



QGIS / GDAL GML application schema support update: use case on French Groundwater Information Network (GIN)

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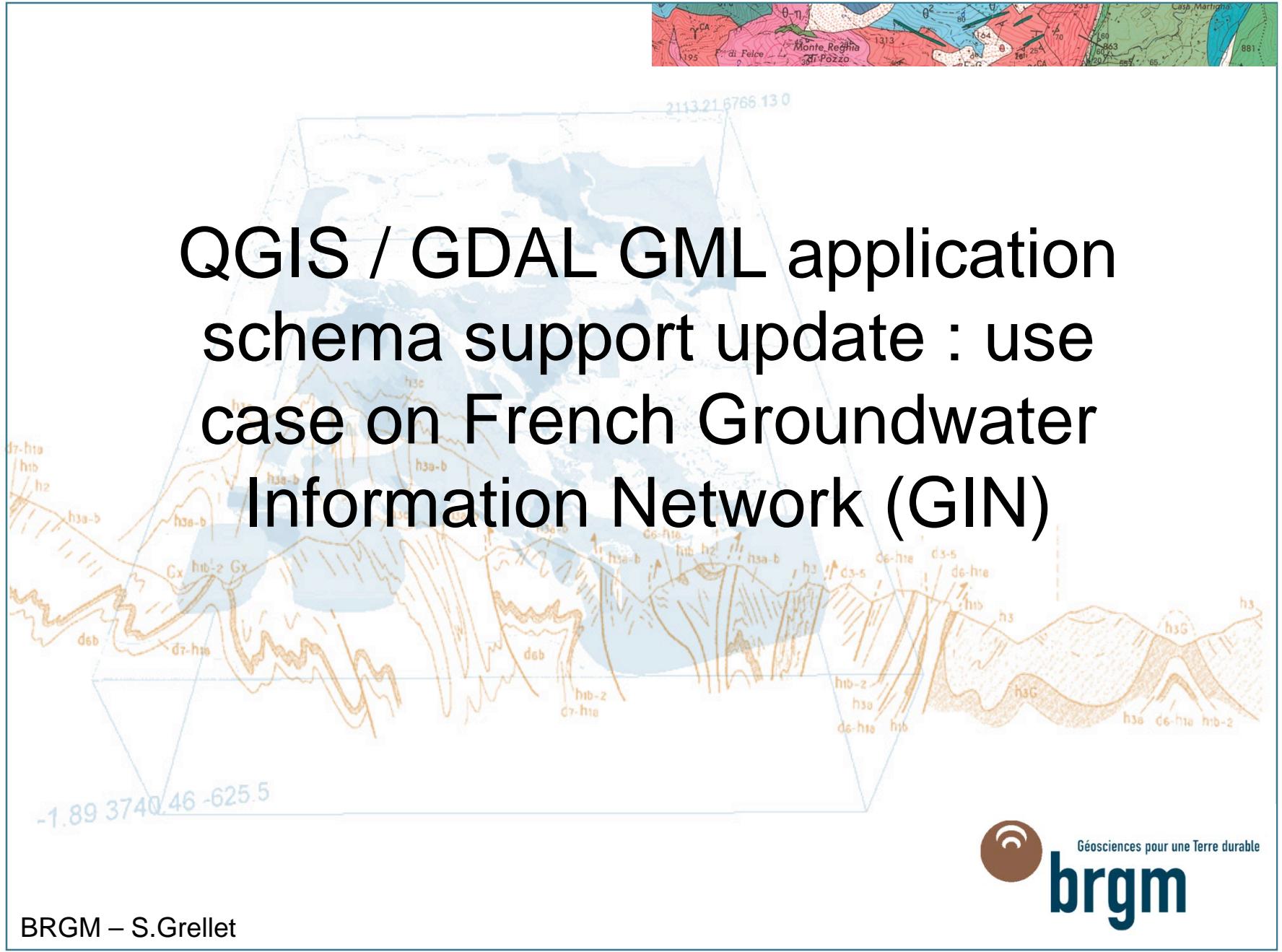
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French GIN – linked data use case

> Objectives

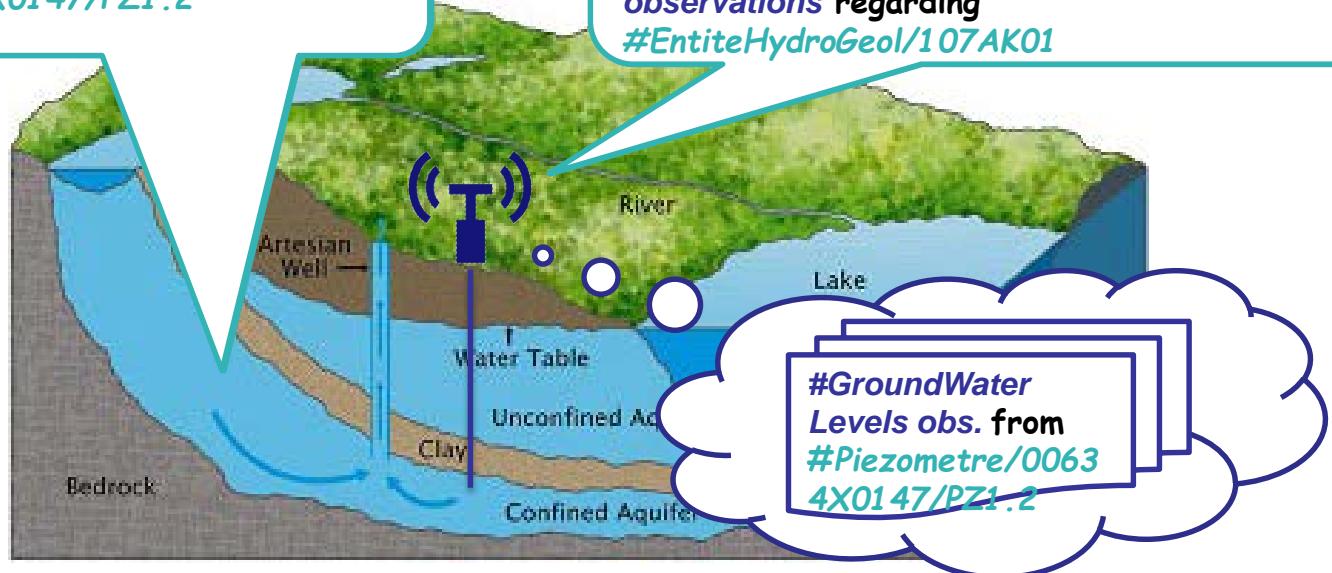
- To provide stable and resolvable links to resources
- To allow reference / data citation
- Independant from underlying technologies used to provide data

