



# Web of Data : Past Research, Current State, Clear Opportunities

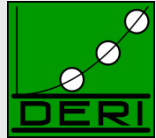
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# The Web of Data

A Web where **pages** have  
**elements** that machines can **interpret**  
Quite a significant slice of  
**automatically**  
the web, already  
thanks to **Metadata Standards**

- RDF, RDFa 
- Microformats 
- Schema.org (Microdata)

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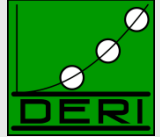
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  <span class="given-name">Giovanni  
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```

# Now becoming ubiquitous



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## ■ Google Rich Snippets Program

[Lenovo ThinkPad X201 3626 Review - Watch CNET's Video Review](#) 🔍

★★★★☆ Review by Dan Ackerman - Apr 30, 2010 - Price range: \$1,029.00

1 Feb 2010 ... Anyone looking for the power of a midsize laptop in a compact 12-inch body has only a few choices, and none to date tops **Lenovo's** excellent ...

[reviews.cnet.com/.../lenovo...x201.../4505-3121\\_7-33998451.html](http://reviews.cnet.com/.../lenovo...x201.../4505-3121_7-33998451.html) - Cached - Similar

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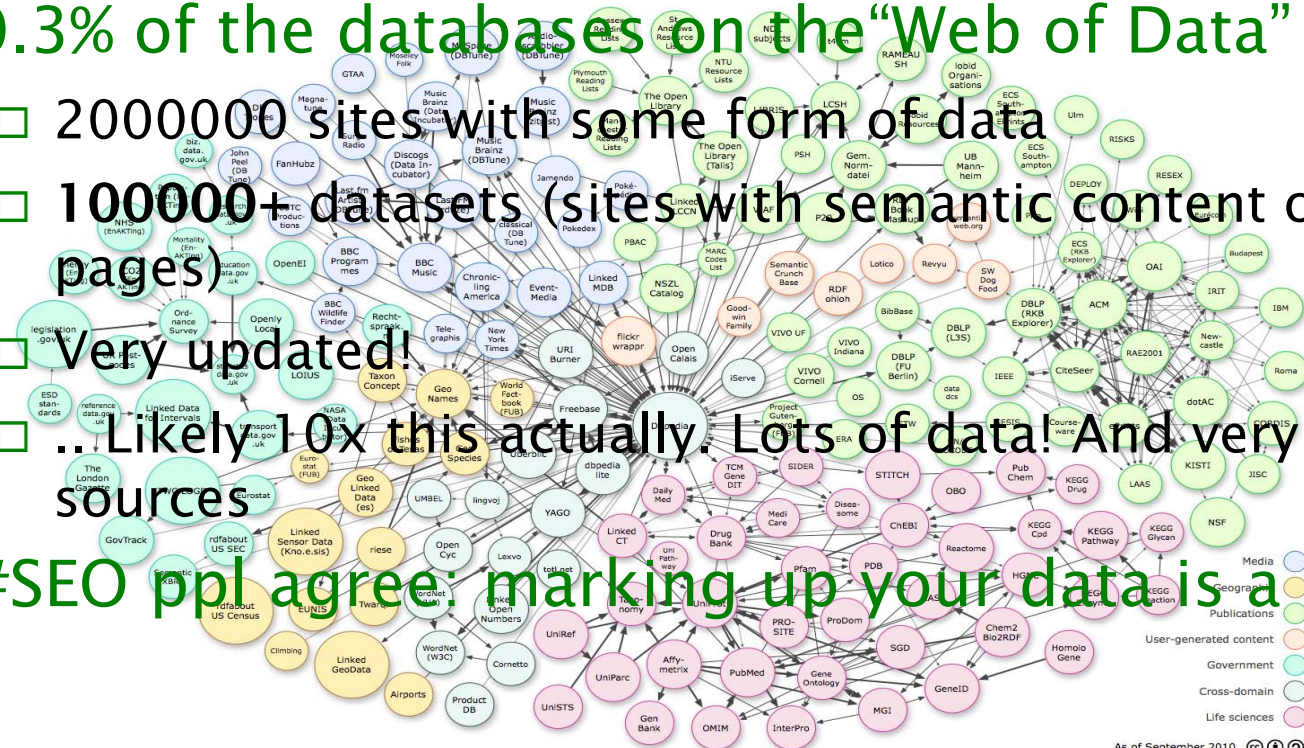
## ■ Schema.org..



