Is data sharing the privilege of a few? Bringing Linked Data to those without the Web

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Because

1) it describes an outrageous situation we created

2) requires a radical shift in our mindset and technologies

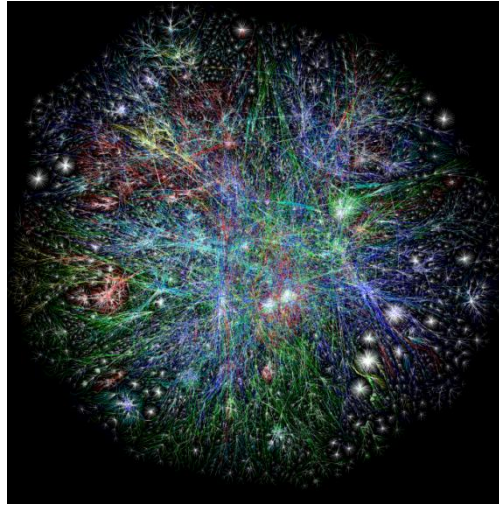# On building great data sharing technology for us only ...

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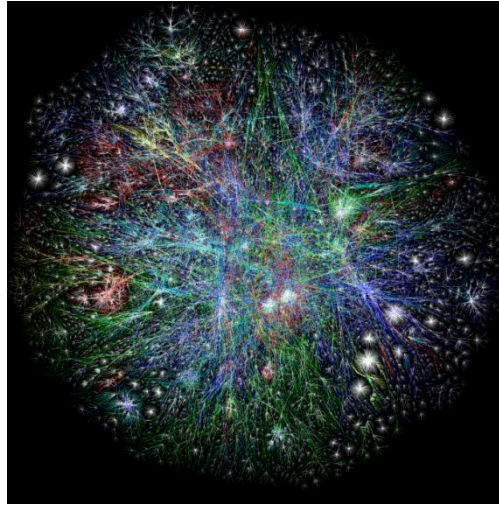

