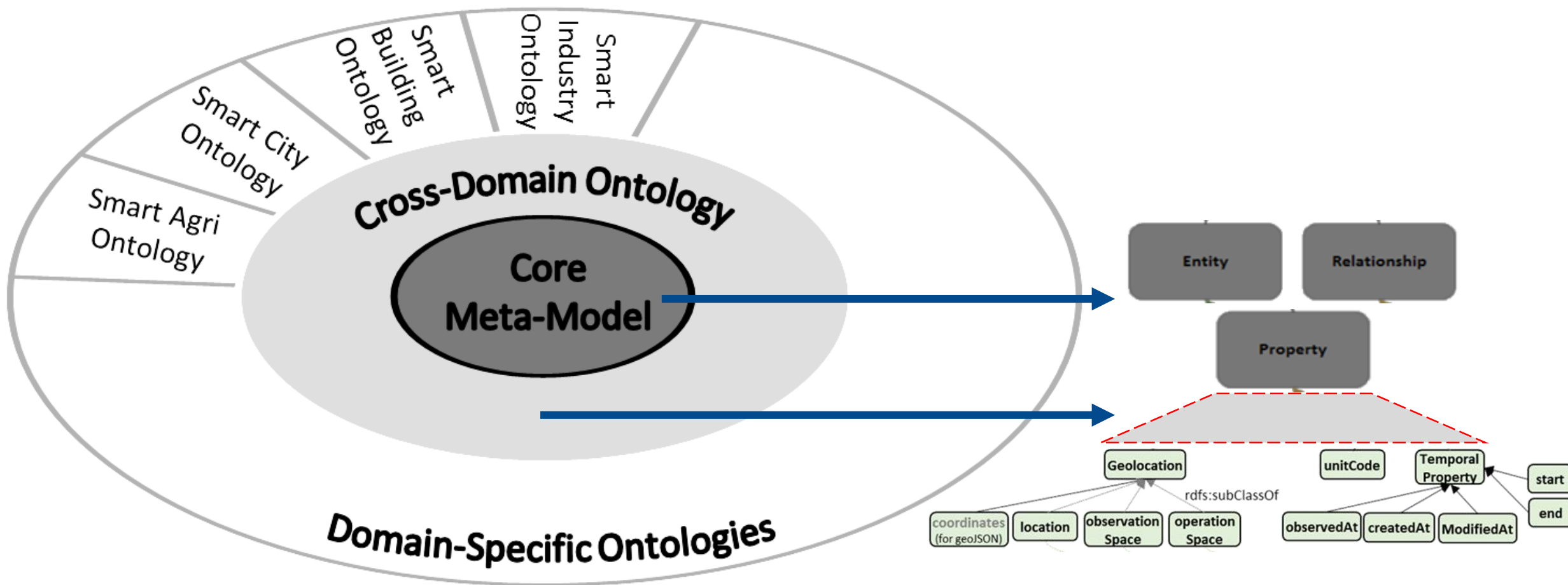
Example Data Model: Smart Lampposts in a city



