

# GETTING TO KNOW

- OBSERVATIONS, MEASUREMENTS AND SAMPLES
- OGC SENSORTHINGS API PART 1



# Observations, Measurements & Samples

ISO / OGC standards



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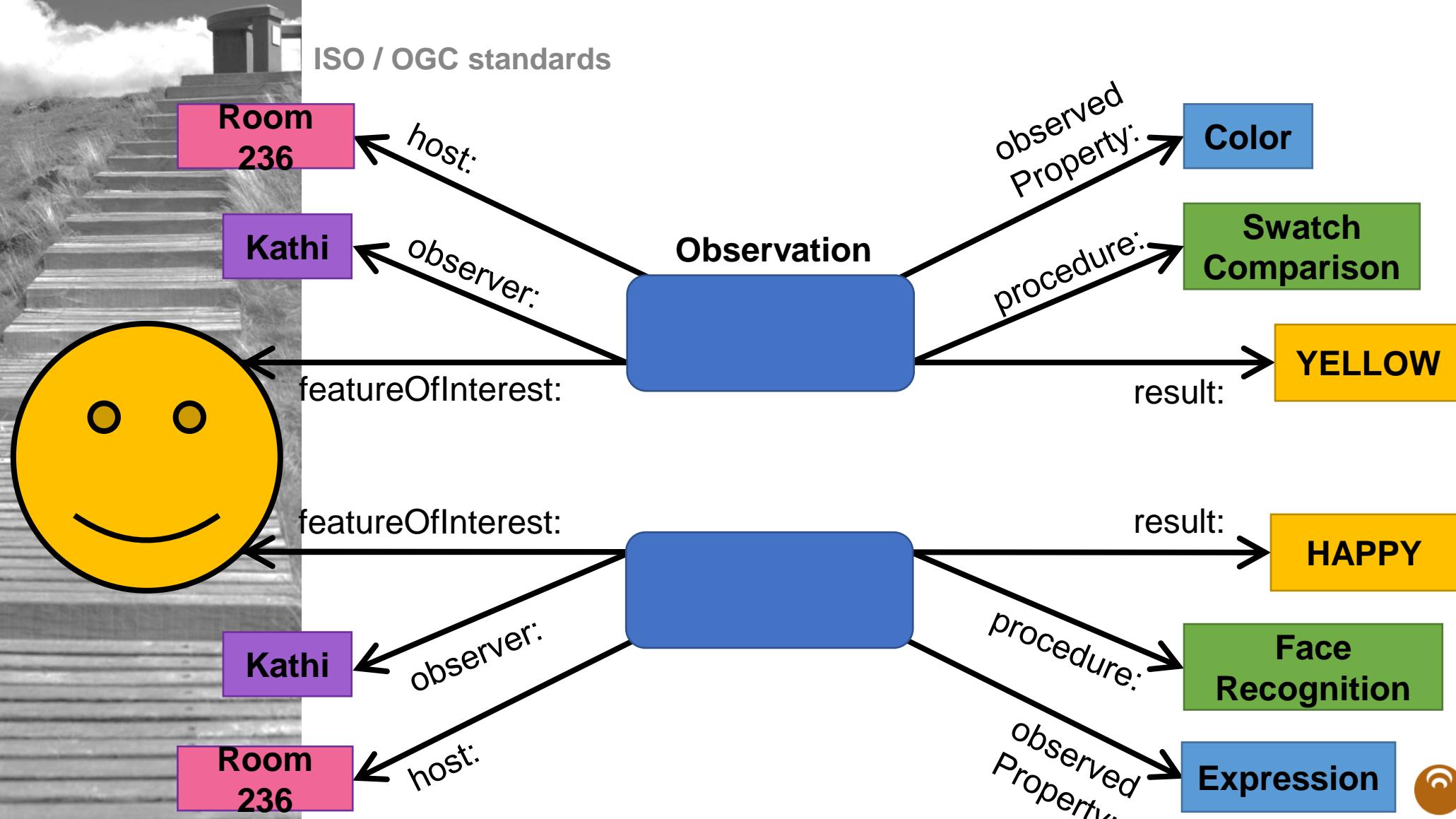
YELLOW

expression:

HAPPY

```
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    "color": "Yellow",  
    "expression": "Happy"  
}
```

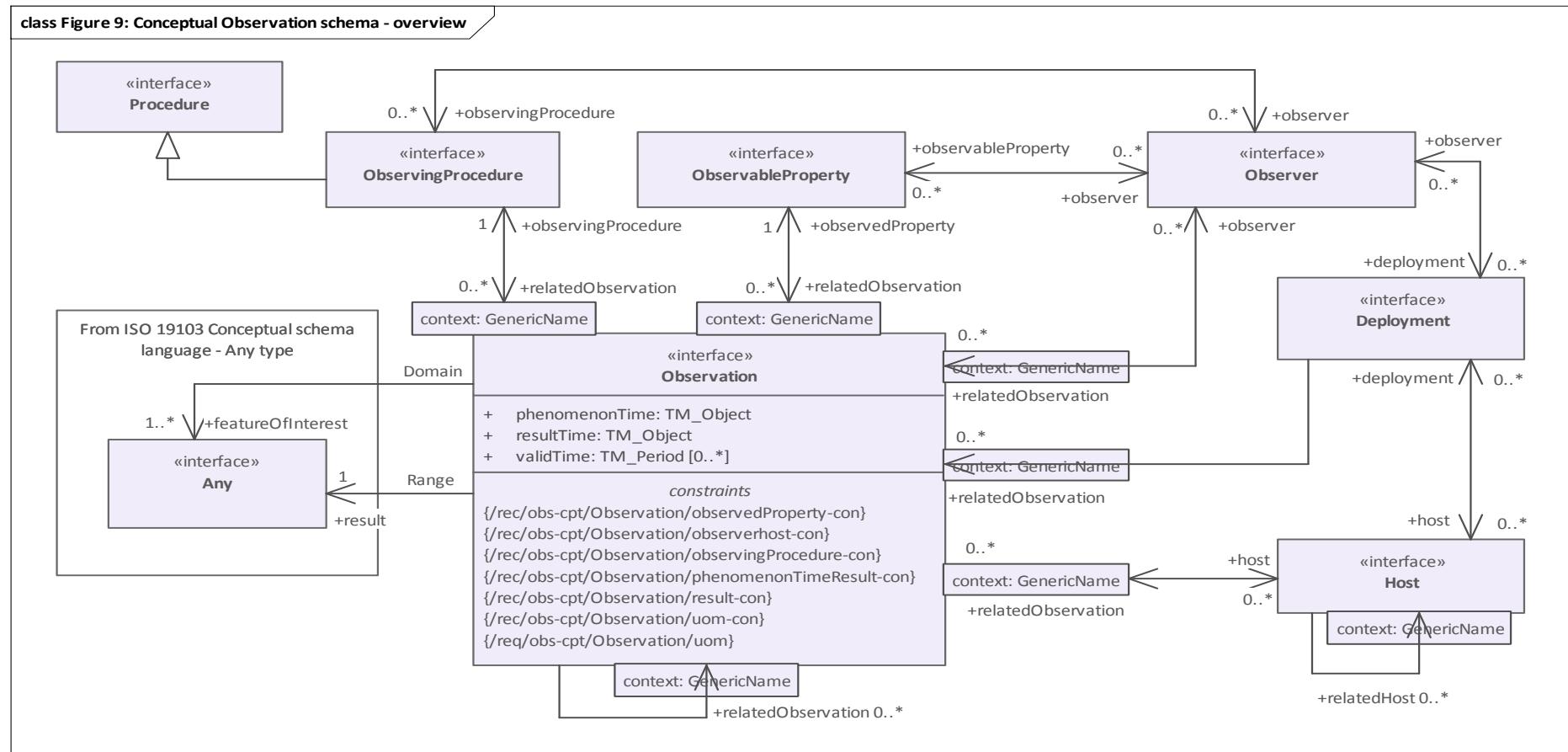
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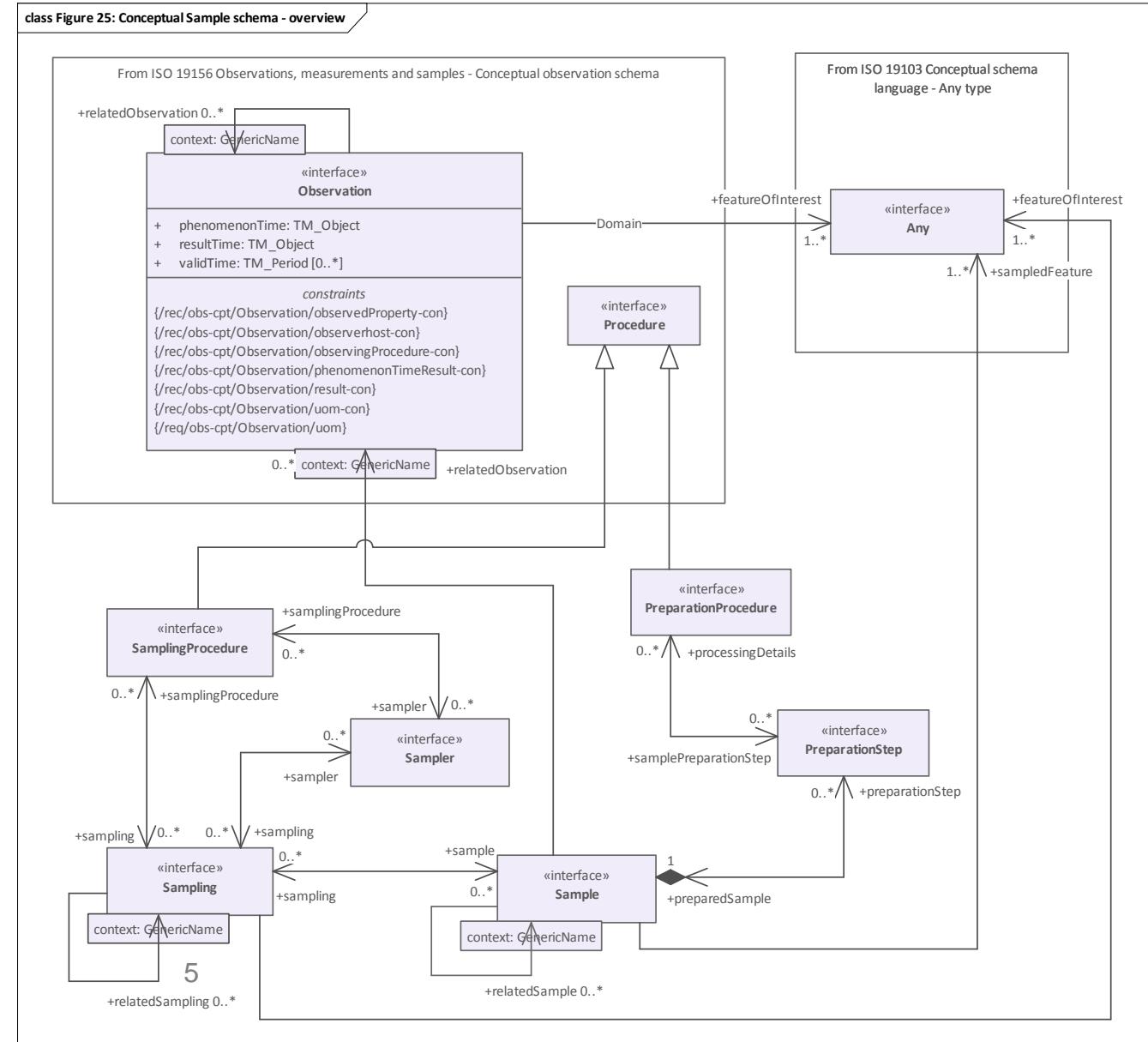
## 2 core parts – Observation