I am [#EntiteHydroGeol/107AK01](#)

I am monitored by
[#Piezometre/00634X0147/PZ1.2](#)

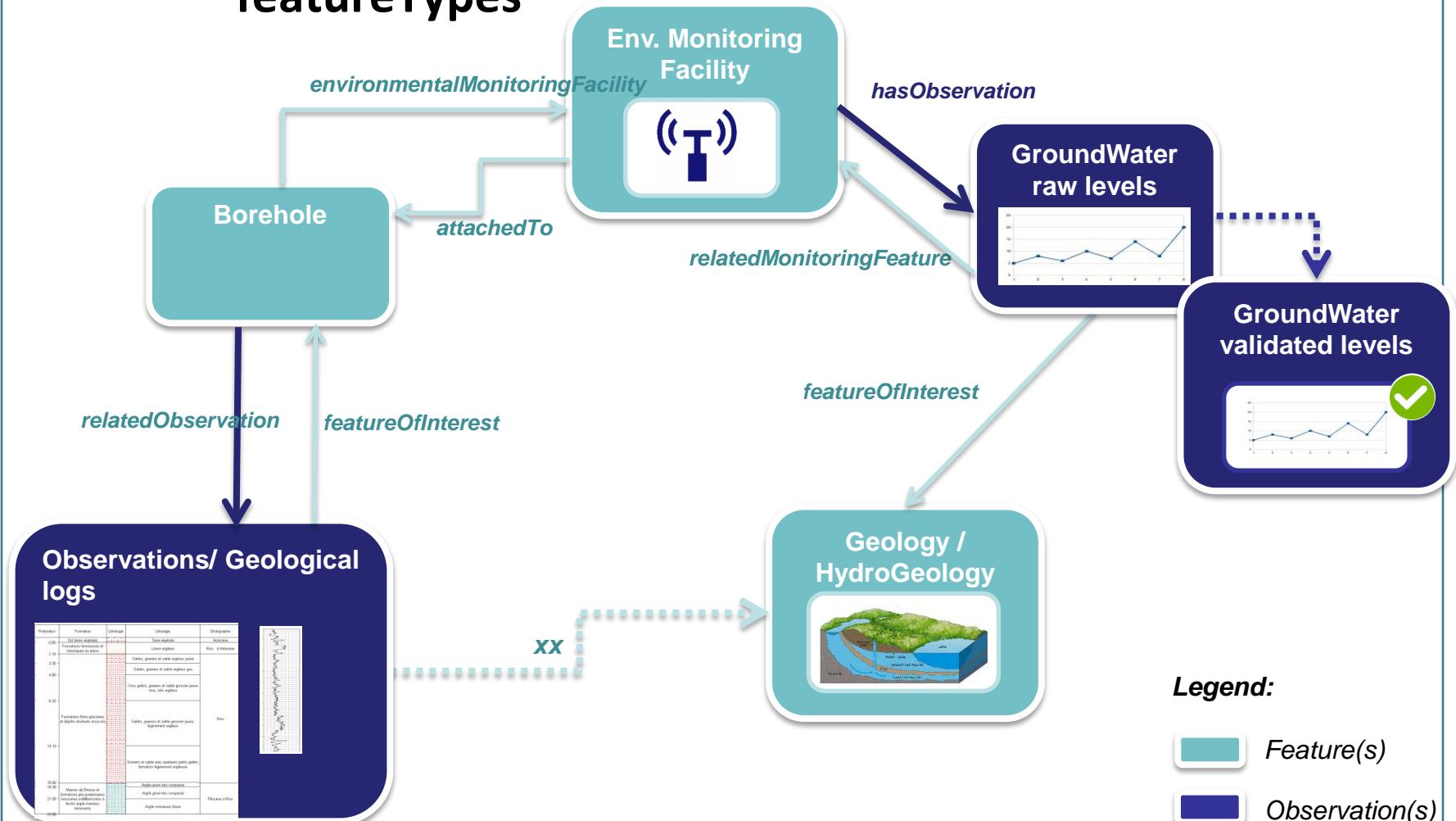
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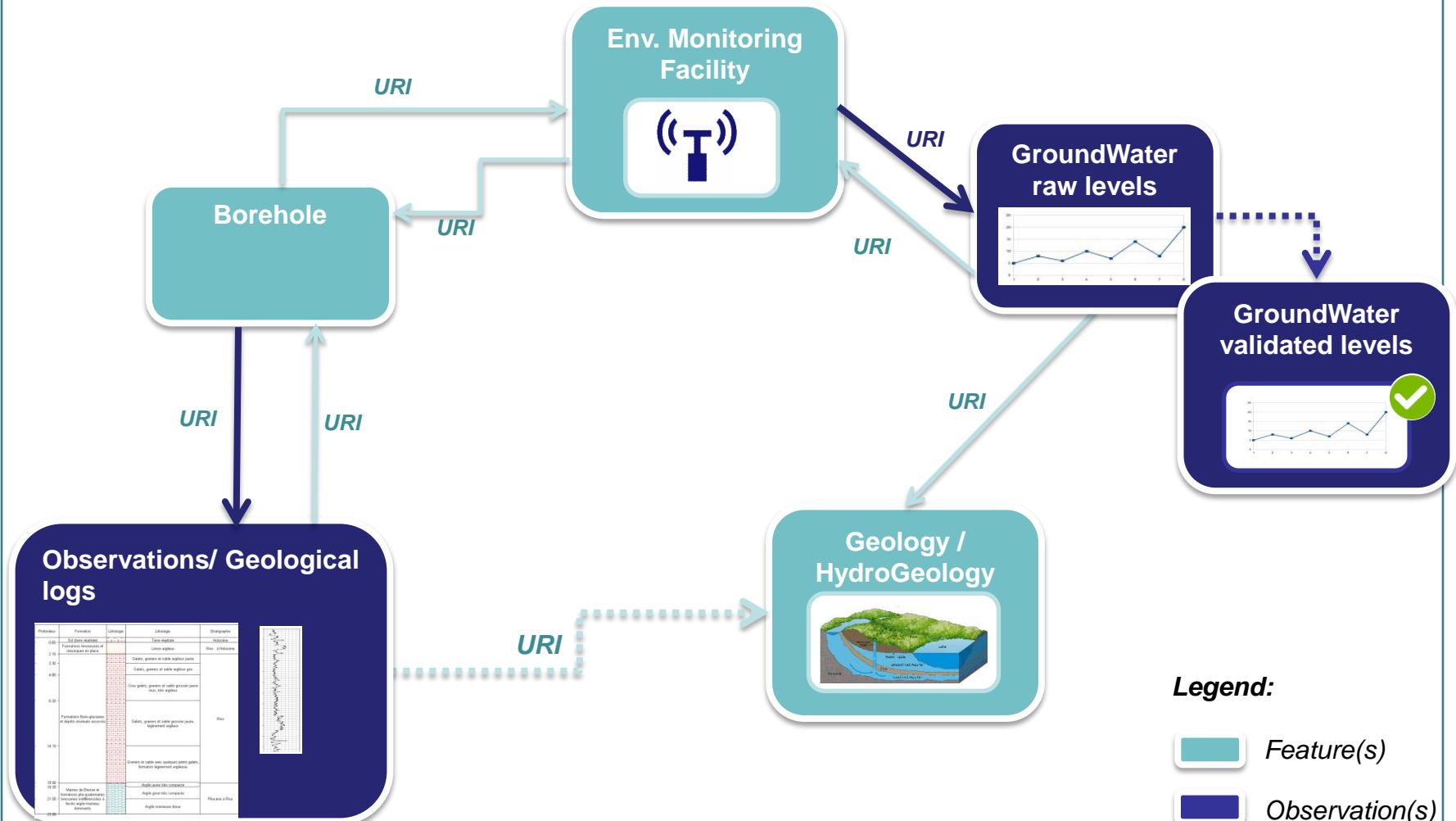
French GIN – linked data use case

