

WELCOME TO THE  
NIEM 3.0 BETA TECH TALK



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# AGENDA & SPEAKERS

## NIEM 3.0 – What does that mean?

- Major vs. Minor Release
- NIEM Versioning
- Why 3.0?

## 3.0 Release Cycle

- Release Cycle Overview
- What is Funneling?
- Beta Timeline

## What's Beta?

- NIEM 3.0 Beta Review
- What's in 3.0 that isn't in 2.0
- Architectural Enhancements in 3.0

## How you can contribute!

- Feedback guidelines



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**Q&A  
Box**

# **NIEM 3.0**

## **WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?**

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# MAJOR VS. MINOR RELEASE

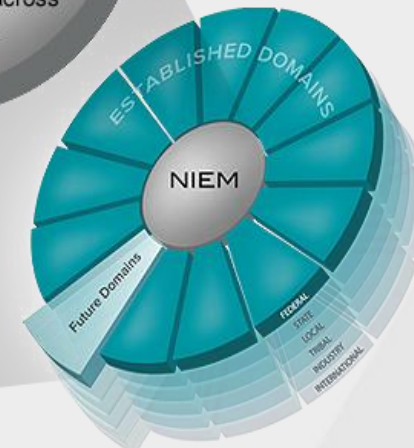
NIEM 3.0 is a **major release** of the NIEM data model—containing updates to the NIEM Core as well as changes to several Domains.

A **minor release** involves limited changes to Domains

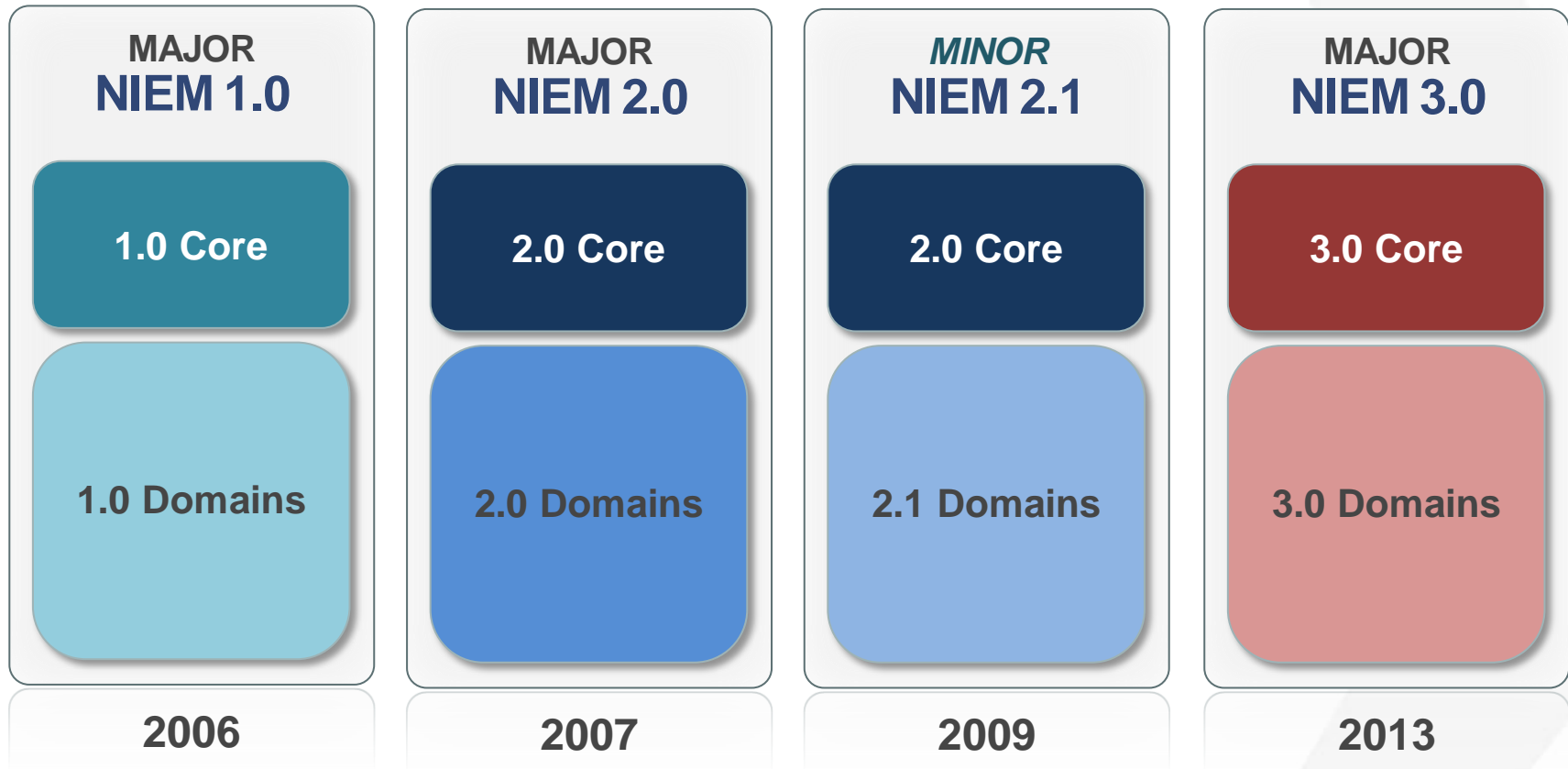
NIEM Domains include mission specific data that is managed through independent stewards.

Future Domains are added to NIEM as necessary based on an established need.

NIEM Core consists of data elements that are commonly understood across domains.



# HOW HAS NIEM EVOLVED OVER THE YEARS?



Reference Schemas

# WHY A NIEM 3.0?

The NIEM data model is driven by community needs, 3.0 addresses those identified to date.



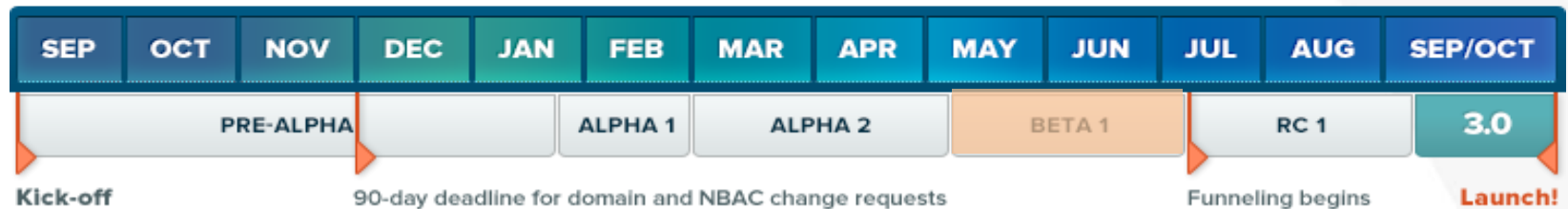
# NIEM 3.0 RELEASE CYCLE

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# 3.0 RELEASE CYCLE

## NIEM 3.0 Schedule Overview

2012 ← APPROXIMATELY 13 MONTHS → 2013



**Pre-alpha** is the requirements gathering phase when all significant content changes are identified. During this phase:

- Domains prepare change requests for new and changed content.
- Domains indicate domain updates to be integrated.

