Semantic Web and Archives

Describing things and documenting actions

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What we want

- Publish data from our AIS (database) as linked data
- To be open, linkable and to link to
  - Libraries
  - Government agencies
  - Digital humanities
- Limit to publicly accessible data (openness via data protection)
What we publish

- Four different «business objects» (for now)
  - Units of description: Isad(G)-structured record tree
  - Descriptors: Internally used thesauri
  - Partner data: Government agencies, private persons and organisations
  - Delivery data: Information about delivery
Vocabs, vocabs, vocabs

- How to describe all that?
  - PREMIS: very useful
  - RIC: unfinished since ...
  - xIsad(G)
  - FOAF
  - DC
  - Unfinished business