> Flows based on OGC and INSPIRE defined featureTypes



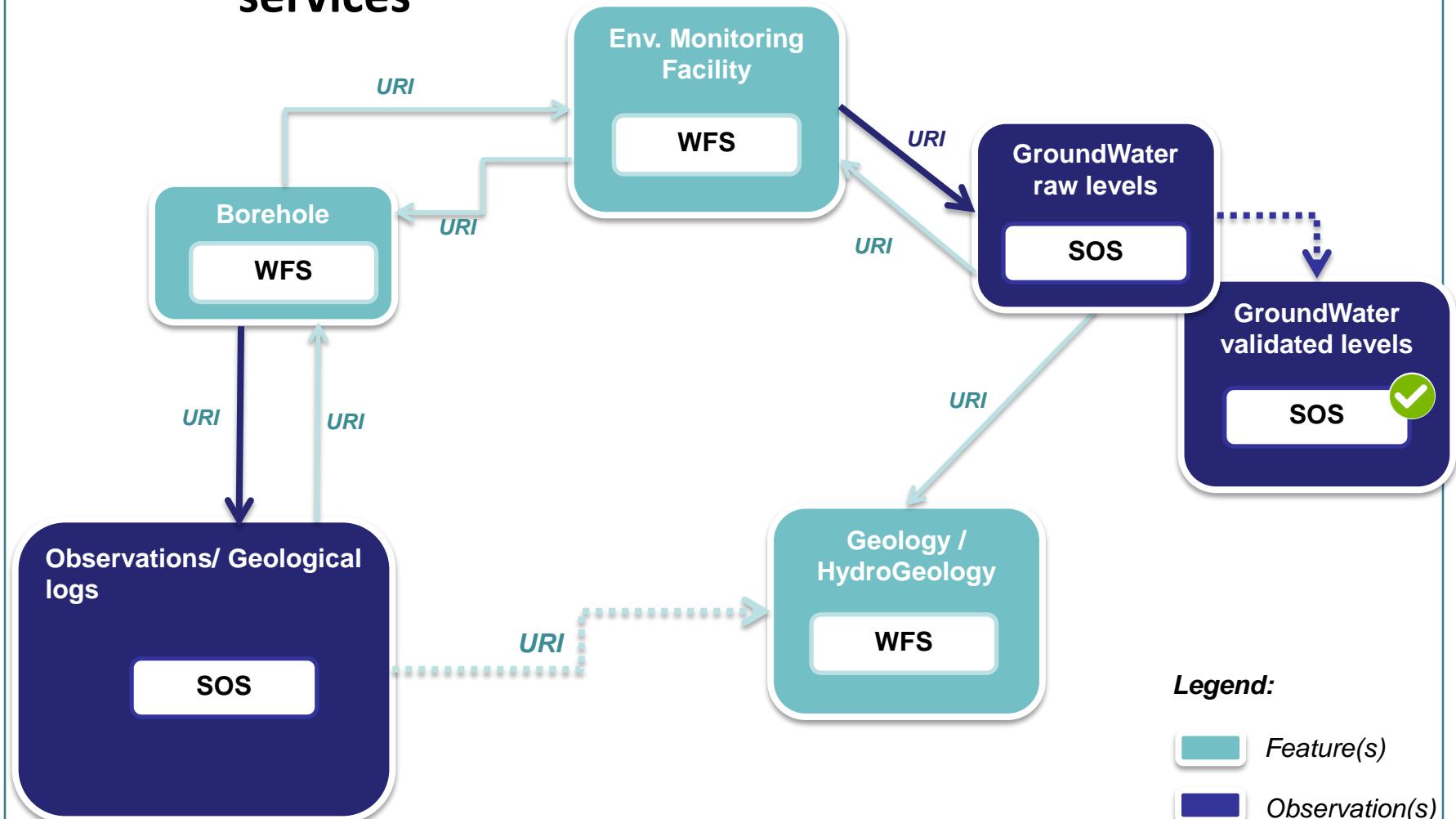
French GIN – linked data use case

> Object instances are associated by their URI



French GIN – linked data use case

> URI allowing to dereference content exposed by OGC services



GML application schema toolbox - overall context

> Initial idea

- Reuse information available in XML compliant to xsd(s) to handle this content with no hardcoded configuration -> enriched XML and database generation on the fly.

