

# PROFILES AND EXTENSIONS



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# Todays hands on workshops



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Basics

- Now
- Tour through the DATEX Level A data model
- Creating of profiles
  - Data selection
  - Creation of subschemas
- Usage of extensions
  - Extension of the model with new content
- Creation of publications
- Perspective on current developments (e.g. intelligent truck parking)





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An open, interoperable interface specification for the machine to machine exchange of dynamic road traffic and travel data between traffic centres and with third parties, including broadcasters and providers of commercial ITS services

Consists of a set of artefacts:

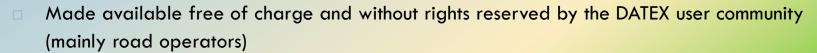
■ Methodology (Meta data model 

UML 1.4.2, rules)

partly

- Data model (dynamic road traffic data)
- Software to generate data schema (~ message syntax)
- Documentation partly

Based on general accepted IT standards (UML, XML, http, ...)



⇒ standardized as CEN/TS 16157 Part 1 − Part 5 (as Technical Specification)

(in a modified form, but content consistent)

# DATEX Methodology



Basis for the mapping of the data model in UML and for the creation of profiles and extensions

Based on the division into three model levels:

M0: Data

M1: Data model

■ M2: Meta model

Where appropriate in this lecture, this methodology document is quoted.

Methodology document DATEX II v2.2 MODELLING METHODOLOGY Document version: 2.2 31 May 2013 European Commission Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport Copyright © 2013

# Elements of DATEX II (v2.2)



#### Reference documents (normative)

- Data model (UML, as EAP-file or for web browser)
- Methodology (file "DATEX\_II\_Metodology.pdf")
- XML schema
- XML-schema & software tool (Windows .NET) to generate a schema
- Exchange specification: text document (PDF) & WSDL-files
- Additional documents (informative)
  - Handbooks for users, for software development and the creation of extensions
  - Documentation of the platform independent exchange (Exchange-PIM)
  - Data Dictionary
  - Handbook for the XML schema generation tool
  - Example messages

### DATEX II data model

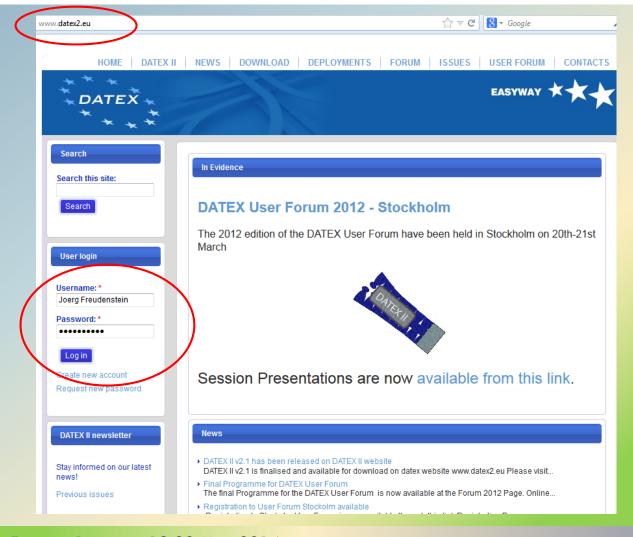


- The data model (and all other files mentioned) are available on the DATEX website.
- To get access on the current documents, a login (free registration) is necessary:

http://www.datex2.eu

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The reference set of documentation defining the DATEX II specifications is downloadable from this page. This documentation set constitutes the official release of DATEX II.

#### The set comprises:

- the data model and the modelling methodology used to build it
- the XML schema and the tool used to automatically generate it from the data model
- the exchange platform specific model.

Further useful information for understanding and using this documentation set can be found at Supporting Documentation.

- DATEX II Schema generation tool 2.1
- DATEX II v2.1 Releases Notes
- DATEX II PIM v2.1
- ▶ DATEX II Exchange PSM
- ▶ DATEX II XML Schema 2.1
- DATEX II Modelling Methodology 2.1

### DATEX II data model



The data model (DATEX II PIM v2.2) is available as

- Enterprise Architect format (.eap) (see before)
- In HTML format for web browser, as offline ZIP or online browseable:

http://www.datex2.eu/datexmodel/HTML.Version 2.2/index.htm

TamTam research developed an alternative online browser to search through the DATEX model:

http://datexbrowser.tamtamresearch.com

# **Enterprise Architect**



Inexpensive UML modelling tool used to view

To obtain from Sparx Systems:

http://www.sparxsystems.com/

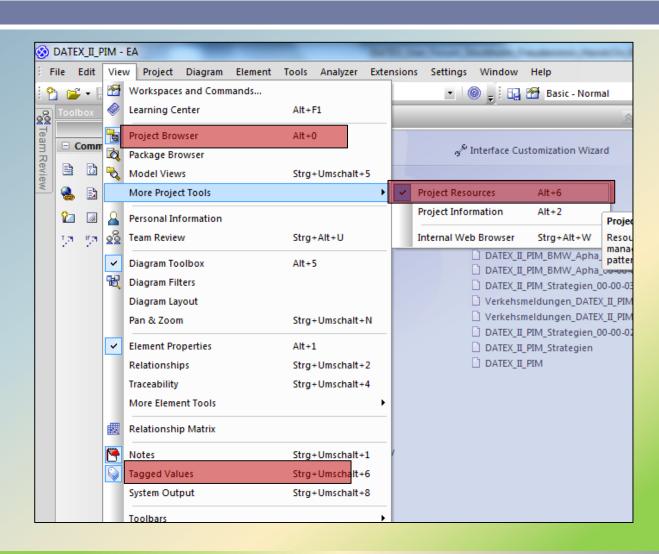
There is also a free version (viewing only) available!