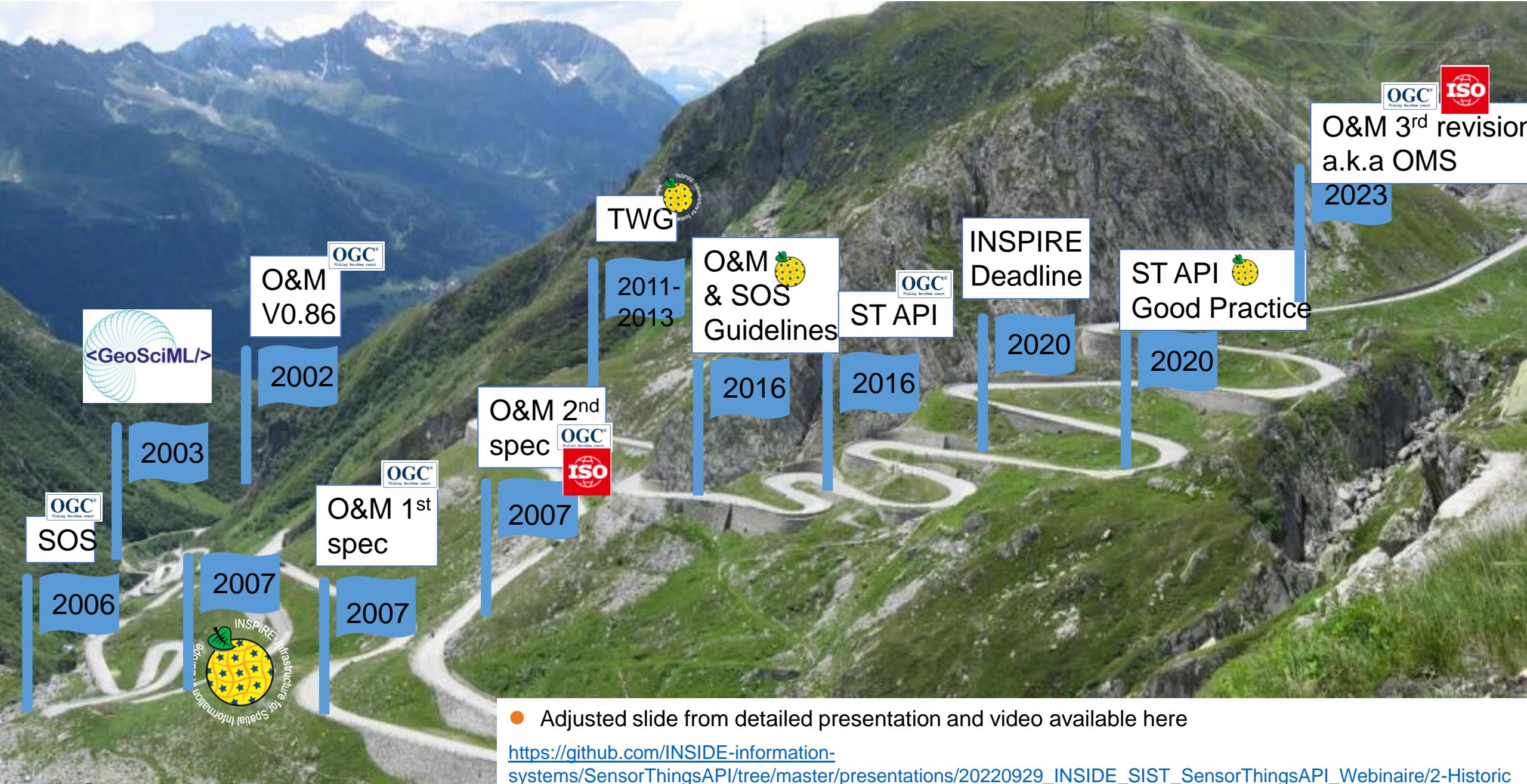
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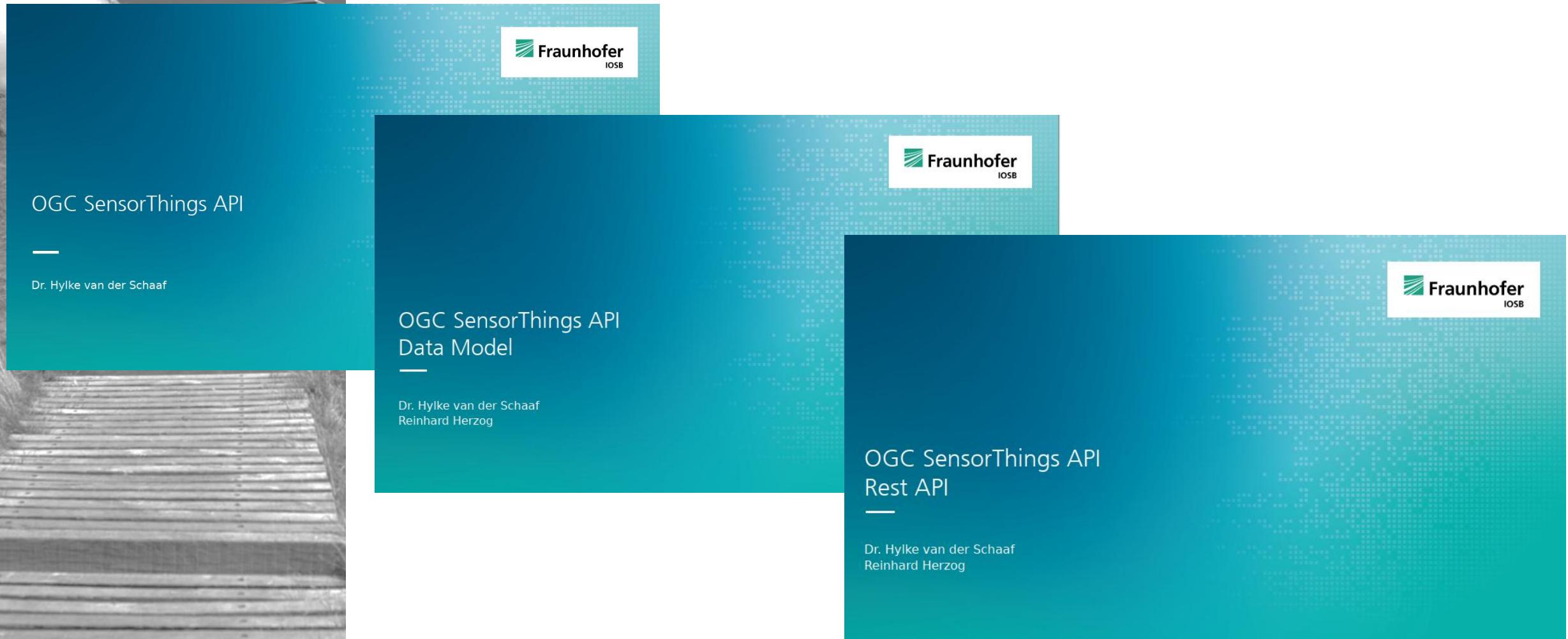
2 core parts – Sample



# The long and winding road from O&M to OMS



# OGC SensorThings API Part 1



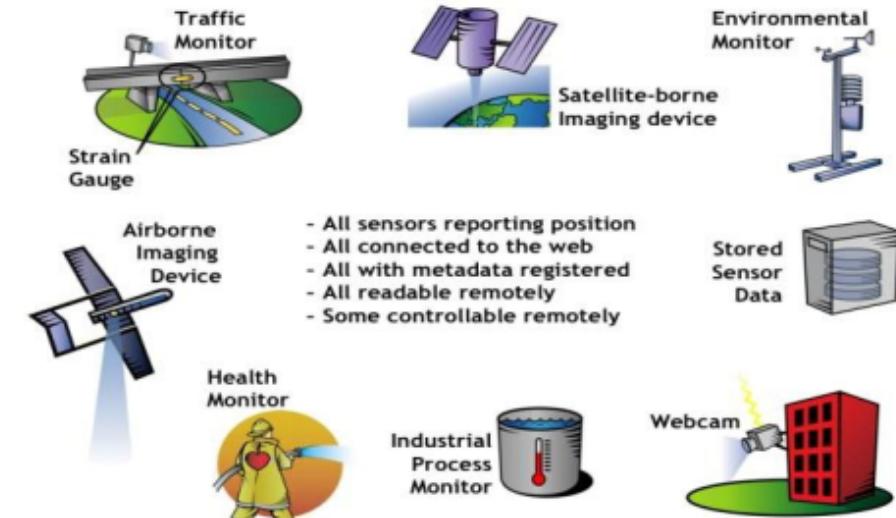
## Excerpt from 3 presentations

- Available here (including videos)

[https://github.com/INSIDE-information-systems/SensorThingsAPI/tree/master/presentations/20220929\\_INSIDE\\_SIST\\_SensorThingsAPI\\_Webinaire/3-ST\\_API\\_presentation](https://github.com/INSIDE-information-systems/SensorThingsAPI/tree/master/presentations/20220929_INSIDE_SIST_SensorThingsAPI_Webinaire/3-ST_API_presentation)

# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 - context

## OGC & IoT?

- IoT deals with Sensors and Actuators
  - Sensors and Actuators have Location
  - OGC Sensor Web Enablement (SWE)
    - Enable developers to make all types of sensors, transducers and sensor data repositories discoverable, accessible and useable via the Web
    - Since 1990 by NASA → 2001 in OGC
    - SensorML
    - Sensor Observation Service (SOS)
    - Observations & Measurements (O&M) The basis
    - Sensor Data & Metadata
    - Core of INSPIRE
- 
- ©OGC: <http://www.opengeospatial.org/ogc/markets-technologies/swe>

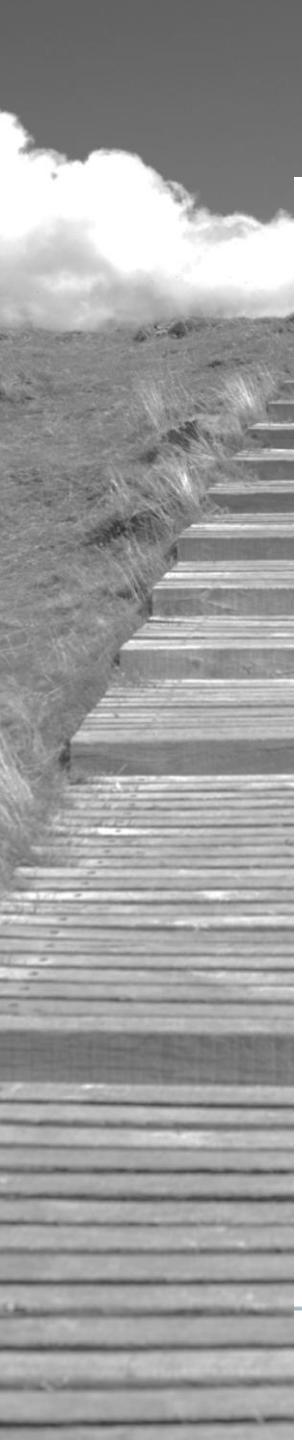


# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 - context

## From SWE to SensorThings

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- “Old” SWE Standards
  - XML Encoded
  - SOAP bindings
  - Requires tools for use
  - Complex in use
    - No easy browsing
    - No pagination
    - No pub/sub
    - No updating
    - No delete
- Time for an update → SensorThings API



# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 - context

## OGC SensorThings API

### The Update

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- A standard for exchanging sensor data and metadata
  - Historic data & current data
  - JSON Encoded
  - RESTful
  - Adapting OASIS OData URL patterns and query options
  - Supporting ISO MQTT messaging

Based on Observations & Measurements

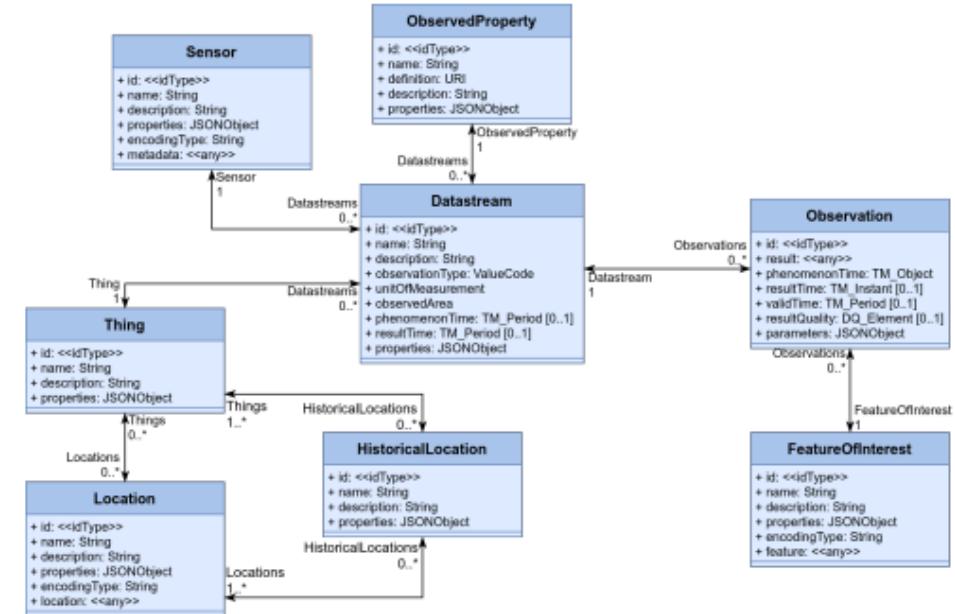
- Easy to use & understandable
  - Discoverable with only a web browser

# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 - context

## How does it work?

- Part 1: Data model
  - Which entities exist
  - How are they linked

- Part 2: URL patterns for queries
  - How do I get & search data
  - How do I add data
  - How do I modify data
  - How do I delete data



REST  
&  
MQTT

# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 - context

## Implementations

[https://www.ogc.org/resource/  
products/by-spec/?specid=772](https://www.ogc.org/resource/products/by-spec/?specid=772)