# Web Data: a underestimate

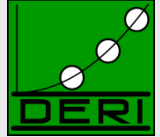


- **LOD Cloud: approx 300 datasets**
  - Relatively clean, with some mutual integration
  - Not very updated
- **0.3% of the databases on the “Web of Data”**
  - 2000000 sites with some form of data
  - 100000+ datasets (sites with semantic content on many pages)
  - Very updated!
  - ... Likely 10x this actually. Lots of data! And very important sources
- **#SEO ppl agree: marking up your data is a must**



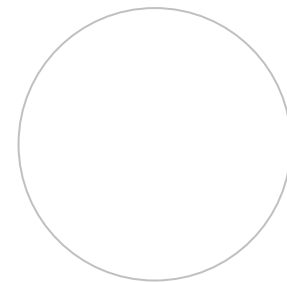
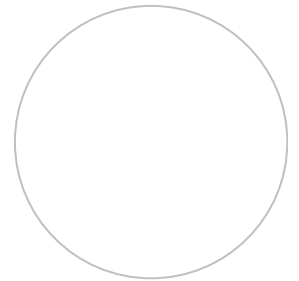
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# ..but also lots of questions

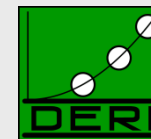


## ■ Questions

- How to find sources ?
- How to clean and transform them for one's specific needs?

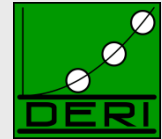


# The DERI Data Intensive Infrastructure lab



Sindice "WebStar" Cluster

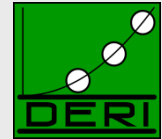
# Sindice.com: Portal for Sindice Services



The screenshot shows the Sindice.com website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, About, Search, Submit, Forum, and Dev. The main header features the Sindice logo and the tagline 'THE SEMANTIC WEB INDEX'. Below the header, there is a search section with tabs for Search, Submit, and Inspector Tool. The search area includes a search type selector (term, property, advanced, sig.ma), a search input field, and a SEARCH button. Below the search section, there are several content blocks: 'LATEST DATA' with a list of recent updates, 'SINDICE TWEET' with a tweet from Sep 07 09:49:30 2010, 'SINDICE BLOG' with two blog posts from Jul 09, 2010 and Jun 09, 2010, and 'HIGHLIGHTS' featuring a large banner for 'Anything to Triples Any23' with an 'Introduction' link.



