

Recommendations from Executive Summary of [report](#):

Suggestion to work on recommendations highlighted green and purple

- Analyze and visualize existing sources and applications of linked data in existing workflows.
- Engage and integrate the perspectives of those handling the data throughout those workflows.
- Articulate priorities for linked data implementation to narrow scope and define phases.
- Identify relevant content creation workflows and opportunities to optimize linked data creation.
- Employ programmatic approaches to reconciling, updating and creating records in Alma and Wikidata to scale up linked data initiatives.
- Build out staff knowledge and awareness of linked data value.

Working on selected recommendations:

“Tactical steps such as determining what documented workflows exist and updating them collaboratively are useful exercises that bring groups together to ask questions and learn. Cross-organizational groups can focus on understanding the flow of the data and any processes or transformations affecting the bibliographic record, for example along the way.”

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1. Review and draw inspiration from [UPenn Linked Data Framework](#) and [University of Alberta implementation plan](#)
2. Review relevant internal documentation (e.g. UTL Metadata Steering Committee report/diagrams)
3. Identify existing linked data and potential linked data creation opportunities
4. Draft diagrams similar to UPenn and UAlberta
5. Identify staff/groups to engage in review/analysis
6. Explore and test efficient workflow adjustments

"...outlining a linked data strategy, defining "what's in it for me" for users is a key step in engagement. While it takes time to build trust - whether in data, people, systems or tools - messaging how roles might change and what benefits may be conferred is critical."

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1. Review and draw inspiration from [UPenn Linked Data Framework](#) and [University of Alberta implementation plan](#)
2. Review and draw inspiration from [recent OCLC position paper](#)
3. Track and communicate ExLibris development of LD features in Alma/Primo
4. Addressing pain points in staff buy-in understanding of linked data value:
 - a. Clearly distinguish implementation of linked data URIs from implementation of BIBFRAME
 - b. Cooperative cataloging practices vs open collaborative editing of Wikidata
5. Develop relevant and resonant illustrations of benefits of linked data, using local or familiar examples.
6. Create opportunities to communicate/showcase linked data initiatives at UT Austin and beyond

Related points to consider

- Emphasis on special collections and items unique to UT
- Integrate Wikidata entry creation and reconciliation tasks *[or any other linked data creation tasks]* **efficiently** into cataloging and finding aid workflows.