**L3S Memberships**

Since 2011, L3S has been a member of WSTNet, an international network of world-class research laboratories to support Web Science research and education. Prof. Wolfgang Nejdl – Executive Director of L3S - represents the L3S in the WSTNet Board of Directors.

The WSTNet member labs are:

WSTNet combines some of the world’s leading academic researchers in Web Science with new academic programmes that will enhance the already growing influence of Web Science. Contributions from the labs will include the organization and
hosting of summer schools, workshops, and meetings, including the WebSci conference series. The eighth **International Conference of Web Science** took place in May 2016 in Hannover and was organized by L3S. In November 2016, the WSTNet was celebrating ten years of Web Science in the worldwide event **WebScience@10** taking place in Singapore, London, Chicago and Berlin - co-organized by L3S.

http://www.webscience.org/wstnet-laboratories/

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**Leibniz Connections**

Leibniz Connections is a network of leading research institutes in the field of web science and digitization located in the metropolitan region of Hannover, Braunschweig, Göttingen. Initiated by the L3S Research Center, further members are the Universities in Hannover, Braunschweig and Göttingen, Soziologisches Forschungsinstitut Göttingen, Hannover Medical School, Leibniz Information Centre for Science and Technologie and University Library in Hannover, and also the Georg-Eckert-Institut in Braunschweig as well as the Gesellschaft für wissenschaftliche Datenverarbeitung in Göttingen. The network is completed by excellent partners from Koblenz, Kassel, Münster and Potsdam.

L3S and its partners provide a focus point for all questions related to the Web and digital transformation, for politics, business, science, media and all interested citizens.

http://connections.l3s.de/en

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**Leibniz Research Alliance Science 2.0**

Since November 2013, L3S Research Center has been member of the Leibniz Research Alliance Science 2.0, a group of notable institutes and organizations that investigates how the Web changes science and scientific publication processes. Science 2.0 is increasingly shaping science through new forms of participation, communication, collaboration, and open discourse in research and publication processes. Due to its expertise in the analysis and design of the complex interplay of technology, humans and information in the Web, L3S will deal with research questions regarding science and scientists in the Social Web and Linked Data for science. Scientists at L3S collaborate within the following Science 2.0 projects:

- **Netiquette and profile in Science 2.0**
- **#science** - Analyzing and Supporting Scientists with Twitter
- **BibSonomy**
In 2016, the L3S Research Center joined the Big Data Value Association as an associate member and participates in its activities and events.

The Big Data Value Association AISBL (BDVA) is a non-profit organisation formed as private counterpart to the EU Commission (EC) to implement the BDV PPP programme (Big Data Value PPP) jointly with the EC. Up to now, BDVA has over 150 members all over Europe with a well-balanced composition of large, small and medium-sized industries as well as research organisations and universities. The BDVA aims at boosting European Big Data Value research, development and innovation and fostering a positive perception of Big Data Value.

In addition, the L3S has joined the European Network of National Big Data Centers of Excellence, a BDVA-affiliated network led by the KNOW Center (Graz, Austria) and the Smart Data Forum (Berlin, Germany) currently comprising approximately 30 European organisations active in Big Data research and practice.

http://bdva.eu