**Alpha 1** and **Alpha 2** are the first two rounds of review where inputs and feedback regarding changes/requirements are collected and organized into coherent lists. These lists are then made ready for Governance review. Alpha 2 was the first opportunity for public review.

**Beta** continues the feedback process and is the last opportunity to provide **public** feedback on the full model. Like Alpha 1 and 2, inputs from Beta are reviewed by the Governance body.

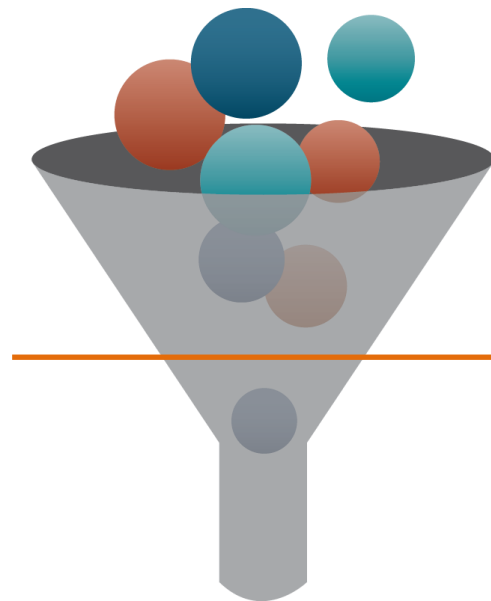
In the **Release Candidate (RC)** phase, final adjustments, refinements, and corrections are made before Governance body review.

After Governance Body approval, the model is **Finalized & Published**

**06/25: Beta Release**  
We are here!



# WHAT IS FUNNELING?



**NIEM 3.0**

The Funneling process helps to zone in on all of the the essential changes in a efficient and effective way.

**Alpha through Beta:** Actions will be taken for comments on all portions of the model.

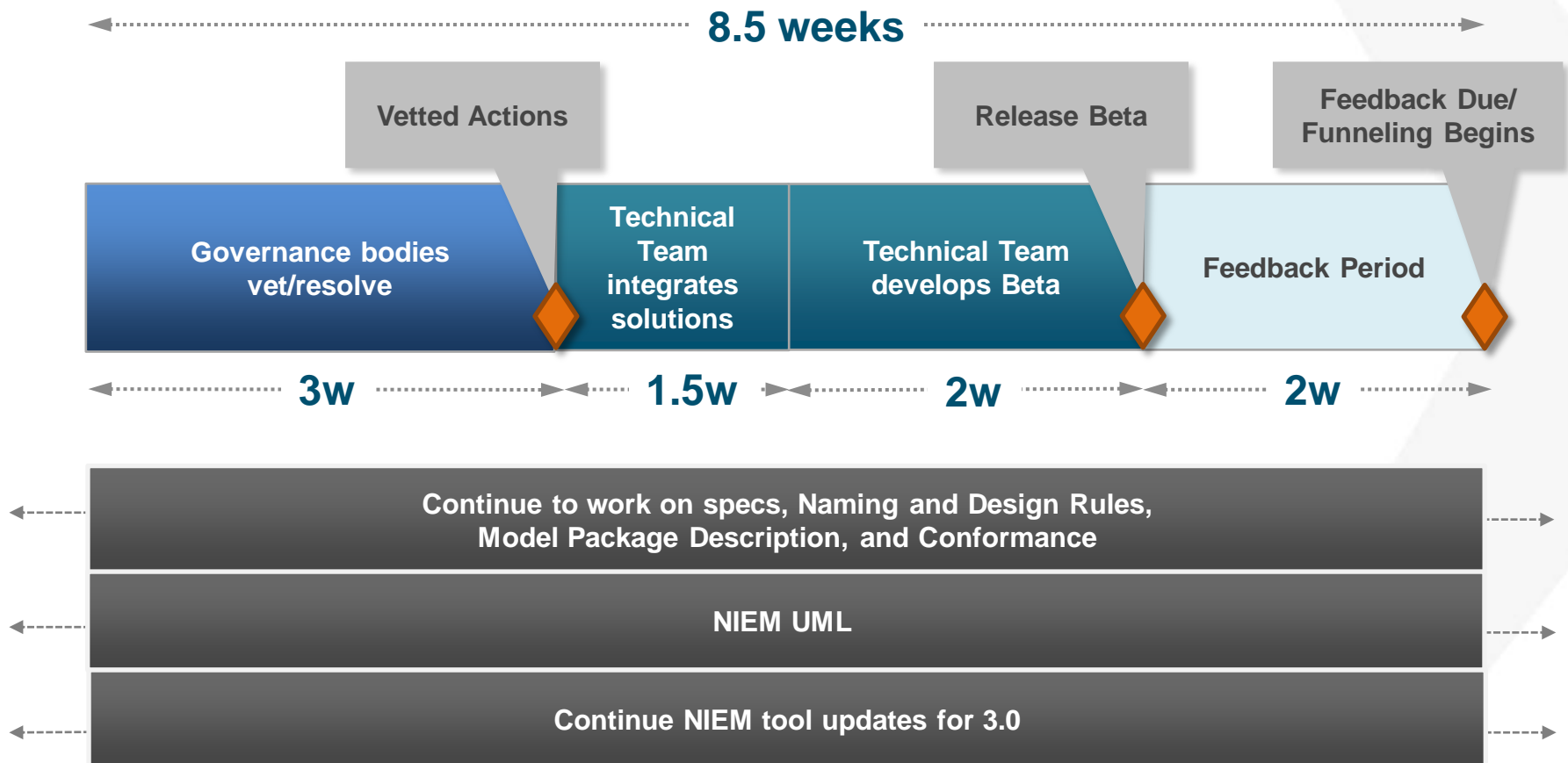
**After Beta:** Action for comments on portions of the model that previously passed review without revision, will be discretionary. No new requirements or content will be added.

**Exception:** Errors will be always be corrected (even if missed in a previous review).

Beta needs to be reviewed in detail or we risk lingering issues in RC or final release products! **Silence is consent!** Please make your concerns known.

