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# LD4 Wikidata Affinity Group

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## Recording

[https://stanford.zoom.us/rec/share/o1xibJpoWpFRMgOXrTKd1yz\\_mkXcQye3Tq6RIEDfMMdBoWZz3t9aidfujW8WQts6.ffD4u8LC\\_HGHQNK-?startTime=1644339309000](https://stanford.zoom.us/rec/share/o1xibJpoWpFRMgOXrTKd1yz_mkXcQye3Tq6RIEDfMMdBoWZz3t9aidfujW8WQts6.ffD4u8LC_HGHQNK-?startTime=1644339309000)

00:00:00 Introduction and Announcements

00:09:54 Andy Mabbett on the CiteQ template

00:35:20 Crystal Clements with Alex Jung on crowdsourcing resources and needs to inform best practices re: representation of gender (and personal demographic information more broadly) for persons in Wikidata

## Presentation Slides and Other Materials

[Andy Mabbett's slides on Cite Q](#)

**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)

- Huda Khan (Cornell)
- Pilar Ramirez Amurrio ([dokusare.com](http://dokusare.com))
- Diane Shaw, Smithsonian Libraries & Archives
- Eric Willey, Illinois State University
- Neil M. Frau-Cortes, Broward County Public Libraries, @ dhneil
- Ivan E Calimano, Library Consultant (kalimano)
- Sarah Kasten, University of Notre Dame
- Mary Finn, Virginia Tech

- Rhonda Super, UCLA - Semantic Web LibGuide:  
<https://guides.library.ucla.edu/semantic-web>
- Susan Radovsky, Harvard Library | User: Sradovsk
- Adam Schiff, University of Washington Libraries (UWashPrincipalCataloger)
- Jeff Young (OCLC Research)
- Amy Watson, Smithsonian Libraries and Archives
- Iman Dagher (UCLA)
- Greta Suiter, Ohio University
- Allison Bailund, San Diego State
- Nancy Cooley, Library of Congress
- Sarah Ann Adams, New York Public Library (+ Semantic Lab @ Pratt)
- Karly Wildenhaus, New York Public Library
- Christine Fernsebner Eslao, Harvard Library (Fernsebner)
- Michelle Durocher, Harvard Library
- Gretchen Neidhardt, Northwestern University
- John Mark Ockerbloom (Penn)
- Mary Aycock (Texas State University)
- Hsianghui Liu-Spencer (Carleton College)
- Crystal Clements (University of Washington Libraries)
- Steve Baskauf, Vanderbilt Heard Libraries
- Greta de Groat (Stanford)
- Jeannette Ho (Texas A&M University)
- jay winkler (ICPSR- University of Michigan), User: jaywinkler
- Soo Bae (National Gallery of Art Library)
- Thad Guidry (thadguidry)
- Julien Tremblay McLellan, (Algonquin College), user:Jtm-lis,
- JJ Dearborn (Smithsonian Libraries and Archives / BHL)
- Prema Desai (National Agricultural Library)
- Kiley Jolicoeur (kjo) (Syracuse University)
- Peter Fletcher (UCLA); Raskolnikov776
- Mairelys Lemus-Rojas, Brown University
- Cory Lampert, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- Bree Midavaine (Philadelphia Museum of Art)
- Nerissa Lindsey (San Diego State University), User: nerissasl
- Kathy Boyd (San Diego State University)
- Anna Goslen, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- Carole Sussman, National Agricultural Library
- Amy Ruskin, Northeastern University
- Alex Jung, University of Toronto Libraries
- Honor Moody, Harvard Library
- Monika Soler Correa (University of North Carolina at Charlotte)
- Alexandra Wong (York University Libraries)
- Kalli Mathios (Teachers College)

- David Bigwood (Lunar and Planetary Institute)
- Frances Lloyd-Baynes (Minneapolis Institute of Art) User: Fflydbyns
- Cliff Landis, Atlanta University Center Robert W. Woodruff Library
- Annette Bailey, Virginia Tech
- James Tuttle, Virginia Tech