> Retrieve objects of interest described according to a standard

- = semantic and geographical representation
- interacts with the content (XML and Database). Database -> plug other tools

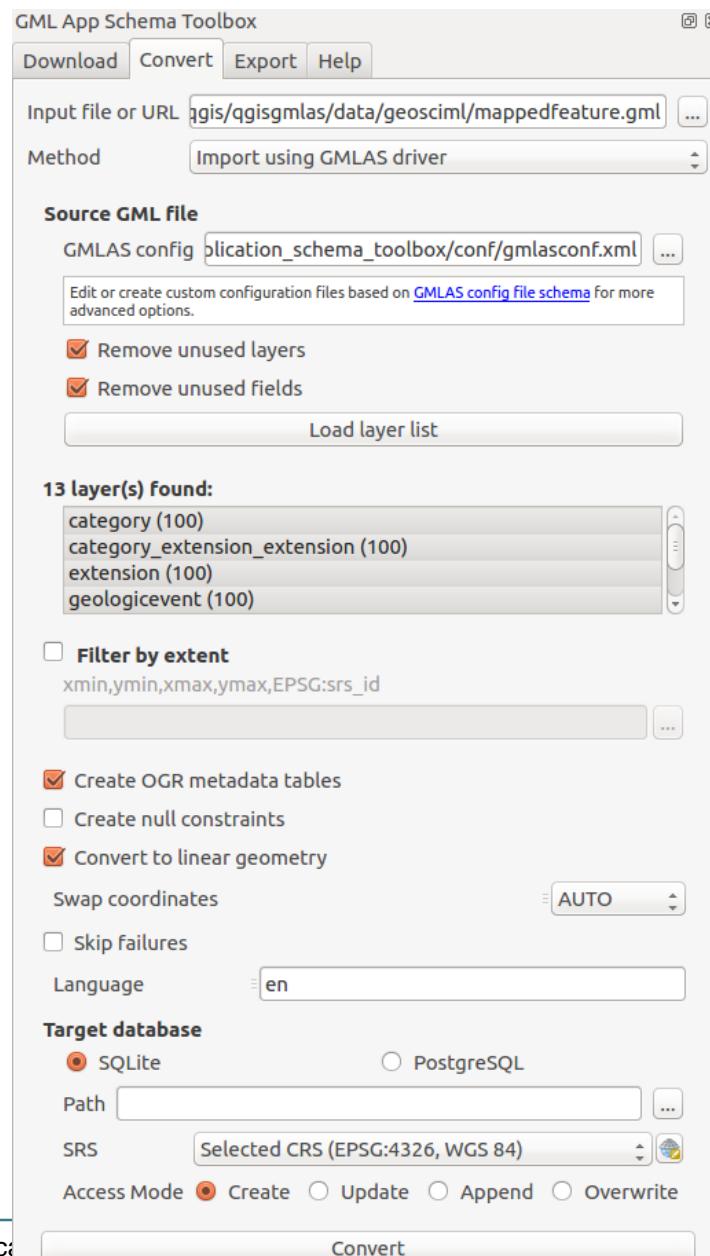
> Resolve XLinks to add more content

- vocabulary registry definitions (multilinguism is handled)
- linked domain features / observation

GML application schema toolbox - overall context

- > **Trigger custom widgets based on standards**
 - working: Waterml 2 timeseries, Inspire PointTimeSeries
 - drafty: GW_GeologyLogCoverage
 - on-going EU AirqualityDirective timeseries
- > **Writes content (file not WFS-T)**
- > **Standalone OGR/GDAL driver -> reuse**
- > **Previously presented during last year workshop**
 - Koblenz 2016 Hydro DWG Workshop [presentation](#) of the Proof Of Concept QGIS plugin

GML application schema toolbox use – QGIS 3

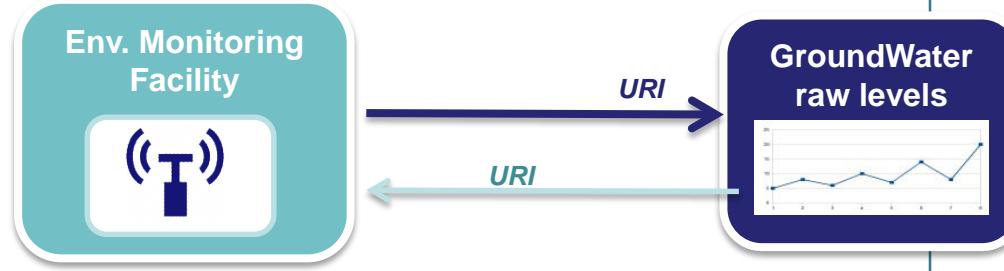


GML application schema toolbox use – XML

The screenshot shows a GIS application interface with several components:

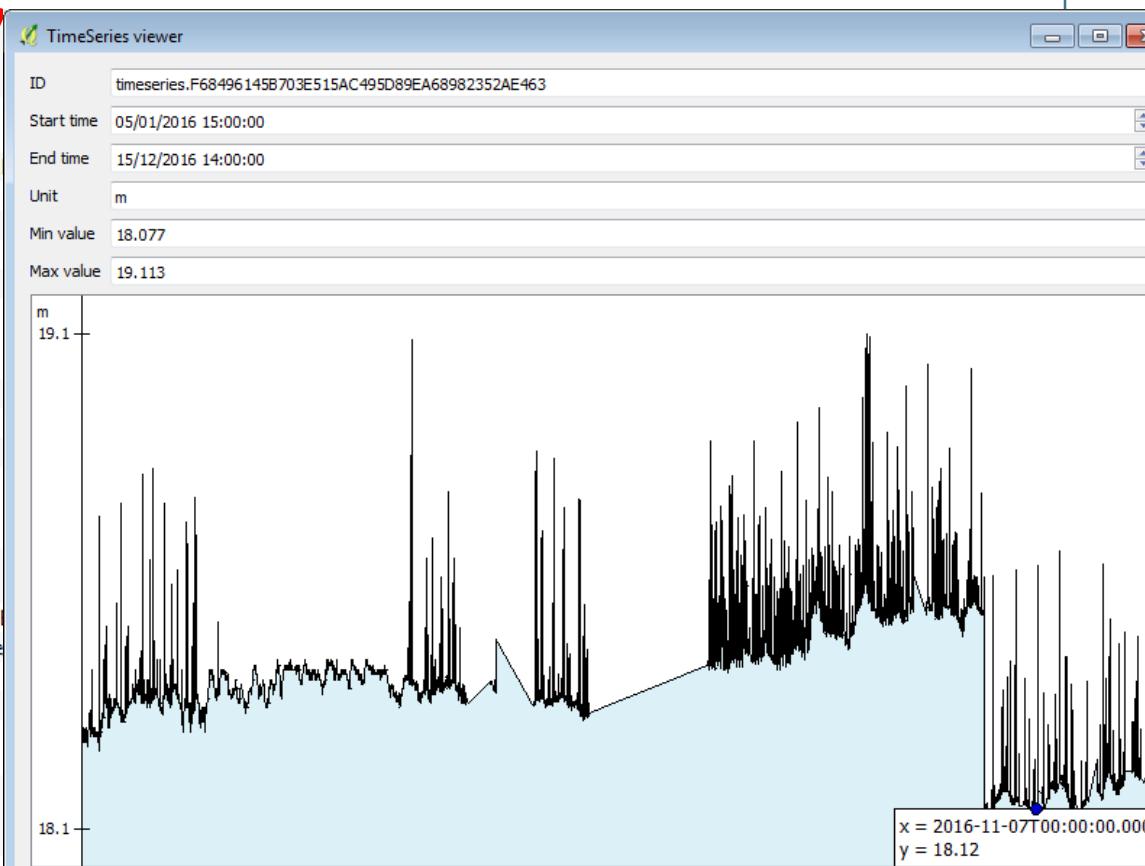
- Top Bar:** Couche, Préférences, Extension, Vecteur, Raster, Base de données.
- Toolbars:** Standard editing tools like selection, move, zoom, and measurement.
- Layer List:** EnvironmentalMonitoringFacility (points).
- Map View:** A map showing several green circular points representing monitoring facilities. One point is circled in red.
- Attribute Table:** EnvironmentalMonitoringFacility (points) - Attributs d'entités. It lists various GML and EF properties with their values. A red number "1" is placed near the geometry section.
- XML View:** Shows the XML structure of the selected feature. A red number "2" is placed near the "ef:has" section.
- ContextMenu:** A context menu is open over the XML view, with "Resolve external" selected. Sub-options include "Embedded", "As a new layer", and "Add to layer". A red box highlights this menu.
- Diagram:** A conceptual diagram at the top right shows "Env. Monitoring Facility" connected to "GroundWater raw levels" via "URI" arrows.
- Figure:** A line graph titled "GroundWater raw levels" showing fluctuating data over time.

