

STATUS of UCDs

(Unified Content Descriptors)

WG coordinator:

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UCDs: status

- **Documentation**
- **List of words**
- **Tools**
- **Use in DM, Registry, ...**

1. Documentation

- **Main document: PR**
 - UCD (Unified Content Descriptor) - moving to UCD1+. Version 1.06
 - IVOA Proposed Recommendation 26 October 2004
 - RFC closed (2 comments)
- **List of words: WD-20050429**
- Subdivision of the **em-band**: Note

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Oggetto: Opening RFC for UCD

Dear all,

The UCD reference document has been uploaded to the PR area of the IVOA document repository:

<http://www.ivoa.net/Documents/latest/UCD.html> (<== v.1.06)

I would like to open the 4-weeks RFC period for this document as of today (Oct 27), with a close date on Nov 24, before promotion to the Recommendation status.

A dedicated page has been created for posting comments:

<http://www.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/UnifiedContentDescriptorRFC>

and discussions will be conducted on the UCD mailing list (ucd@ivoa.net).

Unified Content Descriptor RFC

This document will act as **RFC** centre for the [UCD Proposed Recommendation](#). In order to add a comment to the document, please edit this page and add your comment to the list below in the format used in [ResourceMetadataRFC](#)

Comments

A couple of points from the ESO crew.

UCD version : by [MarcoLeoni](#). It's crucial to be able to distinguish between UCD version. Even more important, services do not have to use different UCD version in the same document: this should be made clear in the Rec., thus allowing validation of documents using UCDs.

UCD terminator : by [MarcoLeoni](#). It would be very useful to modify the definition to accomodate a semicolon at the end of a UCD. In this way, parsing and searching will be simplified.

2. Tools

- **assign** (from description in “normal”?! language)
- **validate** (spelling, syntax)
- **explain** (description)
- **upgrade** (for “deprecated” words)
- **translate** (ucd1 => ucd1+)

- web services

3. Use in DM and Registry

- **DM:**
 - IDHA, SIAP,
 - SSAP,
 - SED
- **Registry:**
 - “TabularSkyService” (columns in tables)

UCDs: to do list

- **RoadMap** for the WG
- Discuss the new **list of ucd1+ words** and proposed addenda
- Doc status: **new doc** (vocabulary) for a **new PR** (=> new RFC)
- **Board** for control and revision
- Present and discuss **ucd-tools**
- Use of ucd1+ in **DM (SED)**
- Help **VOEvent WG** (vocabulary?)

UCD session

- **Agenda (Friday 20, 9:00):**
 - Doc status and proposal (APM)
 - Tools and web services (SD)
 - UCDs for the SED DM (JMcdD)
 - Discussion
 - VOEvent vocabulary (AA)
 - Discussion