

# Reflections on a new plan for IDIS work



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- There are various possibilities how the meta data can be imported and maintained. Participants are free to chose whatever method is most convenient for them.



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chemistry

Titan's atmospheric chemistry  
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Arthur Dent

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laboratory measurements

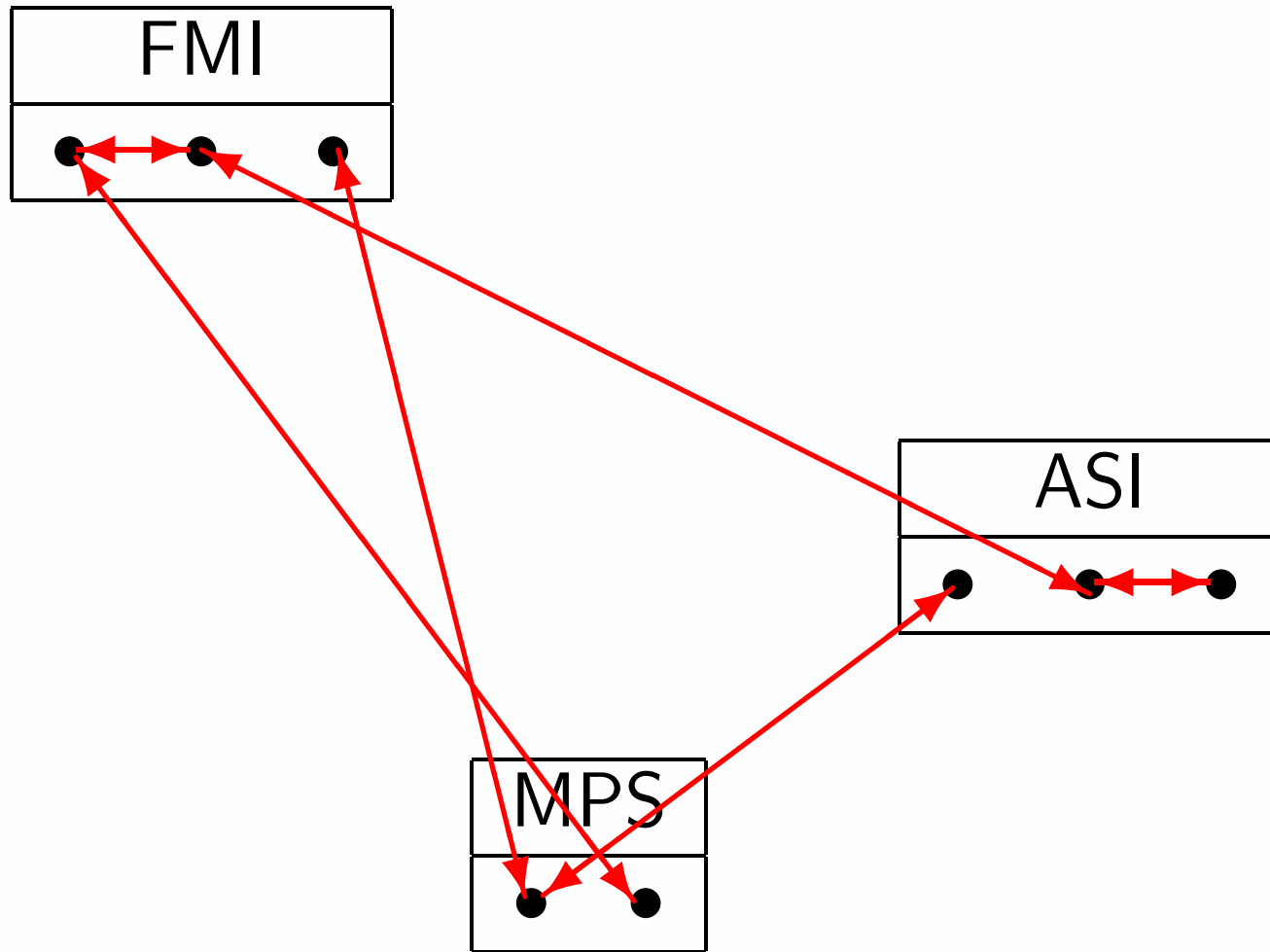
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# A network created by IDIS



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# Example of links to customised PSA queries

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Titan

atmosphere

HASI data at PSA

DISR data at PSA

Rain on Titan  
by

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This is a document about rain on Titan. The investigations are based on HASI and DISR data retrieved from PSA.

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- The generalisation concept for FP7 will provide other more sophisticated actions that can be performed on a *resource*, e. g., visualise data, run a computer model, or remotely control a telescope.

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- Review of available information and definition of valid keys and values making up the meta data may require 0.5–1.0 FTEs.