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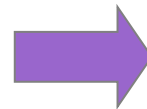
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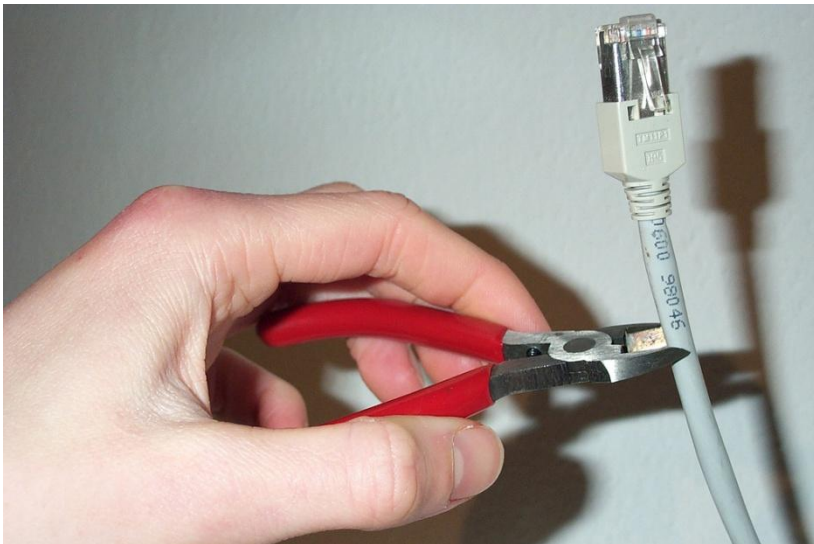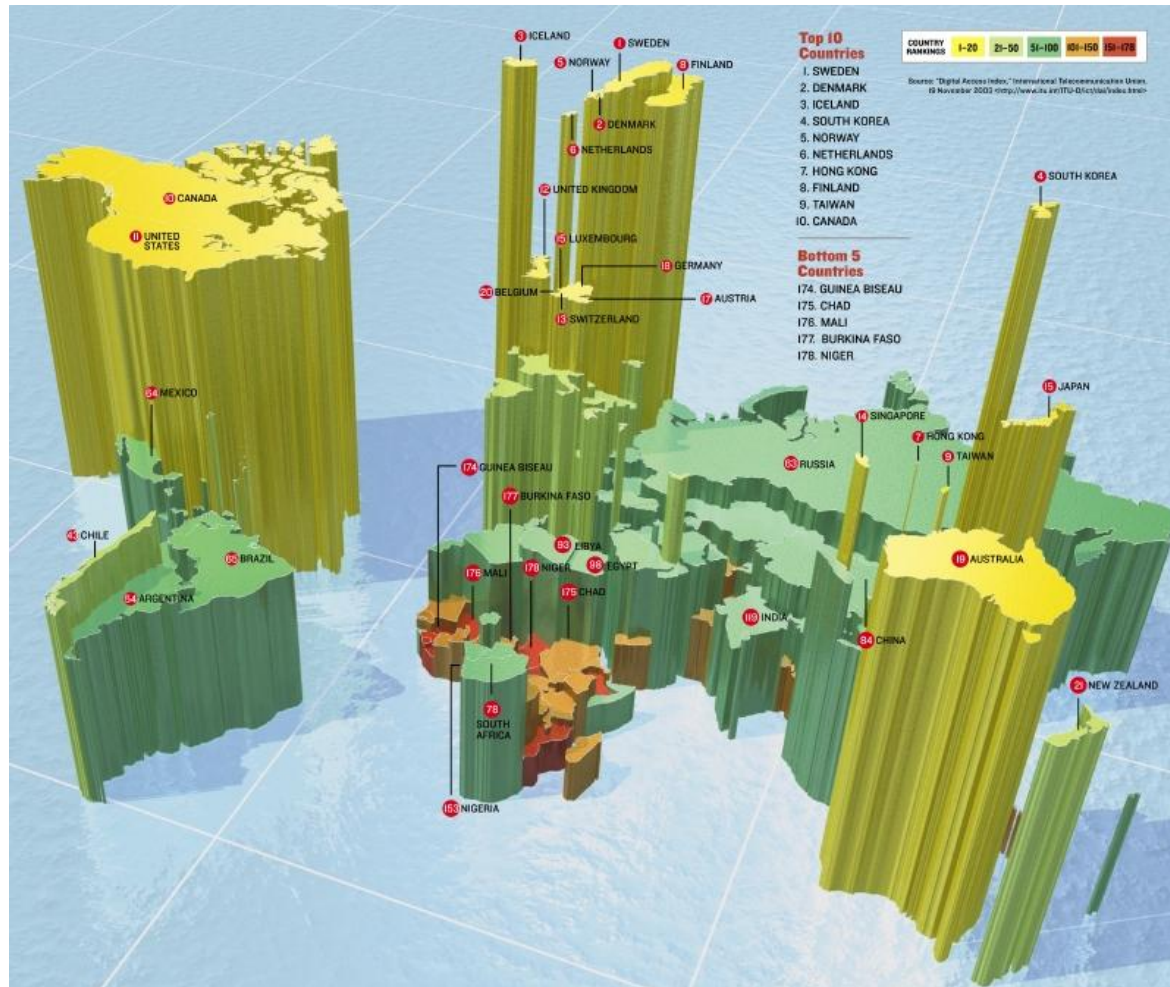Data center

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No Web = No Linked Data

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The Web is out of reach for the majority!

4.5B people don't have access to it

Main problems:

- No infrastructures

- Costly access

Digital divide

Not having the Web != Not sharing data

Market prices

Educational content

- They would benefit from Linked Data
  - but they can not use it!
- And we don't want a new divide, do we?

Our reaction ?

OR

Our reaction ?

Ha Ha!