# BETA TIMELINE: IN DETAIL

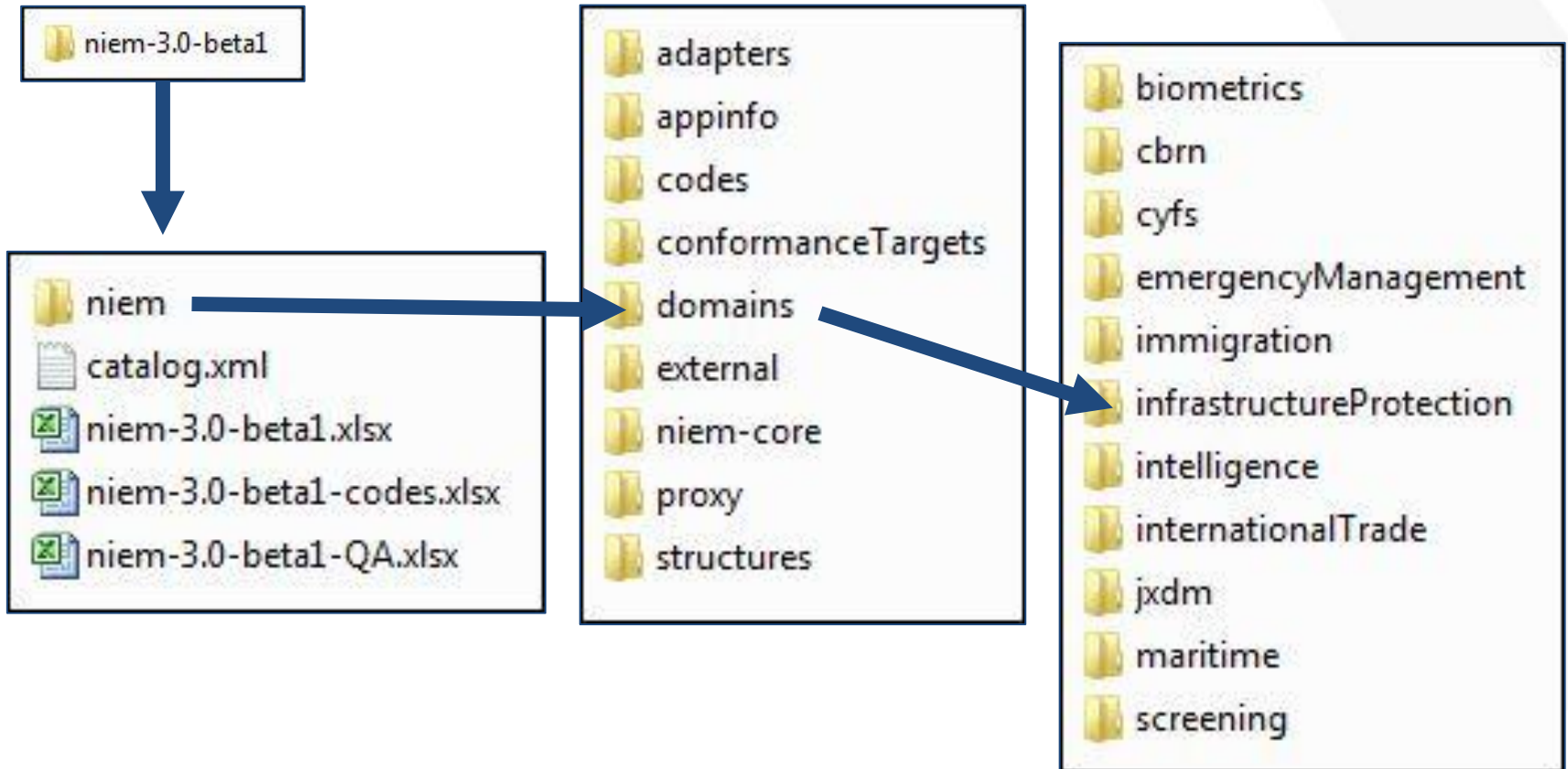
The Beta release include changes to the schemas, model spreadsheet, Quality Assurance report, the Schema Subset Generation Tool (SSGT) and more.



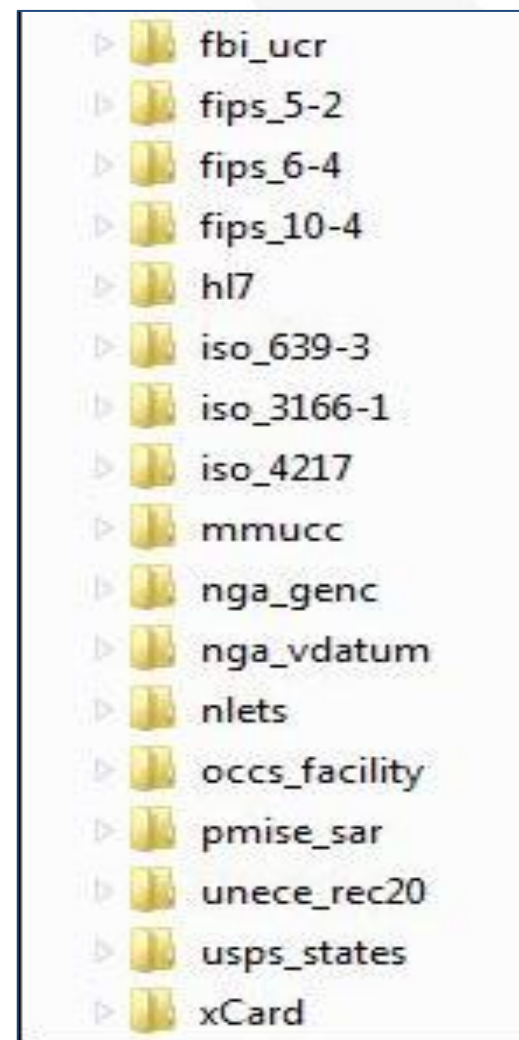
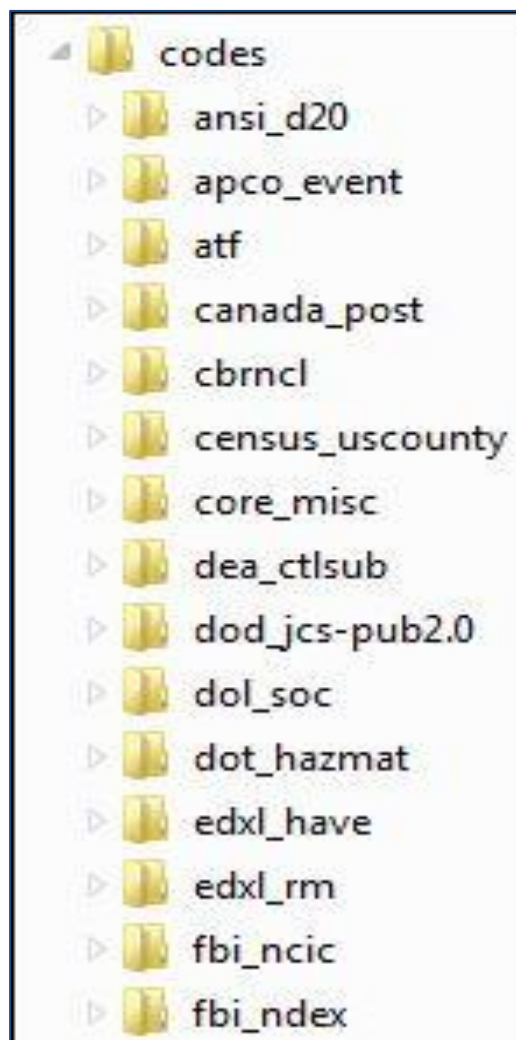
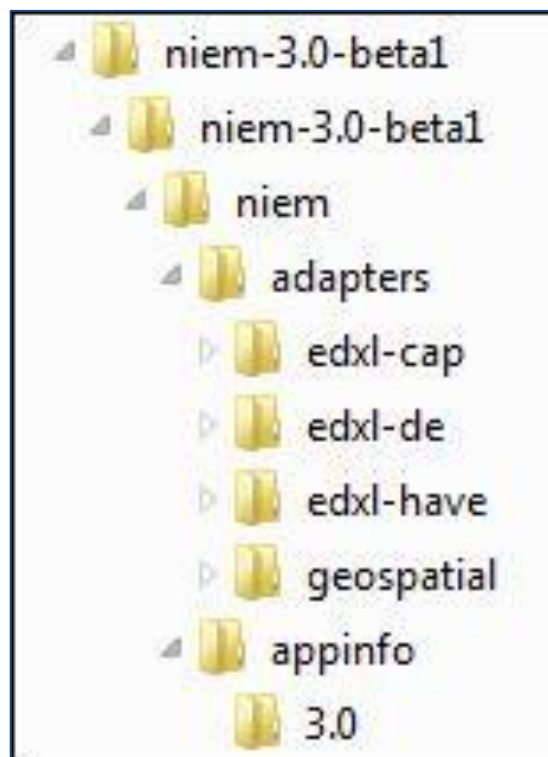
# NIEM 3.0 OVERVIEW

