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DATA MODELING STRATEGIES: ONTOLOGIES, OPEN STANDARDS, & DATA OWNERSHIP



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Segment I:

Why Adoption Has Been Slow

Why hasn't the industry embraced disciplined metadata adoption more broadly?



Segment II:

When Modeling Becomes Economically Valuable

At what point does disciplined data modeling become economically valuable?



Segment III:

Ontologies & Open Standards

What do ontologies and semantic standards provide beyond simple tagging?



Segment IV:

Data Ownership & Stewardship

Who is responsible for maintaining metadata over the life of the building?



Segment V:

Practical Takeaways

What is one practical step a system integrator or building owner can take tomorrow to improve their data modeling practices?



Questions From The Audience





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