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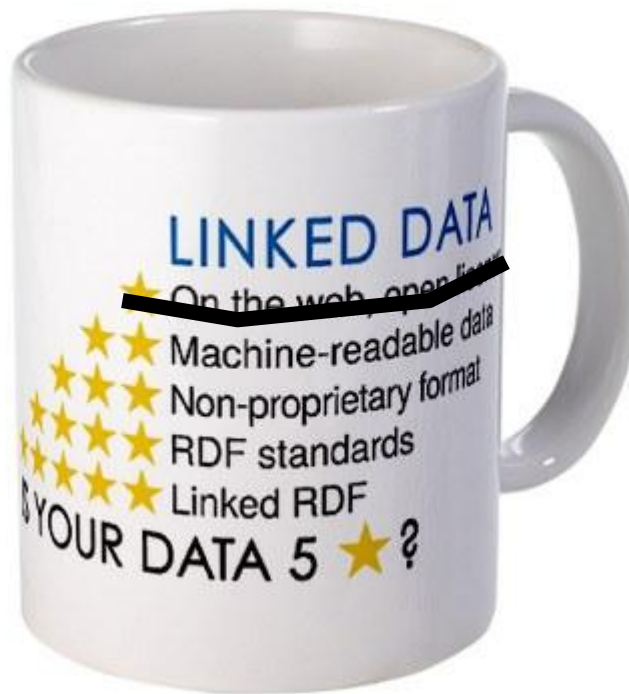Come back when
you have the Web !

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Let's share this technology *now*