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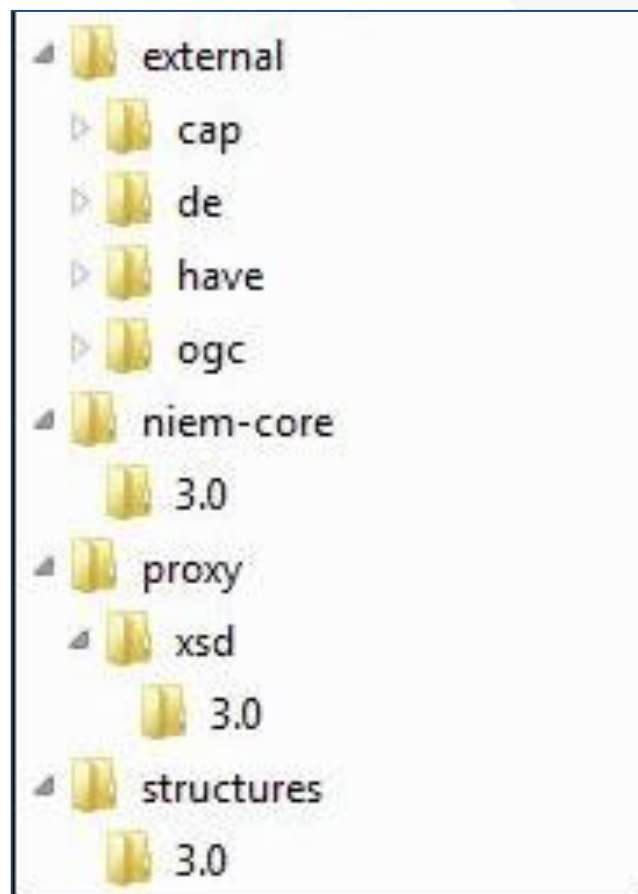
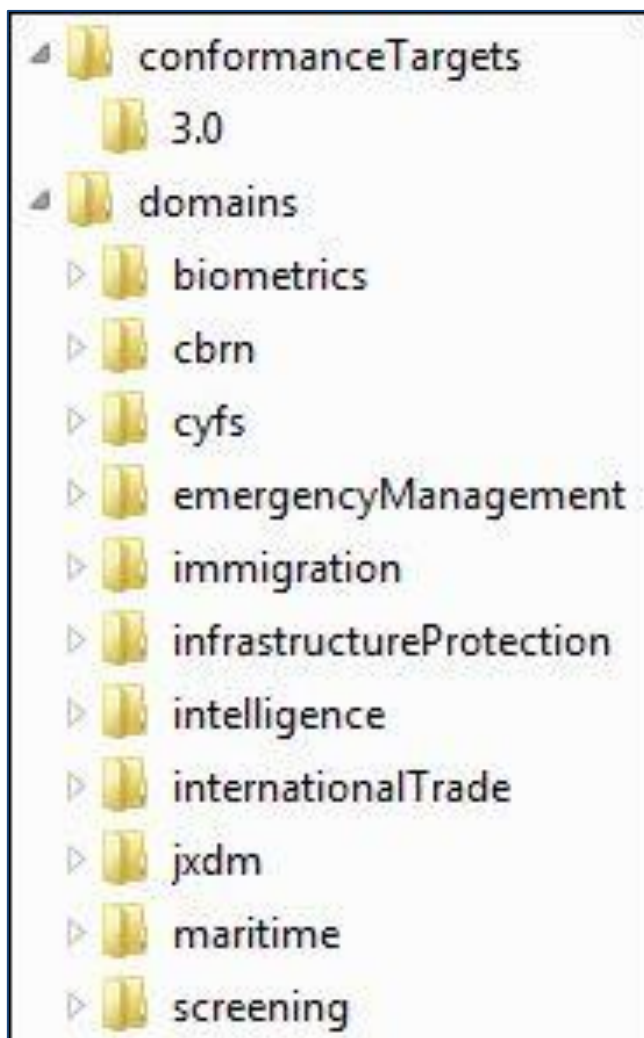
# NIEM 3.0: BETA PACKAGE



# NIEM 3.0: BETA SCHEMAS



# NIEM 3.0: BETA SCHEMAS CONT.



# OASIS CATALOG (FOR XSD)

*catalog.xml*

```
<!DOCTYPE catalog PUBLIC
    "-//OASIS//DTD Entity Resolution XML Catalog V1.0//EN"
    "http://www.oasis-open.org/committees/entity/release/1.0/catalog.dtd">
<catalog xmlns="urn:oasis:names:tc:entity:xmlns:xml:catalog"
    prefer="public">
    <uri name="http://release.niem.gov/niem/structures/3.0/"
        uri="niem/structures/3.0/structures.xsd"/>
    <uri name="http://release.niem.gov/niem/domains/internationalTrade/3.0/"
        uri="niem/domains/internationalTrade/3.0/internationalTrade.xsd"/>
    <uri name="http://release.niem.gov/niem/domains/immigration/3.0/"
        uri="niem/domains/immigration/3.0/immigration.xsd"/>
    <uri name="http://release.niem.gov/niem/domains/maritime/3.0/"
        uri="niem/domains/maritime/3.0/maritime.xsd"/>
    <uri name="http://release.niem.gov/niem/domains/cbrn/3.0/"
        uri="niem/domains/cbrn/3.0/cbrn.xsd"/>
    [...]
</catalog>
```