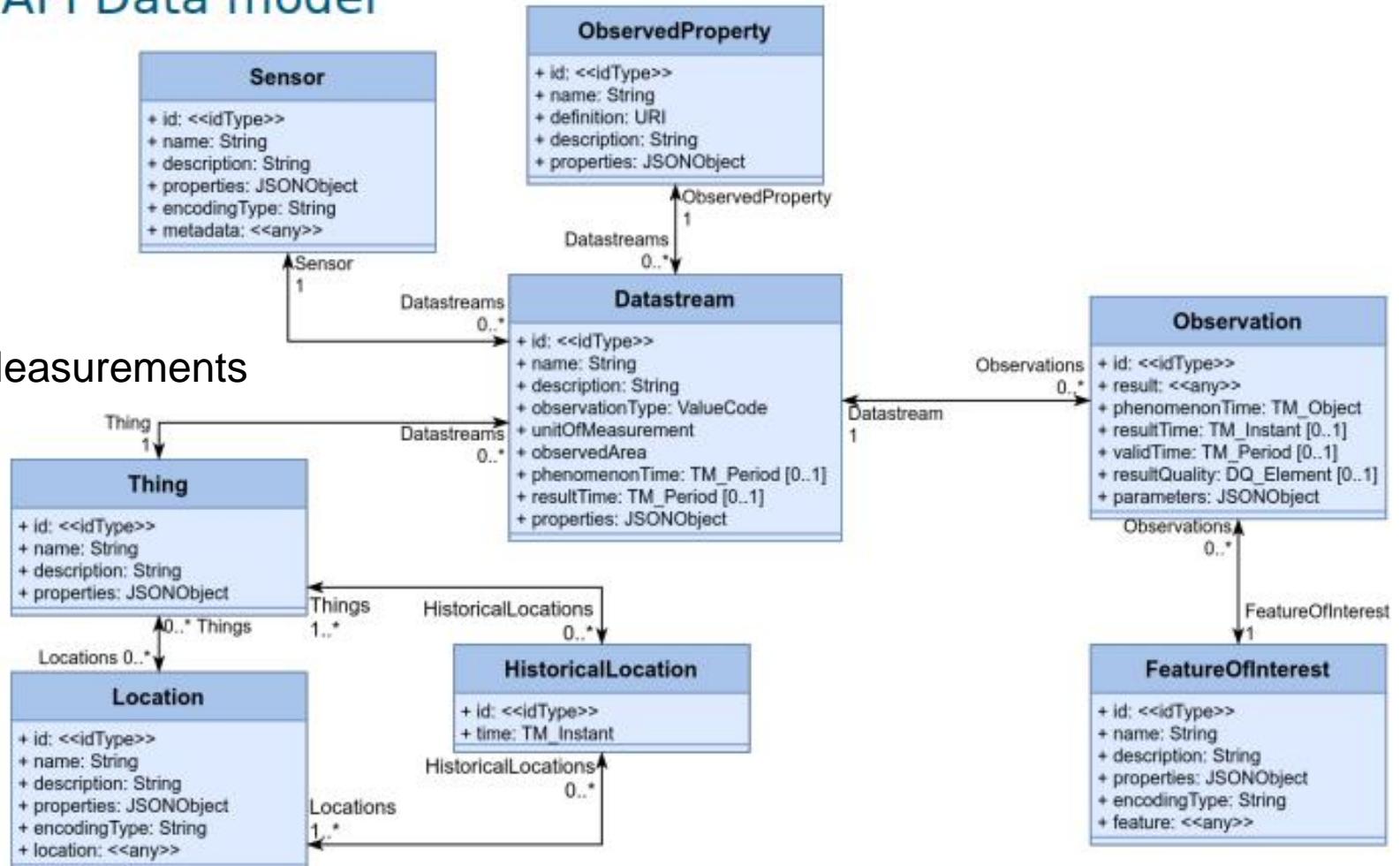
OGC SensorThings API Part 1: Sensing 1.0		
Organization	Implementation	Owner / Registered
52 North GmbH	52N Helgoland API 3.3.3 <a href="#">↗</a> <a href="#">OGC SensorThings API Part 1: Sensing 1.0 (Certified: 2016-08-10)</a>	Jirka, Simon   Registered: 2016-08-10
Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft	FROST-Server 1.14.x <a href="#">↗</a> <a href="#">OGC SensorThings API Part 1: Sensing 1.0 (Certified: 2021-11-01)</a>	Hylke van der Schaaf   Registered: 2016-08-10
Geodan Holding BV	GOST 0.3 <a href="#">↗</a> GOST 0.6 <a href="#">↗</a> GOST 0.6.1 <a href="#">↗</a>	Bert Temme   Registered: 2016-11-28 Bert Temme   Registered: 2018-01-10 Bert Temme   Registered: 2020-01-28
i-bitz company limited	Vallaris Maps 2020 <a href="#">↗</a>	Pongsakorn Udombua   Registered: 2021-09-06
Institute of Communication and Computer Systems (ICCS)	SensorThings 1.0 <a href="#">↗</a> <a href="#">OGC SensorThings API Part 1: Sensing 1.0 (Certified: 2019-06-06)</a>	Fay Misichroni   Registered: 2019-05-30
NCU	SensorThings-MongoDB 1 <a href="#">↗</a>	Ting, Yu Yeh   Registered: 2022-06-27
PilotGaea Technologies Co., Ltd.	PilotGaea GIS 11.0 <a href="#">↗</a> PilotGaea GIS 12.0 <a href="#">↗</a> PilotGaea GIS 13.0 <a href="#">↗</a> <a href="#">OGC SensorThings API Part 1: Sensing 1.0 (Certified: 2022-02-11)</a>	Li, Yashu   Registered: 2020-01-07 Li, Yashu   Registered: 2021-01-17 Li, Yashu   Registered: 2022-02-21
SensorUp Inc.	SensorUp SensorThings API v1.0 <a href="#">↗</a> SensorUp SensorThings API v1.0 <a href="#">↗</a>	Steve Liang   Registered: 2016-02-29 Steve Liang   Registered: 2016-02-29

# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 – data model

## SensorThing API Data model

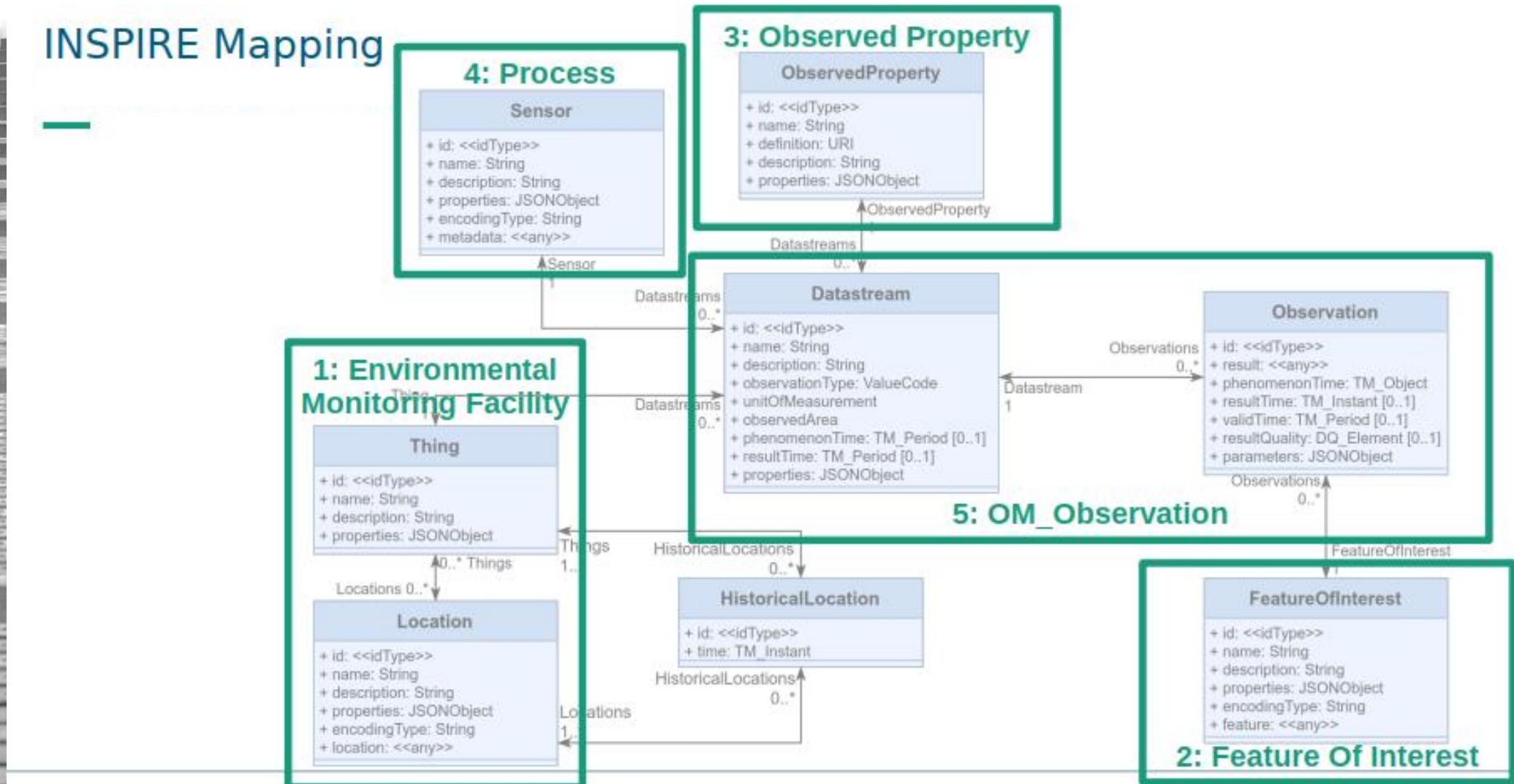
### The Core

Based on  
Observations & Measurements



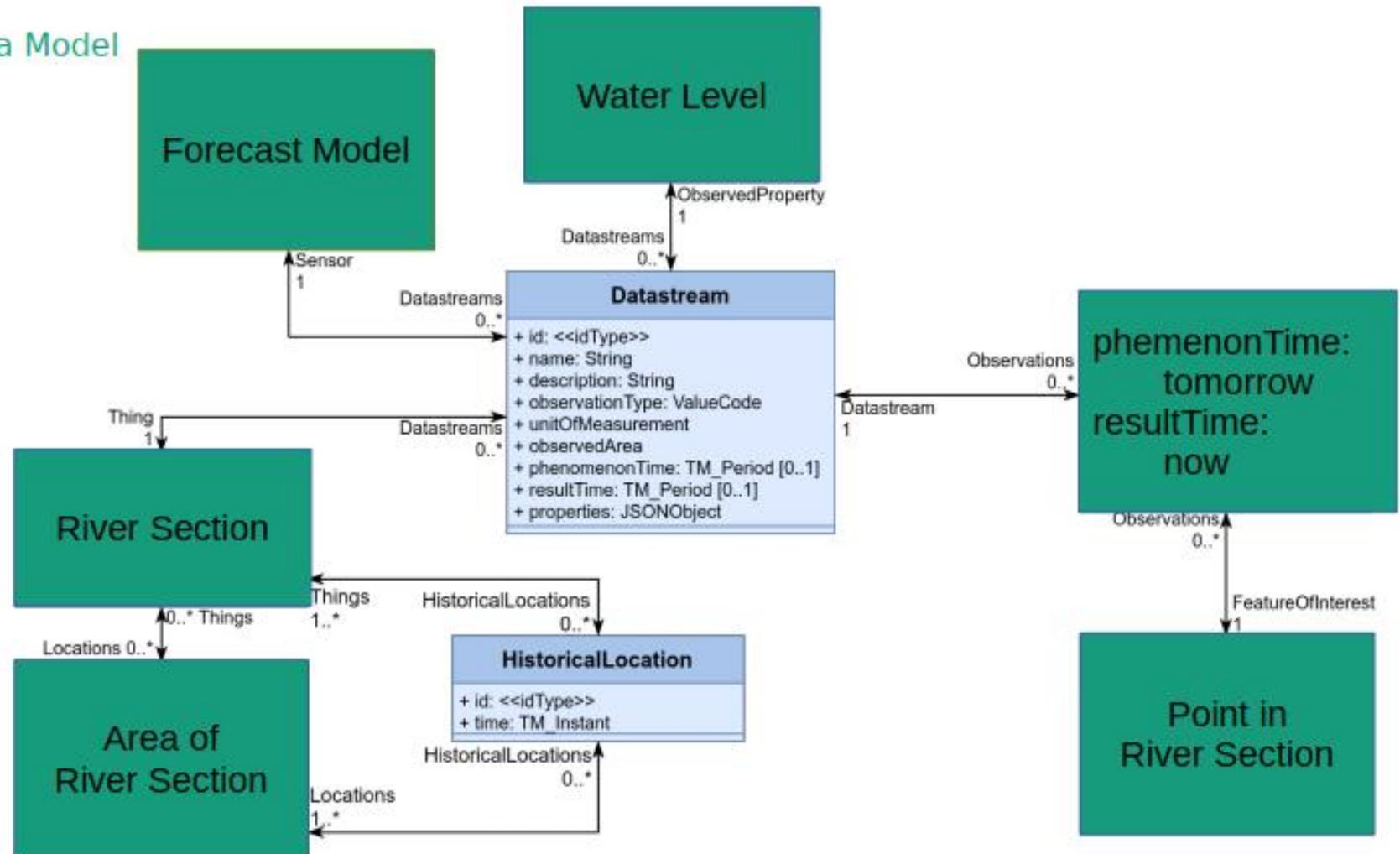
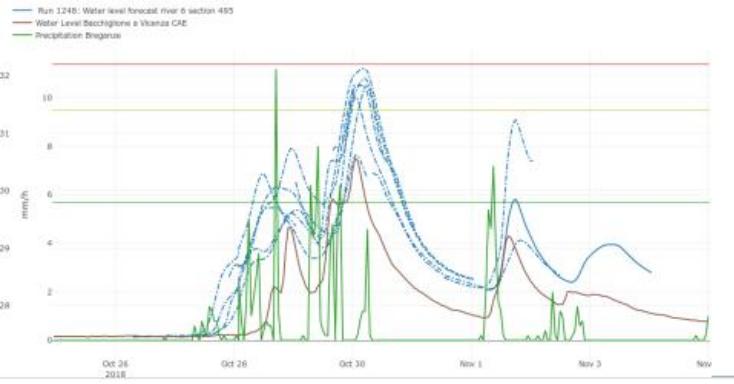
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## INSPIRE Mapping



