

## Publishing Aleph data as Linked Open Data

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### Agenda

- 1.Background
- 2. Four Steps to Publishing Linked Open Data
- 3. What's Ex Libris supposed to do?



## 1. Background



### Motivation

- Use of international and crossdomain web standards leads to
  - Increased discoverability
  - → Multiple usability of one dataset
  - Maximized interoperability & reusability
  - → Flexible data model



## **Expected ROI**

- → Synergy effects through standardization of technology stack:
  - → Quantitative: saved resources
  - → Qualitative: improved services



A sustainable and consequent strategy of publishing and linking data on the web requires the data to be open\*.

\* <a href="http://www.opendefinition.org/">http://www.opendefinition.org/</a>





Identifiers (URIs) Data Model (RDF) Linked Ontologies (RDFS, OWL) Query Language (SPARQL)

## 2. Four Steps to Publishing Linked Open Data



## Step 1: Find cooperating libraries

- hbz provides technology for union catalog
- Data is created cooperatively
- hbz didn't publish all data on its own because of legal uncertainties
- Four union libraries joined the initiative



## Step 2: Export Data

- Using Aleph Publishing module
  - Concept: bibl. records are enriched with authority & holdings Data and written to Oracle table ZOOP (XML structure)
- → Problems:
  - Performance issues with incremental updates
    - disproportion between incoming/outcoming data updates
    - workaround: irregular updates as full dumps





## Step 3: Publishing raw data

- Load to HTTP server
- Describe published datasets
- → Attach an open license (for recommended open data licenses see <a href="http://www.opendefinition.org/licenses/#Data">http://www.opendefinition.org/licenses/#Data</a>)
- Register datasets at CKAN.net
- Problem with serving consistent, standardized MAB-coded data



#### Z Recently published Open Data exports

Bearbeiten

♣ Hinzufügen ▼ ☼ Tools ▼

Hinzugefügt von Adrian Pohl, zuletzt bearbeitet von Pascal Christoph am Sep 06, 2011 (Änderung anzeigen) Kommentar einblenden

#### Zur Deutschen Version.

On this wiki page you'll find up-to-date information about available Open Data exports from the hbz union catalog. If you have any questions please contact semweb[at]hbz-nrw [dot]de or post a comment on this page. (You'll have to login/register first.)

Since April 2011 there is a changelog. Informations about older data exports from March 2010 can be found here.

There is also a download statistic site.



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#### **Recent Open Data publications**

#### Linked-Open-hbz-Data

Name	Open hbz data as Linked Data
Publisher	<u>hbz</u>
Licence	(cc) ZERO
Export Date	2011-09-01
Publication Date	2011-09-06
Format	text/NTriples
Format documentation	See here
Extent	544 MB / 159 M triples
Checksum	f19b74eaf5cf39d556253ef0793bf017
Notes	This archive contains RDF triples of all records which have been published as Open Data.
Download URL	http://lobid.org/download/dumps/20110901_hbzlod.ttl.tar.bz2]

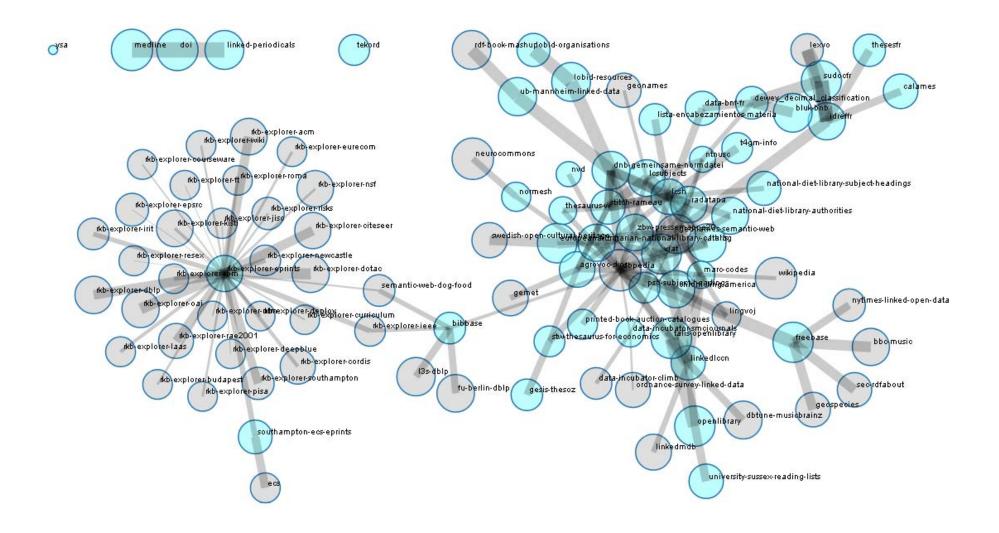
#### Duisburg-Essen University Library Catalog, Campus Essen



## Step 4: Identifiers & data conversion

- → Choose suitable RDF vocabulary for representing bibliographic data: Bibo
- Map and convert raw data to RDF
- → Mint HTTP URIs for described resources: <a href="http://lobid.org/resource/{internalID}">http://lobid.org/resource/{internalID}</a>
- Publish RDF
  - → Triple store (4store) with SPARQL interface
  - Pubby framework for HTML representation







# 3. What is Ex Libris supposed to do to promote Linked Open Library Data?



## Provide open interfaces for legacy and future systems

- Provide streaming interface (event driven => real time) for all library data
- Use open standards (like XMPP) for interfaces



### Enable Open Data

- Don't use ,open' as marketing term but in the clear sense of open definition
- → Alma in general:
  - Provide possibility to export all data (e.g. statistics, user data) in open formats
- Alma's community zone:
  - Openly licensed & accessible as a whole by everyone



### SWIB11

- "Semantic Web in Libraries" (SWIB) hosted by hbz and ZBW – Leibniz Information Centre for Economics
- → Hamburg, 28. 30.11.2011
- → Web stream will be available
- http://swib.org/



### Thanks.

Questions?

With pleasure now/here or also later to <a href="mailto:semweb@hbz-nrw.de">semweb@hbz-nrw.de</a>