# MODEL SPREADSHEET

*niem-3.0-beta1.xlsx*

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	Type/Sub-properties	Type	Definition	2.1 Status	Keywords	Example Content	Usage Info	
1								
2								
3	<a href="#">nc:ActivityConveyanceAssociationType</a>	<a href="#">extends nc:AssociationType</a>	<b>A data type for an association between an activity and a conveyance.</b>					
4	<a href="#">Click here for object properties</a>							
5	nc:Activity	<a href="#">nc:ActivityType</a>	A single or set of related actions, events, or process steps.	mod				
6	nc:Conveyance	<a href="#">nc:ConveyanceType</a>	A means of transport.	mod				
7	nc:ActivityConveyanceAssociationAugr	<abstract element, no type>	An augmentation point for ActivityConveyanceAssociationType	mod				
8								
9								
10	<a href="#">nc:ActivityDocumentAssociationType</a>	<a href="#">extends nc:AssociationType</a>	<b>A data type for an association between an activity and a document.</b>					
11	<a href="#">Click here for object properties</a>							
12	nc:Activity	<a href="#">nc:ActivityType</a>	A single or set of related actions, events, or process steps.	mod				
13	nc:Document	<a href="#">nc:DocumentType</a>	A paper or electronic document.	mod				
14	Substitutable Elements:							
15	+ it:AdditionalDocument	<a href="#">it:AdditionalDocumentType</a>	Applied augmentation for type nc:DocumentType					
16	+ it:AdditionalInformation	<a href="#">it:AdditionalInformationType</a>	Applied augmentation for type nc:DocumentType					
17	nc:ActivityDocumentAssociationAugme	<abstract element, no type>	An augmentation point for ActivityDocumentAssociationType	mod				
18								
19								
20	<a href="#">nc:ActivityFacilityAssociationType</a>	<a href="#">extends nc:AssociationType</a>	<b>A data type for an association between an activity and a facility.</b>	mod				
21	<a href="#">Click here for object properties</a>							
22	nc:Activity	<a href="#">nc:ActivityType</a>	A single or set of related actions, events, or process steps.	mod				
23	nc:Facility	<a href="#">nc:FacilityType</a>	A building, place, or structure that provides a particular service.	mod				
24	nc:ActivityFacilityAssociationAugmenta	<abstract element, no type>	An augmentation point for ActivityFacilityAssociationType	mod				
25								
26								
NIEM Core / Biometrics / CBRN / CYFS / Em Mgt / Immigration / Intel / Infra Protection / Intl Trade / JXDM / Maritime / Screening / Type Description / Elts sorted by type / Elts sorted by name								



# MODEL CODES (ENUMERATIONS)

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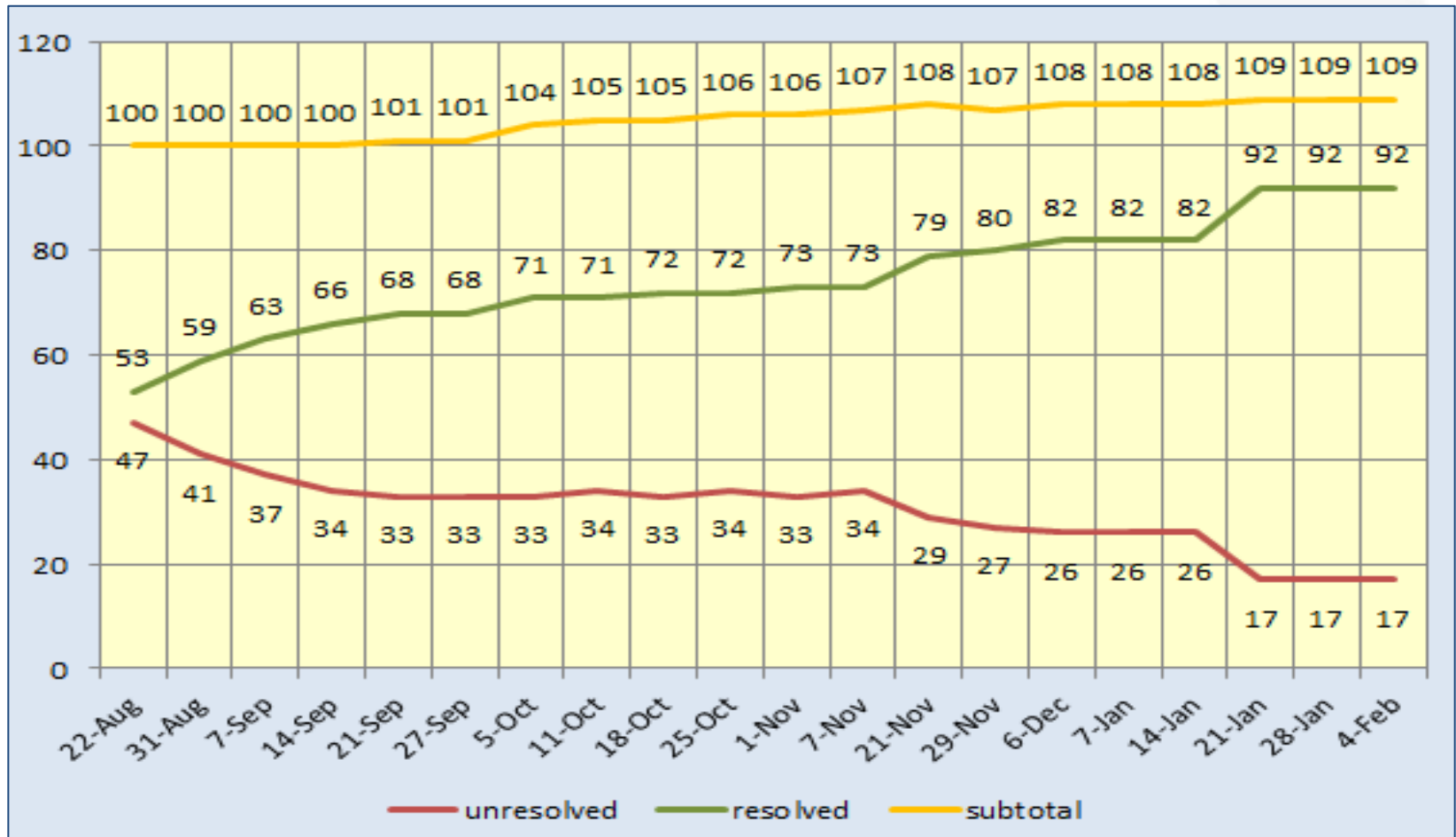
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3	<a href="#">ansi_d20</a>	<a href="#">Type List</a>	Motor vehicle administration codes from ANSI D20, the Data Dictionary for Traffic Record Systems, maintained by AAMVA, the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators.	<a href="http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/ansi_d20/3.0/">http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/ansi_d20/3.0/</a>
4	<a href="#">apco</a>	<a href="#">Type List</a>	Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) - International, Inc.	<a href="http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/apco_event/3.0/">http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/apco_event/3.0/</a>
5	<a href="#">atf</a>	<a href="#">Type List</a>	Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms	<a href="http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/atf/3.0/">http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/atf/3.0/</a>
6	<a href="#">biom</a>	<a href="#">Type List</a>	Biometric Schema Version 1.0	<a href="http://release.niem.gov/niem/domains/biometrics/3.0/">http://release.niem.gov/niem/domains/biometrics/3.0/</a>
7	<a href="#">can</a>	<a href="#">Type List</a>	Province codes for Canada.	<a href="http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/canada_post/3.0/">http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/canada_post/3.0/</a>
8	<a href="#">cbrncl</a>	<a href="#">Type List</a>	Radiological and Nuclear Code List	<a href="http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/cbrncl/3.0/">http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/cbrncl/3.0/</a>
9	<a href="#">census</a>	<a href="#">Type List</a>	County codes from US Census.	<a href="http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/census_uscounty/3.0/">http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/census_uscounty/3.0/</a>
10	<a href="#">core_misc</a>	<a href="#">Type List</a>	Non-authoritative codes for the direction of a person's pose in an image.	<a href="http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/core_misc/3.0/">http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/core_misc/3.0/</a>
11	<a href="#">cyfs</a>	<a href="#">Type List</a>	Children, Youth, and Family Services	<a href="http://release.niem.gov/niem/domains/cyfs/3.0/">http://release.niem.gov/niem/domains/cyfs/3.0/</a>
12	<a href="#">dea</a>	<a href="#">Type List</a>	Drug Enforcement Administration	<a href="http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/dea_ctlsub/3.0/">http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/dea_ctlsub/3.0/</a>
	<a href="#">dod_jcs-pub2.0</a>	<a href="#">Type List</a>	Intelligence discipline codes from the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) Joint Publication 2.01.	<a href="http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/dod_jcs-pub2.0/3.0/">http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/dod_jcs-pub2.0/3.0/</a>
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14	<a href="#">dol</a>	<a href="#">Type List</a>	US Department of Labor occupation codes	<a href="http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/dol_soc/3.0/">http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/dol_soc/3.0/</a>
15	<a href="#">edxl_rm</a>	<a href="#">Type List</a>	Emergency Data Exchange Language	<a href="http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/edxl_rm/3.0/">http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/edxl_rm/3.0/</a>
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	<a href="#">fips_5-2</a>	<a href="#">Type List</a>	Codes for the identification of the states, the District of Columbia and the outlying areas of the U.S., and associated areas from the Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 5-2.	<a href="http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/fips_5-2/3.0/">http://release.niem.gov/niem/codes/fips_5-2/3.0/</a>
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# QA REPORT