## Agenda

- Welcome + announcements
- Andy Mabbett (Wikimedian in Residence) on the "Cite Q" template that uses data from Wikidata in Wikipedia citations
  - Worked in Wikipedia since 2003 and been involved with Wikidata since before it's inception: User: Pigsonthewing
  - Cite Q exists to avoid repetitive work
  - Most cited paper on Wikipedia has markup that consists of 416 characters—this paper been cited 2.8 million times!
    - Each of these citations have variations: some have DOI, differing capitalization, linking to authors (or not), several permutations of metadata.
    - 2.8 million x 416 characters: = 1.1648 Gigabytes
  - Alternative is **Cite Q**: wiki-code is: `{{Cite Q|Q21030635}}`
    - Template wraps en.Wikipedia's Template:Citation: Calls in metadata from Wikidata, processes and formats it, and puts it on Wikipedia
    - Already used on ~52,000 en.Wikipedia pages
    - Transferable to other projects
    - Output is multilingual, thanks to Wikidata
    - Template is extensible or overridable ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Template:Cite\\_Q/testcases](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Template:Cite_Q/testcases))
      - Example `{{Cite Q|Q12345|pages=42-48}}`
      - Author-mask, display-authors; quote=
    - Want to get Cite Q into Citoid (RefToolbar): If you enter DOI into Citoid, will populate rest of metadata into fields (author, etc.); Would like it to also detect if there is a Wikidata page and pull data from Wikidata item. There are at least 2 different requests if you'd like to explore them:
      - [Phabricator](#)
      - the Community Wishlist: [https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Community\\_Wishlist\\_Survey\\_2022/Citations#Add\\_support\\_for\\_the\\_'Cite\\_Q'\\_template\\_to\\_Citoid](https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Community_Wishlist_Survey_2022/Citations#Add_support_for_the_'Cite_Q'_template_to_Citoid)
    - Next for Cite Q
      - Fix outstanding issues (see template page: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Template:Cite\\_Q](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Template:Cite_Q) )

- Feature requests: one of them is to enable template to show Harvard style citations
  - Allow user to express preferences for citation style
  - Share code across projects [[meta:Global templates]]
  - Further internationalize outputs
  - Resolve community issues
- Further reading & examples
  - [“Automatically maintained citations with Wikidata and Cite Q”](#)
  - [“South Pole Telescope”](#)
  - [“Richard Henry Yapp”](#): First biography with all citations in Cite Q
- Q&A
 

Thad Guidry - well, if we get Citations stored in a DB (whatever project proposal that was in the past) and searchable and indexed, then we fix the overall problem. This page explains the problem of us still not having a central database to store References and Citations:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:Reference\\_database](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:Reference_database) and [https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/WikiCite/Shared\\_Citations](https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/WikiCite/Shared_Citations)

Andy, do you have updates on us eventually having a central database to store References and Citations? It was proposed here:

<https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/WikiCite>

  - A: The two links above represent a couple of proposals that overlap. First one is to have a database of all the citations for all the Wikimedia projects, whether it's academic articles, journals, tweets. It would help to internationalize and re-use. Very early days: basically a whitepaper.
  - The second proposal affects Wikidata: Building a database of Wikimedia citation records. Currently nearly 1/3 of Wikidata consists of citations that have been harvested from ORCID, etc., but there are concerns about the scalability of the triplestore database (Blazegraph) in being able to handle this quantity. One solution proposed is to remove these citations from Wikidata's triplestore which would affect all the queries that currently use this data; supplementary proposal is to create a Wikimedia database for all the academic literature. This proposal is still in early days too.- Thad Guidry : Are you hopeful that Wikicite will get some funding this year?
  - Andy: Hopeful that it will go forward. People shouldn't be put off from adding citations to Wikidata or using Wikicite as the number we add won't affect performance (in comparison to mass harvesting); Thad Guidry : agreed & don't slow the data flow just for worries over scaling, there are some smart people addressing this.
- Future of bibliographic parameters in the digital world
  - Is an advantage of having citations in Wikidata which can be programmatically queried and updated.

- Crystal Clements (University of Washington) on crowdsourcing resources and needs to inform best practices re: representation of gender (and personal demographic information more broadly) for persons in Wikidata:
  - The Wikidata community lacks clear rules and best practices that respect self-declared identities or consent for the publication of gender and other personal demographic information in Wikidata. For groups with differing motivations and practices to move forward together, there is an urgent need for consensus points and shared guidelines which are intentional about gender-inclusivity and consent.
  - We hope to put together a set of consensus points and best practices in the months ahead. Today's (February 8th) call will be an info-gathering opportunity to inform this process. We ask that you consider the following questions, and use [this Google Doc](#) to record any resources, thoughts, or experiences you think would be helpful by the end of the day on February 15th:
    - Do you know of any resources that could be useful in a conversation or development of best practices surrounding gender and demographic information about living and deceased persons represented in Wikidata?
    - Have you had any experiences or interactions that might inform the discussion?
      - *To give folks time and space to process, we ask that you write down your experiences and share them in the Google Doc rather than live in the Zoom meeting. Thank you!*
    - What would you find helpful in terms of best practices or guidelines as a Wikidata editor and metadata creator?
  - Please be kind and respectful to others. Consult the [LD4P Community Participation Guidelines](#) prior to participating in this discussion.
  - Discussion

