WG13 – Language and Meaning in Biomedicine

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1. Background – Brief description of the WG/SIG mission, vision, and objective
   - Mission: To improve healthcare information by shared understanding and application of underlying linguistic and logical representations.
   - Vision: To provide an independent forum for state-of-the-art dialogue and collaboration on medical concept representation in healthcare applications.
   - Objective: IMIA’s Language and Meaning in Biomedicine is the international forum for issues related to informatics in the classification and coding of health data. Tasks include: (1) Reviewing health data nomenclature and classification needs for the world community; (2) Evaluating information processing technology in meeting these defined
2. **Achievement** - Events and projects conducted by WG/SIG, papers published or presented


3. **Participation** - Engagement and participation in IMIA and health informatics events and activities by members of your WG/SIG

Participation in various activities coming from (European) projects involving FAIR data: (FAIR4Health; European Joint Programme on Rare Diseases; Conect4Children) and in preparatory activities for Medinfo 2019 (including panel participation)

4. **Outreach** - Recruitment and engagement of new members and target communities, publicity and representation at major events and/or on social media

**Recruitment:** Posts on LinkedIn group regarding our Working Group contribution to the Yearbook

**Current number of members:** 105

**List of New Members Joined during: July 2018-June 2019**

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5. **Collaboration** - Working with other IMIA WG/SIGs or external organizations or institutions

(Please state the types of the collaborations and achievements of each collaboration attempted)