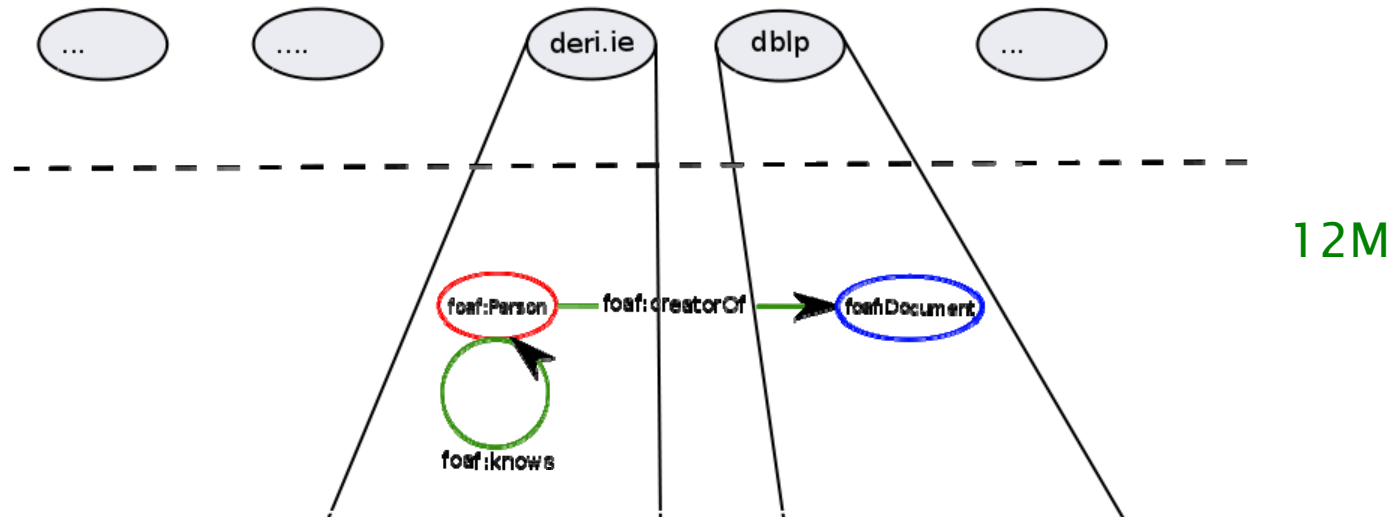
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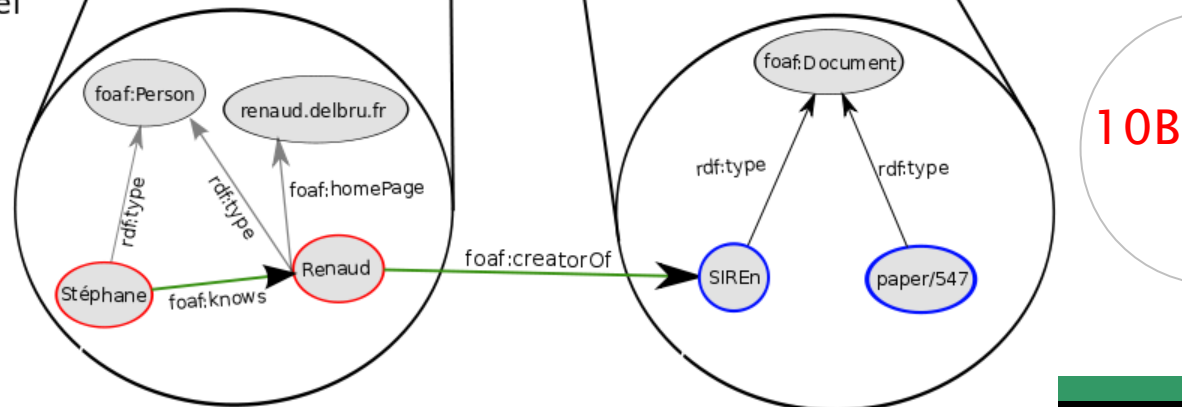
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Dataset Level



Instance Level



# Building on Sindice: Sig.ma



Giovanni Tummarello

Add More Info

Start New

Order

Options

Use it

## Giovanni Tummarello

picture:



[8,9,10,11,12,18,19,21,24,28]



[25]

**title:** Dr [21,24,25,28]

**given name:** Giovanni [3,4,8,9,10,11,12,18,19,25]

**family name:** Tummarello [3,4,8,9,10,11,12,18,19,21,24,25,28]

**is creator of:** [A Node Indexing Scheme for Web Entity Retrieval](#) [3,4]

[Hierarchical Link Analysis for Ranking Web Data](#) [3,4]

[ESWC 2006 Demo: DBin - enabling SW P2P communities](#) [3,4]

[Rapid Prototyping of Semantic Mash-Ups through Semantic Web Pipes](#) [3,4]

[Context Dependent Reasoning for Semantic Documents in Sindice](#) [3,4]

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[Semantic Sitemaps: Efficient and Flexible Access to Datasets on the Semantic Web](#) [3,4,20,30]

[Sindice.com: Weaving the Open Linked Data](#) [3,4,5,6,7,13,14,15,16]

[RDFSyc: efficient remote synchronization of RDF models](#) [3,4,5,6,7,13,14,15,16]

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show 100 more values

Sources (30)

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1 [Giovanni Tummarello](#) 80 facts | 2010-12-28

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3 [Untitled document](#) 44 facts | 2010-12-28

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<http://ontoworld.org/wiki/Special:URIResolver/Giova...>

8 [FOAF Description for Pao...](#) 11 facts | 2010-07-20

<http://www.dit.unitn.it/~bouquet/foaf.rdf>

9 [FOAF Description for Pao...](#) 11 facts | 2010-11-25

<http://dit.unitn.it/%7Ebouquet/foaf.rdf>

10 [FOAF Description for Pao...](#) 11 facts | 2010-07-26

<http://disi.unitn.eu/~bouquet/foaf.rdf>

11 [FOAF Description for Pao...](#) 11 facts | 2010-09-03

<http://disi.unitn.it/%7Ebouquet/foaf.rdf>

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keyword(s)