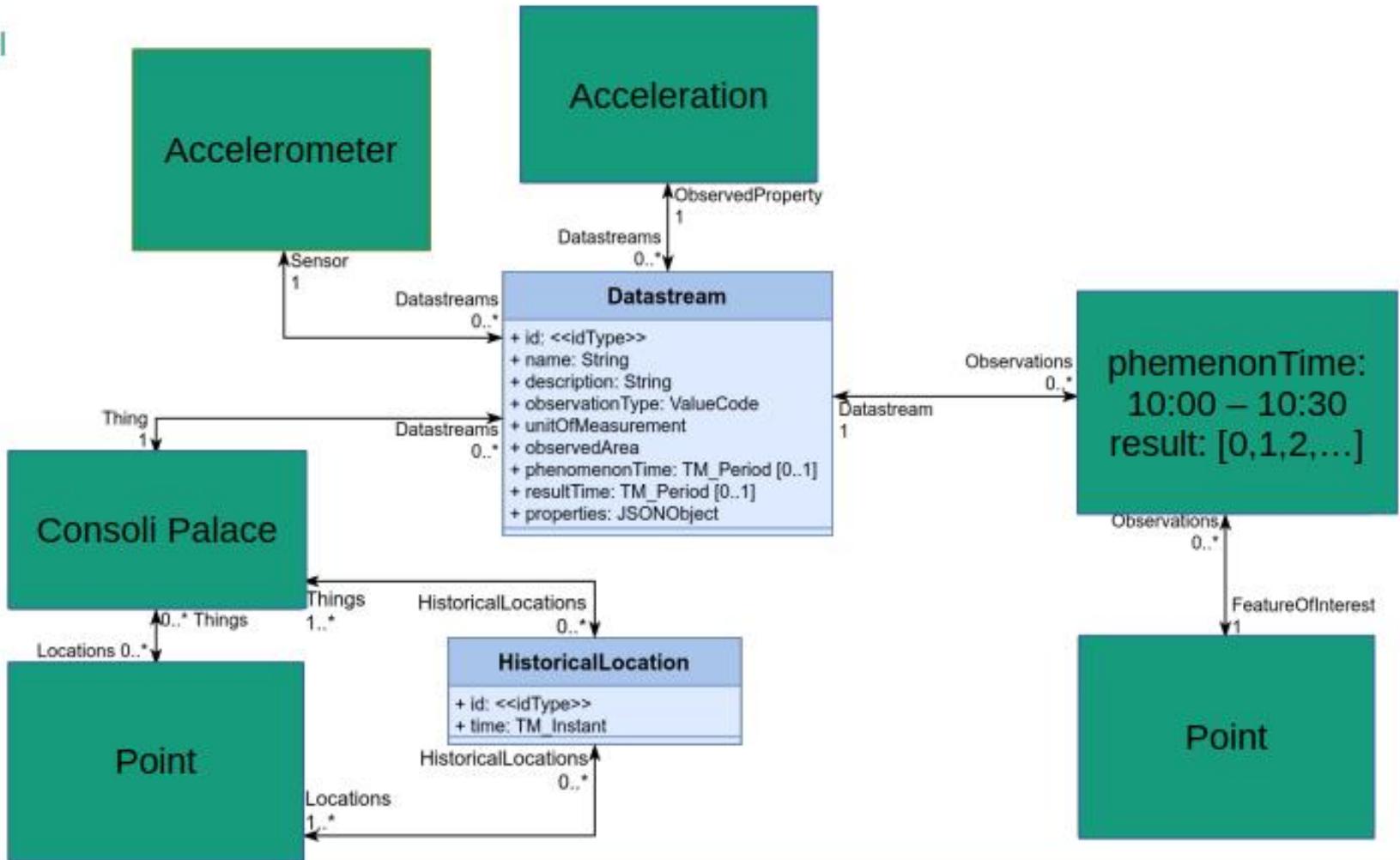
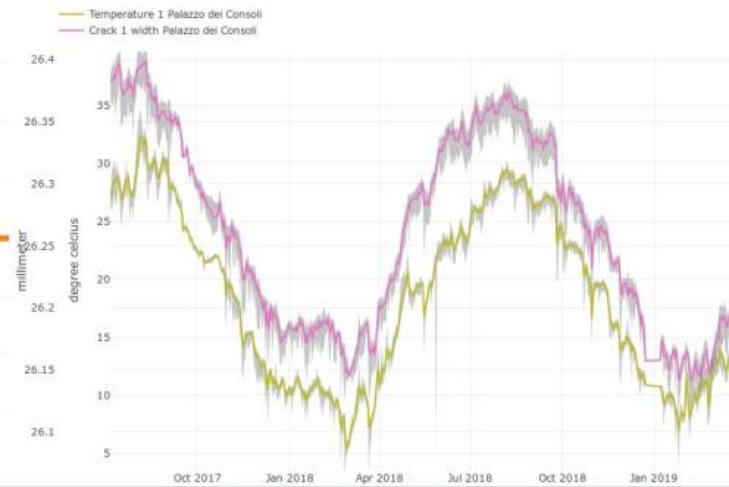
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## BeAWARE Flood Scenario Data Model



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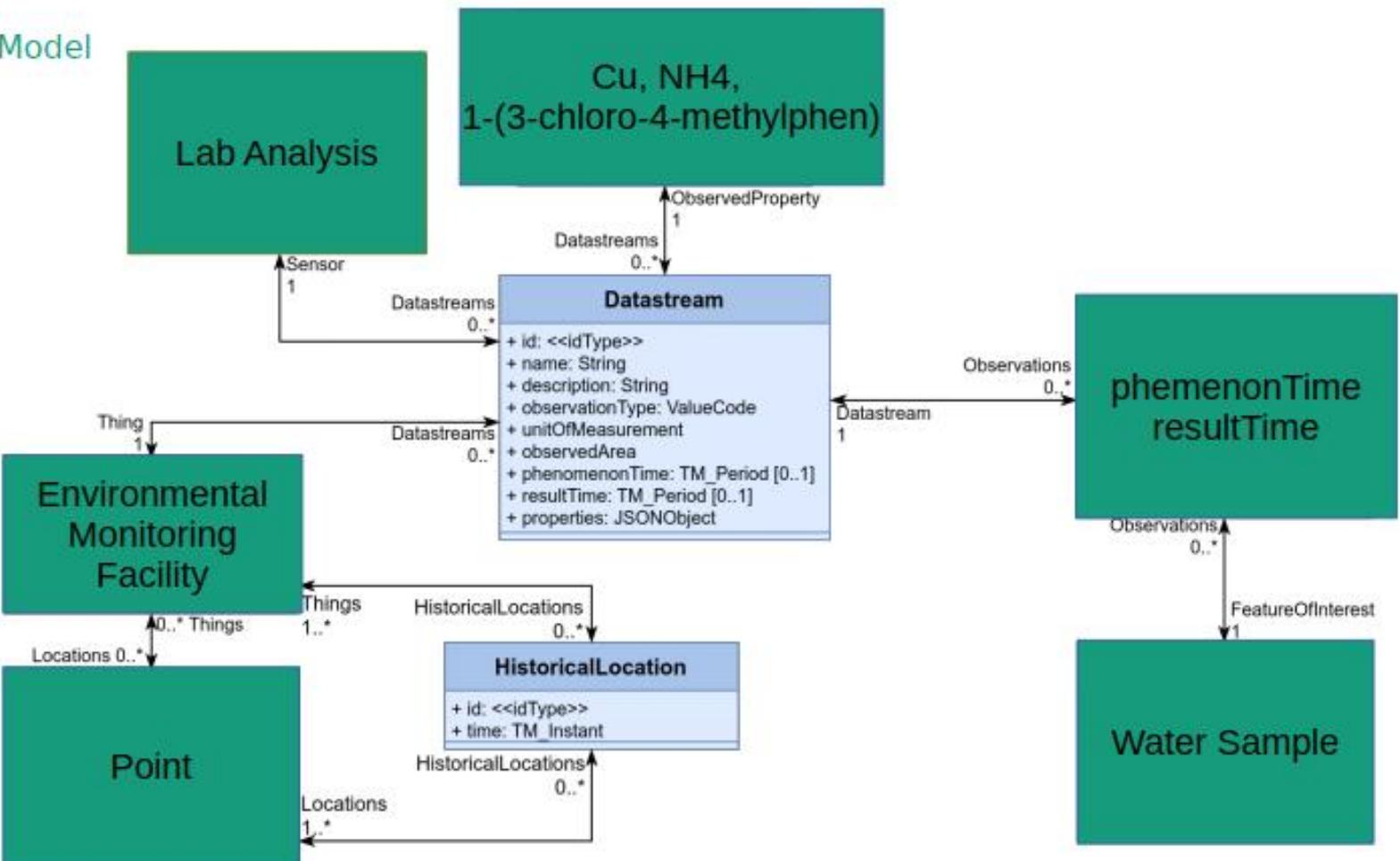
## HERACLES Building Data Model



# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 – data model

BRGM

Water Quality Data Model





# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 – REST API

## Getting to your data

### Quick Overview

- Based on OASIS OData
- Base URL: <http://server.de/FROST-Server/v1.1>
- Read: GET
  - v1.1 → Get index
  - v1.1/Collection → Get all in a set
  - v1.1/Collection(id) → Get one from a set
- Create: POST
  - v1.1/Collection → Create a new entity
- Update: PATCH
  - v1.1/Collection(id) → Update an entity
- Update: PUT
  - v1.1/Collection(id) → Replace an entity
- Delete: DELETE
  - v1.1/Collection(id) → Remove an entity



# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 – REST API

## Query URL patterns: Index

### Get Service Index

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■ GET `http://ogctest.docker01.ilt-dmz.iosb.fraunhofer.de/v1.1`

■ Response:

```
{  
    "value" : [  
        {  
            "name" : "Datastreams",  
            "url" : "http://server.de/SensorThingsService/v1.0/Datastreams"  
        },  
        {  
            "name" : "FeaturesOfInterest",  
            "url" : "http://server.de/SensorThingsService/v1.0/FeaturesOfInterest"  
        },  
        {  
            ...  
        },  
        {  
            "name" : "Things",  
            "url" : "http://server.de/SensorThingsService/v1.0/Things"  
        }  
    ],  
    "serverSettings": {}  
}
```



# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 – REST API

## Query URL patterns: Get Collection

### Get All Things

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■ GET <http://ogctest.docker01.ilt-dmz.iosb.fraunhofer.de/v1.1/Things>

■ Response:

```
{  
    "value" : [  
        {  
            "name" : "My camping lantern",  
            "description" : "camping lantern",  
            "properties" : {  
                "property1" : "it's waterproof",  
                "property2" : "it glows in the dark"  
            },  
            "Locations@iot.navigationLink" : "Things(1)/Locations",  
            "HistoricalLocations@iot.navigationLink":  
                "Things(1)/HistoricalLocations",  
            "Datastreams@iot.navigationLink" : "Things(1)/Datastreams",  
            "@iot.id" : 1,  
            "@iot.selfLink" : "/SensorThingsService/v1.0/Things(1)"  
        },  
        {  
            "a second thing..."  
        }, { ... }, { ... }, { ... }  
    ]  
}
```



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## Query URL patterns: Get one Entity

### Get Specific Thing

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■ GET `http://ogctest.docker01.ilt-dmz.iosb.fraunhofer.de/v1.1/Things(1)`

■ Response:

```
{  
    "name" : "My camping lantern",  
    "description" : "camping lantern",  
    "properties" : {  
        "property1" : "it's waterproof",  
        "property2" : "it glows in the dark"  
    },  
    "Locations@iot.navigationLink" : "Things(1)/Locations",  
    "HistoricalLocations@iot.navigationLink" : "Things(1)/HistoricalLocations",  
    "Datastreams@iot.navigationLink" : "Things(1)/Datastreams",  
    "@iot.id" : 1,  
    "@iot.selfLink" : "/SensorThingsService/v1.0/Things(1)"  
}
```



# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 – REST API

## Query URL patterns: Get one Entity

### Get Specific Thing

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■ GET [http://ogctest.docker01.ilt-dmz.iosb.fraunhofer.de/v1.1/Things\(1\)](http://ogctest.docker01.ilt-dmz.iosb.fraunhofer.de/v1.1/Things(1))

■ Response:

```
{  
  "name" : "My camping lantern",  
  "description" : "camping lantern",  
  "properties" : {  
    "property1" : "it's waterproof",  
    "property2" : "it glows in the dark"  
  },  
  "Locations@iot.navigationLink" : "Things(1)/Locations",  
  "HistoricalLocations@iot.navigationLink" : "Things(1)/HistoricalLocations",  
  "Datastreams@iot.navigationLink" : "Things(1)/Datastreams",  
  "@iot.id" : 1,  
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}
```



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## Lot's of other possibilities

- Get Related Entities
- Pagination
- Define the content you need in the response
  - ‘Select’: to reduce it to the content you need
  - ‘Expand’: to add information from related entities
- Sorting
- Filtering
- And (next slide)



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## Query URL patterns: Functions 1

Lots of Choice

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### ■ Comparison:

- gt: > ge: >=
- Eq: = le: <=
- lt: < ne: !=

### ■ Logical:

- and / or / not

### ■ Mathematical:

- add / sub / mul / div / mod
- round(n1)
- floor(n1) / ceiling(n1)

### ■ String Functions:

- substringof(p0, p1)
- endswith(p0, p1)
- startswith(p0, p1)
- substring(p0, p1)
- indexof(p0, p1)
- length(p0)
- tolower(p0)
- toupper(p0)
- trim(p0)
- concat(p0, p1)



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## Query URL patterns: Functions 2

Even more choice!

