

# WD for 627 60th SIG meeting April 2025

Issue link:

<https://cidoc-crm.org/Issue/ID-627-explicitly-document-cross-references-btw-family-models>

Related issues: [678 Towards CRM OWL](#), [460 URI Management](#)

The latest note of issue 627 has been recorded after the 58<sup>th</sup> CIDOC CRM and 51<sup>st</sup> FRBR/LRMoo SIG meeting. This note ended up with a promise that Etz will be implementing the proposed & agreed changes, and the issue will close.

In short, the proposed & agreed changes included the following:

- External references must point to the corresponding version of the referenced ontology
- PC Properties module needs to be implemented
- Regarding draft implementations - make obvious the note – do not use for implementation
- Change label more in Encodings column to gitlab

The updates on the agreed changes are presented later in this document. Some of them also depend some additional proposals that occurred in the context of 627 which will be discussed first in Session 1.3 of the 60<sup>th</sup> CIDOC & 53<sup>rd</sup> FRBR/LRMoo SIG Meeting and are somehow relevant to issues [460 URI Management](#) and [678 Towards CRM OWL](#)

## Additional Proposals

The additional proposals (a1, a2, a3, b, c) are:

### A. owl:versionIRI & owl:import

**a1)** Include an owl:versionIRI statement in both CRMbase and FM encodings.

e.g. change the following

```
<rdf:Description rdf:about="http://www.cidoc-crm.org/cidoc-crm/">  
  <rdf:type rdf:resource="http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Ontology" />  
  <owl:versionInfo>RDFs Implementation (February 2024) of CIDOC-CRM 7.1.3</owl:versionInfo>
```

to the following

```
<owl:Ontology rdf:about="http://www.cidoc-crm.org/cidoc-crm/">
  <owl:versionInfo>RDFs Implementation (February 2024) of CIDOC-CRM 7.1.3</owl:versionInfo>
  <owl:versionIRI rdf:resource="http://www.cidoc-crm.org/cidoc-crm/7.1.2/" />
  ...
```

Relevant links :

[https://www.w3.org/TR/owl2-syntax/#Versioning\\_of\\_OWL\\_2\\_Ontologies](https://www.w3.org/TR/owl2-syntax/#Versioning_of_OWL_2_Ontologies)

<https://protege.stanford.edu/ontologies/pizza/pizza.owl>

```
▼ <owl:Ontology rdf:about="http://www.co-ode.org/ontologies/pizza">
  <owl:versionIRI rdf:resource="http://www.co-ode.org/ontologies/pizza/2.0.0"/>
  <dc:title xml:lang="en">pizza</dc:title>
```

**a2)** support versioned uri resolution for FMs similarly to the CRMbase versioned uri resolution decision in 460 URI Management. Currently owl:versionIRI for FMs would be supported through the following statement

```
<owl:versionIRI rdf:resource="https://cidoc-crm.org/extensions/crmsci/rdfs/2.0/CRMsci_v2.0.rdf" />
```

The proposal is to make the required changes so that it follows CRMbase implementation so that owl:versionIRI will be supported by:

```
<owl:versionIRI rdf:resource="https://cidoc-crm.org/extensions/crmsci/2.0/" />
```

**a3)** In FM rdf and owl use owl:import statements with the owl:versionIRI or the external reference ontology

e.g. change

```
<rdf:Description rdf:about="http://www.cidoc-crm.org/extensions/crmsci/">
  <rdf:type rdf:resource="http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Ontology"/>
  <owl:versionInfo xml:lang="en">CRMsci Ontology 2.0 (March, 2023) including references to CIDOC-CRM 7.1.2</owl:versionInfo>
  ...
```

To

```
<owl:Ontology rdf:about="http://www.cidoc-crm.org/extensions/crmsci/">
  <owl:imports rdf:resource="http://www.cidoc-crm.org/cidoc-crm/7.1.2/" />
  <owl:versionInfo xml:lang="en">CRMsci Ontology 2.0 (March, 2023) including references to CIDOC-CRM 7.1.2</owl:versionInfo>
```

a3) In FM rdf and owl use owl:versionIRI for owl:import statements

## B. Adjust the FM rdf serialization syntax to the CRMbase rdf serialization syntax.

More specifically replace the following example rdf statements

```

<rdf:Description rdf:about="http://www.cidoc-crm.org/extensions/crmarchaeo/A1_Excavation_Processing_Unit">
  <rdf:type rdf:resource="http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#Class"/>
...

<rdf:Description rdf:about="http://www.cidoc-crm.org/extensions/crmarchaeo/AP1_produced">
  <rdf:type rdf:resource="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#Property"/>
...