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1	Test	Tab	Core	Biom	CBRN	CYFS	EM	IM	Intel	InfrProt	IntTrade	JXDM	Mar	Scr
2	Types should have definitions	<a href="#">TypeBlankDef</a>	fail		fail							fail		
3	Type names end with representation term "Type"	<a href="#">TypeRepTerm</a>			fail									
4	CSC type names should usually correspond to their base simple type name (optional)	<a href="#">TypeNameMismatch</a>			check	check								
5	Elements should have definitions.	<a href="#">EltBlankDef</a>					fail							
6	Association names should use "Association" as a representation term	<a href="#">EltAssnName</a>						fail						
7	Elements should have complex data types	<a href="#">EltSimpleType</a>		fail	fail	fail								
8	Element names should not contain the reserved term "Type"	<a href="#">EltTermType</a>			fail									
9	Element names should be upper camel case	<a href="#">EltUCC</a>			fail									
10	Codes and other facets should have definitions.	<a href="#">FacetBlankDef</a>	fail	fail			fail					fail		
11	Codes should not begin or end with a space	<a href="#">CodeSpace</a>			fail									
12	Definitions of abstract elements should begin with "A data concept for ..."	<a href="#">EltDefAbstract</a>		fail	fail	fail	fail	fail	fail		fail			fail
13	Definitions of association elements should begin with "An association... " or "A relationship... "	<a href="#">EltDefAssn</a>				fail	fail	fail	fail		fail			fail
14	Definitions of augmentation elements should begin with "Additional information about..."	<a href="#">EltDefAug</a>			fail	fail								
15	Definitions of category text elements should begin with "A kind of..."	<a href="#">EltDefCatText</a>			fail	fail	fail	fail	fail		fail			fail
16	Definitions of date elements should begin with "A date ..."	<a href="#">EltDefDate</a>	fail		fail	fail	fail	fail			fail	fail		fail
17	Definitions of description text elements should begin with "A description of..."	<a href="#">EltDefDescText</a>			fail	fail	fail	fail			fail			fail
18	Definitions of image elements should begin with "A(n) (optional adjective) image/picture/photograph of..."	<a href="#">EltDefImage</a>				fail								
19	Definitions of identification elements should begin with "A(n) (optional adjective) identification..."	<a href="#">EltDefIdentification</a>			fail	fail	fail	fail	fail		fail			fail
20	Definitions of identifier elements should begin with "An identifier..."	<a href="#">EltDefIdentifier</a>	fail	fail	fail	fail	fail	fail	fail	f	fail	fail		fail
21	Definitions of indicator elements should begin with "True if...; false otherwise/if..."	<a href="#">EltDefIndicator</a>			fail	fail		fail	fail		fail			fail
Notes Overview TypeBlankDef TypeRepTerm TypeNameMismatch EltAssnName EltBlankDef EltSimpleType EltTermType EltUCC FacetBlankDef CodeSpace AttrMin EltMinMaj														

# NCCT ISSUE RESOLUTION (SINCE AUGUST 2012)



# WHAT'S IN NIEM 3.0?

## (CHANGES FROM 2.1)

### Domains

*New Domain:* Biometrics

*Updates:* Justice, CBRN, Immigration, Screening, Biometrics, International Trade, Maritime

Family Services (FS) changed its name to Children, Youth, & Family Services (CYFS)

### Resolved issues in NIEM Configuration Control Tool (NCCT)

100+ NCCT issues backlogged after NIEM 2.0 and 2.1

~100 issues resolved since the NIEM 3.0 Kickoff in August

**Significant object updates:** LocationType (refactored), DocumentType, ContactInformation (types and associations), FacilityType, ItemType, BiometricType, Measures and MeasureType.

**New code lists:** HL7 (religion), GENC, Census-USCounty, occs-facility, DoL-soc (occupations), XCard (v-card XML representation)

**Code list updates:** FIPS (sunset lists), mmucc, nga-vdatum, ansi-d20

**Harmonization:** Justice & Biometrics, Immigration & Screening, CBRN & International Trade, Screening & Biometrics, Core & Biometrics

# UPDATES TO NIEM TECHNICAL ARCHITECTURE IN 3.0

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# TECHNICAL ARCHITECTURE

- These updates are not final
- Please make comments
- NIEM Technical Architecture Committee (NTAC) vets comments
- Goals: simplification, usability
- NIEM Naming and Design Rules (NDR) is being updated; please comment on the artifacts in the release!

