

# Quarterly Update 2013-Q3

# RIXML Standards Committee

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## **Emerging Technology Committee**

Richard Brandt led three calls since our last quarterly Steering Committee meeting – July 19<sup>th</sup>, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, and September 6<sup>th</sup>.

Now that we've released RIXML v2.4 the group continued its call for adoption across the membership and beyond.

#### Schema & Production Process

During Richard's visit to New York on August 8<sup>th</sup>, we did a workshop at the Jordan & Jordan office on the new production process. The process is in good shape after we put focus on it as part of the RIXML v2.4 release. However, it does need some additional steps before we officially replace the old process. Richard will work on it some more, paying particular attention to the Data Dictionary artifact for both the full schema and the Level One subset.

The next call will be held on Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, at 9:30am EDT.

# **Componentization Working Group**

The group met for another workshop on September 11<sup>th</sup> at J&J. The meeting was well-attended and included new member Morningstar. The agenda featured two main topics – i.e. component taxonomy review and support for social media publishing.

The discussion of component taxonomy centered on identifying a good set of component types upon which some beneficial normalization could be based. Our Associate Members around the table contributed valuable perspectives. Sara Noble developed an initial taxonomy for typical front-page research content. Alan Francis followed-up with additional data. Richard is maintaining the details of the nascent taxonomy.

Sara Noble led the discussion on social media publishing, particularly support for the use-cases for end-to-end component to social media platform. We spent most of our time reviewing prospects for publishing to Twitter, as some research firms are already doing. Our on-going conversation about spot tagging converges with the notion of Twitter hashtags. We think the Twitter API may prove useful in offering commonly used tag values for transient subjects.

The meeting also featured a social media guide compiled by Blue Matrix, which included Facebook and Twitter overviews, privacy settings, basic interactions, and common terminology.

### **Buy-Side Advisory Council**

Jack Roehrig arranged for an on-line survey of participants to help the organization learn more about key topics of interest. The results collected to date will be featured as part of today's quarterly meeting. We also continue to seek additional buy-side firms for participation in the Council.