#### Settings in Enterprise Architect

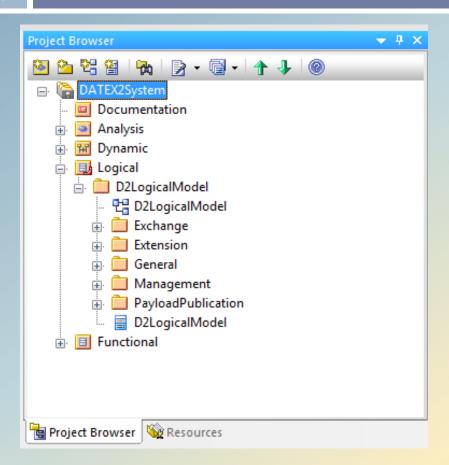




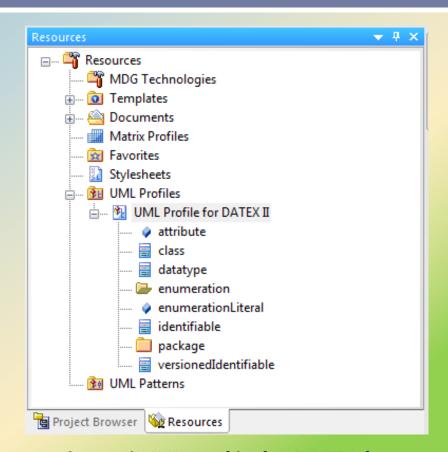
#### Project Browser and Resources



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Entry point for the model: D2LogicalModel



Special UML profile for DATEX for the generation of preconfigured UML elements

#### Tagged Values



Tagged values offer userdefined additional information and consist of a 'tag' and an associated 'value' element.

Within the meaning of UML (1.4!) tagged values can be associated to any element in any quantity.

In terms of the DATEX methodology, the used tagged values are well defined, however.

Tagged Values	<b>★</b> ‡ X	
<b>1</b>	<u>1</u> 2↓ 🌣 💌 ×   🦠 🕳 🐵	
☐ Class (D2LogicalModel)		
changed	new	
definition	The DATEX II logical model comprising exchange, content	
extensionName	ParkingExtension	
extensionVersion	0.3	
modelBaseVersion	2	
origin	- null -	
originalCode	- null -	
originalName	- null -	
rootElement	d2LogicalModel	
type	content	
version	2.2	

#### Tagged Values (cont.)



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⊟	Attribute (measurementOrCalculationPeriod)		
	definition	The time elapsed between the beginning and the end of the sampling or measurement period. This item may differ from the unit attribute; e	
	order	0	
		DATE!	

#### Two important DATEX tagged values:

#### definition

A definition for <u>each</u> component, attribute, literal and package. It becomes part of the schema and can be visualized by software tools.

#### order

An information for the relative position of this element within the schema.

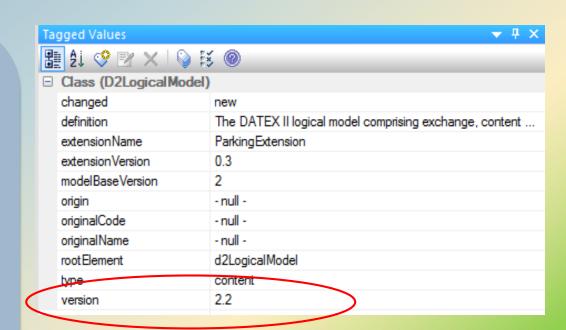
#### Check for the current version



Current version of DATEX II is 2.2.

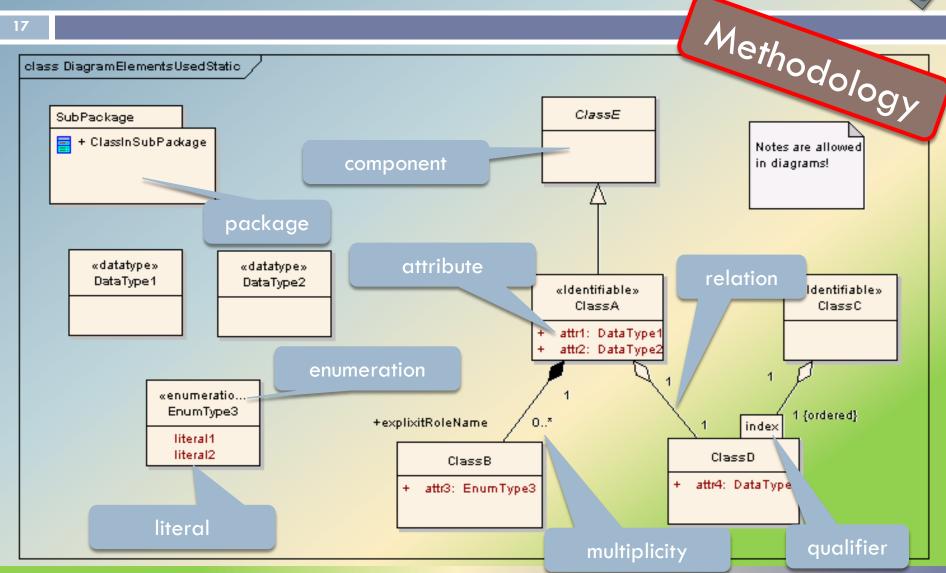
(2.3. to come this year)
Older versions should not be used unless there is a need for it.

You can find the version information as a tagged value on the component ,D2LogicalModel'