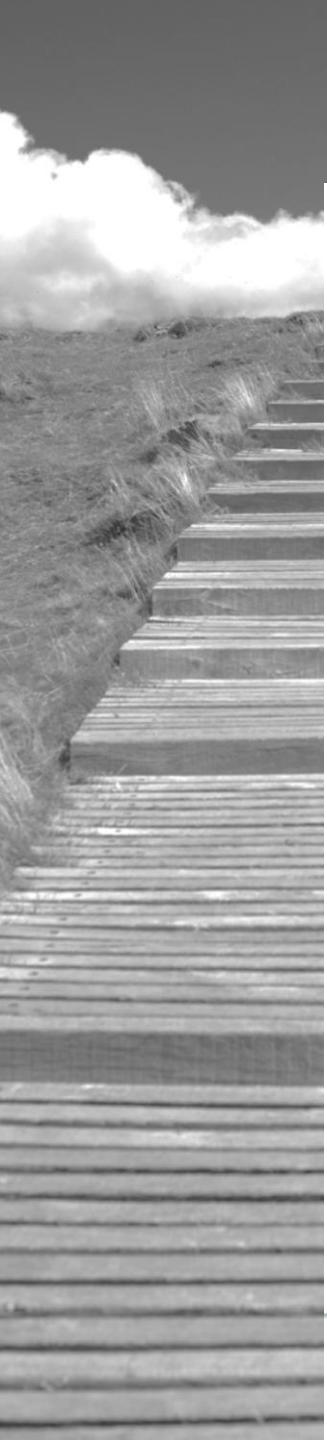
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### ■ Geospatial:

- `geo.intersects(g1, g2)`
- `geo.length(l1)`
- `geo.distance(g1, g2)`
- `st_equals(g1, g2)`
- `st_disjoint(g1, g2)`
- `st_touches(g1, g2)`
- `st_within(g1, g2)`
- `st_overlaps(g1, g2)`
- `st_crosses(g1, g2)`
- `st_intersects(g1, g2)`
- `st_contains(g1, g2)`
- `st_relate(g1, g2)`

### ■ Date and Time:

- `now()`
- `mindatetime()`
- `maxdatetime()`
- `date(t1)`
- `time(t1)`
- `year(t1)`
- `month(t1)`
- `day(t1)`
- `hour(t1)`
- `minute(t1)`
- `second(t1)`
- `fractionalseconds(t1)`
- `totaloffsetminutes(t1)`



# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 – REST API

## Query URL patterns: Filtering examples

Find me a Thing

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- All observations with an even result
  - Observations?\$filter=result mod 2 eq 0
- Observations of the last hour
  - Observations?\$filter=phenomenonTime gt now() sub duration'PT1H'
  - [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO\\_8601#Durations](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO_8601#Durations)
- Datastreams that measure temperature (ObservedProperty id 1)
  - Datastreams?\$filter=ObservedProperty/@iot.id eq 1
- Filtering on JSON properties
  - Things?\$filter=properties/style eq 'Cozy'
  - Observations?\$filter=result gt Datastream/properties/max

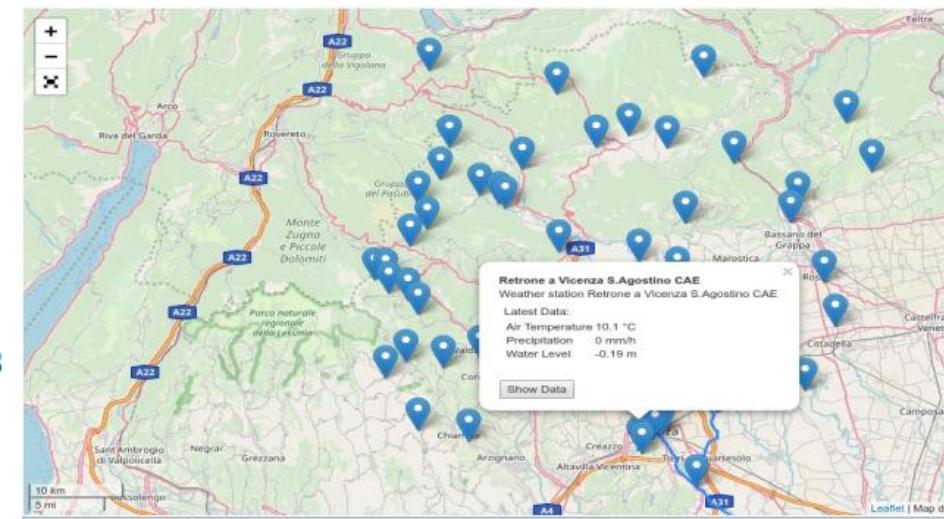
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## Query URL patterns: \$expand example

Get everything for my map in 1 request

```
.../v1.1/Things?  
$select=id,name,description,properties  
&$top=1000  
&$filter=properties/type eq 'station'  
&$expand=  
    Locations,  
    Datastreams (  
        $select=id,name,unitOfMeasurement  
        ;$expand=  
            ObservedProperty($select=name),  
            Observations (  
                $select=result,phenomenonTime  
                ;$orderby=phenomenonTime desc  
                ;$top=1)  
    )
```

Overview Map (Italy)





# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 – REST API

## Creating new Entities

Create a new Thing

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### ■ POST ... /v1.1/Things

Content-Type: application/json; charset=UTF-8

```
{  
  "name" : "Office",  
  "description" : "My Work Room",  
  "properties" : {  
    "style" : "Business",  
    "balcony" : false  
  },  
  "Locations" : [  
    {  
      "@iot.id" : 1  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

### ■ Response:

Location: [http://localhost:8080/FROST-Server/v1.1/Things\(2\)](http://localhost:8080/FROST-Server/v1.1/Things(2))

# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 – REST API

## Creating new Observations

Create a new Observation

### ■ POST ... /v1.1/Observations

```
{  
  "result" : 123,  
  "Datastream" : {  
    "@iot.id" : 1  
  }  
}
```

- + changing, deleting entities
- + extensions

### ■ POST ... /v1.1/Datastreams(1)/Observations

```
{  
  "result" : 123  
}
```

### ■ phenomenonTime and FeatureOfInterest are generated automatically if not provided.

## Creating new Observations – HTTP vs MQTT

Options, options ...

	+	-
MQTT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Efficient for subsequent Observations</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Connection management</li><li>Can only create Observations</li><li>Persistent connection makes load balancing tricky</li></ul>
HTTP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Simple requests</li><li>Can create all entities</li><li>Works through firewalls &amp; proxies</li><li>Simple load balancing</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>New connection per request</li></ul>

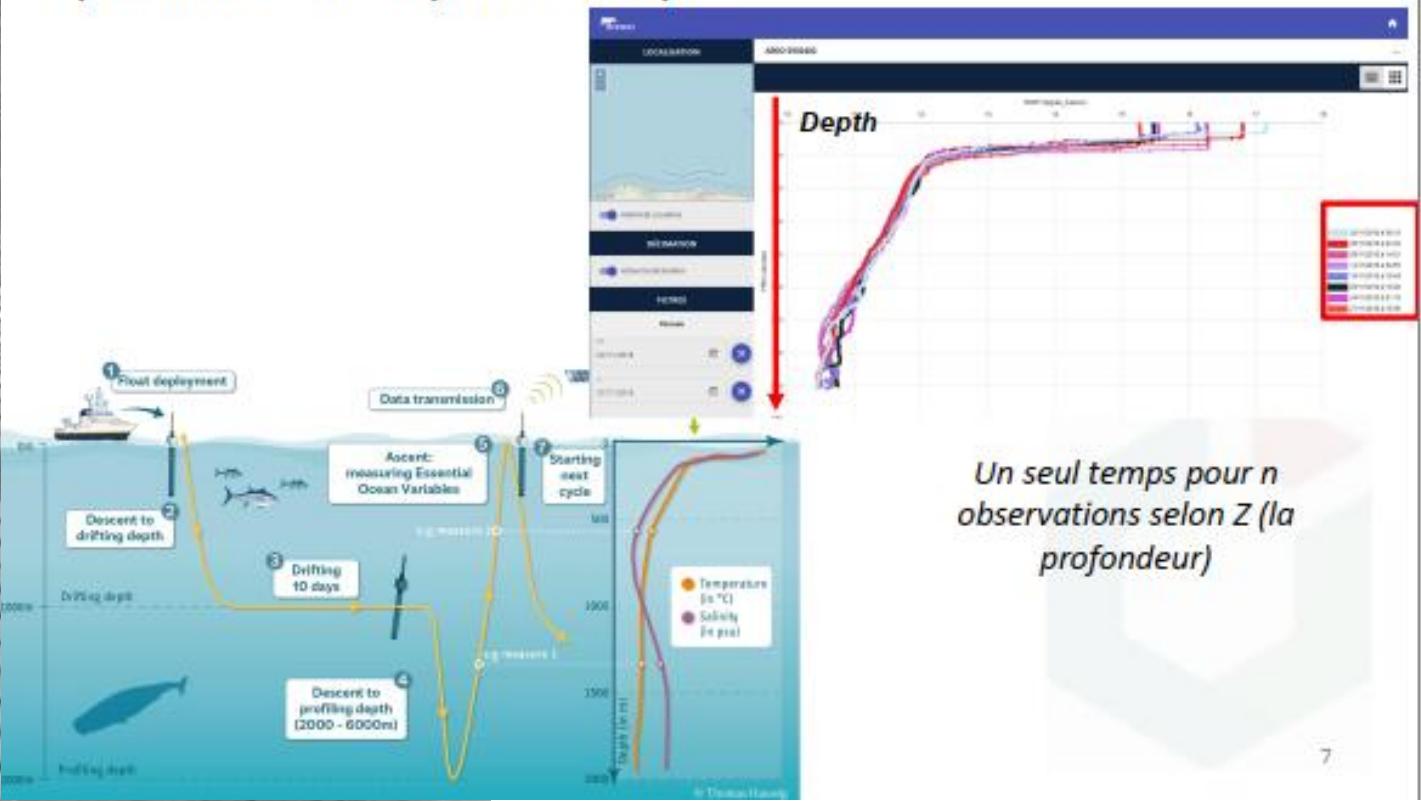
# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 – marine example



French Marine Agency (IFREMER)

## La modélisation des objets métiers

*Les profils (ex : flotteurs Argo) -> un cas particulier,  
quand le X n'est pas le temps*



*Un seul temps pour n  
observations selon Z (la  
profondeur)*

## Le contexte métier

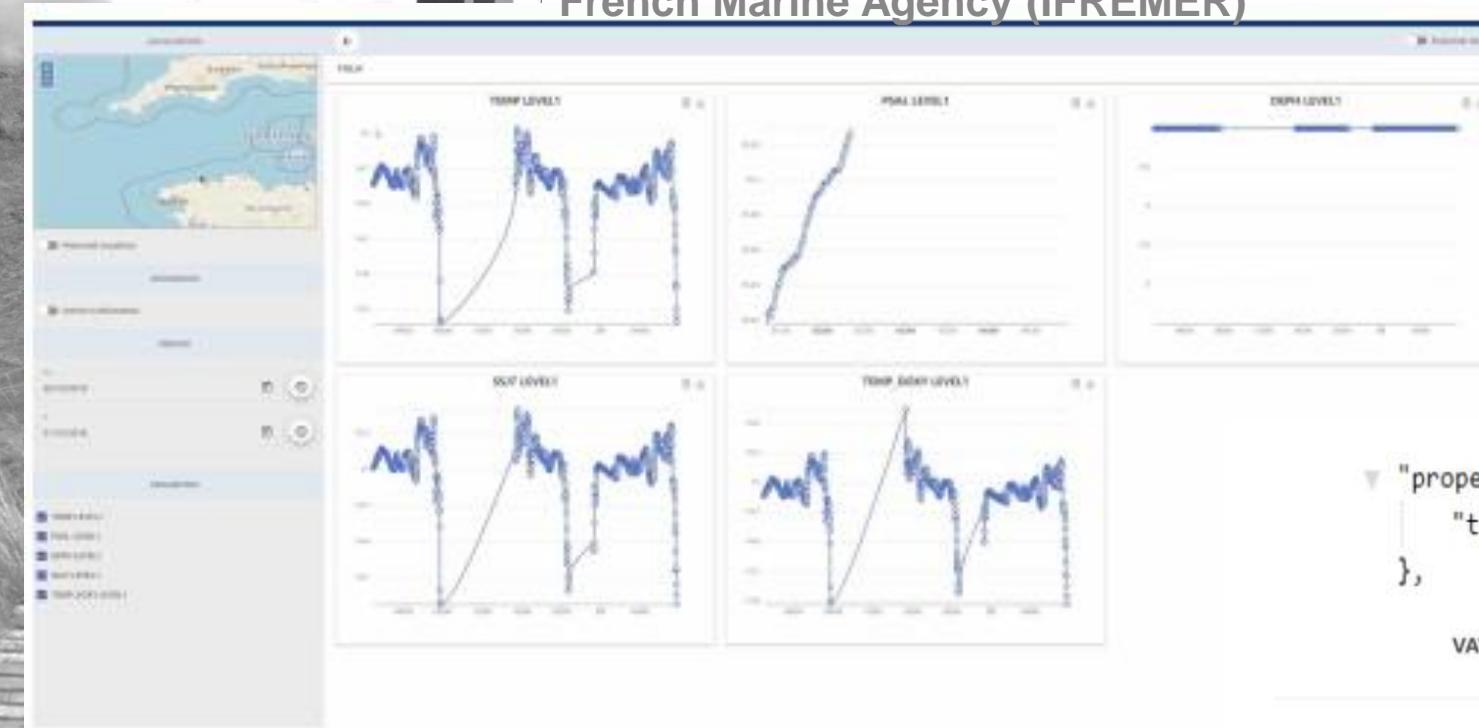
- Profiles: CTD, profiling floats (ARGO)
- PointSeries: moorings, including moorings with different vertical levels
- Trajectories: thermo-salinometers, gliders



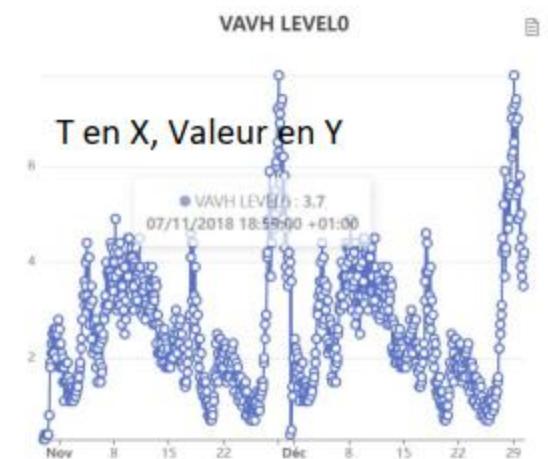
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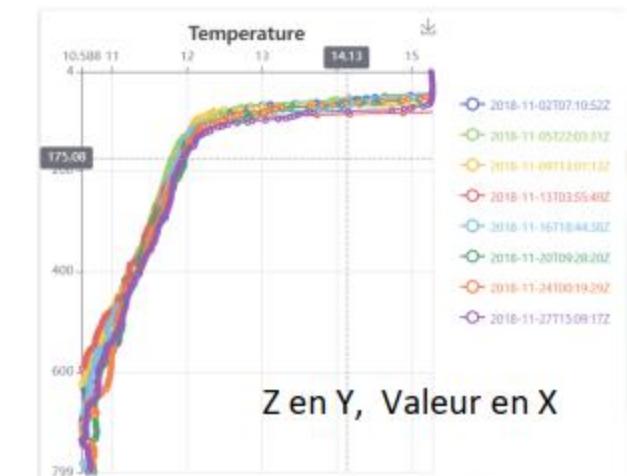
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```
"properties": {  
    "type": "trajectory"  
},
```