## Announcements

- Next [Wikidata Working Hour](#):
  - Monday, February 14, 2021 at 11:00am PT / 2:00pm ET / 19:00 UTC / 8:00pm CET ([Time zone converter](#))
  - Valentine's Day edition of adding Structured Data on Commons
- Next [Wikidata Affinity Group Call](#) crossover with LD4 Discovery Affinity Group
  - Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 9am PT / 12pm ET / 17:00 UTC / 6pm CET ([Time zone converter](#))
  - Huda Khan (Cornell University) and Astrid Usong (Stanford University) on their Linked Data for Production 3 (LD4P3) grant work to use Wikidata in knowledge panels in Cornell's library catalog
  - Join the Discovery Affinity Group call on **Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 9am PT / 12pm ET / 17:00 UTC / 6pm CET** ([Time zone converter](#)) to learn more

about the discovery and UX design of the knowledge panels in Cornell's library catalog

- Zoom:  
<https://cornell.zoom.us/j/177198322?pwd=U1N1bVp3K0ZZU3NsaUQzSU RkT0JhQT09> (password: "pizza")
- Next [Wikibase Working Hour](#):
  - 11 March 2022, 11AM-12PM Eastern US [Time zone converter](#)
  - [Registration link](#)
  - Introduction to Linked Open Data Strategy with Lea Voget, Head, Product Management WMDE. Lea is not only the team lead of product, project and program managers at WMDE, she is also one of the main thinkers behind the Linked Open Data strategy.
- [Data Reuse Days](#) - March 14-24th
- [Community Meetings on Wikidata Query Service](#)
  - 1. \*WDQS scaling community meeting 1/2: SPARQL query features\* - Thursday, February 17 · 18:00 UTC Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/beu-fxov-etm>  
Or dial: (US) +1 413-341-4301 PIN: 108 765 815#
  - 2. \*WDQS scaling community meeting 2/2: RDF store backend needs\* - Monday, February 21 · 18:00 UTC Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/skc-engb-bpr>  
Or dial: (US) +1 601-803-2313 PIN: 499 480 133#
- [Smithsonian Library & Archives and Wikidata](#) by Jackie Shieh
- New tool—[Basque version of Wordle](#) using Wikidata lexographic data

## Help us organise the LD4-Wikidata affinity group!

We're moving to make it easier for more of us to participate in organising LD4-Wikidata affinity group programming! Here's what you can expect in coming weeks:

- Starting **this month**, we're opening up coordination meetings + channel on Slack
  - Coordination meetings take place once a month!
    - Current schedule: Monday at 1pm PT/4pm ET ([Time zone converter](#))
    - Next call -- save the date: [February 14 at 1pm PST/4pm EST](#) (Zoom link in channel)
  - Join LD4 Slack channel [#wikidata-coordination](#) to join the conversation and get further updates!
- Anyone can sign up for various rotational roles and propose group call/working hour topics, either during each organising meeting or in the days following through the coord Slack
- Runsheets will be available for each role, and role hand-off will be a team effort. Depending on capacity/comfort level, you are welcome to take on a smaller role then grow into bigger roles.
- Here are roles that we've identified as gaps! These are some starting points, but we invite any and all sorts of contribution based on your skillset:
  - note-taking for a call
  - documentation -- help refine and build on key pages, and continue to develop/nudge others to add content
  - help communicate/promote programming
  - present during a group call on some topic

- lead a working hour on some topic
- help facilitate calls

## Weekly summary

Listed in [Wikidata:Status updates](#) and posted to the [mailing list](#) / [on-wiki](#) to your talk page

- Help write [the next summary](#)!
- Recent summaries
  - [Week before 2022-01-31](#)
  - [Week before 2022-02-07](#)

## More editing communities

- [Live Wikidata Editing](#), a Wikipedia Weekly Network live streaming show hosted by Jan Ainali and Albin Larsson. Wide variety of topics covered, archive of YouTube videos going back to March 2020.
- Telegram Wikidata channels:
  - Join Wikidata channel: <https://t.me/joinchat/IeCRo0j5Uag1qR4Tk8Ftsg>
  - Join Wikidata Help channel: <https://t.me/wikidatachat>
  - Join Wikidata Ex Música channel: <https://t.me/exmusica>

Join Wikidata Lexicographical data: <https://t.me/joinchat/TwVx898JKJTAajm4>

## LD4 Wikidata Affinity Group Calendar

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- **Wikidata Affinity Group Call**
  - Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 9am PT / 12pm ET / 17:00 UTC / 6pm CET ([Time zone converter](#))
- **Wikidata Working Hour**
  - Friday, March 4, 2022 at 10:00am PT / 1:00pm ET / 18:00 UTC / 7:00pm CET ([Time zone converter](#))