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Schema Build-Out

Release Roadmap

On December 12th, the v2.4 release bundle was posted up to the RIXML.org web site for public comment. The public comment period will run through the end of January, allowing some additional time due to the holiday break. (The public comment periods around our releases in the past have been limited to 30-days.) In the event that no critical feedback is raised during that time, the release will become official on February 1st.

Release Bundle

The release bundle for RIXML v2.4 includes the following files:

- Documents (PDF)
 - User Guide
 - Release Notes
- Schema Definition Files (XSD)
 - Main
 - Common
 - Data Types
 - Side Car Schemas
 - Coverage Updates
 - Roster Updates

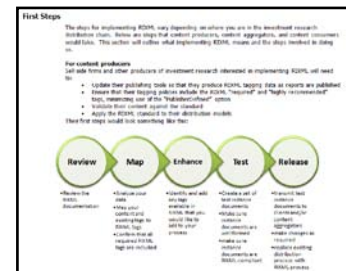
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Release	Links
Version 2.4	User Guide (.pdf) Release Notes (.pdf) Schema Main (.xsd) Schema Common (.xsd) Schema Data Types (.xsd) Coverage Updates (.xsd) Roster Updates (.xsd)

Outstanding Tasks

- Respond to feedback received during comment period, with possible schema modifications.
- Work with Richard Brandt to engage new production process.
- Update preamble in Users Guide to Deirdre Goldenbogen's new one, when available.
- Create a couple of sample instance documents for each of the new side-car schemas.
- Review and potentially update Level One document for v2.4.

Preamble

Deirdre Goldenbogen has put together an update to the preamble section of the RIXML Users Guide, since the old version sounds dated. While the update hasn't yet reached production-ready status, it is close and will likely be incorporated into the final release bundle.



Feedback Received on v2.4 RC1 (Dec 12th)

Date	Feedback Specifics	Decision
Dec 17 th	Proposal to add the value <i>Market</i> to <i>FocusEnum</i> . For some products, the focus is not on any particular security or country or sector, but rather on a specific market or markets, providing summaries, highlights, or commentaries.	Adopt
Dec 24 th	Citing the new <i>Expertise</i> sub-element of <i>Organization</i> as an example, reconsider tagging that belongs with the publisher, rather than the product (document). If publishers include <i>Expertise</i> tagging on every document, a consumer would be challenged to interpret the publisher's intent for certain use-cases. What if the <i>Expertise</i> information is omitted from the last document seen from a publisher? Should that be taken to mean that the publisher no longer purports to offer such expertise? Would it make more sense for publishers to communicate changes to publisher-specific tags (<i>Expertise</i> , <i>ContactInfo</i> , <i>Description</i>) in side-car schemas	Under review. At a minimum, we would need to fork the <i>Organization</i> element into one that makes sense on a per-document basis, and one that is better suited to publisher-specific

	only, leaving document-specific tags (<i>Title, Abstract, Context</i>) for RIXML proper.	tags.
Dec 24th	Proposal to add the new <i>Specialty</i> element under <i>ProductClassifications</i> with zero-to-many cardinality. This would provide publishers with the ability to mark products with the specialty expertise utilized in authoring a particular document.	Under review.

Emerging Technology Committee

Richard Brandt led two calls since our last quarterly *Steering Committee* meeting – October 5th and December 7th. Jack Roehrig led a third call on January 4th. By virtue of our schema release activity, the calls have been dominated by that topic. Some notes here on other topics.

HTML5

Richard will arrange for an educational HTML5 presentation as a feature of one of our upcoming meetings. Quark has some in-house expertise that would be helpful.

Social Media

During our Q3 meeting, we discussed a framework upon which we would base our social media activity. The last Quarterly Update document outlined that framework, and identified next steps. Our team of “RIXML ambassadors” is coming together nicely. Once we get through our schema release this month, we’ll be able to devote some energy here.

RIXML Web Site Improvements

Work continues toward improving our web site and documentation. Our web site vendor is about 95% complete with planned updates. There will be a release to a staging environment within a few days, with a targeted go-live date of February 1st.

The next call will be held on Friday, February 1st, at 9:30am EST.

Internal Document Componentization

Richard led two calls since our last quarterly *Steering Committee* meeting – October 2nd and December 4th. The group concluded that some guidance around document structures would be useful before digging deeper into taxonomy questions. We will have a look at other component schemas, such as NewsML, DITA, DocBook, and SPL. There will be an in-person workshop for Componentization following the Steering Committee meeting. Agenda as follows:

- Discussion and review of structural approaches to the componentization model.
 - DITA structural model presentation - Richard Brandt.
 - Other models - suggestions from Working Group.
- Implementing a structural model within the RIXML schema.
 - RIXML as the wrapper.
 - The component as the wrapper.
- Strategy for establishing a taxonomy.
- Planning componentization work stream for 2013.

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