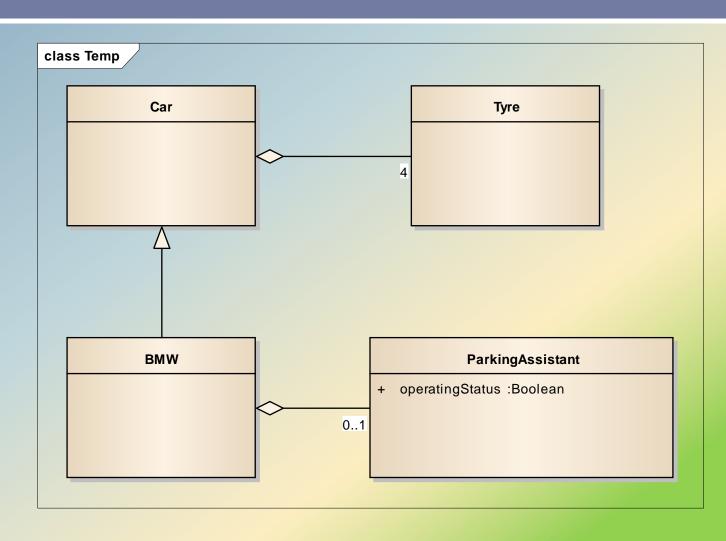






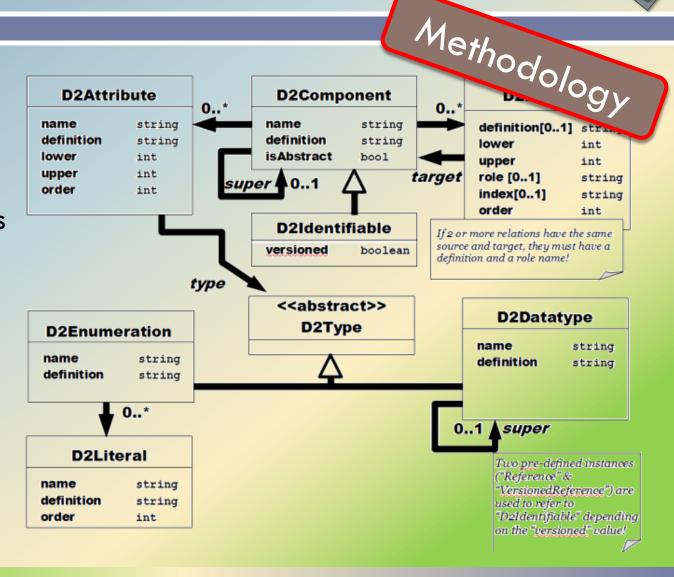
#### UML example





#### An aside:

Attributes, relations etc. for DATEX are defined in a meta model with the means of UML

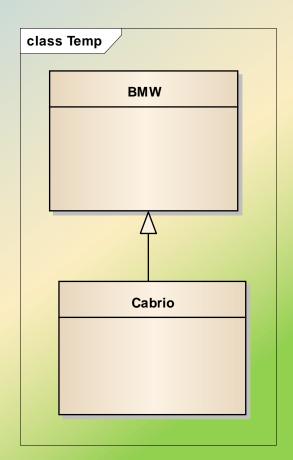


#### Different Views in Enterprise Architect



The data model can be visualized through customized figures.
These figures all access the same data basis - the data model.

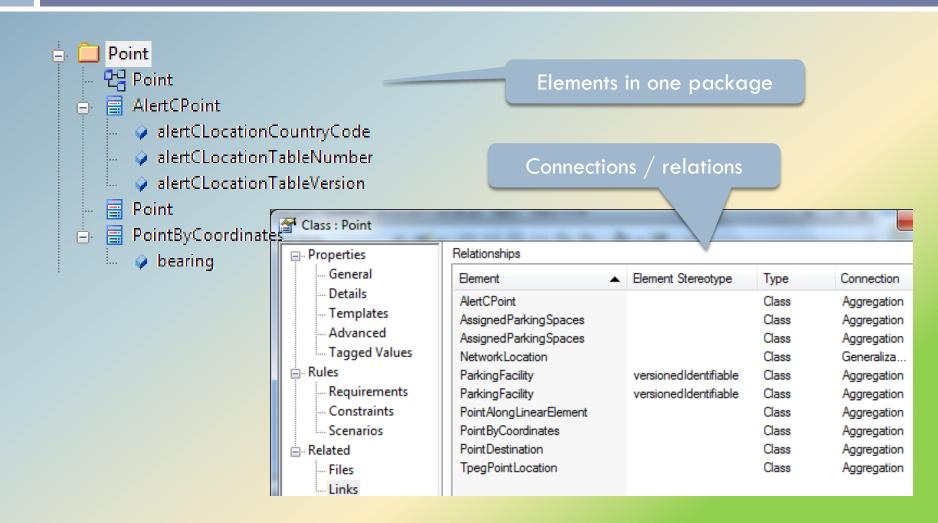
Multiple figures can not contradict each other, but they can offer different views. They can focus different details or hide some elements.



This is no contradiction to the example before. A Cabrio is also a car and may have a parking assistent.

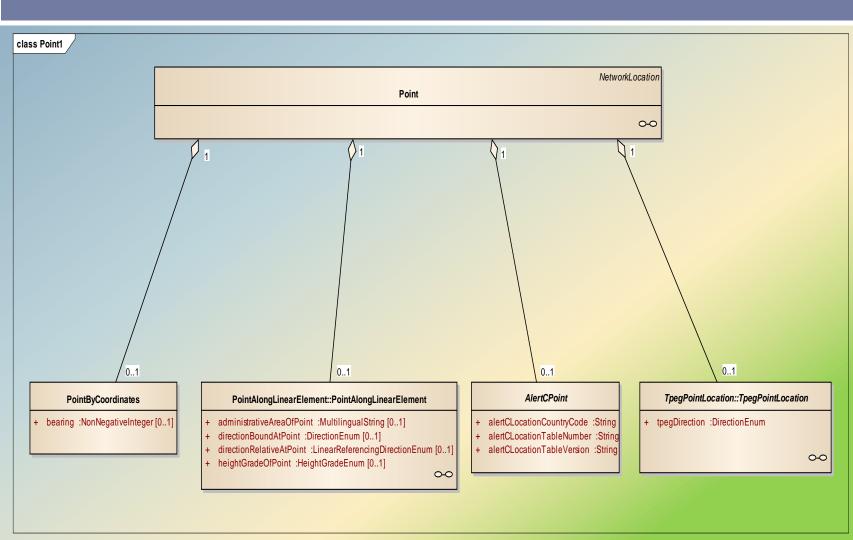
### Data basis ("the truth")





#### Views on the Point item

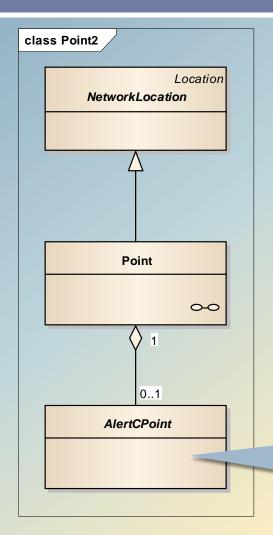




#### Views on the Point item



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In this view, the possibility to express a point by coordinates is not shown, however, this is still a valid method.

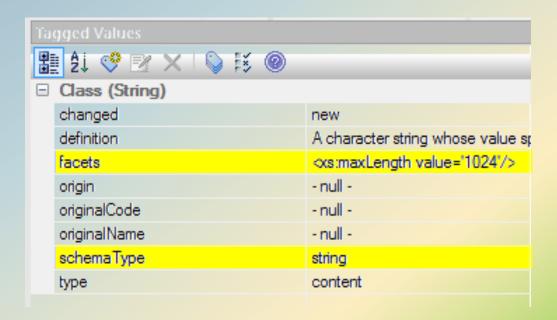
A little awkward, because mandatory attributes are not shown. Anyway, it's not forbidden.