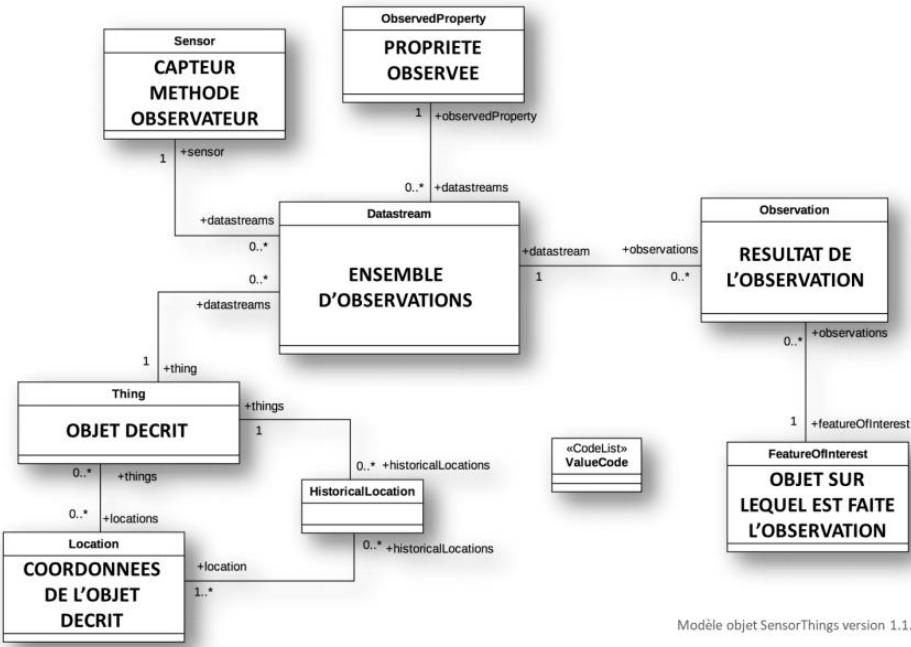
```
properties: {  
    type: "Profile"  
},
```



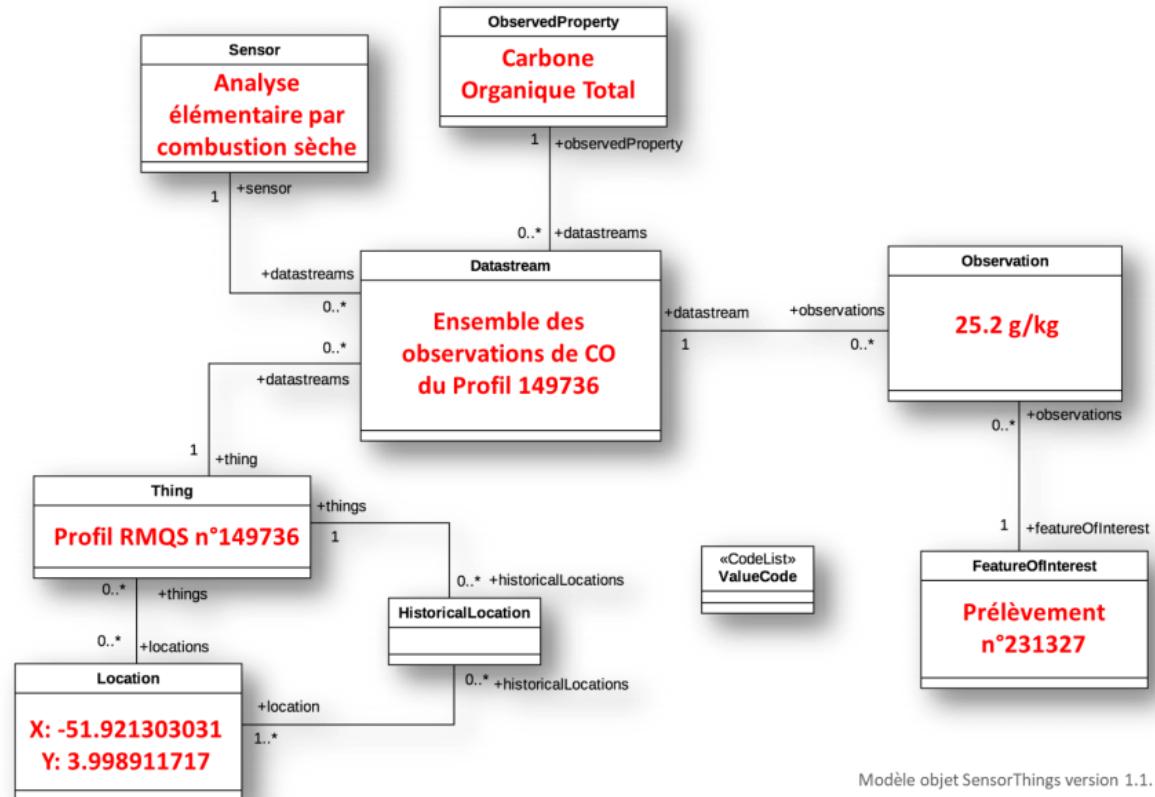
<https://sextant.ifremer.fr/examind/WS/sts/coriolis/v1.1>

# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 – Agronomy example

French Agronomic Institute (INRAE)



Organic Carbon in a soil sample

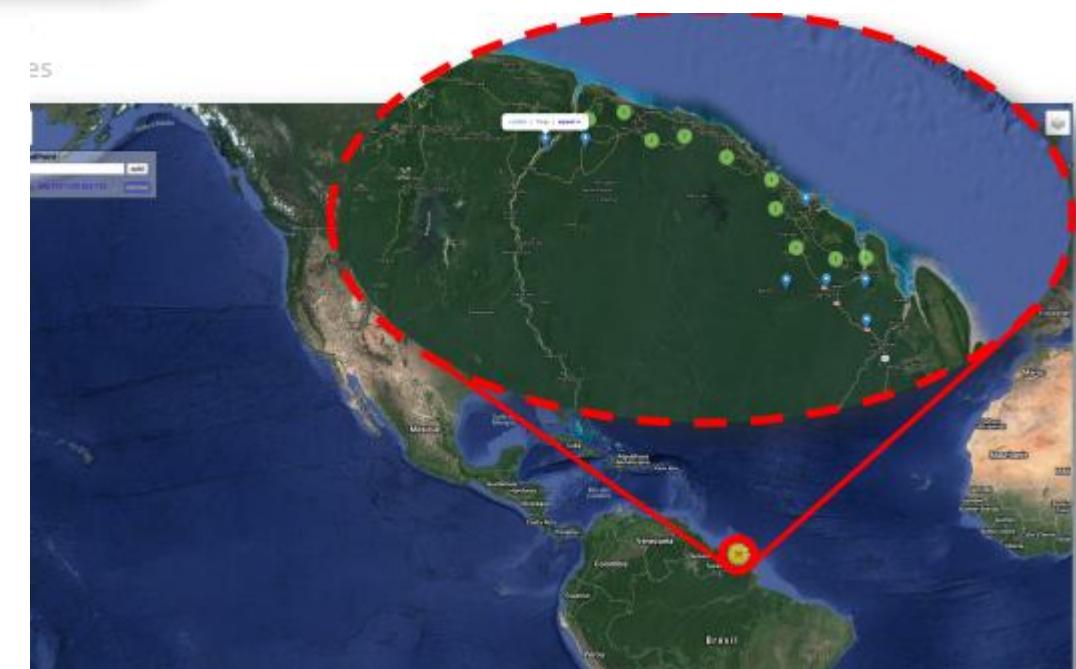
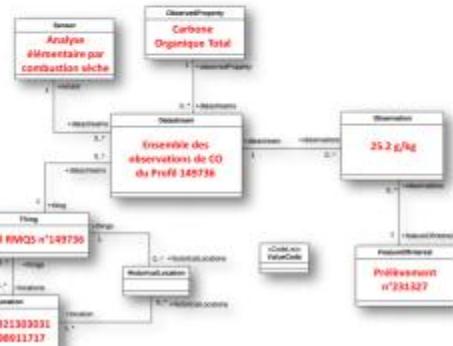
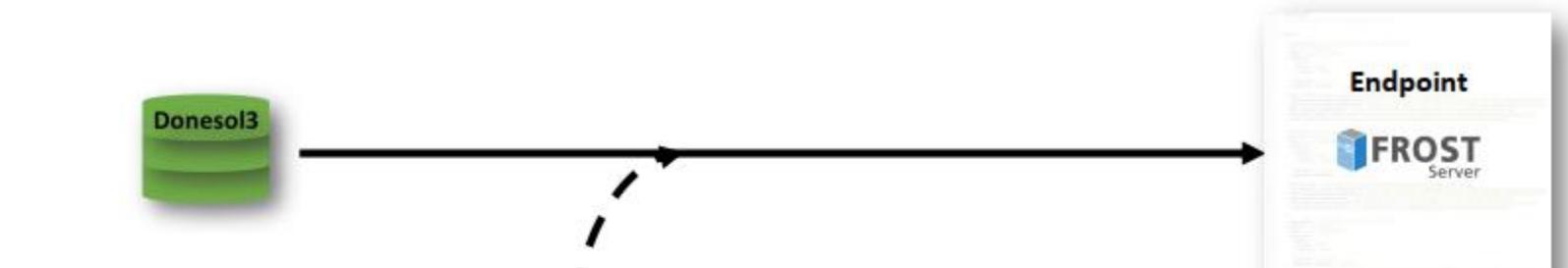




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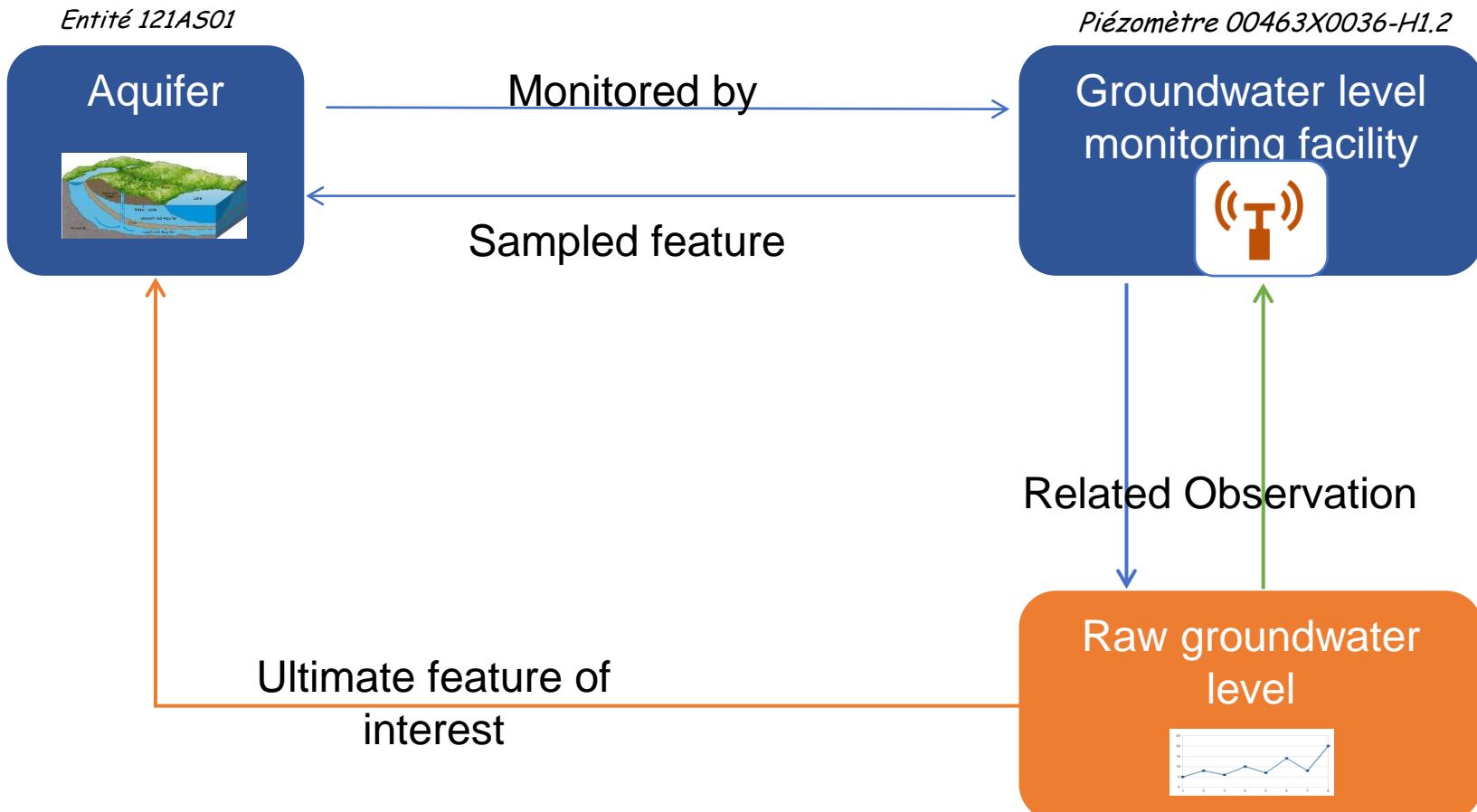
French Agronomic Institute (INRAE)