**SEARCH**

Group By Dataset:

Quick filters ([All options](#))

Time range:

**Any date**

[Today](#) [Yesterday](#) [Last week](#)

[Last month](#) [Last year](#)

Format:

**Any format**

[RDF](#) [RDFa](#) [Microdata](#)

[Microformat](#) [XFN](#) [HCard](#)

[HCalendar](#) [HListing](#)

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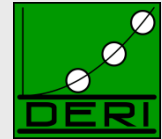
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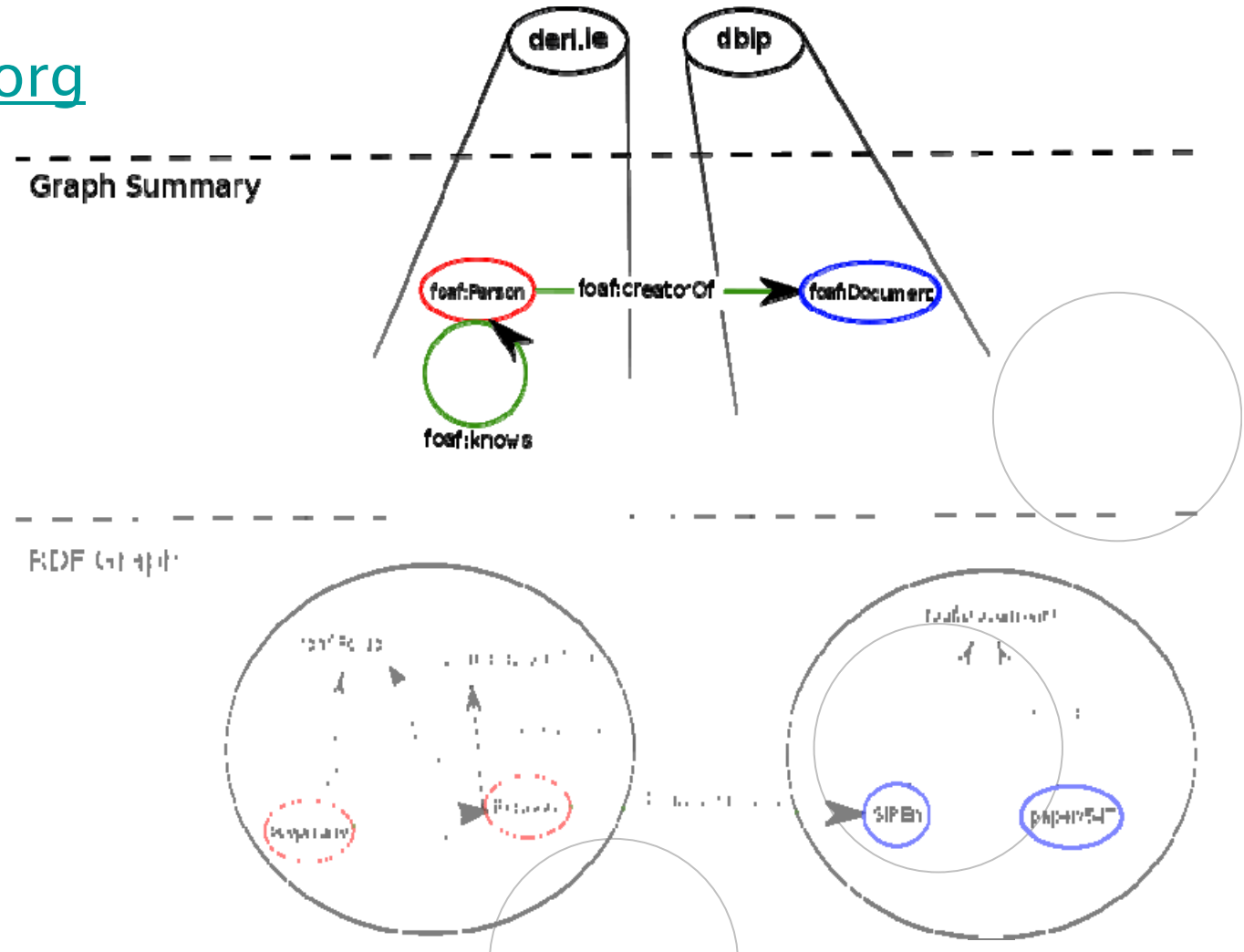
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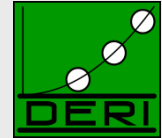
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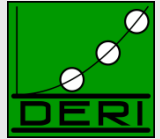
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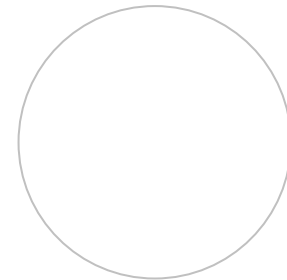
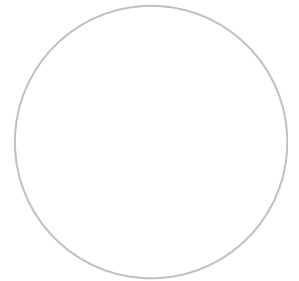
## 10,000 B.C.

