DAML-S: Semantic Markup for Web Services

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Summary / Contributions

- Semantic Web services vision
- Use cases
 - -Service discovery, composition, monitoring, ...
- Upper ontology for service description
 - -Evolved into OWL-S
 - Profile / Process Model / Grounding
 - Functional and non-functional properties
- One of the first substantial / collaborative / widely shared ontologies in DAML+OIL
 - Provided a "language" for people to start building SWS apps
- Identified many expressiveness requirements
 - Provided inputs to (OWL) language definition team
 - Also influenced the development of rule languages

A Few Points of Context

- 2000/8: DAML program officially kicked off
- 2001/1: 1st release of DAML+OIL
- 2001/3: WSDL 1.1 published as W3C Note
- 2001/4: Scientific American article on Semantic Web
- 2001/5: 1st public version of DAML-S
- 2001/7: SWWS @ Stanford
- 2002/7: 1st draft of OWL published
- 2003/5: OWL-S first version (0.9, with 1.0 in 2004/1)
- 2004/1: Initial FP6 Semantic Web projects underway
- 2004/11: OWL-S submission to W3C
- 2005/6: WSMO submission to W3C
- 2005/9 SWSL submission to W3C
- 2005/11: WSDL-S submission to W3C
- 2007/8: SAWSDL becomes W3C Recommendation

SWS: A Flourishing Research Area

- Several major research initiatives
- Several industry standards
- Dozen or so very significant sub-areas
 - Description, process/interaction representation, discovery, enactment, composition, monitoring, architecture, tools and environments, methodology, security, mobile/ubiquitous usage, evaluation, social aspects,
- Dozens of workshops
- Dozens of open-source components
- Many excellent theses/dissertations
- Thousands of publications
- Thousands of cool innovative ideas

Why the Impact?

Convergence

- Semantic Web
- Web services & larger e-commerce objectives
- Distributed Web-based computing, service lifecycle / ecosystem / scalable use
- Agent technology
- Mobile computing

Compelling vision

- Agent-oriented Web
 - Reasoning-based automation of activities
 - A web with "behavioral intelligence" to complement "information intelligence"
- Global infrastructure for transactions, activities & virtual organizations
 - Adaptive, composable workflows
- Real needs & challenges
 - Recognized by industry as well as researchers
- Standards activities
- Looking forward, the significance will continue
 - Cloud computing, Web of Things, new areas of interest in process R&R...

SWS Research Challenge

- Funding for research related to Semantic Web services
- Proposer must be a student
 - Collaborators/team members can be non-students
- One recipient will be selected based on short research proposals
- Award
 - -\$1000
 - Recognition at ISWC 2012
 - Poster presentation spot at ISWC 2012
- Complete information will be available soon at

http://swsprize.semanticweb.org/