Towards Terminology Services: Experiences from the FACET project

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Knowledge Organization Systems (KOS), such as classifications, gazetteers, taxonomies and thesauri, can underpin a range of discovery and retrieval tools. They act as 'semantic road maps' and make possible a common orientation by indexers and searchers (both human and machine).

Douglas Tudhope of the University of Glamorgan directed the FACET project which explored the potential of semantic expansion in search and browsing, based on faceted thesaurus relationships. His presentation will discuss experiences from the FACET project and implications for terminology services. Examples of ongoing work will be explored, drawing on the SKOS RDF representation and API. In addition, Mr. Tudhope will discuss general lessons from the (Library and Information Science) KOS tradition that might inform AI-based Semantic Web efforts.

Background information:

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