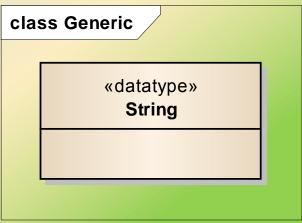
### Data types



All used (simple) data types are also realized in the form of DATEX components. A distinction is made between generic and specific data types. The latter are

DATEX simple data types are mapped to the corresponding XSD simple types (using the tagged value 'schemaType').

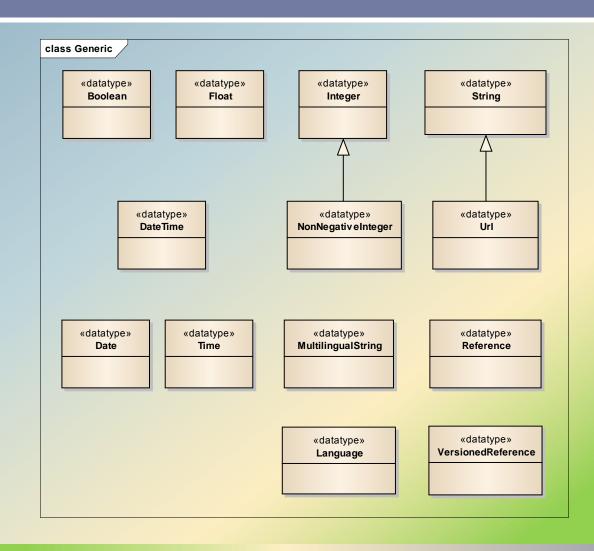




derived from the generic types.

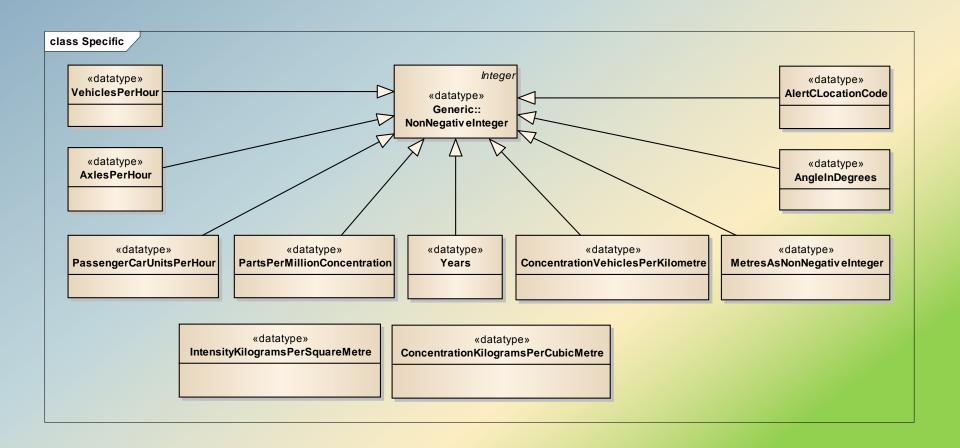
### Data types (generic)





### Data types (specific I)

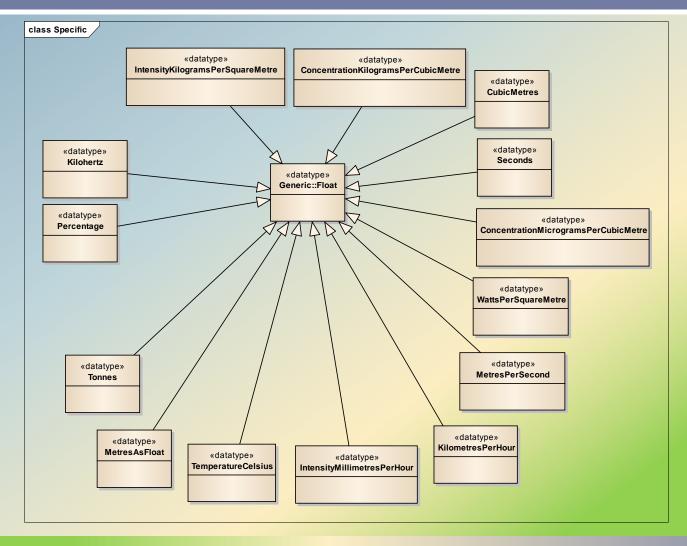




## Data types (specific II)







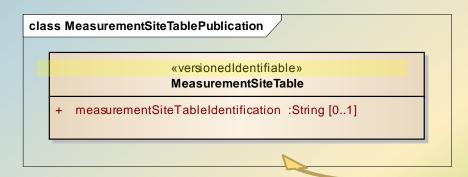
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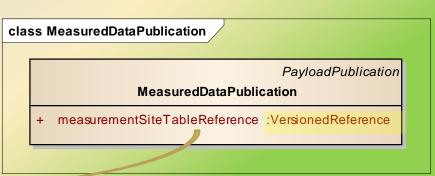


Using cross references as an alternative to direct aggregation or between different messages

Example: Relationship between static data (e.g. infrastructure information) and dynamic data (e.g. high-frequency measurements)

- Identification by stereotype 'identifiable'
   (using an ID "unique in space and time")
- Reference with data type 'Reference '
- Different versions: Usage of 'versionedIdentifiable' and 'VersionedReference '.





#### References in XML instance example



#### Definition of MeasurementSiteTable in static message:

```
<measurementSiteTable id="92126FC7-3D2E-4AAE-A1AC-FE33812D572F" version="1">
        <measurementSiteTableIdentification>Diebg12</measurementSiteTableIdentification>
        <measurementSiteRecord id="C69BE0FB-CA4C-43CE-A00F-9B3A77E5CB86" version="1">
              <measurementEquipmentTypeUsed>
```

#### Reference in dynamic message:

a so called UUID was used (Universally Unique Identifier)





## CREATING PROFILES



# What is a DATEX II profile?



The DATEX data model (Level A) is complex and very extensive.

There is a large complete scheme (currently more than 15000 rows).