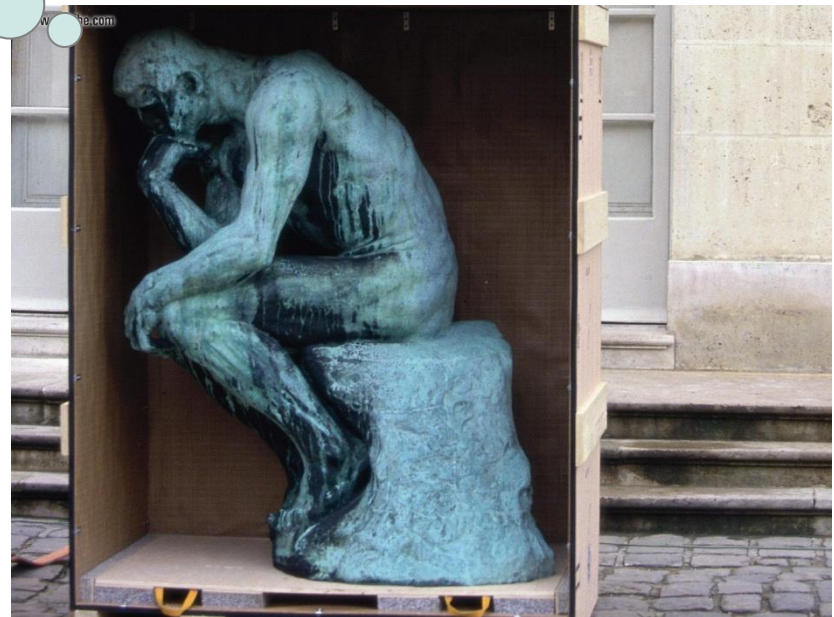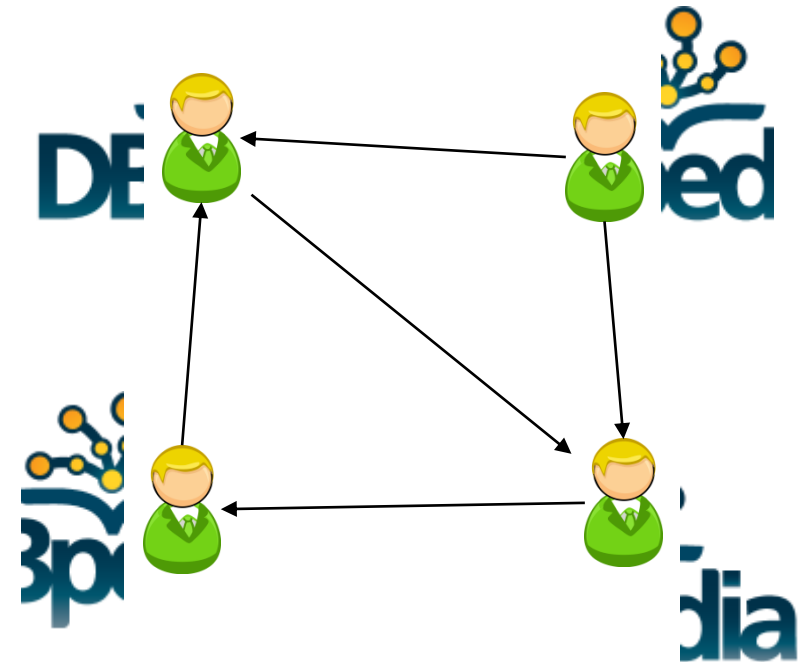# For doing "Web-less" Linked Data
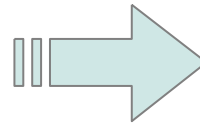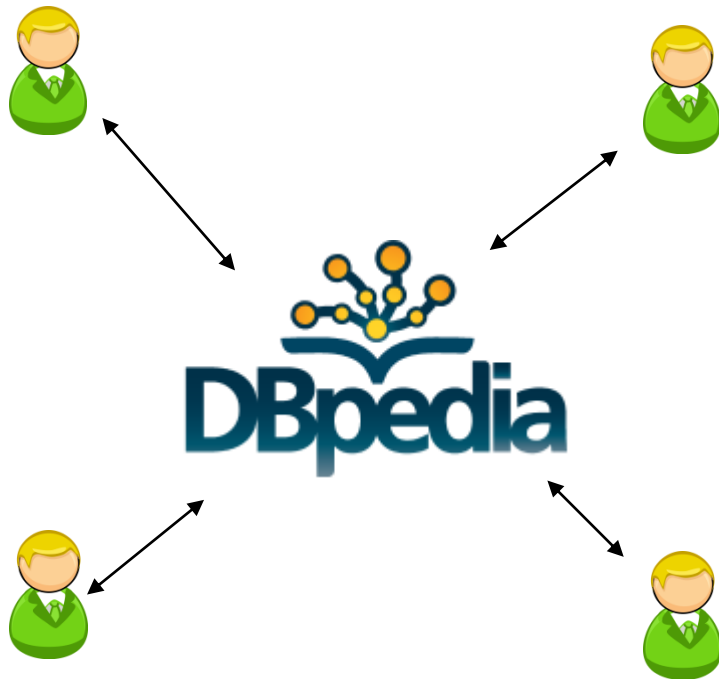

We just need two things:

We need to change our mindset ...