# Ugly Shop

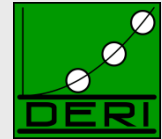


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# Same site, but “I like it” more



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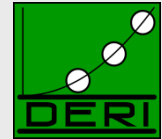
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# Just a small code addition! (?)

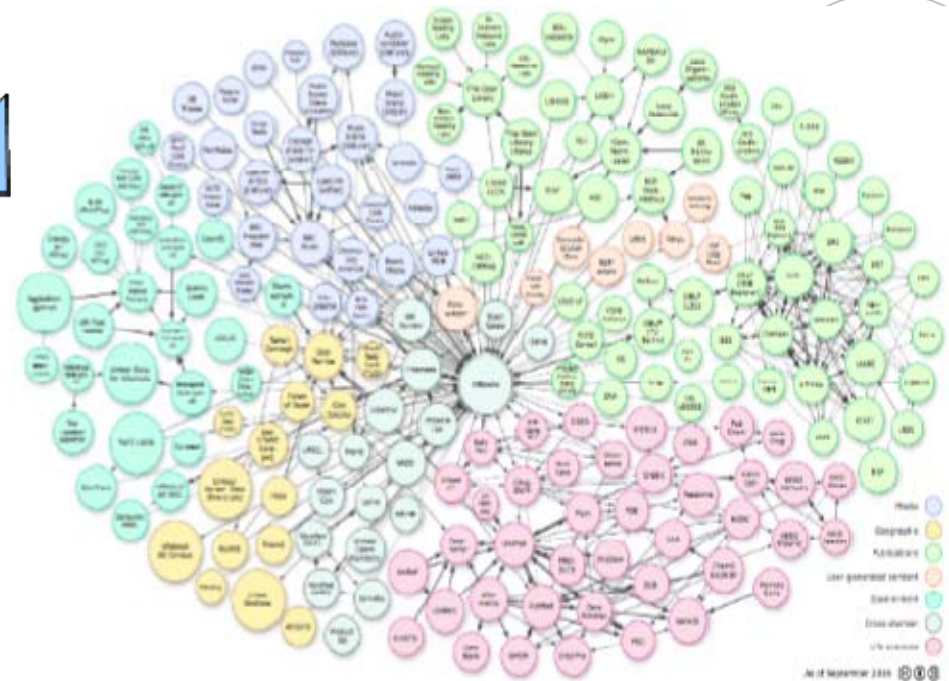


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```
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<meta property="og:title" content="10000 BC" />  
<meta property="og:type" content="movie" />  
<meta property="og:image" content="http://demo.sindice.net/..."/>
```



# Just make it known to Sindice



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## Share your Web Data presence with Sindice

For individual semantically enabled pages (RDF, RDFa, Microformats), use the PING form to the right (also see the [ping API](#)). Pings are processed with high priority and they're likely indexed within minutes.

For effective indexing of large datasets, please follow the guidelines on [How to Publish Web Data for Effective Discovery and Synchronization](#) and then ping any of your pages and or use the Submit Sitemap form to the right.

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### Ping Form (one URL per line)

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### Submit Sitemap form ([read me](#))

Email (optional, used for feedback):

Sitemap URL:

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# .. Which will happily acquire your pages



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## .. And keep itself in sync

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## Sindice Widgets

### Widget Service

Try one from our existing widgets (below) or create your own one. [Compose form](#)

Existing widgets:

Get Started Now (coming soon)	Name	Description	Screenshot (coming soon)
<a href="#">get this widget live version</a> <a href="#">Open in Composer</a>	trentino_at_the_movies	Description: This widget will tell me where to go to see at the movies in Trentino	<p>Top hits/same director: Similar Movie: <a href="#">The Day After Tomorrow 2012</a> Similar Movie Image: </p>



# Copypaste Tag into your HTML



The screenshot shows the 'Sindice Widget Composer' interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Check RDFs', 'ThemeRoller Dev T...', 'Web Data Inspector', and browser tabs for 'Dvd Rental Shop', 'Share your Web Data preferences', 'Sindice Widget's Composer', and 'http://demo.sindice.net/og-data/movie/4'. The main area is titled 'Sindice Widget Composer' and has a breadcrumb trail: 'URL -> WIDGET -> QUERY -> WIDGET PARAMS -> STYLES -> CODE'. Below this are buttons for '+ Prev', 'Refresh', and 'reset'. A green rounded rectangle highlights the 'CODE' section, which contains the following widget code:

```
<html><head>
<script src="http://localhost:8080/sindice-widget/js/jquery/js/jquery-1.4.3.min.js" type="text/javascript"></script>
<script src="http://localhost:8080/sindice-widget/js/jquery/js/jquery.sindice-widget-0.2.js" type="text/javascript"></script>
<script type="text/javascript">
$(document).ready(function(){
  $('#my_widget').sindiceWidget({
    widgetName:'demo_get_more_info_about_movie',
    url:'http://demo.sindice.net/og-data/movie/4',
    attributes:{
      reader:'My header',
      footer:'Powered by Sindice',
      width:200,
      type:'more_info'
    },
    params:{
      // URL:string:month param is here to force the widget to use this particular href.
      // remove it when placing widget into your site
      "URL:string:month":"http://demo.sindice.net/og-data/movie/4"
    }
  })
})
</script>
</head><body>
<div id="my_widget"></div>
</body></html>
```