GML application schema toolbox use – XML



A screenshot of a GML XML viewer showing a hierarchical tree structure of monitoring data. The tree includes nodes for resultTime, procedure, parameter, observedProperties, featureOfInterest, and result. A red arrow points from the '3' icon at the bottom left to the 'wml2:Measure...' node under 'om:result'.

- om:resultTime
 - gml:TimeInstant
 - @gml:id ti_A5B605235028277DAC699731065C3985E0F1
 - gml:timePo... 2016-12-15T14:00:00.000Z
- om:procedure
 - @xlink:href <http://id.eaufrance.fr/met/403.xml>
 - @xlink:title Electronic piezometric probe
- om:parameter
- om:observedProp...
 - @xlink:href <http://id.eaufrance.fr/par/1639.xml>
 - @xlink:title GroundWaterLevel
- om:featureOfInter...
 - wml2:Monitori...
 - @gml:id mp_4C6129829FFC1C2DE4A2FB853F56C5B1A
 - gml:identifier <http://ressources.brgm-rec.fr/data/Piezometre>
 - gml:name Piezo 06988C0281/F.2
 - sf:sampledF...
 - sams:shape
- om:result
 - wml2:Measure...
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GML application schema toolbox use – XML

Borehole

use de données Internet Traitement Aide

BoreholeView (points) - Attributs d'entités

fid <http://ressource.brgm-rec.fr/data/BoreholeView/BSS001REWW>

Element	Value
@gml:id	BSS001REWW
gml:description	Borehole description
gml:identifier	@codeSpace http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2616
gml:name	Forage BSS001REWW
gsmlp:identifier	http://ressource.brgm-rec.fr/data/Borehole/BSS001REWW
gsmlp:purpose	@xlink:href http://inspire.ec.europa.eu/codelist/BoreholePurposeValue/hydrogeologicalSurvey @xlink:title levé hydrogéologique, gestion de l'eau
gsmlp:status	@xlink:href http://resource.europe-geology.eu/vocabs/BoreholeStatus/drillingCompleted @xlink:title drilling completed
gsmlp:drillingMethod	@xlink:href http://resource.europe-geology.eu/vocabs/DrillingMethod/hydraulic_rotary_drilling @xlink:title hydraulic rotary drilling
gsmlp:operator	BRGM (PIEZOMETRIE)
gsmlp:driller	INTRAFOR-COFOR
gsmlp:drillEndDate	1974-11-30Z
gsmlp:startPoint	@xlink:href http://resource.europe-geology.eu/vocabs/BoreholeStartPoint/naturalLandSurface @xlink:title natural land surface
gsmlp:inclinationType	@xlink:href http://resource.europe-geology.eu/vocabs/BoreholeInclinationType/vertical @xlink:title vertical
gsmlp:boreholeMaterialCustodian	unknown
gsmlp:boreholeLength_m	23.0
@uom	http://qudt.org/vocab/unit/M

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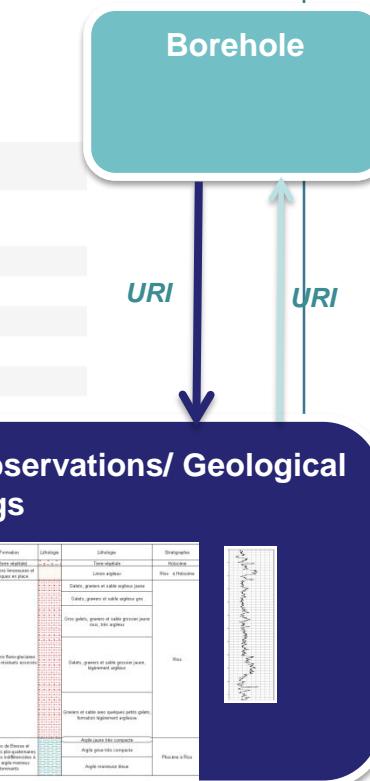
GML application schema toolbox use – XML