The townhall database has locations and functions of its smart lampposts



NGSI-LD Information Model

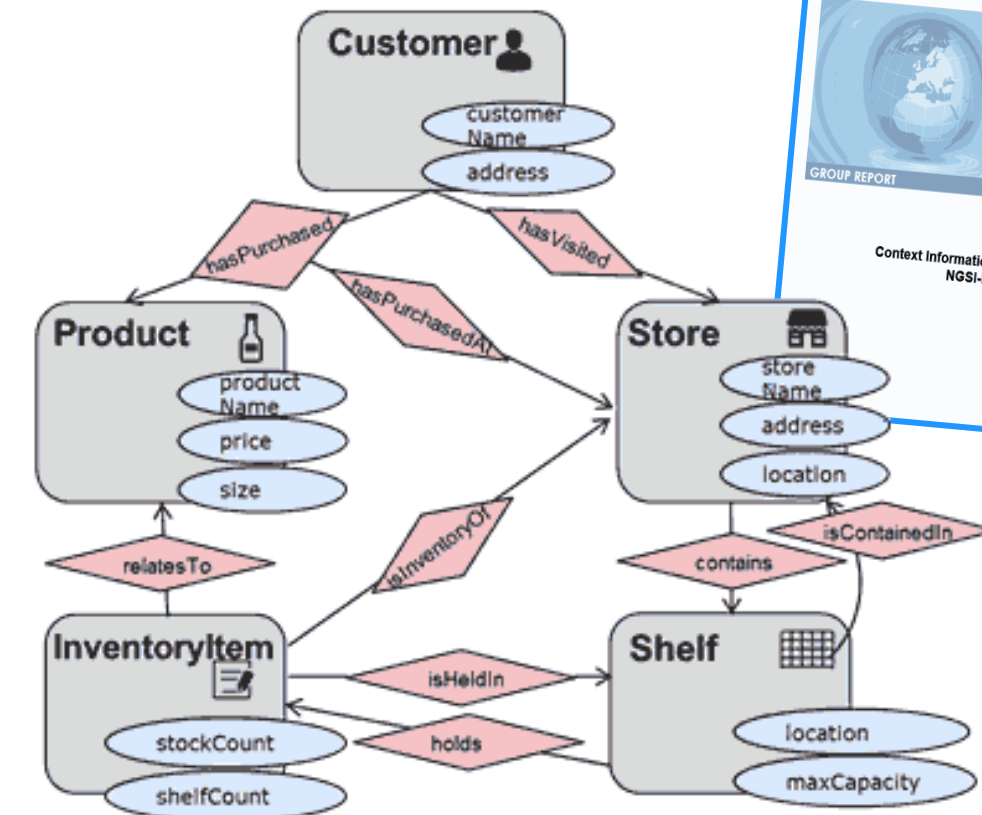


Example Data Model: Grocery store (from [NGSI-LD Primer](#))



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Figure 4.2: Entity types, relationships and properties of use case



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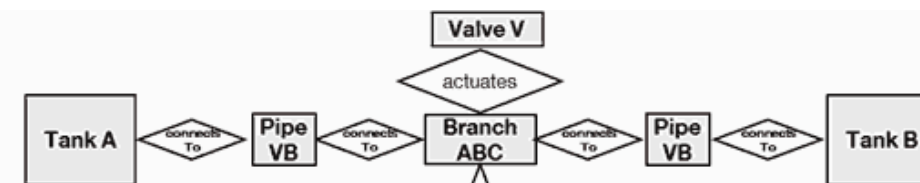
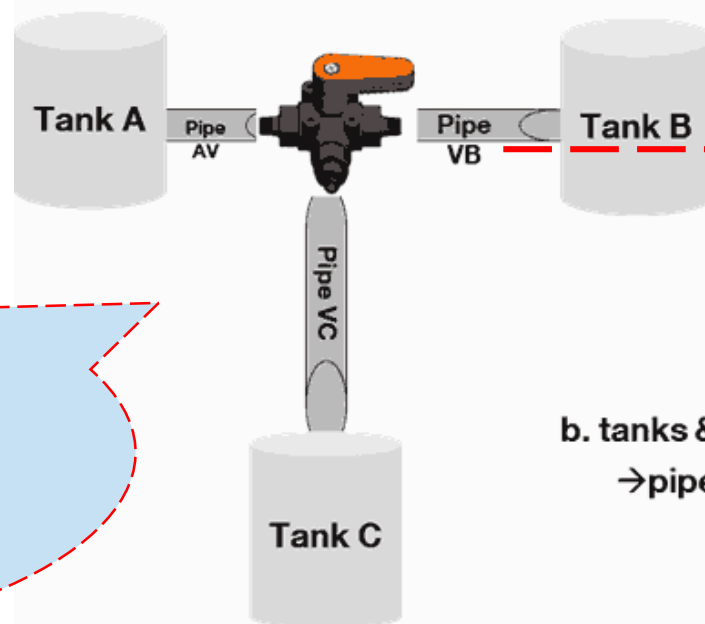
Figure 6.2: Entity types, properties and relationships

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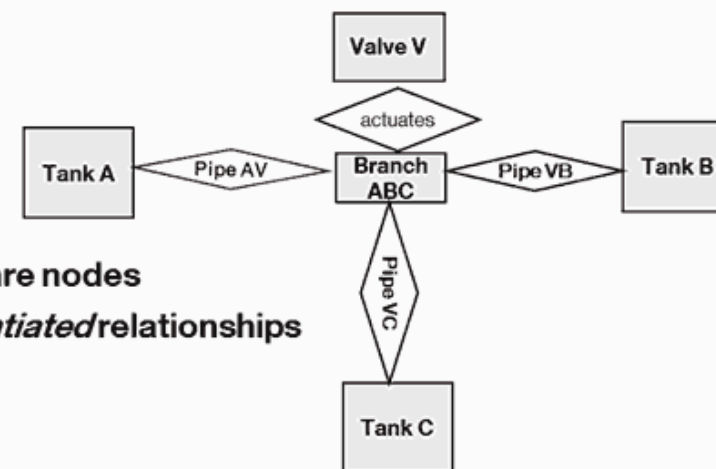
Example Data Model(s) for Water: which is better ??

