6.3 - Tools for Semantic Infrastructure 2.0

Current Working Draft

This section provides an overview of the key tools that are expected to address the Semantic Infrastructure requirements. Tools are a combination of applications, user interfaces and services that address a specific Semantic Infrastructure 2.0 requirement. The tool description explains how users may work with the tools to perform specific tasks.

This information below describes the interactions a user would have with the Semantic Infrastructure components. These activities address aspects of the Enterprise Conformance and Compliance Framework (ECCF), including artifact registry and functional interactions.

This section includes the following:

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 - Artifact Governance and Lifecycle Management
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 - Search and Access Services
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- Plug-ins, Loaders and Miscellaneous Development Tools
- Forms Editor
- Conformance Testing Framework
- Knowledge Based Systems Support Tools

Semantic Infrastructure Services and Interactions

Artifact Search and Access

- Search the registry for model
- Utilizing a Common Terminology Services 2 (CTS 2) implementation, search for existing value sets
- Search the Identifiers registry for an appropriate identifier definition
- · Retrieve an existing model from the registry
- Retrieve schemas and form definitions
- Import a new model for annotation (binding to terminology and value-sets)
- Retrieve the value set from CTS 2 implementation and apply to the model attributes

Artifact Authoring

- Create a new value set (leveraging terminology services) and manage existing artifacts
- · Register the object identifier with its metadata
- Register a new artifact in the registry with its metadata (including ECCF specific information) and traceability to support provenance
- Link the models to existing models, domains, or both and classify artifacts
- Constrain existing models
- Constrain existing datatypes
- Link artifacts to service specifications
- Support collaborative development of metadata

Artifact Governance and Lifecycle Management

- · Initiate artifact workflow
- Monitor the workflow process
- Allow curators to set the status of a model and receive change notifications
- · Customize review and approval workflows
- Govern collaborative development

Artifact Analysis

Execute semantic queries for search and analysis

Access Control and Policy Management

- Establish templates and policies that can be applied to artifacts
- Link the users security and access rights to particular governance and workflow
- Execute semantic queries for analysis
- Identify dependencies

Search and Access Services

Discover services

- Execute complex queries to identify services
- Discover contracts at runtime

Administer Services and Specifications

- · Create a new service specification
- · Create and edit service metadata
- Link the artifacts to the service specification
- Construct conformance statements
- Run validations on specification and supporting artifacts
- Apply constraints, rules and policies
- · Constrain and reuse existing specifications and artifacts

Analyze Services

- Execute semantic queries for analysis
- · Perform impact analysis to identify dependencies and constraints

Service Governance and Workflows

- Initiate service specification governance
- Monitor the workflow and approval process
- Allow governance team to set the status of a specification and promote
- Manage versioning and localization of the service specifications
- Govern collaborative development

Plug-ins, Loaders and Miscellaneous Development Tools

Plug-ins and development tools are extensions to existing tools to support better integration with the artifact registry:

- · Publish artifacts from eclipse and other modeling tools to the artifact registry
- Publish content from external tools to the artifact registry, with support for topic maps and DITA (presentation on topicmaps.com)
- Extract and load metadata from artifacts into registry

Forms Editor

The Forms Editor is an end user tool for creating and editing forms:

- · Create form definitions
- Retrieve models, datatypes and value sets
- · Define skip patterns, layout and display options
- Publish forms to the artifact registry
- Reuse and leverage predefined templates

Conformance Testing Framework

The Conformance Testing Framework is a suite of tools for developing automated conformance testing that can be executed against an artifact or service:

- Retrieve or infer artifact metadata and any conformance statements provided
- Structure the artifact metadata for automated analysis
- Evaluate the artifact metadata and conformance statements against the base semantic profile
- Execute conformance tests
- · Generate conformance report

Knowledge Based Systems Support Tools

Knowledge based systems support tools are knowledge engineering tools to support reasoning and inference use cases:

- · Knowledge Representation Definition
- Rule Pattern Definition
- Domain Model Development
- Knowledge Base Model Definition
- Fact Generation and Mapping tooling
- · Rule Generation tooling
- Reasoner Framework for Standard Knowledge-based System Development
- Automated Reasoning Service Publication

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