```

With the following:

```

<rdfs:Class rdf:about="A1_Excavation_Processing_Unit">
...
<rdf:Property rdf:about="AP1_produced">
...

```

### C. Include all declaration info (examples quantification etc) in the rdfs:comment/scope note of the CRMBase and FM rdf encodings

Change the CRMBase and FM rdfs:comment/scope note patterns. One of the decisions of [678 Towards CRM OWL](#) included the synchronization of CRM owl rdfs:comment/scope note pattern with the pattern followed in Erlangen CRM. It basically includes all relevant declaration information for classes and properties (including examples, quantifications, etc.).

The proposal is to use the same rdfs:comment/scope note pattern for both CRMbase rdf serialization and all FM rdf serializations.

### Updates on the agreed changes

The updates on the proposed & agreed statements are the following (d1,d2, e1, e2, e3, f, g)

### D. FM External References

External references must point to the corresponding version of the referenced ontology

1. For HTML it is already there – **DONE** e.g.  
[http://www.cidoc-crm.org/extensions/crmarchaeo/A1\\_Excavation\\_Processing\\_Unit](http://www.cidoc-crm.org/extensions/crmarchaeo/A1_Excavation_Processing_Unit)
2. For RDF currently no change as no action had been decided. Next step depends on the approval of owl:versionIRI & owl:import usage

## E. FM PC module implementation

Implement PC Properties module whenever required (See example [CRMarchaero PC module proposal file](#))

1. The main classes and properties needed for implementing are already defined in CRMbase, but they are not resolvable.
  - PC0\_Typed\_CRM\_Property
  - P01\_has\_domain
  - P02\_has\_range
  - P02i\_is\_range\_of
  - P03\_has\_range\_literal
  - P04\_represents

**Question e1)** Reuse the unresolvable CRMbase PC module references or reimplement these (e.g with a different prefix) so that the PC module is not depending in unresolvable references?

2. Regarding Property Classes (e.g. like PC3\_has\_note, PC14\_carried\_out\_by from CRMbase PC module).

**Question e2)** should we keep the same prefix PC or perhaps define another one (e.g. **PC11**\_has\_physical\_relation\_to or **APC11**\_has\_physical\_relation\_to)?

- The FM base uri will be different so there is no chance of conflicting uris. I would propose APC11\_has\_physical\_relation\_to so that it seems more compatible to the prefixes used in the base model that it refers to

3. Similarly regarding .1 property names (e.g. like P3.1\_has\_type from CRMbase PC module).

**Question e3)** should we keep the same prefix P or perhaps define another one (e.g. **P11.1**\_has\_type" or **AP11.1**\_has\_type)?

## F. Uri Resolution for Draft FMs

Regarding the existing draft implementations of FMs and the uri resolution mechanism for these extensions, it should be made obvious that they must not be used for implementation

- Encodings for Draft or obsolete versions have been removed.
- HTML uri resolution has been updated so that each resolvable link is obviously not meant to be used for implementations e.g.

[https://cidoc-crm.org/extensions/crminf/I1\\_Argumentation](https://cidoc-crm.org/extensions/crminf/I1_Argumentation)

**I1 Argumentation**  [Draft - This document is not meant to support implementations, referencing or other official activities.]

SubClass Of:

[E7 Activity](#)

SuperClass Of:

- RDF uri resolution currently enabled – the only draft indication message is included just the at the owl:versionInfo text of the ontology

Ontology header:

**Ontology IRI**
http://www.cidoc-crm.org/extensions/crminf/

**Ontology Version IRI**
e.g. http://www.cidoc-crm.org/extensions/crminf/1.0.0

Annotations +

**rdfs:comment** [language: en]

CRMinf is a formal ontology intended to be used as a global schema for integrating metadata about argumentation and inference making in descriptive and empirical sciences such as biodiversity, geology, geography, archaeology, cultural heritage, conservation, research IT environments and research data libraries. Its primary purpose is facilitating the management, integration, mediation, interchange and access to data about reasoning by a description of the semantic relationships between the premises, conclusions and activities of reasoning.

**owl:versionInfo** [language: en]

CRMinf 1.0 (DRAFT) (October, 2023) including references to CIDOC-CRM 7.1.2, CRMarchaeo 2.0, CRMsci 2.0

## G. Change label more in Encodings column to gitlab

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