Wikidata & infoboxes panel

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This session is about...

- Using Wikidata...

- ...in infoboxes.
If you don’t know what is Wikidata, you should go to Asaf’s “A Gentle Introduction to Wikidata for Complete Beginners” which is happening in another room now.
Rundown of the session

- **Hoo man:** *Put data on it: Using Wikidata data in Wikimedia projects*
- **Theklan:** *Automatic infoboxes with Wikidata*
- **Eran:** *Integrating Wikidata to Infoboxes*
- 5min Q&A after each talk
- Breakout sessions:
  - Panel discussion on standardisation
  - Tutorial: make your automatic infobox
Standardisation
Standardisation… of Lua modules?

• There’s {{#property:___}}
• But Lua modules are needed for most purposes
• These modules aren’t centrally deployed
• There are at least 3 known “trunk” projects
  – en:Module:Wikidata
  – wikidata:Module:Wikidata = fr:Module:Wikidata
  – ca:Module:Wikidata
  – ru:Module:Wikidata
• If we centrally deploy Lua modules in the way images are centrally deployed from Commons, which site should be the host? WD? Meta? Commons?
Scope of an infobox

- Should templates be topic-specific?
- Can we have a “universal infobox”?
  - Russian/ Wikipedia seems to be trying it
    - But it’s really hard and the approach isn’t obvious
  - English Wikipedia definitely won’t
    - Topic-specific infoboxes with partial Wikidata usage
    - Most other wikis seem to be following this model

- Topic-specific infoboxes with a universal template that detects the type of item and switches between them

- Open discussion + Q&A