Communication systems usually require only a small part of the data model:

- Certain type of message
- Not all optional attributes
- Only certain enumerated values

Software costs often correspond to the number of classes

aim to minimize

- Therefore it is useful to implement only the actually required elements in the software
- → Tailored XML schema
- With respect to a particular use case this is called a DATEX II profile

# What is a DATEX II profile?



Thus a DATEX II profile is a selected subset of the DATEX Level A model

- But it can also contain additional extensions from LevelB
- Due to the backward compatibility of extensions:

  A communication partner who is able to communicate on the entire Level A, can always interpret any valid DATEX profile, even if there is a Level B extension included (in fact, this part is ignored then, but it does not fail)

# **Examples for DATEX II profiles**



- Profile for Truck Parking
- Profile for Traffic Messages

  (for the German Mobility Data Market Place MDM)
- Profile for Strategic Routing (which is a Level B extension)

A DATEX II profile is made up of a tailored XML-schema file and at best a documentation.

#### The DATEX Tool ("DATEX II Conversion") ...



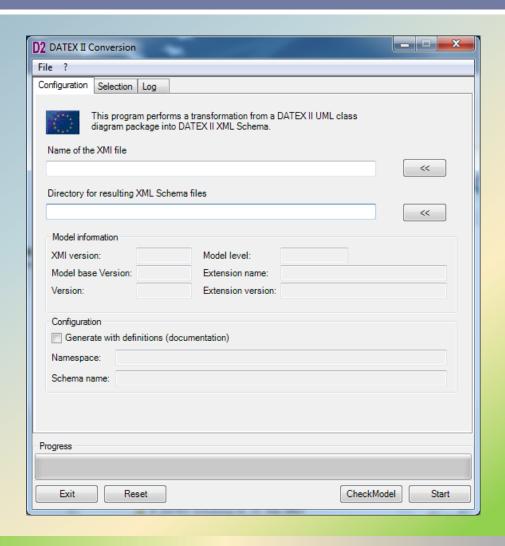
- was developed and is maintained by the DATEX Community
- is working on an XMI representation of the data model (export function in EA)
- verifies compliance with all rules of the meta model (see next slides)
- enables the selection of the desired data
- generates the customized schema file



### The DATEX Tool



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# <u>Selected</u> rules of methodology, <u>here</u> the example for attributes:



Methodology

- 5.2.3. UML Classes in DATEX II models may have UML Attributes.
- 5.2.4. UML Attributes shall have a "definition" UML TaggedValue.
- 5.2.5. UML Attributes shall have an assigned "type" element. The assigned type shall be a UML Class with UML Stereotype "datatype" (Note that built-in UML types are not allowed.) or it shall be a UML Enumeration. If the assigned type is either "Reference" or "VersionedReference", the UML Attribute shall have a "targetClass" UML TaggedValue, which shall provide a name of a UML Class that has an "identifiable" or "versionedIdentifiable" Stereotype assigned, respectively.
- 5.2.6. UML Attributes shall have an "order" UML TaggedValue. This order shall be a non negative integer and all order values of attributes of the same UML Class shall be unique within this UML Class.
- 5.2.7. UML Attributes may have a "multiplicity" element attached. In case multiplicity is not provided explicitly, a default value of "1..1" is used.
- 5.2.8. UML Attributes names have a global name scope in DATEX II, i.e. two UML Attributes with the same name shall have the same definition and type values.

#### <u>Selected</u> rules of methodology, <u>here</u> the example for attributes:



Methodology

- 5.2.3. UML Classes in DATEX II models may have UML Attributes.
- 5.2.4. V
- Classes may have attributes. Attributes need a tagged value ,definition' (as well as all other DATEX elements, too)

"versionealaentitiable otereotype assignea, respectively.

- Attributes need a tagged value ,order' as well as a multiplicity
- 5.2.7. UML Attributes may have a multiplicity element attached in case multiplicity is not
- If an attribute appears more than once, name, definition and type must be identical

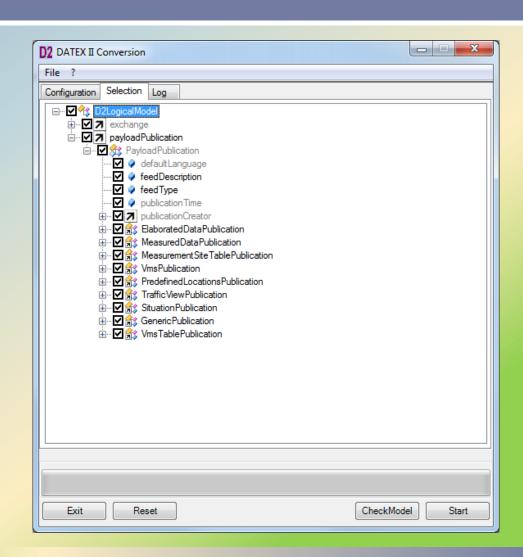
#### Three possibilities of selection



Selection of

components

- Modification of multiplicities
- Selection of enumeration literals

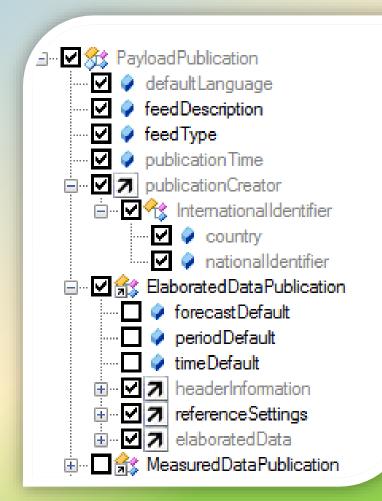


## 1) Selection of components



Naturally, this is the strongest possibility of reduction because all types of messages and / or message parts may be omitted

- Mandatory elements or parts (grey) can not be deselected
- Parts of multiple use can only be either completely dropped or allowed anywhere (improvement at this point is planned)



## 2) Modification of multiplicity of attributes or aggregations



Possible since DATEX II version 2.1

To keep compatibility to Level A, only the following changes are possible:

- Increasing the lower boundary
- Decreasing the upper boundary
- ... but in each case not about the other limit.

