Notes and Highlights from SharePSI 2.0 workshop in Lisbon 3-4 December

These notes do not replace the official minutes but are personal findings supplementary to the offical minutes.

- ☐ Licensing Open Data is significantly different subject from Open Source software licenses. Topics to be addressed are liability for correctness, completeness and veracity of the data, as well as restrictions on or conditions for its (re)use, e.g. the requirement for payment, or a prohibition of enrichment. The discussion provided valuable insights for discussion on a UDEF public license.
- ☐ The Polytechnical University of Madrid has developed a database that holds all known Open Licenses in RDF-format and intends to further develop this as a tool for automatic application of license data in machine-machine communication.
- ☐ In some legislations it can occur that public domain data become licensed data after privatisation of the former public organisation holding the data. (British Royal Mail case in casu the not anymore public address database).
- ☐ A vocabulary is seen as one of the necessary components of any semantic interoperability solution. UDEF may qualify as such. There is a strong need to publish any vocabulary in all EU languages (21). The use of English as a base language has significant drawbacks, as any other spoken language. If a (spoken) base language is unavoidable the datasource should define the base language, to limit the number of language translations as much as possible.
- ☐ For location based data the need for a GML (geography markup language) is identified. The OGC standard for representing spatial data doesnot fulfill this gap.
- ☐ Significant confusion exists about concepts of Open Data vs. Public Data vs. Personal Data vs. Private Data. Massive tresspassing on legislation occurs (e.g. people being seduced by large organisations to provide much more personal data then technically necessary to satisfy a request). Heterogeneous legislation and culture has been massively abused by (American) social networks and cloud services providers.