

WP12 Status and Outlook EU Review of Molto 2012

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Context

- Be Informed offers **ontology** driven support throughout policy lifecycle
 - Business processes, products and decisions, registrations, interaction
 - Drafting, choosing, communicating, executing, evaluating
- Multi lingual, because
 - Customers are offering multi lingual services (for example: immigrations, Dutch government in the Caribbean)
 - Customers are sharing international models (for example: Europe, emission trading)
 - Be Informed is developing international business
- Natural language, because
 - New audiences for ontologies (domain experts, policy makers, citizens)
 - Models lead to specification, documentation, case documents and letters





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Status

- Developed a first verbalization engine in house
 - Pattern Sentences approach works, but will not scale easily across languages, and is sometimes not grammatically correct/fluent in more complex cases
 - Published at EKAW and CNL, interest from customers
- Joined Molto consortium on January 1 2012
- Kickoff in Goteborg
- Started requirements for verbalization component
 - Draft Outline shared with Partners
- Started a joint paper between Monnet and Molto people
 - GF and lemon integration in ontology lexicalization and verbalization
 - Static, consensus based Types with complex lexical conseqences
 - Vs. Dynamic Instances with simple labels







Areas of Requirements

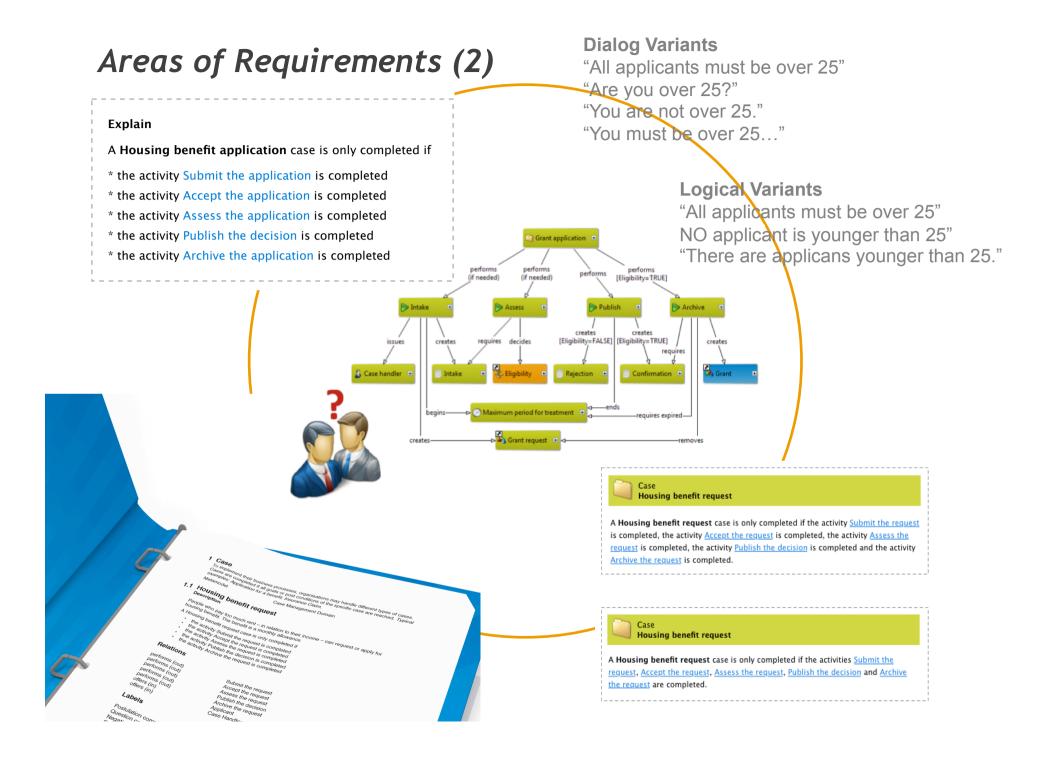
- Ontology verbalization: sentence planning, grammar integration with ontology types and instances
- Variant generation
 - Dialog: ask, tell, explain
 - Logical: texts supporting validation and review
- HCI: integrating generated text in interactive applications
- Embed grammar development in our modeling method.
 - Including role descriptions/prerequisites that match Industry profiles
 - And task models: New grammars vs extending grammars vs translation
- Evaluation: Measuring quality/appreciation/impact in actual use?
 - Grammar Quality
 - Verbalization over other representations





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Customer Involvement

- We seek active participation/consultation of our customers
- Earlier papers on verbalization were shared and presented on Be Informed Customer Event
- Initial interest is shown by large department
 - They investigate adopting current component
 - Discussed possibility to evaluate on site or share experiences in a publication
- Broad public sector representation is expected on public event in September during plenary of both Molto and Monnet in Utrecht
 - Much requested follow up on last years session, organized with Dutch immigrations and Monnet, also in Utrecht







Next steps

- Complete Requirements Analysis (=D12.1)
- Decide what is needed as contribution from UGot in WP12
- Choose which colleagues will do grammar development based on discussion on roles and method
 - Engineers and/or content professionals
 - Organize training
- Start GF integration by replacing current verbalization component (=M12.1)









Questions?

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