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CERIF – 1.3 Semantics: Research Vocabulary

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Abstract: The CERIF Semantics is one component of the CERIF – 1.3 Full Data Model (FDM), aiming at a standardised formal semantics to be applied in the wider context of Current Research Information Systems (CRISS) with CERIF as the underlying data model to supply the relevant entities and their relationships. The semantic component in this version presents the current CERIF 1.3 vocabulary; that is, the current types and roles relevant in a research context between the involved entities. Compared to its preceding version, this release provides a another upgrade with respect to the quantity of relevant terms. Furthermore, each term has its own uuid, and is assigned to at least one contextual classification scheme.

CERIF is considered a standard; recommended by the European Union to its Member States. It has been developed with support by the European Commission in two major phases: 1987-1990 and 1997-1999. In 2000 the European Commission handed over care and custody of CERIF to euroCRIS (<http://www.eurocris.org>) a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to the promotion of CRISS (Current Research Information Systems).

Status:

CERIF model improvements are based on discussions among euroCRIS CERIF task group members. This document will be updated alongside major model updates.

Location:

CERIF – 1.3 Semantics: Research Vocabulary Specification

http://www.eurocris.org/Uploads/Web%20pages/CERIF-1.3/Specifications/CERIF1.3_Semantics.pdf

CERIF – 1.3 Vocabulary Collection (Excel)

http://www.eurocris.org/Uploads/Web%20pages/CERIF-1.3/Semantics/CERIF1.3_Vocabulary.xls

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1. Introduction

The presented CERIF Semantics of types and roles is another step towards formalising general relationship and type terms for the research domain. The current version has matured from its preceding version CERIF 2008 – 1.2 Semantics in that it provides additional terms, each assigned at least to one classification scheme, where each term and each classification scheme are additionally and uniquely identified through a uuid.

Updates resulted from feedback at Tutorial presentations, Membership Meetings, from discussions on the CERIF TG mailinglist, and substantially, from extensive discussions at physical CERIF TG meetings. More and more, feedback is additionally collected from ongoing projects. With this release, input has been received from Information Scientists, Librarians, Computer Scientists, Researchers, Managers, Practitioners and Engineers have presented and contributed their views summarized with this document. The CERIF Semantics (vocabulary) aims at recommending a formal semantics to be applied in the wider context of the Research domain as such, including the domain of scholarly publications, funding, teaching, etc., with CERIF as the underlying data model to supply the involved entities and their relationships. The CERIF Semantics is one component of the CERIF – 1.3 Full Data Model (FDM).

Alongside this release, an Excel Sheet has been produced, which formalizes and collects all the current terms and their scheme assignments, including definitions, examples and descriptions, as well as role expressions, where available.

2. CERIF 1.3 Components¹

The current CERIF 1.3 release comprises the following components:

- CERIF – 1.3 FDM: Model Introduction and Specification
separate document available from the website [1]
- CERIF 1.3 FDM: SQL scripts for most common databases
available for members only
- CERIF – 1.3 XML: Data Exchange Format Specification
separate document available from the website [2]
Note: Towards the Next Release
- CERIF 2008 – 1.3 XML Examples
available for members only
- CERIF – 1.3 XML Schema Files
CERIF XML validation files available from the website
<http://www.eurocris.org/Uploads/Web%20pages/CERIF-1.3/XML-SCHEMAS/>
- CERIF – 1.3 Semantics: Research Vocabulary
this document
- CERIF 1.3 Vocabulary
available as Excel file from the website
http://www.eurocris.org/Uploads/Web%20pages/CERIF-1.3/Semantics/CERIF1.3_Vocabulary.xls
and (embedded) CERIF XML (currently for Members only)

Additional CERIF–1.3 related files and more documents or background information about CERIF and CRISs are available for downloaded from the euroCRIS website:
<http://www.eurocris.org/>.

¹ CERIF–1.3 was modeled with Toad Data Modeler by Quest Software¹, which allows to draw ERM diagrams, to generate SQL scripts for most common databases (Oracle, Microsoft, IBM, etc.), to reverse engineer from databases, to create screenshots of the model and model parts, and to model at physical and logical level. The resulting CERIF SQL scripts are generated automatically from the physical level.

3. CERIF 1.3 Semantics

The CERIF Semantics is maintained within the so called Semantic Layer that has been thoroughly introduced as a concept – enhanced with examples, as part of the CERIF – 1.3 Introduction and Specification document [2]. The CERIF Semantics may be best viewed as a filler; stuffing the CERIF Semantic Layer with contextually relevant terms. The following list of terms is a small extract of the corresponding Excel file, which is available at the euroCRIS website: http://www.eurocris.org/Uploads/Web%20pages/CERIF-1.3/Semantics/CERIF1.3_Vocabulary.xls

The complete Excel sheet contains additional examples, source information and definitions, descriptions, and assigns each classification term at least to one classification scheme. For a thorough investigation of the Vocabulary, we recommend to have a look at the Excel sheet.

Extract of the CERIF 1.3 Vocabulary Terms

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cf7799e3-3477-11e1-b86c-0800200c9a66	Patent
cf7799e4-3477-11e1-b86c-0800200c9a66	Product
cf7799e5-3477-11e1-b86c-0800200c9a66	Publication
cf7799e6-3477-11e1-b86c-0800200c9a66	Funding
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cf7799e8-3477-11e1-b86c-0800200c9a66	Equipment
cf7799e9-3477-11e1-b86c-0800200c9a66	Service
68aa07f0-34c9-11e1-b86c-0800200c9a66	Citation
68aa07f1-34c9-11e1-b86c-0800200c9a66	Curriculum Vitae
68aa07f2-34c9-11e1-b86c-0800200c9a66	Electronic Address
68aa07f3-34c9-11e1-b86c-0800200c9a66	Post Address
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68971130-1cd8-11e1-8bc2-0800200c9a66	Director
885eeb00-1cf6-11e1-8bc2-0800200c9a66	Deputy Director
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79a2e340-1cf0-11e1-8bc2-0800200c9a66	Manager
8418a710-1cf0-11e1-8bc2-0800200c9a66	Spokesperson
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9ef1ab40-1cf0-11e1-8bc2-0800200c9a66	Reviewer
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b272a660-1cf0-11e1-8bc2-0800200c9a66	Subcontractor
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45aec210-1cf0-11e1-8bc2-0800200c9a66	Assistant Professor
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7a510820-1cf0-11e1-8bc2-0800200c9a66	Research Assistant
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99c34380-1cf0-11e1-8bc2-0800200c9a66	Teaching Assistant
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eda2da02-34c5-11e1-b86c-0800200c9a66	Staff
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eda2da07-34c5-11e1-b86c-0800200c9a66	In Operation
eda2da08-34c5-11e1-b86c-0800200c9a66	Provision
eda2da09-34c5-11e1-b86c-0800200c9a66	Construction Costs
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5. Next Steps

The CERIF Semantics and thus, vocabulary will be continuously improved. The CERIF Taskgroup aims at a continued integration with CASRAI² / VIVO³ towards improvement of the CERIF Semantics. Furthermore, there will be collaboration with the Linkded Open Data, Best Practises, Architecture and CRIS IR Taskgroups.

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