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HackaLOD 2023: FIZ Karlsruhe Team successful in 3rd place

Creative applications for better use of cultural heritage data

A team from the Information Service Engineering (ISE) research department successfully participated in the seventh HackaLOD event in Gouda/Netherlands at the beginning of November 2023 and took 3rd place in the audience ranking.

Team FIZ at HackaLOD 2023, from left to right Etienne Posthumus, Mahsa Vafaie, Mary Ann Tan, Sasha Bruns and Tabea Tietz.

On the night of November 3 to 4, the historic town hall of Gouda was the center of the seventh HackaLOD, the hackathon for the cultural heritage sector. Seven teams of programmers, historians, designers and data specialists worked with heritage data as rough diamonds to develop apps, games and other creative applications for a wide audience.

3rd place for FIZ project "Close! Introduction of FIZZY SPARQL queries"
The FIZ team, consisting of Etienne Posthumus, Mary Ann Tan, Sasha Bruns, Tabea Tietz and Mahsa Vafaie, asked themselves the initial question: "How can we help heritage professionals create search environments for the public?" The result of their work impressed the jury: "We have developed a tool that helps professionals to make their collections more user-friendly and semantically searchable for the public than with standard SPARQL queries - although these are still necessary. The search becomes looser or fuzzier. Hence the name fuzzy/fizzy, 'tingly', as a pun on our team name FIZ."

More information on the HackaLOD 2023 is available at
https://hackalod.com/index.php/2023/05/25/hackalod-3-4-november-2023/

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