Element	Value
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gsmlp:inclinationType	<p>@xlink:href http://resource.europe-geology.eu/vocabs/BoreholeInclinationType/vertical</p> <p>@xlink:title vertical</p>
gsmlp:boreholeMaterialCustodian	unknown
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gsmlp:elevation_m	<p>@uom http://qudt.org/vocab/unit/M</p> <p>223.87</p>
gsmlp:elevation_srs	http://www.opengis.net/def/crs/EPSG/0/5720
gsmlp:source	http://ficheinfoterre.brgm.fr/InfoterreFiche/ficheBss.action?id=06512X0037/STREMY
gsmlp:metadata_uri	http://www.geocatalogue.fr/Detail.do?fileIdentifier=BR_BSS_BAA
gsmlp:genericSymbolizer	Not provided
gsmlp:shape	
gm:Point	
@srsDimension	2
@srsName	urn:ogc:def:crs:EPSG::4326
@gml:id	gsmlp.shape.BSS001REWW
gmlpos	46.1909541655103 5.18713262971692
gsmlp:cored	false
gsmlp:accessToPhysicalDrillCore	false
gsmlp:boreholeUse	<p>@xlink:href http://inspire.ec.europa.eu/codelist/BoreholePurposeValue/groundwaterLevelMonitoring</p> <p>@xlink:title surveillance du niveau de la nappe phréatique</p>
gsmlp:detailedDescription	<p>@xlink:href http://www.opengis.net/def/nil/OGC/0/template</p> <p>@xlink:title template</p>
gsmlp:geophysicalLogs	<p>@xlink:href http://www.opengis.net/def/nil/OGC/0/unknown</p> <p>@xlink:title unknown</p>
gsmlp:geologicalDescription	<p>@xlink:href http://ressource.brgm-rec.fr/obs/RawGeologicLogs/BSS001REWW</p> <p>@xlink:title Borehole BSS001REWW geologic log available.</p>
gsmlp:groundWaterLevel	<p>@xlink:href http://ressource.brgm-rec.fr/data/Piezometre/06512X0037/STREMY_2</p> <p>@xlink:title Description of Piezometer attached to BSS001REWW. Provides link to SensorObservationService offering</p>

Borehole

GML application schema toolbox use – XML

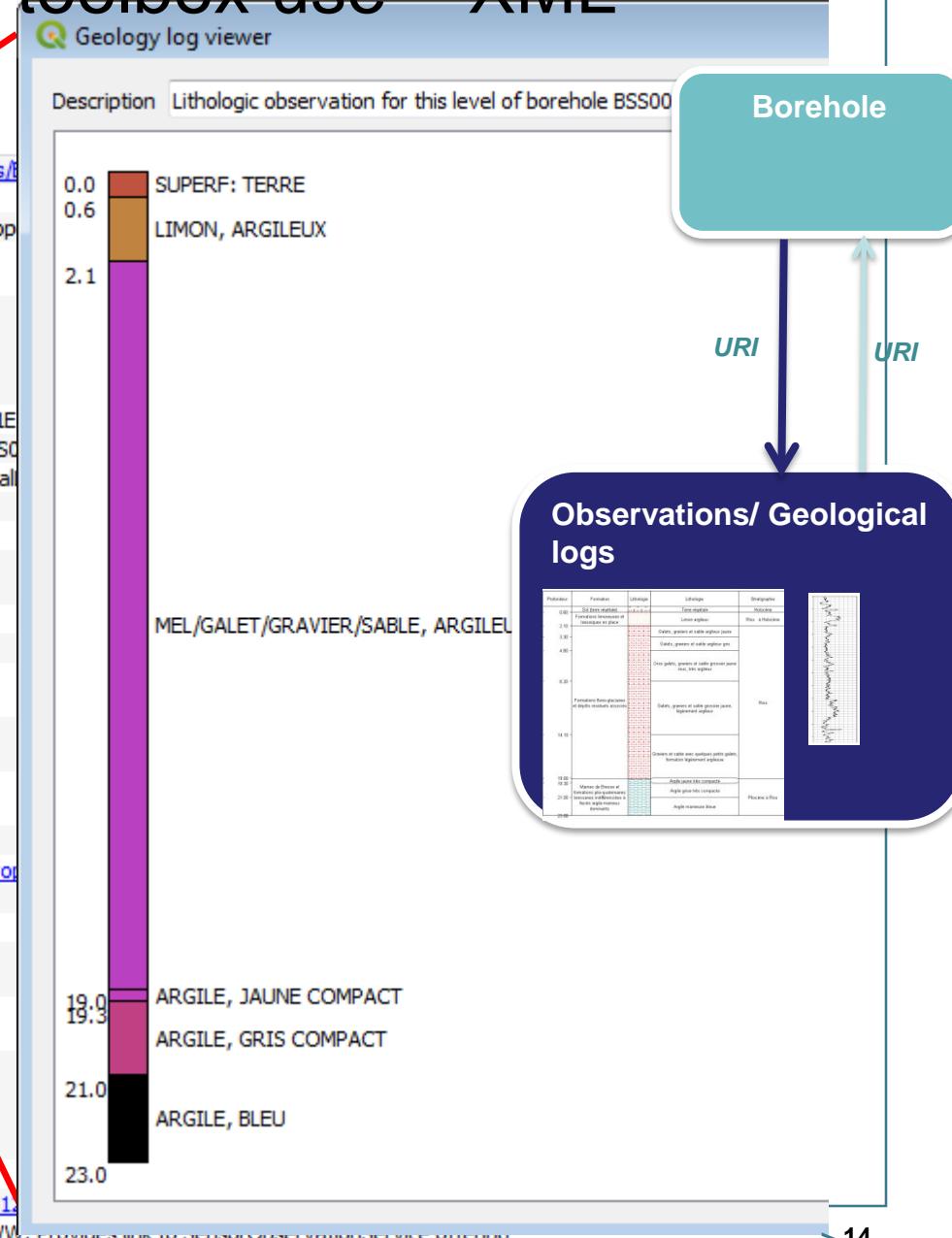
gsmlp:shape	
gml:Point	
@srsDimension	2
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gml:pos	46.1909541655103 5.18713262971692
gsmlp:cored	false
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gsmlp:boreholeUse	
@xlink:href	http://inspire.ec.europa.eu/codelist/BoreholePurposeValue/groundwaterLevelMonitoring
@xlink:title	surveillance du niveau de la nappe phréatique
gsmlp:detailedDescription	
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@xlink:title	template
gsmlp:geophysicalLogs	
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@xlink:title	unknown
gsmlp:geology	
Copy value	http://ressource.brqm-rec.fr/obs/RawGeologicLogs/BSS001REWW
Copy XPath	Borehole BSS001REWW geologic log available.
gsmlp:group	
Resolve external	
Embedded	http://ressource.brqm-rec.fr/obs/Piezometre/06512X0037/STREMY.2
Described by	As a new layer
Add to layer	Attached to BSS001REWW. Provides link to SensorObservationService offering
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@xlink:title	unknown