#### **Examples:**

- An optional attribute can be set mandatory:  $0..1 \rightarrow 1..1$
- An unlimited attribute can be limited:  $0..n \rightarrow 0..3$
- Limitation can be made stronger:  $1..4 \rightarrow 2..3$
- But for a simple mandatory attribute (1..1), multiplicity cannot be modified any more.



Visualisation of this issue in Enterprise Architect is difficult, because the Level A model would be changed.

## 3) Selection of enumeration literals



Possible since DATEX II version 2.1

The DATEX II data model contains a lot of enumerations, some of them with a huge amount of literals.

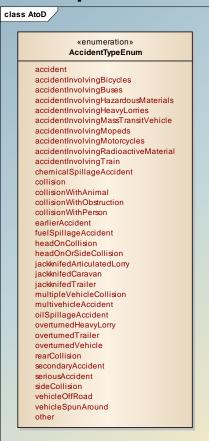
- Communication systems often only use few literals, e.g. only 'accident' and 'serious accident'
- Keeping the literal ,other' is useful for later changes or extensions.

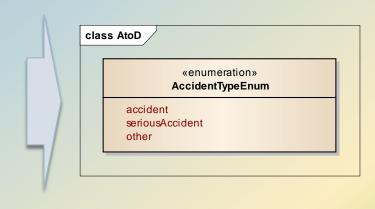
Visualisation of this method is possible in Enterprise Architect because in <u>every</u> figure attributes and literals can be made (in)visible.

## 3) Selection of enumeration literals

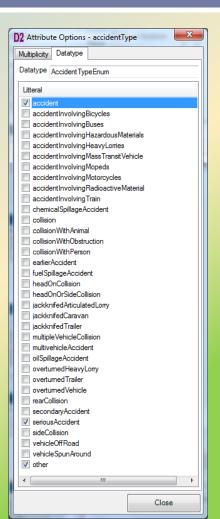


#### **Enterprise Architect**





DATEX Tool



## **Profiling**



- The applied selection (in all three mentioned forms) can be saved with the tool and can be reloaded (i.e. applied) at a later point of time.
- This way a simple reconstruction of the profile is possible at any time.
- Final outcome of the tool is the correspondingly reduced XML schema file (.xsd)

## Summary



- Using the freely available DATEX tool, the Level A model can be adapted to the respective application.
- The result is a slim XML schema that is nevertheless understood by all systems that dominate the Level A model.
- By selections and restrictions, the content that is expected in the message can be focused very precisely.
- By limiting the elements actually needed, the software development costs can be kept as low as possible.
- Profiles can also be extended with level B extensions (see following chapter).





# MODELING AND USAGE OF EXTENSIONS



## DATEX data model ,interoperability levels'



#### Level A

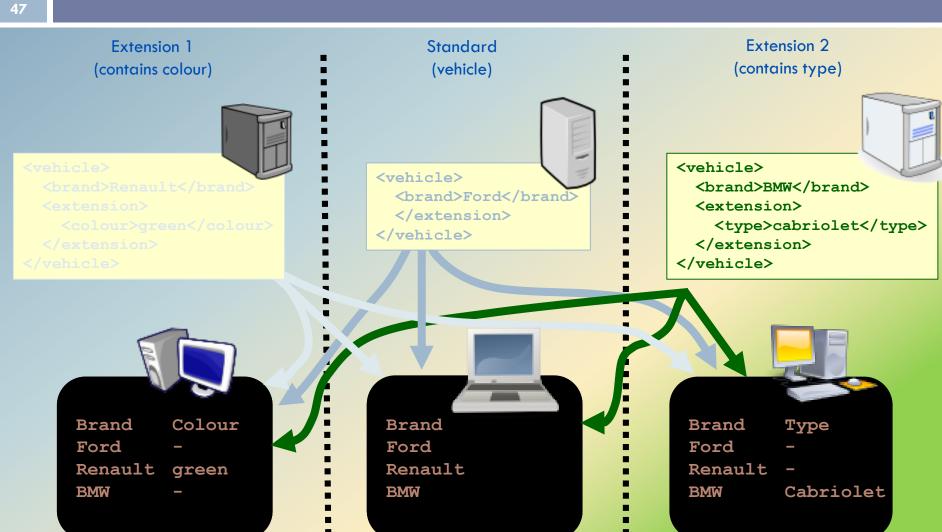
- ,Existing' data model
- Data catalogue, ontology, data registry, ....
- The Level A model is 'fix' and can only be adjusted within new DATEX versions, but not in general (but see also profile creation)

#### Level B

- Backward compatible extension/amendment to Level A
- Level C
  - Completely independent, no longer to Level A compatible scheme which corresponds to the DATEX methodology anyway.

#### Level B extensions: The principle





#### Rules for extensions



A model that is conforming to this Technical Specification may be except to an existing model (dec. 2) core model in this clause), or they may create a new model not compatible to any previous model, but nevertheless using the methodology provided within this Technical Specification and – potentially – reusing classes taken from other, existing models. A compatible extension is denoted within this Technical Specification as a

All extensions shall fully comply with all other rules presented so far in this document.

level B extension. Non-compatible extensions are denoted as level C extensions.

An extended model shall provide extension name and version number in two tagged values called "extensionName" and "extensionVersion" on the "d2LogicalModel" element and on any other root level elements (defined using a "rootElement" tagged value), that shall be usable in conjunction with extended elements.

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A model that is conforming to this Technical Specification may be extensions may either seek backwards compatibility to an existing model (den. 9)

Level B is backward compatible.

Level C not.

Extensions must follow the basic rules for Level A.

element and on any other root level elements (detined using a "rootElement" tagged

The tagged values ,ExtensionName' and ,ExtensionVersion' are to be used.

#### Rules for extensions



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Classes belonging to an extension and having a superclass not belonging to the extension (i.e. extension classes that inherit from the core model) shall have an "extension" tagged value with values either "levelb" or "levelc". Extensions that do not add new root classes (i.e. classes that have a "rootElement" tagged value) are called "level B extensions". These extensions shall set the "extension" tagged values to "levelb". They are backwards compatible with the standard model on message level. Extensions that introduce new root classes are called "level C extensions" and shall set the "extensions" tagged value to "levelc".