# SIMPLIFIED STRUCTURES

NIEM 2.0	NIEM 3.0
structures:linkMetadata attribute	Replaced with structures:relationshipMetadata attribute
structures:sequenceID	Removed
structures:Augmentation element	Removed
structures:Metadata element	Removed
structures:ComplexObjectType	Replaced with structures:ObjectType and structures:AssociationType
structures Object and Association resources (for appinfo:Base)	Removed; extend from base types
structures:ReferenceType	Removed

# SIMPLIFIED ANNOTATIONS

NIEM 2.0	NIEM 3.0
appinfo:ConformantIndicator	Schema: use attribute ct:conformanceTargets. Imports: use attribute appinfo:externalImportIndicator
appinfo:Base	Use the base types structures:ObjectType, structures:AssociationType.
appinfo:ReferenceTarget	Use the element's type attribute.
appinfo:AppliesTo	Augmentations: use the augmentation element's substitutionGroup attribute. Metadata: use attributes appinfo:appliesToTypes, appinfo:appliesToElements.
appinfo:ExternalAdapterTypeIndicator	Use attribute appinfo:externalAdapterTypeIndicator

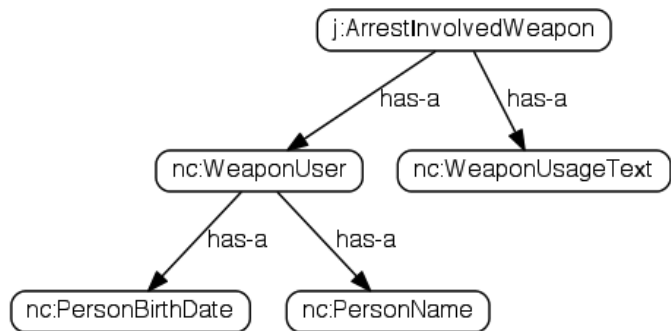


# SIMPLIFIED ANNOTATIONS

```
<xs:complexType name="MultiCurveType" appinfo:externalAdapterTypeIndicator="true">
  <xs:annotation>
    <xs:documentation>[...]</xs:documentation>
    <xs:appinfo>
      <appinfo:Base
        appinfo:namespace="http://niem.gov/niem/structures/2.0"
        appinfo:name="Object"/>
      <appinfo:ExternalAdapterTypeIndicator
        >true</appinfo:ExternalAdapterTypeIndicator>
    </xs:appinfo>
  </xs:annotation>
  <xs:complexContent>
    <xs:extension base="structures:ComplexObjectTypeObjectType">
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element ref="gml:MultiCurve"
          minOccurs="1"
          maxOccurs="unbounded">
          <xs:annotation>
            <xs:documentation>[...]</xs:documentation>
          </xs:annotation>
        </xs:element>
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:extension>
  </xs:complexContent>
</xs:complexType>
```

# UNIFIED CONTENT & REFERENCE ELEMENTS

## CONTENT



```

<j:ArrestInvolvedWeapon>
  <nc:WeaponUser>
    <nc:PersonBirthDate>
      <nc:Date>1968-05-14</nc:Date>
    </nc:PersonBirthDate>
    <nc:PersonName>
      <nc:PersonFullName>Mark Moe</nc:PersonFullName>
    </nc:PersonName>
  </nc:WeaponUser>
  <nc:WeaponUsageText>Fired</nc:WeaponUsageText>
</j:ArrestInvolvedWeapon>
  
```

## REFERENCE

```

<j:ArrestInvolvedWeapon>
  <nc:WeaponUser structures:ref="Person1"/>
  <nc:WeaponUsageText>Fired</nc:WeaponUsageText>
</j:ArrestInvolvedWeapon>

<nc:Person structures:id="Person1">
  <nc:PersonBirthDate>
    <nc:Date>1968-05-14</nc:Date>
  <nc:PersonName>
    <nc:PersonFullName>Mark
    Moe</nc:PersonFullName>
  </nc:PersonName>
  </nc:PersonBirthDate>
</nc:Person>
  
```

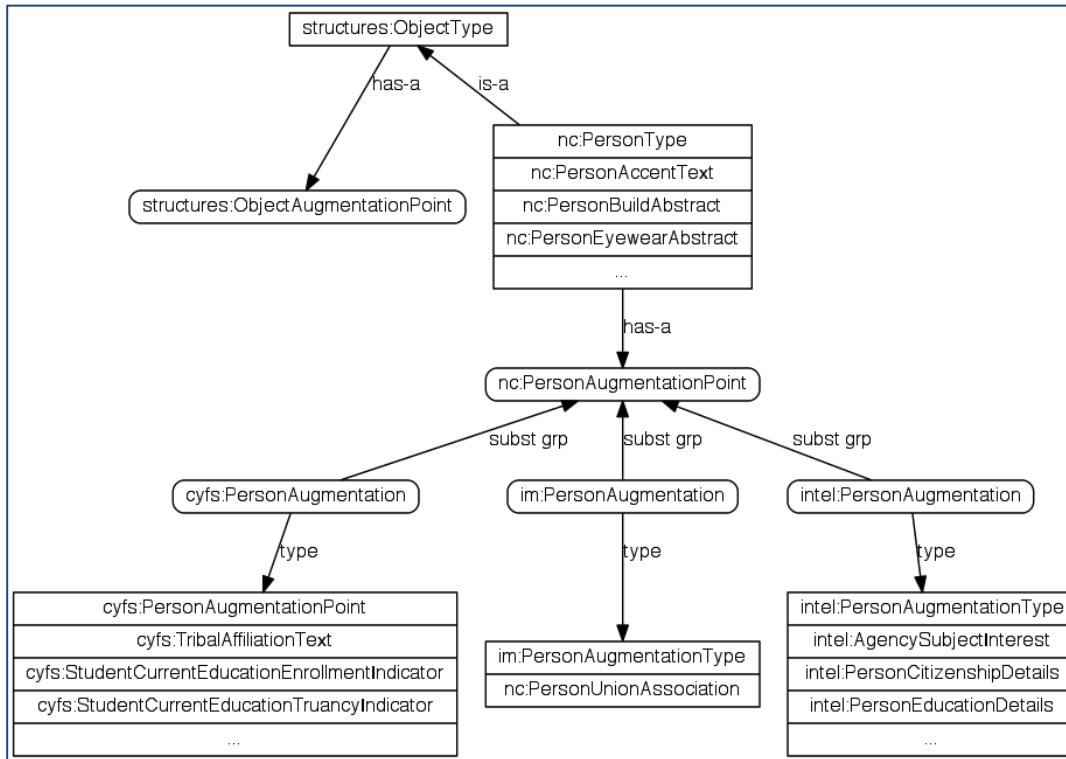
# SIMPLIFIED SCHEMAS

```
<xs:complexType name="WeaponType">
  <xs:annotation>
    <xs:documentation>[...]</xs:documentation>
    <xs:appinfo>
      <appinfo:Base appinfo:namespace="http://niem.gov/niem/structures/2.0"
appinfo:name="Object"/>
    </xs:appinfo>
  </xs:annotation>
  <xs:complexContent>
    <xs:extension base="structures:ComplexObjectTypeObjectType">
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element ref="nc:WeaponUser" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
        <xs:element ref="nc:WeaponUserReference" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:extension>
  </xs:complexContent>
</xs:complexType>

<xs:element name="WeaponUser" type="nc:PersonType">
  <xs:annotation>
    <xs:documentation>A person who uses a weapon.</xs:documentation>
  </xs:annotation>
</xs:element>

<xs:element name="WeaponUserReference" type="structures:ReferenceType">
  <xs:annotation>
    <xs:documentation>A person who uses a weapon.</xs:documentation>
    <xs:appinfo>
      <appinfo:ReferenceTarget appinfo:name="PersonType"/>
    </xs:appinfo>
  </xs:annotation>
</xs:element>
```

