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LD4 Wikidata Affinity Group

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Recording

- https://stanford.zoom.us/recording/share/e1elzfa6t_i8Ct4XCZilvYqwxsaC7GboNhGmGT6blxmwlumektZiMw?startTime=1575390793000

Attendance (if this is your first meeting, please write your name, Wiki* username, institution or affiliation, and interest in Wikidata if you'd care to share)

- salgo60, Wikidata volunteer Stockholm, Sweden, better workflow with libraries my Wikidata [backlog](#)
- Louise To, to1518, National Library of Medicine, using Wikidata to link patients to Wikipedia through electronic health records
- John Skiles Skinner, [Jno.skinner](#), Cornell University Library
- Bob Kosovsky, kosboot, New York Public Library, using/learning more about Wikidata to connect cultural heritage institutions & how to convince coworkers to get on board
- Dan Scott, dan_scott, Laurentian University library, [general intersection of Wikidata + libraries](#) / Wikibase
- Dina Herbert, National Archives/SNAC
- April Gilbert, San Jose State University
- Columbia University Libraries: Alex Whelan, Brian Luna Lucero, Ryan Mendenhall
- Cliff Landis, Atlanta University Center Robert W. Woodruff Library, [@clifflandis](#)
- JShieh, Smithsonian Lib
- Christine DeZelar-Tiedman, Stephen Hearn, University of Minnesota Libraries
- Barbara Bushman, NLM
- Jamie Flood, National Agricultural Library (USDA)
- Jeff Young (OCLC)
- Chew Chiat Naun (Harvard)
- Rhonda Super (UCLA) Semantic Web LibGuide: <https://guides.library.ucla.edu/semantic-web>
- Honor Moody (Harvard)
- John Hostage (Harvard)
- Marc McGee (Harvard)
- Arcadia Falcone (Stanford)

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- Search - drop down arrow to the right of search box enables searching site links (Wikipedia page titles) based on whatever language you are using in Wikidata
- Protection indicators - adds a padlock to pages that have been [protected](#), indicating the type of protection for that page
- AuthorityControl - mainly works behind the scenes

Optional

- Merge - helps you merge items that you've identified as duplicates
- Isabel Quintana (Harvard)
- Steven Holloway (James Madison U)
- Paul Burley (Northwestern)
- Lori Robare (University of Oregon)
- Huda Khan (for part of the meeting), (Cornell University)

Agenda

- Announcements
 - [Survey](#) about Wikidata Working Hours and feedback on the Affinity Group
 - Please complete by Friday, December 6th at 11:59pm PST
 - A. Britton's [blog post](#) outlining step-by-step process to ingest the Open Access Directory's list of blogs into Wikidata
 - [Live querying session](#) on SPARQL with Lucas Werkmeister
 - Query Service lag now affects [maxlag](#); you may need to retry/reset multiple times when you run QuickStatements or OpenRefine during busy hours
- Gadgets ([slides](#)) (Hilary)
 - Merge
 - labelLister
 - Search
 - RequestDeletion
 - AuthorityControl
 - Descriptions
 - KeyShortcuts

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 - Transliteration
 - Reasonator
 - Protection indicators
 - DuplicateReferences
 - EasyQuery
 - currentDate
 - Recoin
 - Relateditems
 - Magnus Manske has some things you can add to your common.js e.g.
 - Helps find same as from mixnmatch add to your common.js

```
importScript( 'User:Magnus_Manske/mixnmatch_gadget.js' );
```
 - [User:Mxn/overpass.js](#)
 - Does a search in Open SStreet map for an object with the same Qnumber. I see a Linked Data Library system as having books classified also about a specific building and also building at a specific timeperiod
- Next call 17 December 9am PST / 12pm EST / 17:00 UTC / 6pm CET ([Time zone converter](#))

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Notes

Announcements

- [Survey](#) about Wikidata Working Hours and feedback on the Affinity Group closes Friday December 6th
 - Will summarize results at next meeting; check in after a half year of the group and discuss future goals
- [Live querying session](#) on SPARQL with Lucas Werkmeister was apparently excellent
- Query Service lag & maxlag interaction - Hilary is hopeful that the hiring of more engineers & project managers will eventually reduce the impact on OpenRefine/QuickStatements
 - Steve (Baskausj) was interested in knowing if the API directions for maxlag would also apply to the SPARQL endpoint
 - **ACTION:** Hilary plans to attend the Tech session tomorrow and will ask
 - **FOLLOW UP:** Steve did some research and found “they take the delay in transferring the data from the main database into the Query Service triplestore into consideration when they set the maxlag response. In other words, if it's taking a really long time to make the transfer, they tell people using the API to back off in order to give the API servers more time to make the transfers and get the time lag for updating the triplestore down. I heard at Wikicon NA that the lag to make the transfer to the

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"The merge tool in Wikidata is typically a few minutes, but sometimes as long as hours. This change would lower that time and keep the Query service better in synch with the main database."

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- Will cancel the call that was scheduled for December 31st