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PhD Candidate (Thesis defended in Sept. 2011)
MSc. in Informatics
BS in Computer Science
B. in Business Administration - Operations &
Information Management

CAREER OVERVIEW

Oct.2010–Present	KMi (Knowledge Media Institute), The Open University Research Assistant	UK
Feb.2009–Present	The Open University Web Consultant of the Open Arts Archive Project	UK
Oct.2007–Present	KMi (Knowledge Media Institute), The Open University Research PhD Position (Thesis successfully defended in September 2011)	UK
Feb.2006–Sep.2007	ZeTrading.com Business Development Manager	Lebanon & China
Sep.2003–Feb.2006	Automated Information Management Systems ERP solutions consultant, implementation administrator and customer support	AUH, Dubai

AWARDS & GRANTS

2011	Winner of the KMi Linked Data Application Competition
2010	Winner of the best student paper award at the 17th Conference on Knowledge Engineering and Knowledge Management by the Masses (EKAW 2010)
2009	Honorary mention at the 6th European Conf on the Semantic Web (ESWC 2009) PhD Symposium
2007	3 years research PhD scholarship grant from the Knowledge Media Institute, UK

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

F. Zablith, M. d'Aquin, S. Brown, L. Green-Hughes (2011). *Consuming Linked Data Within a Large Educational Organization*, In: Proceedings of the Second International Workshop on Consuming Linked Data (COLD) at International Semantic Web Conference (ISWC), Bonn, Germany

E. Motta, P. Mulholland, S. Peroni, M. d'Aquin, J. M. Gomez-Perez, V. Mendez, F. Zablith (2011). *A Novel Approach to Visualizing and Navigating Ontologies*, To appear in Proceedings of the 10th International Semantic Web Conference (ISWC), Bonn, Germany

F. Zablith, M. Fernandez, M. Rowe (2011). *The OU Linked Open Data: Production and Consumption*, Proceedings of the Workshop on eLearning Approaches for the Linked Data Age at the 8th Extended Semantic Web Conference (ESWC), Heraklion, Crete

d'Aquin, M., Zablith, F. and Motta, E. (2011). *wayOU -- Linked Data-Based Social Location Tracking in a Large, Distributed Organisation*, Demo in: Proceedings of the 8th Extended Semantic Web Conference, Heraklion, Crete
(Winner of the best demo award)

F. Zablith, M. d'Aquin, M. Sabou, E. Motta (2010). *Using Ontological Contexts to Assess the Relevance of Statements in Ontology Evolution*. In: Proceedings of the 17th Conference on Knowledge Engineering and Knowledge Management by the Masses (EKAW), Lisbon, Portugal, Springer Verlag
(Acceptance rate 28% - Winner of the best student paper award)

F. Zablith, Z. Sellami, M. d'Aquin, N. Aussenac-Gilles, N. Hernandez (2010). *Vers la Combinaison de Deux Techniques d'évolution d'Ontologies à Partir de Ressources Générales et de Ressources Linguistiques*. Workshop on "Evolution d'Ontologies" at the 21st Journées Francophones d'Ingénierie des Connaissances (IC), Nîmes, France

F. Zablith, M. d'Aquin, M. Sabou, E. Motta (2009). *Investigating the Use of Background Knowledge for Assessing the Relevance of Statements to an Ontology in Ontology Evolution*. International Workshop on Ontology Dynamics (IWOD) at ISWC, Northern Virginia, USA

F. Zablith (2009). *Evolva: A Comprehensive Approach to Ontology Evolution*. In: Proceedings of 6th European Semantic Web Conference (ESWC) PhD Symposium LNCS 5554. eds. L. Aroyo et al., Springer-Verlag, Berlin, Heidelberg, pages 944-948

F. Zablith, M. Sabou, M. d'Aquin and E. Motta (2009). *Ontology Evolution with Evolva*. Demo In: Proceedings of 6th European Semantic Web Conference (ESWC) LNCS 5554. eds. L. Aroyo et al., Springer-Verlag, Berlin, Heidelberg, pages 908-912

F. Zablith (2009). *Ontology Evolution: A Practical Approach*. Poster in the Proceedings of the AISB Workshop on Meaning and Matching (WMM), Edinburgh, UK

F. Zablith, M. Sabou, M. d'Aquin, E. Motta (2008). *Using Background Knowledge for Ontology Evolution*. International Workshop on Ontology Dynamics (IWOD) at ISWC, Karlsruhe, Germany

F. Zablith (2008). *Dynamic Ontology Evolution*. International Semantic Web Conference (ISWC) Doctoral Consortium. Karlsruhe, Germany

F. Zablith (2008). *Evolva: Towards Automatic Ontology Evolution*. KMi Technical Report: kmi-08-04

I. Rahwan, F. Zablith and C. Reed (2007). *Laying the Foundations for a World Wide Argument Web*. Artificial Intelligence Journal
(Acceptance rate 27% - Appeared among the AIJ Top 25 Hottest Articles July-December 2007)

I. Rahwan, F. Zablith and C. Reed (2007). *Towards Large Scale Argumentation Support on the Semantic Web*. In: Proceedings of 22nd Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI). AAAI Press, California, USA.

