

My FOAF network #1: the FOAFExplorer

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Abstract

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In this series I will introduce the technologies behind my FOAF network. [FOAF](#) means Friend-of-a-Friend and

[t]he Friend of a Friend (FOAF) project is creating a Web of machine-readable pages describing people, the links between them and the things they create and do.

My [FOAF file](#) (draft) will give you details on who I am, who I collaborate with (and other types of friends), which conferences I am attending, what I published etc. That is, I'll try to keep it updated. BTW, [FOAF is a RDF language](#).

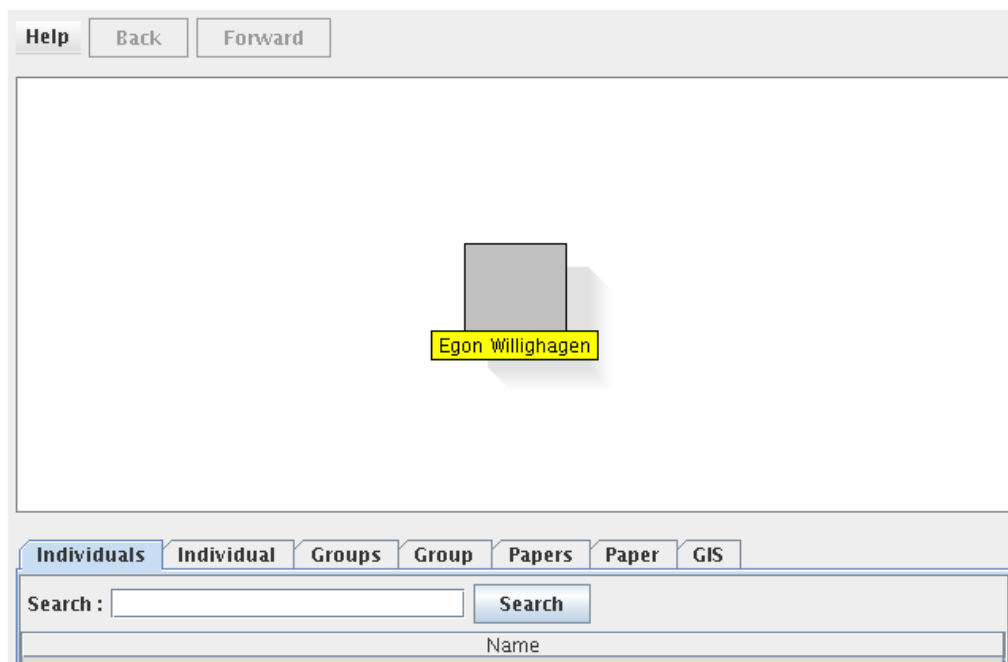
FOAFExplorer

Pierre has done some [excellent FOAF work](#) in the past, and [developed](#) the [MyFOAFExplorer](#), and also developed [a tool to create a FOAF network](#) based on the [PubMed database](#), called [SciFOAF](#). The latter is neat, but does not allow putting all this personal details in the FOAF files. However, the output could be a starting point.

Back to FOAFExplorer, this is [what the FOAFExplorer shows for my network](#):

Egon Willighagen's FOAF network

The FOAF file used by this applet is ["foaf.xrdf"](#). Read the details about this applet in [Pierre's](#)



I'm a bit lonely, even though I have linked to two friends in my FOAF file, of which one has a FOAF file too ([Henry](#)):

```
<foaf:knows>
  <foaf:Person rdf:ID="HenryRzepa">
    <foaf:name>Henry Rzepa</foaf:name>
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<rdfs:seeAlso rdf:resource="http://www.ch.ic.ac.uk/rzepa/rzepa.xrdf"/>
</foaf:Person>
</foaf:knows>
<foaf:knows>
  <foaf:Person rdf:ID="PeterMurrayRust">
    <foaf:name>Peter Murray-Rust
    <foaf:mbox_sha1sum>926d6f8ed367bdded26353a05e80b4f0ce18230d...
  </foaf:Person>
</foaf:knows>
```

I guess the FOAFExplorer does not browse into my network. More on that in later items in this series.