On the right side of the interface, there is a preview of the widget. It is titled 'My header' and shows details for the movie 'The Day After Tomorrow'. The preview includes a title, a permalink, an image of the movie poster, and a list of starring actors: Dustin Diamond, Selma Ward, Tamara Tomita, Kenneth Welsh, Austin Nichols, Jay C. Sanders, Jake Gyllenhaal, Nestor Serrano, Emily Rossum, Ian Holm, Dennis Quaid, Glenn Plummer, and Perry King. Below the list, it also shows the writer (Roland Emmerich), director (Roland Emmerich), budget (\$125,000,000 (estimated)), and runtime (124 mins, 124.0).

# Sindice.com/YOURSITE/movies/search



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## DEMO.SINDICE.NET - Data Site Search


Show query

TILES • TABLE


6 get\_more\_info\_about\_movie\_exhibit

sorted by: [labels](#); [then by...](#) •  grouped as sorted


1.

**Title:** 10,000 BC  
**RImage:**   
**Starring:** Steven Strait  
**Writer:** Harald Kloser  
**Director:** Roland Emmerich  
**Budget:** 105000000  
**Runtime:** 109 min.


2.

**Title:** The Day After Tomorrow  
**RImage:**   
**Starring:** Jake Gyllenhaal  
**Writer:** Roland Emmerich  
**Director:** Roland Emmerich  
**Budget:** \$125,000,000 (estimated)  
**Runtime:** 124 mins.


3.

**Title:** Alien 3  
**RImage:**   
**Starring:** Sigourney Weaver  
**Writer:** Dan O'Bannon  
**Director:** David Fincher  
**Budget:** 50000000  
**Runtime:** Theatrical Cut: 114 min. Special Edition: 144 min.


4.

**Title:** Alien Resurrection  
**RImage:** 

5.

**Title:** The Thirteenth Floor  
**RImage:** 

6.

**Title:** Aliens  
**RImage:** 



### Title

- 1 10,000 BC
- 1 Alien 3
- 1 Alien Resurrection
- 1 Aliens
- 1 The Day After Tomorrow
- 1 The Thirteenth Floor

### Starring

- 1 Armin Mueller-Stahl
- 1 Jake Gyllenhaal
- 3 Sigourney Weaver
- 1 Steven Strait

### Writer

- 2 Dan O'Bannon
- 1 Daniel F. Galouye
- 1 Harald Kloser
- 1 James Cameron
- 1 Roland Emmerich

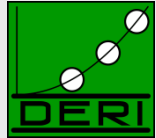
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### More info:

**Title:**

10,000 BC

**Starring:**

Steven Strait

Cliff Curtis

Camilla Belle

**Writer:**

Harald Kloser

Roland Emmerich

**Director:**

Roland Emmerich

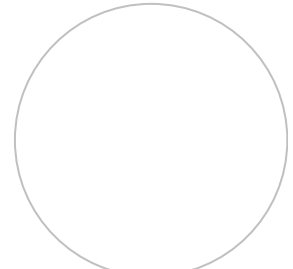
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**Runtime:**

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# Experts create and \$ from widgets



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## Widget Composer

### Example URLs:

From this dropdown you can choose a few example URLs to be used for URL parameter

Check that we have this URL in sindice:

### SPARQL query name to be used by widget

(pickup from list or create your own one inside the box)

Use custom query:

### Optional SPARQL query parameters:

Enter value for: URL:string

Optional use only if you want to force widget to use different URL

### Required SPARQL query parameters:

#### Other optional widget parameters:

Widget container selector (.class or #id). Possible values:

**div.foo** for <div class="foo"/>

**#foo** for <div id="foo"/>

**#my\_widget**

Text for widget's header: (empty to hide header)

**My header**

Text for widget's footer: (empty to hide footer)

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Widget width in pixels:

**200**

Widget height (without header and footer) in pixels:

(empty for auto)

### Widget styles editor:

Use this editor to change widget styles on the fly.

### Rules for writing a custom query:(click to expand)

#### Sparql query description:

This widget uses the film title embedded in the OpenGraph markup to look up DBpedia for the name of the director of the movie, then looks for titles of other movies by the same director, orders them by grossing and joins them with the titles that are in the embedding website: this effectively creates a recommendation box which will link to other "popular" movies by the same director available on the same website. Also retrieves rating from Rottentomatoes.com

#### Custom SPARQL query editor:

Sparql query (if you want to try widget with your own query tick the box "Use custom query"):