- Historical/Legacy national databank mapped to SensorThings API for data sharing



# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 – GroundWater example

French Geologic Survey (BRGM)

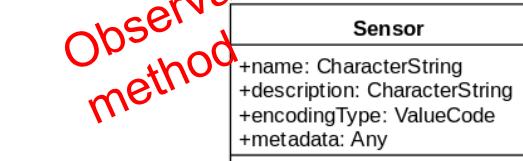


# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 – GroundWater example



French Geologic Survey (BRGM)

Observation  
method



1 +sensor

+datastreams

0..1 +datastreams

0..1 +datastreams

+datastreams

0..1 +datastreams

0..1 +datastreams

**Groundwater level monitoring facility**

1 +thing

Thing

```
+name: CharacterString
+description: CharacterString
+properties: JSON_Object[0..1]
```

0..\* +things

0..\* +locations

**Location**

```
+name: CharacterString
+description: CharacterString
+encodingType: ValueCode
+location: Any
```

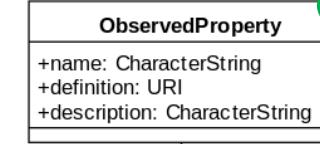
1 +location

1..\* +historicalLocations

**HistoricalLocation**

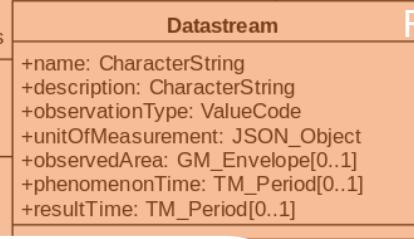
```
+time: TM_Instant
```

0..\* +historicalLocations



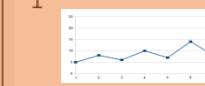
1 +observedProperty

0..1 +datastreams

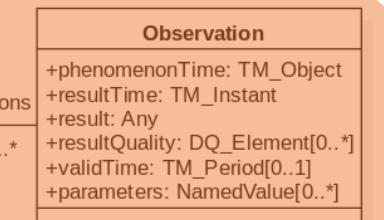


**Raw groundwater level**

+datastream +observations

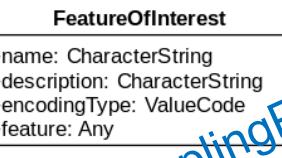


1 +observations



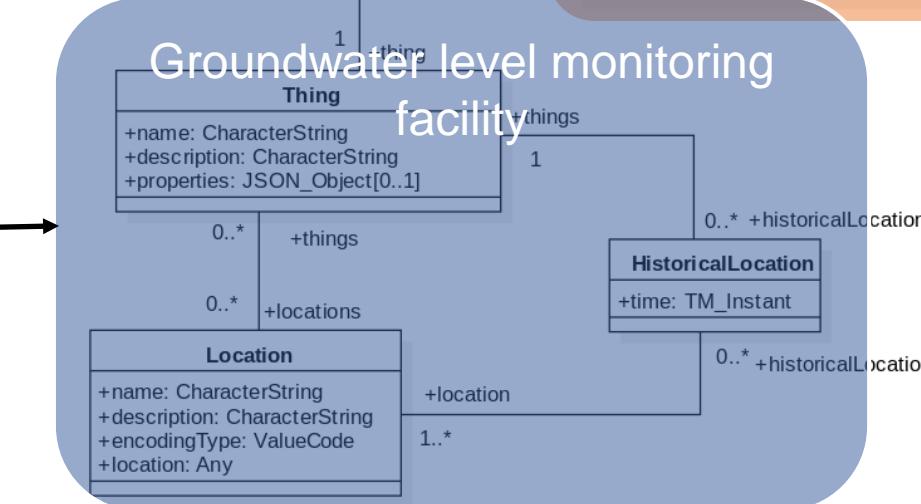
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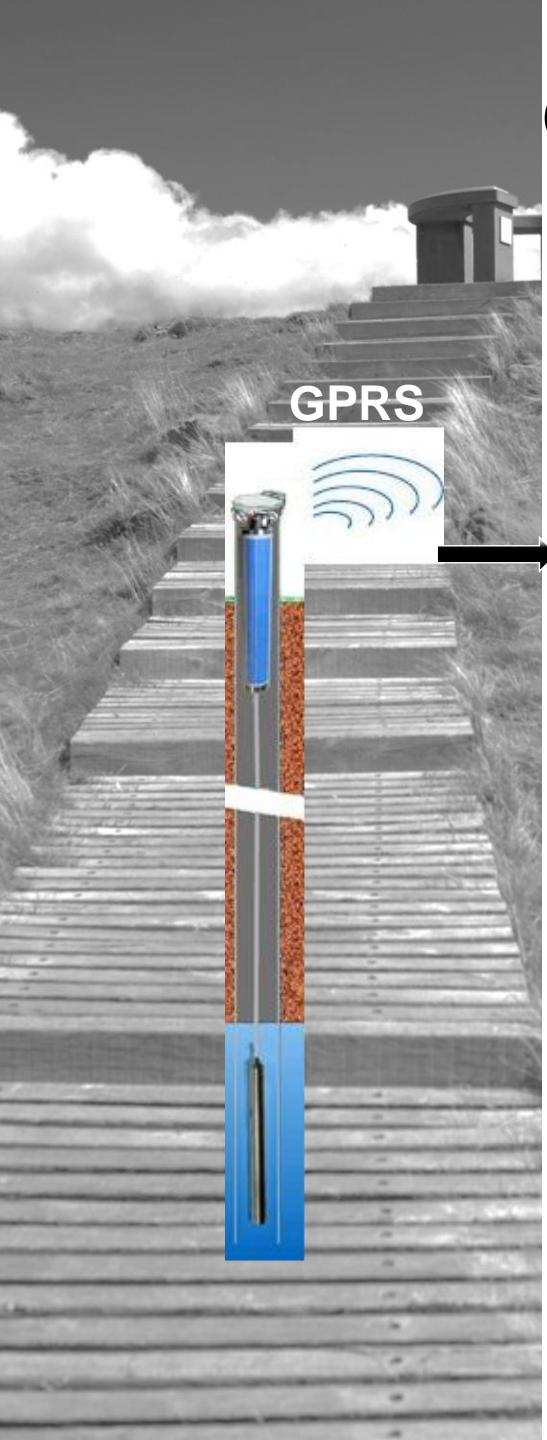


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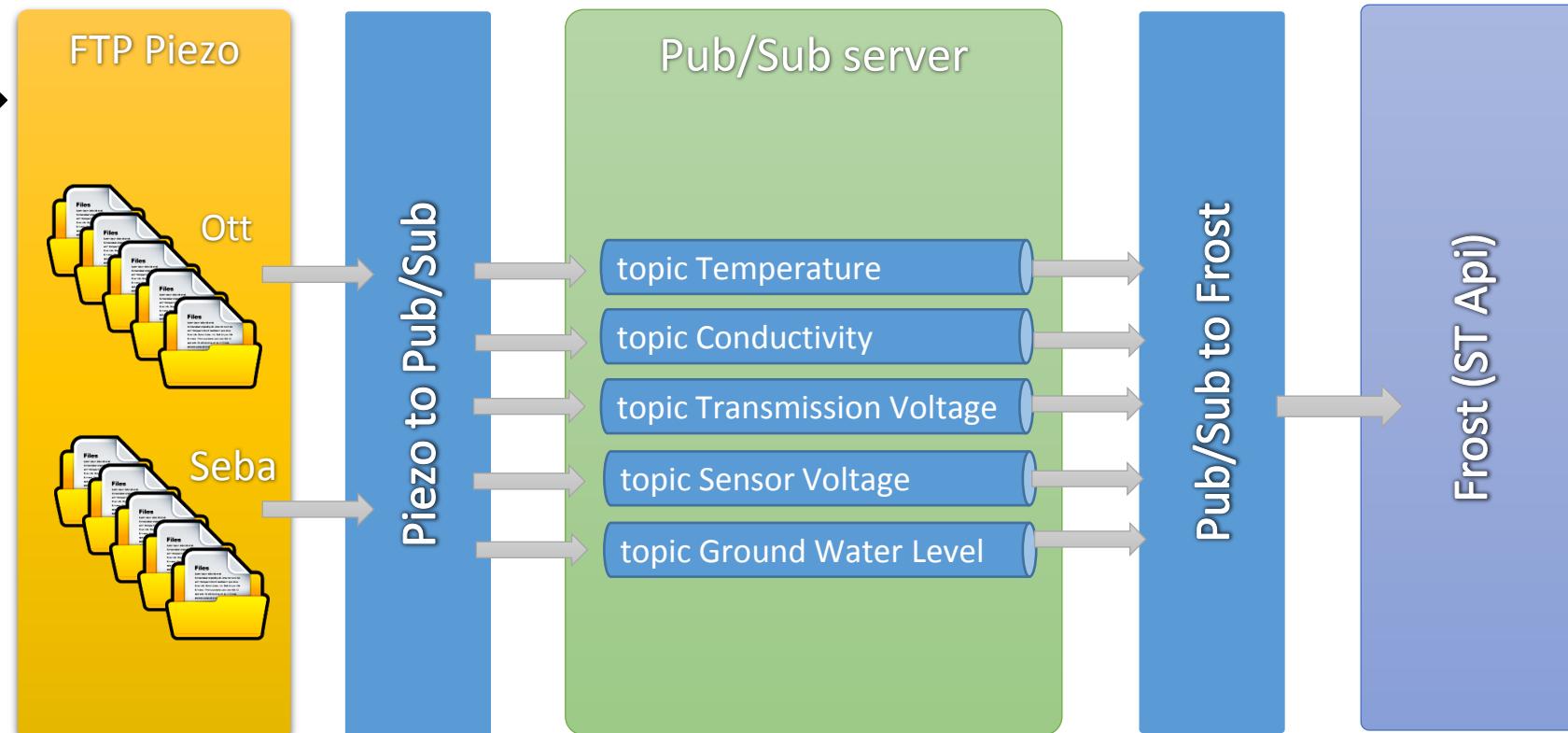


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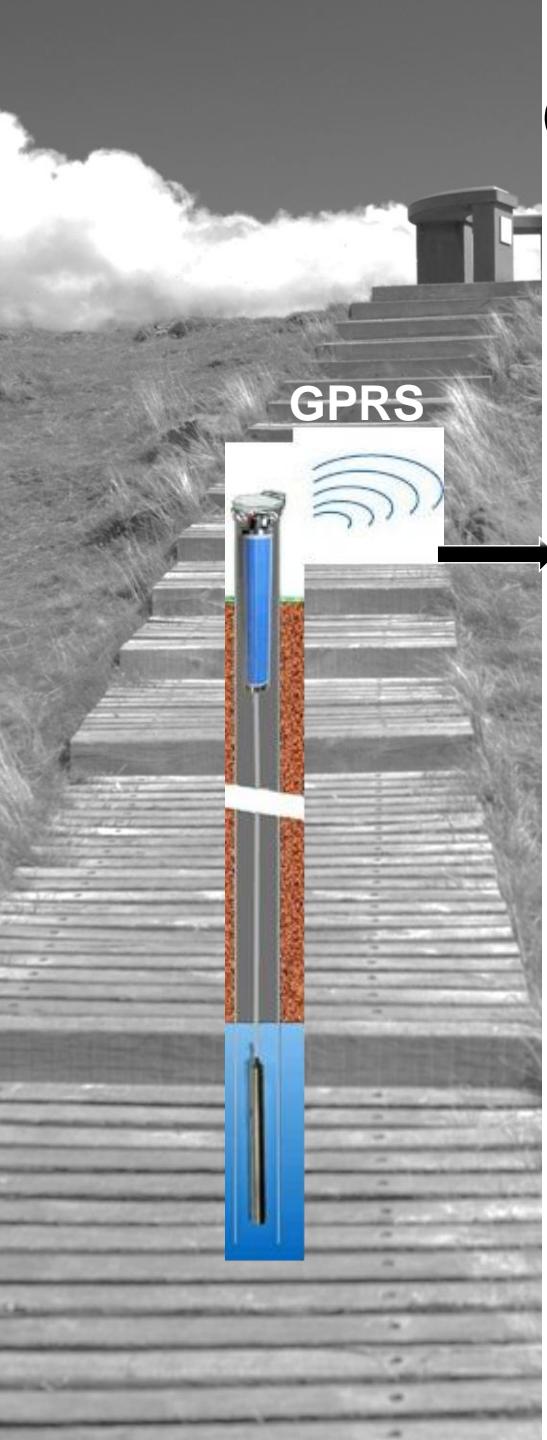


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- From field sensors to SensorThings API server