I. Rahwan, C. Reed and F. Zablith (2007). *On Building Argumentation Schemes Using the Argument Interchange Format*. Proceedings of the IJCAI Workshop on Computational Models of Natural Argument (CMNA), Hyderabad, India

PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEMBER

2011	Semantic Web in Use track at ISWC (International Semantic Web Conference)
2010	Poster/Demonstration of EKAW (Knowledge Engineering and Knowledge Management by the Masses) Conference
2009	International Workshop on Ontologies in Distributed and Interactive Systems
2008	International Workshop on Ontologies in Interactive Systems

CAREER HISTORY

Oct.2010–Present **KMi (Knowledge Media Institute), The Open University** **UK**
Research Assistant

Currently working as part of the SmartProducts project, and also involved in the Lucero project, working on modeling and exposing university data (courses, library catalogue, locations, people, etc.) as Linked Data within <http://data.open.ac.uk>

Feb.2009–Present **The Open University** **UK**
Web Consultant

Web consultant of the Open Arts Archive project (www.openartsarchive.org), part-time position. Responsible of designing, structuring and implementing the website using the content management system "Drupal", while making sure it fits within the requirements of the communications department of the Open University.

Oct.2007–Present **KMi (Knowledge Media Institute), The Open University** **UK**
Research PhD Position (Thesis successfully defended in September 2011)

Research in overlapping areas of computer science, artificial intelligence and knowledge technologies, focusing on Harvesting Online Ontologies for Ontology Evolution in the Semantic Web field.

Feb.2006–Sep.2007 **ZeTrading.com** **Lebanon & China**
Business Development Manager

Handled the development and the management of the business processes at ZeTrading. Part of my job was to deploy and maintain a Web system for the projects and content management of the company located in China and Lebanon. The system also includes a Web-ERP solution. I also worked on finding new business opportunities and potential clients.

Sept.2003–Feb.2006 **Automated Information Management Systems** **AUH, Dubai**
ERP solutions consultant, implementation administrator and customer support

Chosen to run the company's operation in the UAE; Working hand in hand with our partners in Dubai and Abu Dhabi to boost the operation.

Was responsible for administering AIMS' ERP implementations across the UAE, Qatar and Oman. Projects included: accounting, inventory and invoicing, payroll, restaurant, POS, property management, access control, files and cost allocation centers and project management. Another task was to send client related updates to the head office, next to handling the clients' support hotline and onsite visits.

Prepared and scheduled the ERP system implementations and trainings for various business lines, approved by the clients' management. I also held technical ERP sales meetings, with the study of the prospects' requirements and budget, and managed to close sales contracts.

EDUCATION

Oct.2007–Present **KMi (Knowledge Media Institute), The Open University** **UK**
Research PhD Candidate (Thesis successfully defended in September 2011)
Thesis: Harvesting Online Ontologies for Ontology Evolution

2007	British University in Dubai jointly with the University of Edinburgh Research MSc. In Informatics, Specialization in Knowledge and Data Management Graduated with Distinction Thesis: ArgDF: Arguments on the Semantic Web (www.argdf.org)	Dubai
2003	American University of Beirut BS in Computer Science	Lebanon
2002	American University of Beirut BBA in Operations and Information Management	Lebanon
1999	College des Freres De La Salle Lebanese Bacallaureate in Elementary Math	Lebanon

TRAININGS AND VISITS

2010	Institut de Recherche en Informatique de Toulouse Visit of three weeks to work with the "Knowledge, Cognition and Co-operation Engineering" research team, headed by Nathalie Aussenac-Gilles.	France
2008	Summer School on Ontological Engineering and the Semantic Web One week of theoretical and practical sessions by key Semantic Web researchers.	Spain

LANGUAGES AND COMPUTER SKILLS

- *Languages:* English, French and Arabic (Good in reading, speaking and writing).
- *Programming languages:* Java, C, C++, Visual Basic, OpenGL, Prolog.
- *Semantic Web:* Plugin development for the NeOn Toolkit, Manchester OWL-API, KAON, Watson API, Protégé, Sesame RDF repository.
- *Web development tools:* Macromedia Dreamweaver with ASP linked to Access databases, PHP with MySQL, NetObject Fusion, Adobe ImageReady and GoLive, Drupal.
- *Design Tools:* Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, Macromedia Fireworks.
- *Data handling:* Microsoft SQL Server, MySQL, Microsoft Access, XML, RDF.
- *Others:* iPhone Apps, LaTeX, Microsoft Office Suite, Microsoft Project, Microsoft Visio.

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