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GML application schema toolbox use – XML

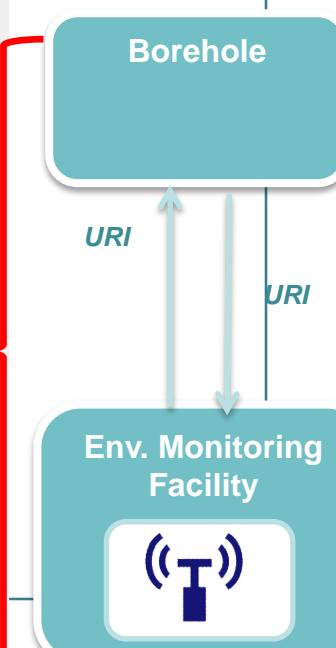
sos:GetObservationResponse	
@xlink:href	http://ressource.brgrm-rec.fr/sos/RawGeologicLogs/BSS001REWW
@xlink:title	Borehole BSS001REWW geologic log available.
@xsi:schemaLocation	http://www.opengis.net/sos/2.0 http://schemas.opengis.net/sos/GetObservationResponse.xsd
sos:observationData	
om:OM_Observation	
@gml:id	o_B8A57EC013F439A702FBAD713F09AA17FC951E
gml:description	Lithologic observation for this level of borehole BSS001REWW
gml:identifier	http://ressource.brgrm-rec.fr/obs/RawEarthMaterialLogObservation/BSS001REWW
gml:name	RawEarthMaterialLogObservation BSS001REWW
om:type	
om:phenomenonTime	
om:resultTime	
om:procedure	
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om:parameter	
om:observedProperty	
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om:result	
sos:observationData	
om:OM_Observation	
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@xlink:title	Description of Piezometer attached to BSS001REWW. Provides link to Sensor Observation Service offering.
gsmlp:groundWaterLevel	



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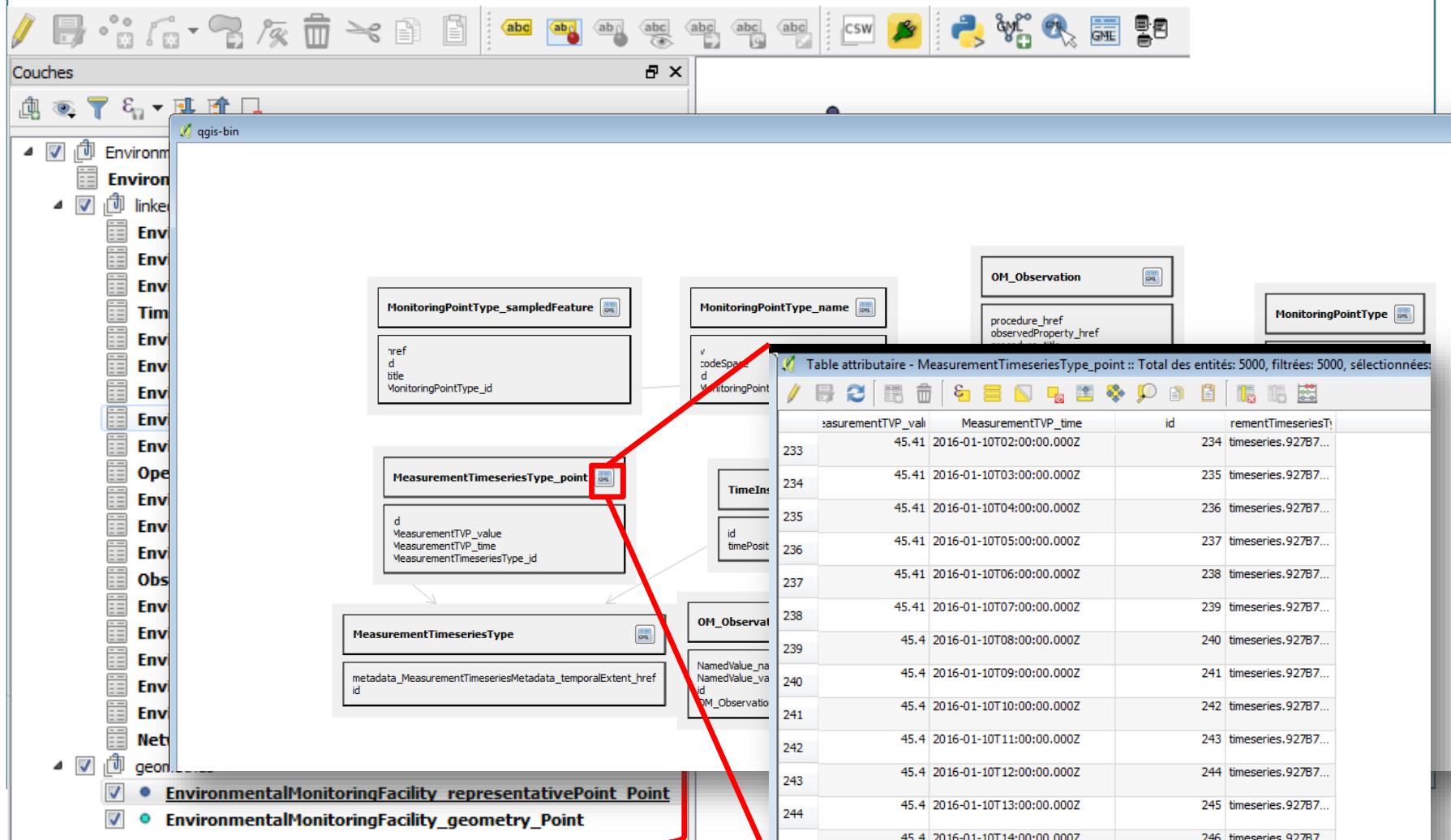
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gsmlp:boreholeLength_m	23.0
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gsmlp:shape	
gml:Point	
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GML application schema toolbox use – Database

