



Identification of objects

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Identification of objects

- Objects (entities, assets, securities, loans...) may be identified by a couple:
 - Type of identification
 - Value of identification
- Each type of identification defines its values
- The values for the different "type of identification" must be defined
 - It is itself an identification that must have a type
- The XBRL 2.1 specification defines how to identify reporting entities in the contexts:
 - Type defined through a URI, typically a URL
 - Format of the values depending on the type
 Example :
 - <identifier scheme="http://xml.insee.fr/identifiants/SIREN">352191167</identifier>



Identification of objects outside of contexts

- There is a need to identify an object which is not a reporting entity:
 - in facts or
 - in typed dimensions
- Choice:
 - Single fact / typed dimension
 - Two facts / typed dimensions



Single piece of information

- For performance / commodity reason, it has been chosen to use a single piece of information for identifications
- It is, of course possible to present two cells for rendering / data entry



URIs: URLs or URNs

• URL

- May be long
- Already used to identify reporting entities
- Possibility to correspond to a Web site containing informations
- Possibility to handle any character

URN

- Shorter
- Need to register it
- Potential problem if identification values contain a column (":")



Types of identification

• Three situations

- 1. The type of identification is already associated to a URL
- 2. The type of identification is associated to an ISO standard
- 3. Other situations



Identification associated to a URL

- Keep the existing URL
- Information may be, in some cases, found in the Eurofiling Web site
- Example:

SIREN: Indentifier for organizations in France

http://xml.insee.fr/identifiants/SIREN



Identification associated to an ISO standard

- RFC 5141 (http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc5141)
 defines a way to associate a URL (or a URN) to an ISO standard
- Examples:
 - LEI: http://standard.iso.org/iso/17442
 - ISIN: http://standard.iso.org/iso/6166
- Information could be, in some cases, found in the Eurofiling Web site



Identification not associated to a URL or an ISO standard

 The associated URL will use the Eurofiling domain, with a root: http://codes.eurofiling.info/

Example: http://codes.eurofiling.info/cusip

- Information will be found in the Eurofiling Web site, using the URL as address
- Identifications specific to the reporter (local but stable) use the root http://codes.eurofiling.info/reporter
 Example: http://codes.eurofiling.info/reporter/portfolio_id



Questions?



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