- Classes belonging to an extension may not become superclasses of classes in the core model, i.e. specializations from a class from the extension to a class in the core model may not be added to the model.
- UML Associations may be added to the extended model that have a core model class on their source end and an extension class on their target end. Thus, existing classes from the core model may become components from containers in the extensions model (class reuse), but classes from the extensions shall not become components of existing containers in the core model.
- Data types and enumerations of the core model may be reused in extensions.

#### Rules for extensions



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The base class of the extension must get a tagged value ,extension' – ,levelb' or ,levelc'.

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backwards compatible with the standard model on message level. Extensions that introduce new root classes

Extension classes must not be a superclass for a Level A component.

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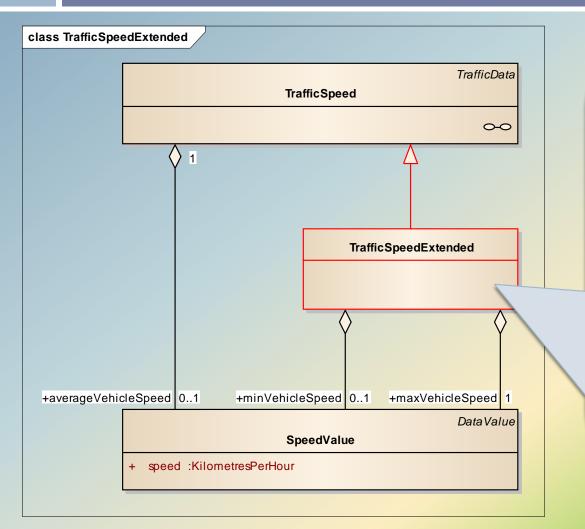
Extension classes may use existing Level A classes (aggregation), but not vice versa

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Enumerations from Level A may be used.

### Level B Extension





This is no generalisation/ specialisation, although the same symbol – a sharp arrow - is used.

For a better distinction, it is possible to colour it in red, for example (informal).

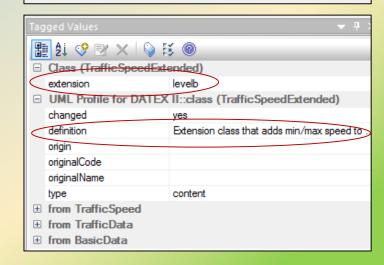
The DATEX tool will identify the difference by the tagged value "extension" - "levelb"

## Mandatory tagged values (also in Level A)



- "definition" text
- for every package
- for every component (including enumerations)
- for every attribute
- for every literal
- for aggregations, if there are two aggregations connecting the same objects (,parallel')
- "order" number, must be unique within this object
- for every attribute
- for every literal
- for every aggregation (at the ,target')
- "extension" "levelb"
  - Only for the root components of a level B extension (not their successors)
- "extensionName" and "extensionVersion"
  - Only in component "D2LogicalModel", if the model is extended
- "targetClass" <name of the target component>
  - Only for attributes of type "Reference" or "Versioned Reference". The type of the target component has to be specified there.

#### Class (TrafficSpeedExtended)

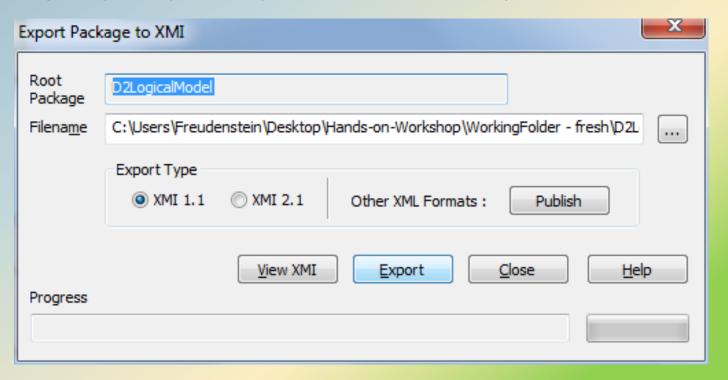


## XMI export in EA

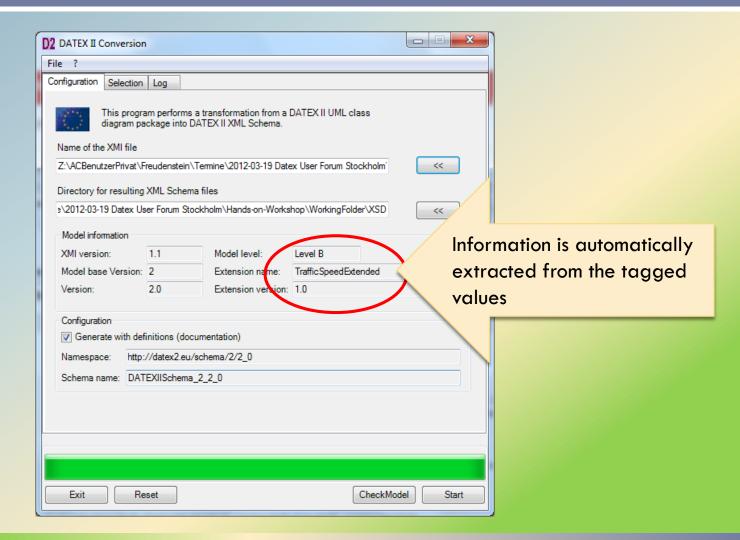


The exchange format between UML and the DATEX Tool is the standardized XMI (1.1)

The complete package "D2LogicalModel" has to be exported.

