A Documentation Consortium

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hopefully this settles the issue..

Documentation: It's not just discovery...

New Documentation Needs



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Muir Russell during the release of his report into the scandal of the hacked emails sent by climate scientists from University of East Anglia. Photograph: Sang Tan/AP

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Sir Muir Russell, the senior civil servant who led a six-month inquiry into the affair, said the "rigour and honesty" of the scientists at the Climatic Research Unit (CRU) at the University of East Anglia (UEA) were not in doubt. His investigation concluded they did not subvert the peer review process to censor criticism and that key data was freely available and could be used by any "competent" researcher.



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Designated Communities - Users





Source: Menne, M.J., C.N. Williams Jr., and R.S. Vose. 2009: The United States Historical Climatology Network Monthly Temperature Data–Version 2. *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society*. 90:1000.

Documentation: communicating with the future



The Adoption Curve

Geoffrey Moore has attributed the Scurve to the technology adoption life cycle where techies and visionaries are early adopters, pragmatists make up the bulk of users, and luddites fill out the tail of the distribution.



Technology Adoption

Moore described the "chasm" in the adoption life cycle. He proposes that many new technologies do not make it across the chasm between visionaries and early adapters. They fall into the chasm. The technology S-curve with the chasm might look like:



Technology Cycle



What Does a Tipping Point Look Like?



FGDC Endorses External Standards

GeoTiff, TIFF, UML, HDF5, netCDF, Codes for identifying states, hydrologic units and many other things

ISO:

North American Profile of 19115, 19103, 19104, 19107, 19108, 19109, 19110, 19111, 19111-2, 19112, **19115, 19115-2**, 19118, 19119, 19123, 19127, 19131, 19132, 19133, 19134, 19135, 19136, 19138, 19139, 19141, 19144, 3166, 6709

OGC:

WFS, Filter Encoding, Web Map Context, WPS, Symbology Encoding, SOS, Tracking, WMS, SensorML, Catalog Service, Web Map Tile, WCS, KML, **Sensor ML**, SPS

Endorsement – The non-Federally authored standard or specification has the same status as that of an FGDC developed standard, i.e., its use by Federal agencies is mandatory.

http://www.fgdc.gov/standards/fgdc-endorsed-external-standards/index_html

Shared Needs



The Documentation Consortium

A consortium is an association of two or more organizations with the objective of participating in a common activity or pooling their resources for achieving a common goal: to enhance the exchange, understanding and use

understanding and use of Earth-systems data across disciplinary and international boundaries. Initially to coordinate and facilitate the transition to effectively use of ISO Documentation Standards.



Mission: To foster stewardship & <u>meaningful</u> publication of Earth & Space data for world-wide cross-disciplinary & citizen use, today and tomorrow.



Consortium Structure

Core Tasks of the consortium will include outreach, standards evolution, and guidance / best practices.

Project Tasks will support specific needs of partners and will be done in collaboration with those partners. They could include documentation assessment, creation, translation, and extension, as well as training and tool development.



UCAR Community Programs



Migrating Standards Upstream



Multiple Dialects and Connections





Rubrics / Wikis



Questions?



What Are All These Numbers?

ISO 19115 is a content standard that defines a conceptual model for documentation of environmental data. Part 2 of that Standard (**19115-2**) adds instruments, platforms, and improved data quality.

ISO 19139 is an XML Format for ISO 19115 and 19115-2.

Sensor Model Language (SensorML) is a *process* and *instrument description* standard that includes content and encoding. Originally developed at University of Alabama in Huntsville, SensorML was adopted in 2007 by the Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC) and is part of OGC's Sensor Web Enablement standards

ISO has structure with elements designed to cover a broad range of data types and a capability to extend the standard for specific datasets.

SensorML has structure that holds information and characteristics. It consists of parameter-value pairs where the parameters depend on instrument, process, and data type.

Logic Model: 4th-P DataPub Consortium

Mission: To foster stewardship & <u>meaningful</u> publication of Earth & Space data for world-wide cross-disciplinary & citizen use.

Situation: The data-intensive "4th Paradigm of Science" is creating broad needs for tools & support services (training, maintenance...) that enable/enhance data stewardship & publication with meaning.



Assumptions: The evolving complexity of multiagency stewardship & "meaningful data publication" suggests a consortium/community approach.

External Factors: Agency needs/intentions can be translated to cash flows for tools & support services (i.e., a plausible business model exists).