> WaterML2 flow (see slide 10, Timeseries viewer) but client in database mode



GML application schema toolbox use – ogrinfo

> Ex: direct driver access to GroundWaterML2 GW_Well

```
qgis@qgis-VirtualBox:~/qgisgmlas/data/geology$ ogrinfo -q GMLAS:GW_WELL_BRGM-uc1.xml gw_well
Layer name: gw_well
OGRFeature(gw_well):1
  id (String) = PointEau.01846X0361.P1
  description_href (String) = (null)
  description_title (String) = (null)
  description_nilreason (String) = (null)
  description (String) = Water well from national BSS (Banque du Sous-Sol) Data database
  descriptionreference_href (String) = (null)
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  identifier_codespace (String) = http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2616
  identifier (String) = http://ressource.brgrm.fr/data/PointEau/01846X0361/P1
  location_location_pkid (String) = (null)
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  type_nilreason (String) = (null)
  lineage_pkid (String) = (null)
  shape_href (String) = (null)
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```

Overall – development story



*« another approach to demonstrate
the usefulness of interoperable standards »*

or

*« having something to show to those
who consider XML is not sexy »*

Overall – development story

> From the ProofOfConcept to an enhanced approach



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Run n° 1

QGIS 2.x GML application
schema toolbox POC

Run n°2

GML App Schema OGR Driver
and QGIS 3 integration

PyXB -> specific [OGR/GDAL GMLAS driver](#) (targetting
GDAL 2.2), handling both reading and writing
Integration within QGIS 3

Run n°3
(now)

GML App Schema OGR Driver
and QGIS 3 integration
enhancements

- GDAL GMLAS : addition handling specific SWE types based on GWML2 GW_GeologyLogCoverage and EU Air  2.2 Quality Reportings (dataArray, dataRecord, ...)
- QGIS 3 : enhanced widgets for timeseries, and borehole logs + some commit to the trunk 

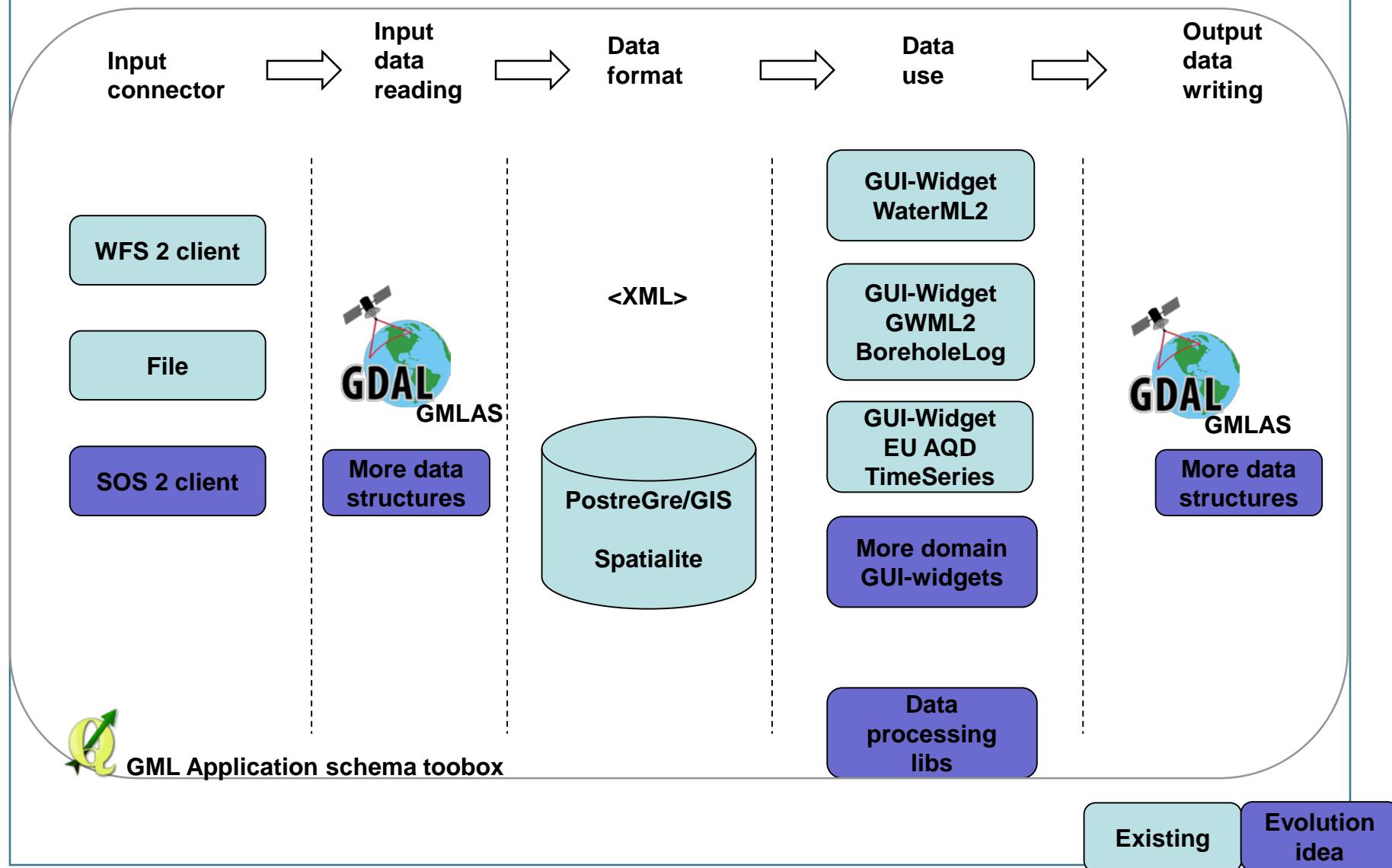
Useful links

- > [https://plugins.qgis.org/plugins/gml application schema toolbox/](https://plugins.qgis.org/plugins/gml_application_schema_toolbox/)
- > [https://github.com/BRGM/gml application schema toolbox](https://github.com/BRGM/gml_application_schema_toolbox)
 - Documentation, GUI presentation
- > **Multilinguism handling**
 - on INSPIRE registry: same flow asking for English then Greek definitions
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EeAyyUOykVE>
- > **How to test under QGIS3 until its official release**
 - Use [OSGeo4W](#) installer
 - Advanced install \ Desktop -> add qgis-dev
 - Then install the plugin from QGIS repository

Conclusion

- > **Generic work successfully tested on**
 - OGC : GroundWaterML2, GeoSciML4, WaterML2
 - INSPIRE : EnvironmentalMonitoringFacilities, BioGeographicalRegions, LandCover, ProtectedSites, MineralResources, PointTimeSeriesObservation
- > **Our domain colleagues can now finally make use of standardized content 😊**
- > **Next steps**
 - Address (some) SWE specificities
 - Have more domain widgets
 - Handle other content type (JSON-LD ?)
 - Workshop at Foss4G-E : [github ticket](#) to gather content to play with
 - Feel free to use, test, enhance it, propose evolutions

Conclusion - whishlist



Thank you