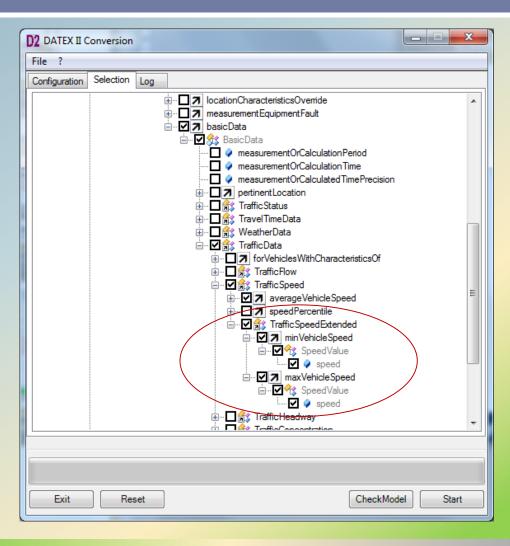






#### Selection of the extension in the official DATEX Tool





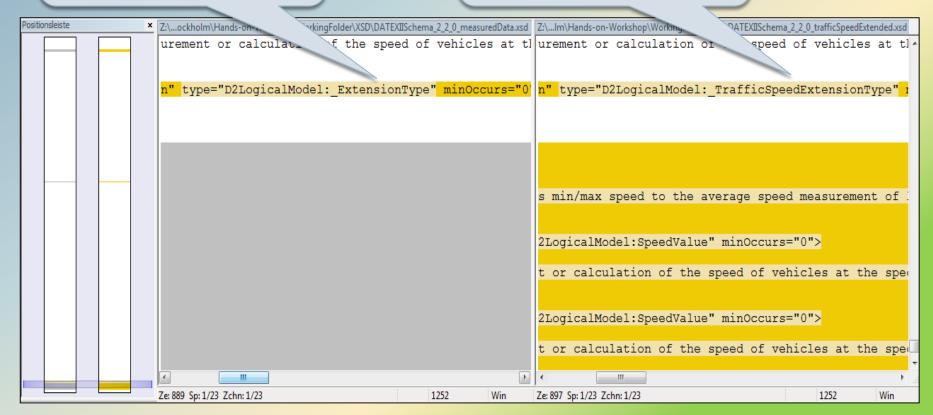
## Comparison extended schema (right side) with not extended (left side) schema



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<u>Every</u> component points to a default \_ExtensionType

In Level B extensions, this is extension is specified individually



# XML instance with additional values in the extensional part

```
<D2LogicalModel:measurementTimeDefault>2013-03-19109:15:04.0Z
D2LogicalModel:measurementTimeDefault>
       <D2LogicalModel:measuredValue index="0">
          <D2LogicalModel:measuredValue>
            <D2LogicalModel:basicData xsi:type="D2LogicalModel:TrafficSpeed">
               <D2LogicalModel:averageVehicleSpeed>
                 <D2LogicalModel:speed>47</D2LogicalModel:speed>
               </D2LogicalModel:averageVehicleSpeed>
               <D2LogicalModel:trafficSpeedExtension>
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          </D2LogicalModel:measuredValue>
       </D2LogicalModel:measuredValue>
```

## Validation XML against schema

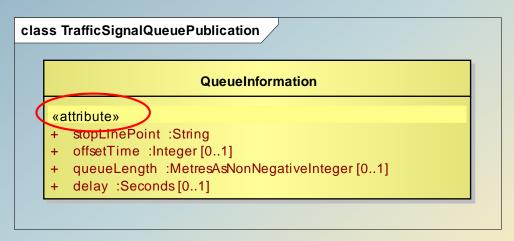


XML instance	XSD (schema)	validates?
Without bug in XML	TrafficSpeedExtended	Yes
	D2	Yes
With bug in Level A	TrafficSpeedExtended	No
	D2	No
With bug in Level B	<b>TrafficSpeedExtended</b>	No
	D2	Yes

#### Inline attributes



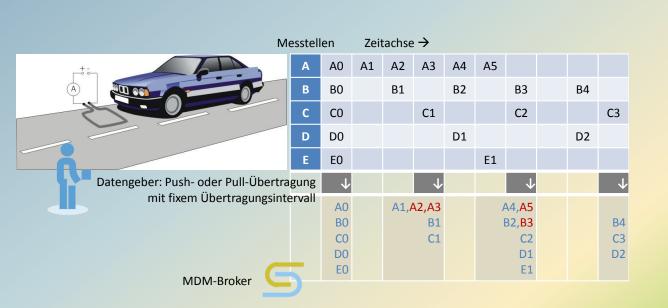
To obtain particularly slim XML instances (for example, for high-frequency signals) the modelling of <u>inline attributes</u> is possible:

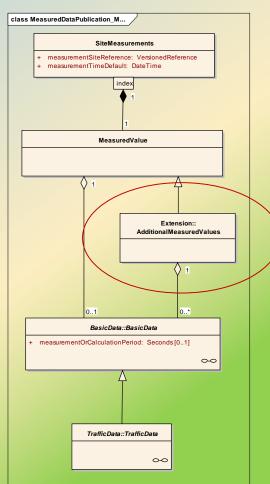


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☐ Attribute (stopLinePoint)				
attribute yes				
targetClass StopLinePoint				
☐ UML Profile for DATEX II::attribute (stopLinePoint)				
changed new				
definition Reference to a static stopLinePoin	Reference to a static stopLinePoint			
order 0	0			
origin - null -				
originalCode - null -				
originalName - null -				
type content				
☐ from String				
schema Type string				
facets <pre> <xs:maxlength value="1024"></xs:maxlength></pre>				

#### Example of an extension (measurements)







#### Published extensions and profiles



The publication of extensions and profiles on the DATEX website is not mandatory

But this increases the publicity, if standardisation is desired.

Version: 0.0			
Version: 2.2			
Title			
Traffic Light Information			
Version: 2.1			
Title			
Italian Motorways Operators DATEX II Profile and Extensions			
Travel Times and Traffic Condition			
DATEX II profile for Mobile Lane Closure Trailers			
Version: 2.0			
Title			
Data model for TMPs and Navigation systems			

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	Versio	1: 2.2
Title	Country	Organization
Parking Publication Extension v0.5	Germany	AlbrechtConsult GmbH
Linear By Coordinates	Germany	AlbrechtConsult GmbH
OpenLR Extension 1.5	Sweden, Netherlar	Swedish Transport Administration, TomTor Ids International B.V. Dutch Nationa DataWarehouse for Traffic Information (NDW)
	Versio	n: 2.1
Title	Country	Organization
VMS Operational Exchange and TMP Management	Italy	IT Motorways DATEX group
	Versio	n: 2.0
Title	Country	Organization
LineString extension	Sweden	Viati
Road Infrastructure Publication Extension	Portugal	Armis - Sistemas de Informação, Ida
	Version:	2.0 RC2
Title	Country	Organization
Data Quality Publication Extension	UK/England	Highways Agency
CCTV Publications Extension Updated	UK / England	Highways Agency
	Version:	2.0 RC1
Title	Country	Organization
VMS Publication Extension	Italy / England	Autostrada per l'Italia and The Highway: Agency (England)
Catalogue Extension	Germany	GEVAS software GmbH
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## Thank you