```
PREFIX foaf:<http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
PREFIX og:<http://opengraphprotocol.org/schema/>
PREFIX dbpedia:<http://dbpedia.org/property/>
PREFIX rdfs:<http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#>
```

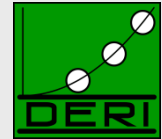
```
SELECT DISTINCT ?Title ?RImage ?Starring ?Writer ?Director ?Budget ?Runtime
?dburl
WHERE {
  <##URL##> og:type ?type.
  <##URL##> og:title ?Title.
  <##URL##> og:image ?image.
  <##URL##> og:url ?url.
```

```
  OPTIONAL {
    ?_rottenurl og:type ?type.
    ?_rottenurl og:title ?Title.
    ?_rottenurl og:image ?RImage.
    FILTER( !regex( STR(?RImage), "##DOMAIN##", "i") ).
  }
```

```
  OPTIONAL{
    {
      ?_dburl dbpedia:name ?Title.
    }
    UNION
    {
      ?_dburl foaf:name ?Title.
    }
    UNION
    {
      ?_dburl rdfs:label ?Title.
```



# Crowdsourcing rich annotations



## Part of **SemLib Project** Semantic tools for digital libraries



SemLib - Annotation Demo - YouTube.flv



# Observations



- **RDF is very handy not per se a magic bullet**
  - Allows “late data integration efforts” but at a high cost: SPARQL easily gets prohibitively expensive
  - Used naively or too directly will allow bloated, unusable data structures
- **Large scale Data transformation capabilities come to the rescue.**

Models:

  - Cloud Powered data pipelines allow free experimentation and data transformations while the system keeps on running and serving users.
  - An extra dimension of flexibility and preprocessing which eases the task of SPARQL late
- **Now in trials with several private entities large enterprises**
  - Pharmaceuticals, Publishing

# Thanks