BUT for which purpose is one way better?

- a) Import of legacy data (even from paper forms!)
- b) Easy search for specific types of things (from an existing inventory)?
- c) Modelling of data history for maintenance reasons?



a. everything is a node/entity
→ relationships are just abstract connections



b. tanks & branches are nodes
→ pipes are *instantiated* relationships

Water Networks are examples for MANY network problems (including telecom networks, energy grids, road transportation, waste collection networks, railway networks, logistical networks, etc)



PROBLEM: A BABEL OF ONTOLOGIES

Issue: Lack of Domain Consensus

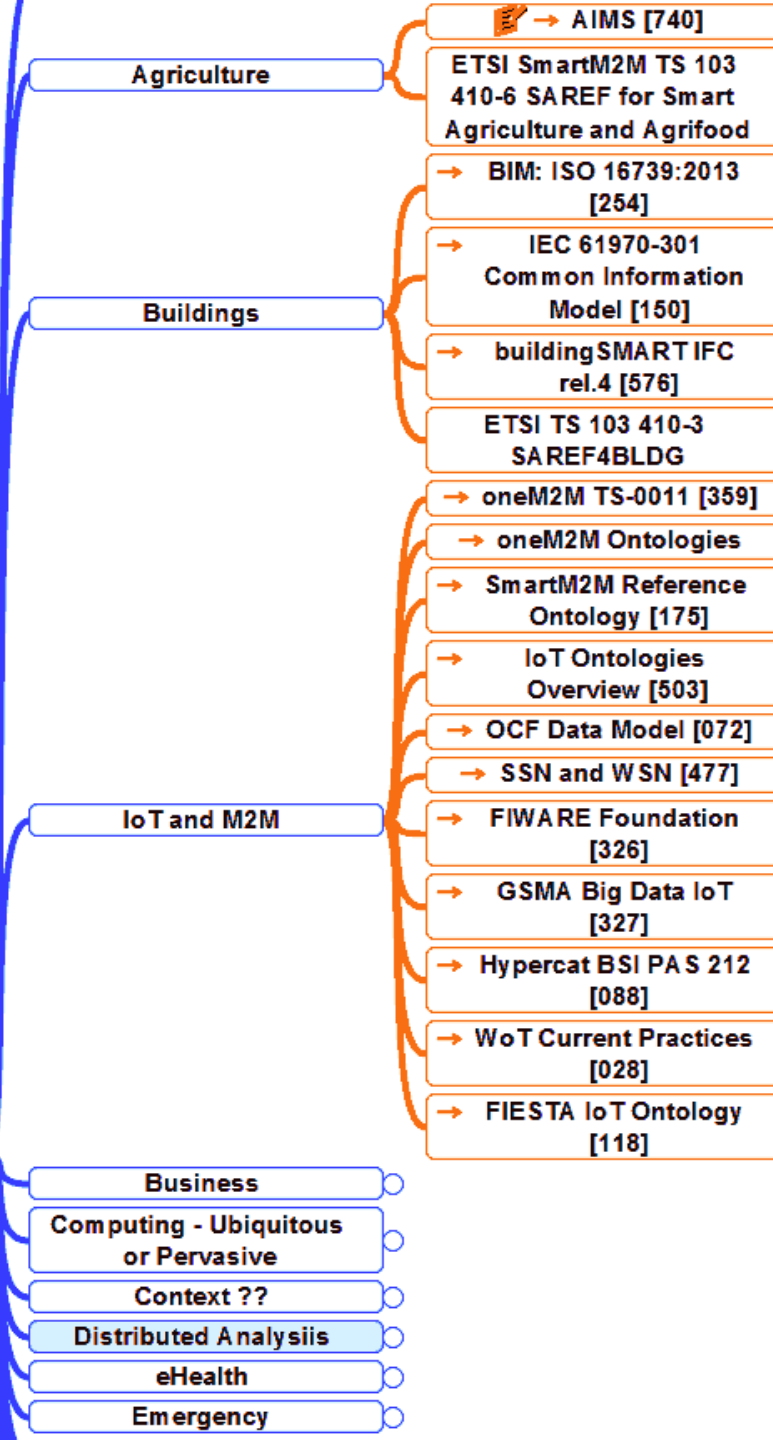
Need consensus in each domain
e.g. Here we see 4 in Buildings
e.g. Here we see dozens in IoT ??