Data sharing platform =
- Cloud hosted server
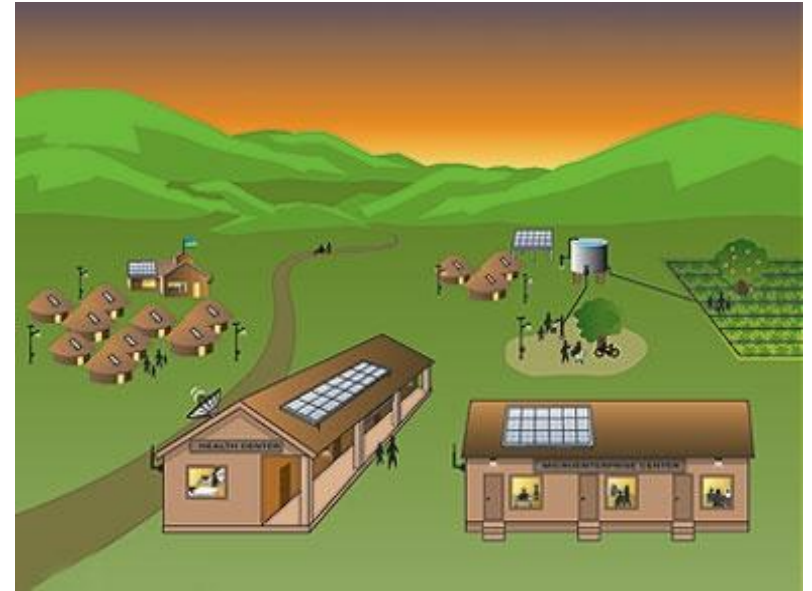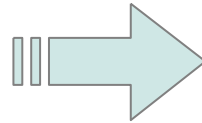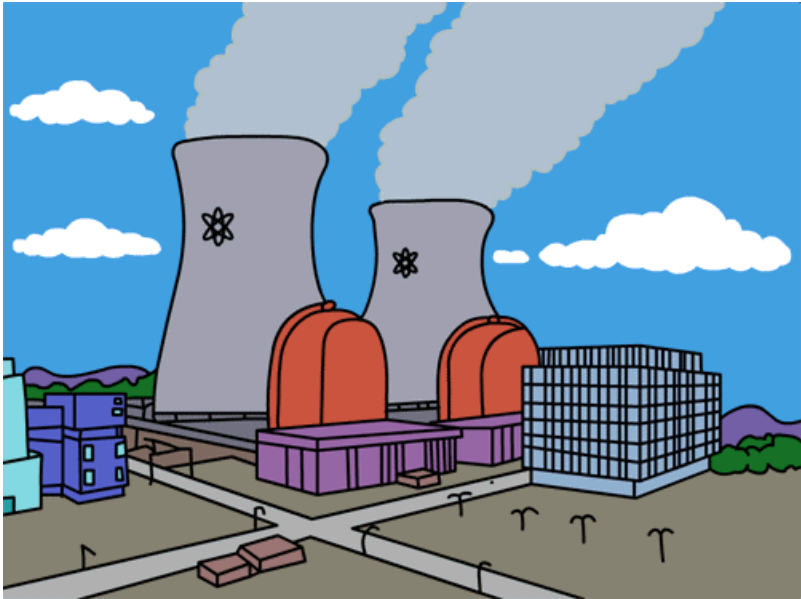- Web app to consume
- Web forms to publish
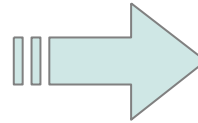
1) think de-centralised

Instead: chunks of data
served by different peers

Take example on microgrids

De-centralised model for energy production and consumption

2) think small, think micro-servers

Not designed for developing countries

Multi-core fast CPU
Gigabytes of RAM
Terabytes of disk

Designed for developing countries

433Mhz x86 CPU
256MB of RAM
1GB of flash storage

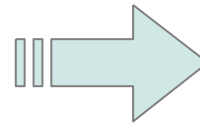☑ Can be solar powered   ☑ Dust proof   ☑ Affordable

3) think vocal

Because not everyone can read and write

… and we need to adapt our technologies too

Challenges

- **Dereferencability:** get a route to access data ?

- **Consistency:** mint non-colliding URIs ?

- **Reliability**: get content from devices not always on ?

- **Security**: ensure legitimacy without central authority ?

- **Accessibility:** voice interfaces to Linked Data ?

It's possible! we're on it

- Provide vocal interfaces to Linked Data

SemanticXO

- Deploy Linked Data on the XO from OLPC

Let's bring Linked Data to everyone now !

http://semweb4u.wordpress.com/category/semanticxo/

PS: and help us by funding SemanticXO if you can :-)

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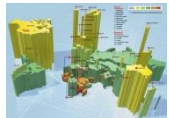
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