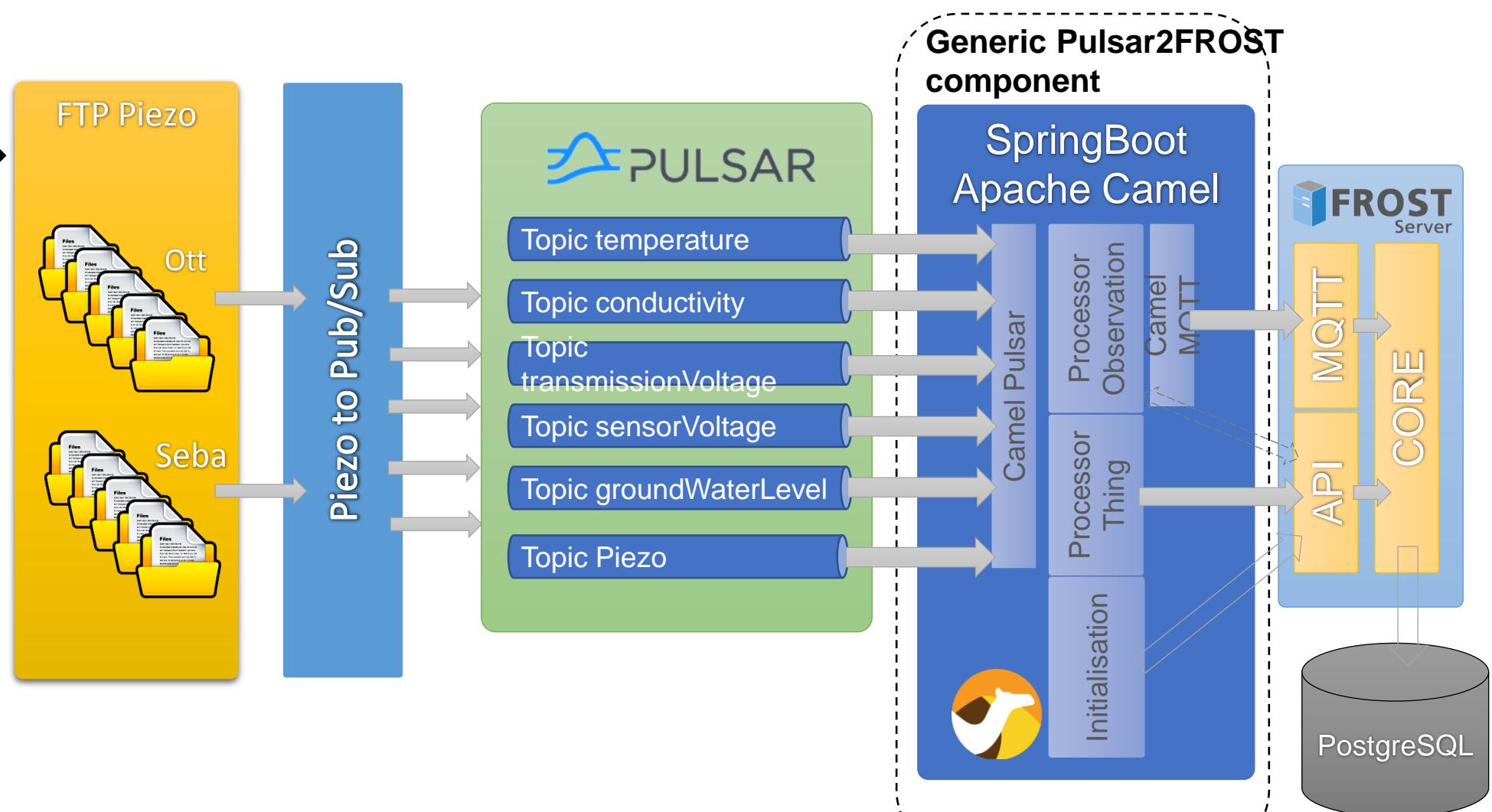


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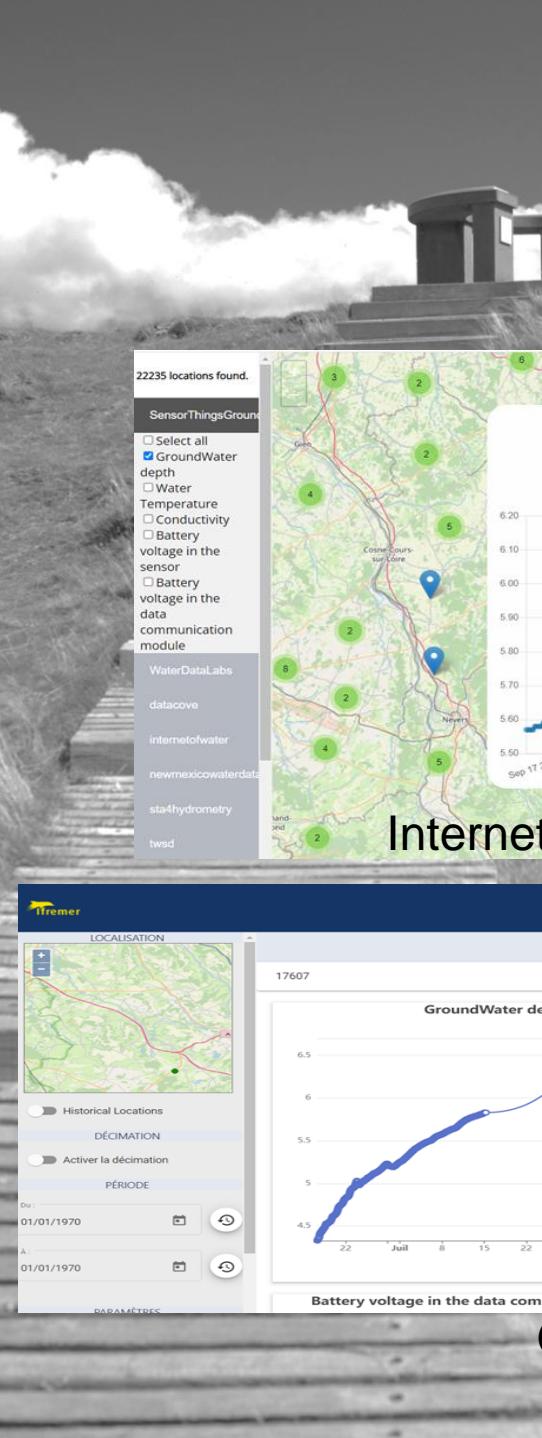


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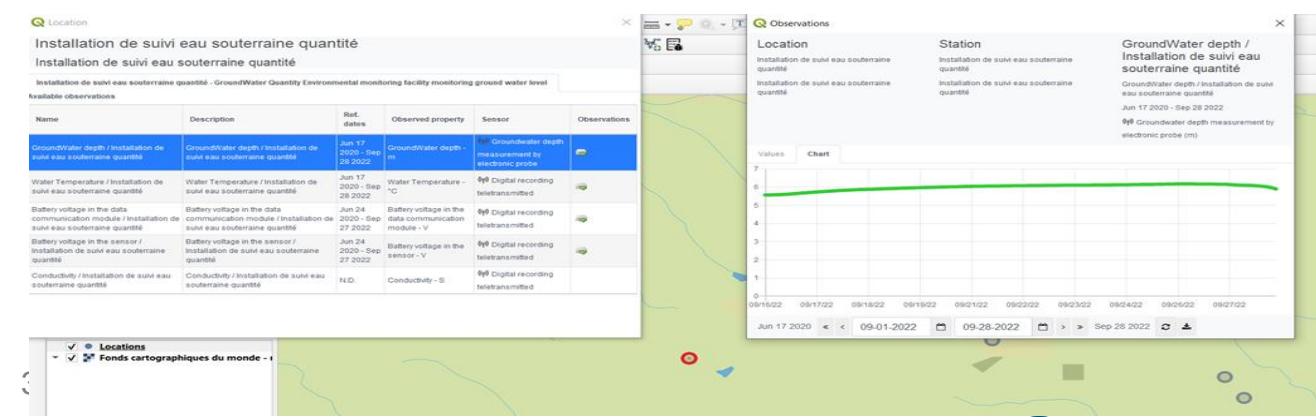
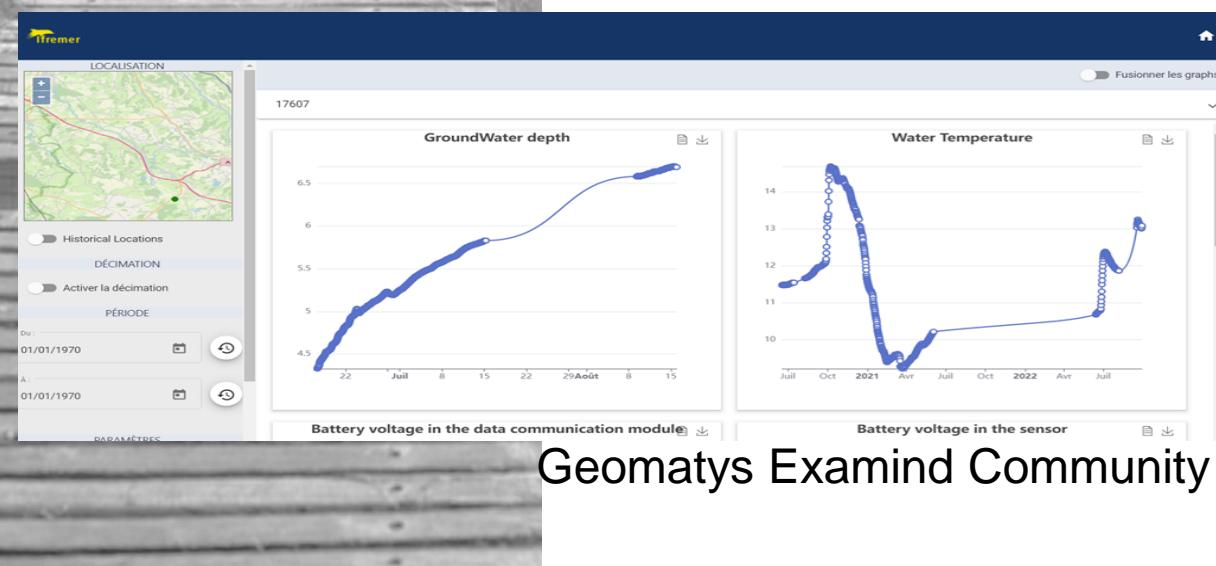
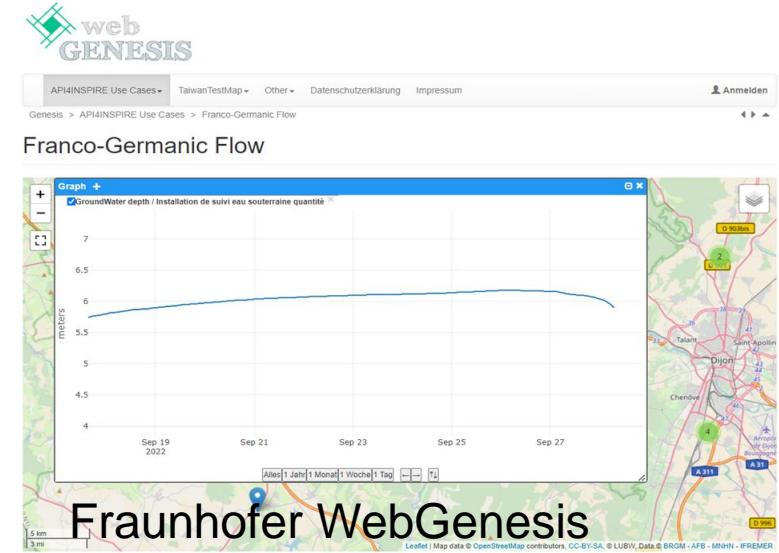
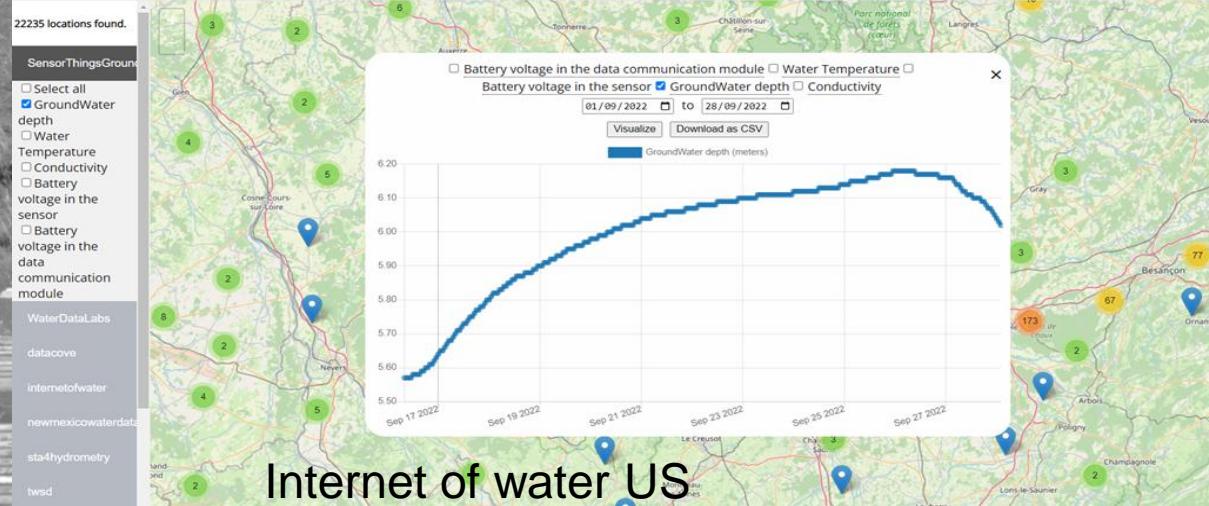
- From field sensors to SensorThings API server using the full RESTful and MQTT capacities of the standard



# OGC SensorThings API Part 1 – client side



One ground water endpoint (BRGM) various clients





# Extra material

- Observations, Measurement And Samples
  - <https://github.com/opengeospatial/om-swg>
  - New version available soon here : <https://www.ogc.org/standards/om>
- SensorThings API Part 1
  - Standard : <https://www.ogc.org/standards/sensorthings>
  - <https://github.com/opengeospatial/sensorthings>
  - Many screenshots come from this workshop (EN/French) :
    - [https://github.com/INSIDE-information-systems/SensorThingsAPI/tree/master/presentations/20220929\\_INSIDE\\_SIST\\_SensorThingsAPI\\_Webinaire](https://github.com/INSIDE-information-systems/SensorThingsAPI/tree/master/presentations/20220929_INSIDE_SIST_SensorThingsAPI_Webinaire)



# Thank you

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