EC has begun regulating to reduce these barriers to trade / efficiency !
e.g. [INSPIRE Directive](#) (deadline 2019)

„To ensure that the spatial data infrastructures of the Member States are compatible and usable in a Community and transboundary context, the INSPIRE Directive requires that common implementing Rules (IR) are adopted

...” [Metadata](#), [Data Specifications](#), [Network Services](#), [Data and Service Sharing](#), [Spatial Data Services](#), [Monitoring and Reporting](#)

Domain Specific Ontologies / Vocabularies

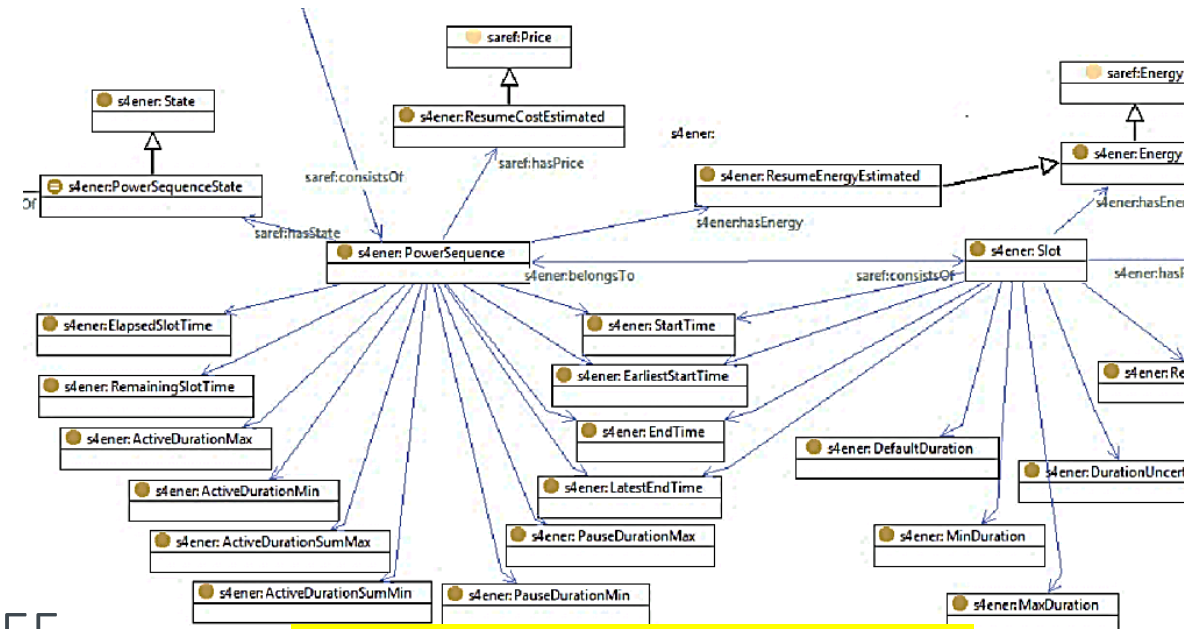


SAREF: Smart Applications Reference Ontology (ongoing work within ETSI SmartM2M)



Methods:

- ✔ Analysis of nn semantic assets in the domain
- ✔ Selection of a short list (nn assets) to use for the reference ontology
- ✔ Translation of each of the nn semantic assets into OWL ontology
- <http://saref.etsi.org/core/>
- ✔ Mapping between semantic assets using SAREF



small extract as example

SAREF4CITY ONTOLOGY

See <https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/news/etsi-releases-three-new-saref-ontology-specifications-smart-cities-industry-40-and-smart>

<https://saref.etsi.org/saref4city/>
<http://saref.etsi.org/core/>

NEWS ARTICLE | 12 July 2019

ETSI releases three new SAREF ontology specifications for smart cities, industry 4.0 and smart agriculture

ETSI SmartM2M Technical Committee has just released three new specifications for smart cities, industry and manufacturing, and smart agriculture and food chain domains. This follows the first version of the SAREF (Smart Appliances REFerence ontology) standard from 2015; the subsequent second modular version (Smart Applications REFerence ontology) and first three extensions for energy, buildings and environment in 2018.

The SAREF family of standards enable interoperability between solutions from different providers and among various activity sectors in the Internet of Things (IoT) and therefore contribute to the development of the global digital market. These standards are designed to run on top

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The SAREF4CITY specification, [ETSI TS 103 410-4](#), has been developed with the stakeholders who would need ontology such as other standardization bodies, associations, IoT platforms and European projects (including SynchroniCity, ESPRESSO and the Smart City Lighthouse projects) and initiatives. Use cases include eHealth and smart parking, air quality monitoring, mobility and street lighting. SAREF4CITY provides a common core of general concepts for smart city data for the IoT.



CONCLUSIONS

Thank You !

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