# UPDATED AUGMENTATIONS



Augmentations are extensions without subclasses

Each object or association type contains an **augmentation point** element

Augmentation elements are substitutable for the augmentation point

# STRUCTURES BASE TYPES

```
<xs:complexType name="ComplexObjectTypeObjectType" abstract="true">
  <xs:sequence>
    <xs:element ref="structures:ObjectAugmentationPoint" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
  </xs:sequence>
  <xs:attribute ref="structures:id"/>
  <xs:attribute ref="structures:ref"/>
  <xs:attribute ref="structures:metadata"/>
  <xs:attribute ref="structures:linkMetadatastructures:relationshipMetadata"/>
  <xs:anyAttribute namespace="urn:us:gov:ic:ism urn:us:gov:ic:ntk" processContents="lax"/>
</xs:complexType>
```

- Split ComplexObjectType into ObjectType, AssociationType
- Added augmentation point element
- Added structures:ref attribute
- Renamed linkMetadata to relationshipMetadata
- Added attribute wildcard for IC ISM, NTK namespaces

# LOCAL VOCABULARY

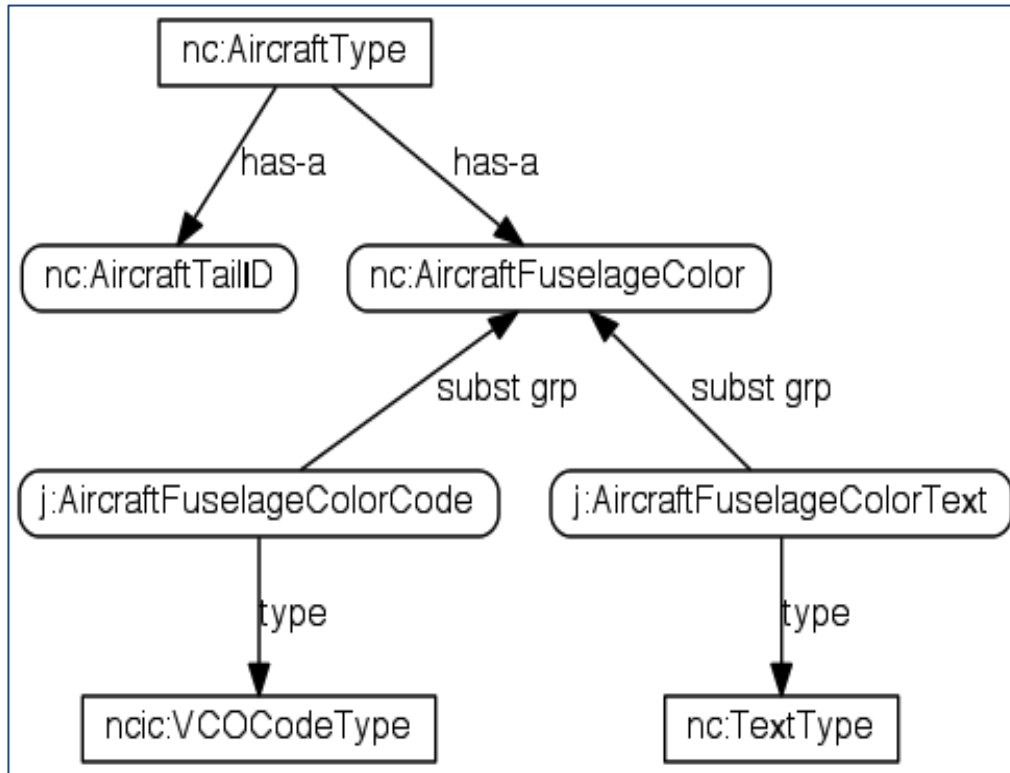
- Annotations in the schema identify non-dictionary terminology: jargon, acronyms, slang
- Removes NDR 1.3 Table 9-1: Abbreviations
- Used in Immigration namespace

```
<term:LocalTerm term="SEVIS"
                literal="Student and Exchange Visitor Information
                        System"/>
<term:LocalTerm term="ICE"
                literal="Immigration and Customs Enforcement"/>
<term:LocalTerm term="USCIS"
                literal="United States Citizenship and Immigration
                        Services"/>
```

ICEEmployeeType  
ICEOfficerType  
SEVISPersonDependentAssociationType  
ICEEmployee  
ICEEmployeeAssistantUSAttorneyIndicator  
ICEEmployeeAttorneyIndicator

ICEEmployeeAugmentationPoint  
ICEEmployeeBadgIdentification  
ICEEmployeeK9Indicator  
ICEEmployeePINIdentification  
ICEEmployeePayGradeNumeric  
ICEEmployeeTitleText

# ABSTRACT ELEMENTS FOR CODES



- Code + Text with the same basic meaning
- Release defines an abstract, typeless element for each
- Code + Text are substituted for the base element

# HOW YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE

BACK TO...JUSTIN STEKERVETZ



# HOW TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK

More on NIEM 3.0:  
[NIEM.gov/version3](https://www.niem.gov/version3)



The Beta model is available from now until **July 8<sup>th</sup>** for public review. Providing feedback is easy!

## Step 1: Download the Beta Model

Go to <https://www.niem.gov/technical/coming-soon/Pages/Public-Review.aspx> to download the latest Beta Model. The Beta release package contains both XML schemas and a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet.

## Step 2: Determine your Review Type and Access Materials

We are looking for both technical and non-technical feedback!

- **Non-Technical Review:** You can review the Model in Excel without having to understand XML schemas.
- **Technical Review:** You can also review the Extensible Markup Language (XML) schemas.

## Step 3: Conduct Your Review

What to look for in your review.

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| ✓ Definitions            | ✓ Grammar/Spelling/Punctuation | ✓ Code Lists |
| ✓ Technical Architecture | ✓ Harmonization                | ✓ Other      |

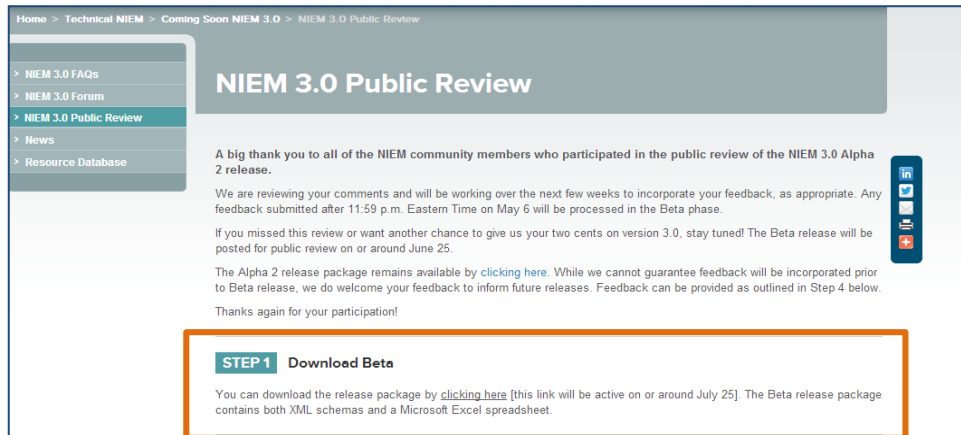
## Step 4: Submit Your Feedback on NIEM.gov

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# STEP 1

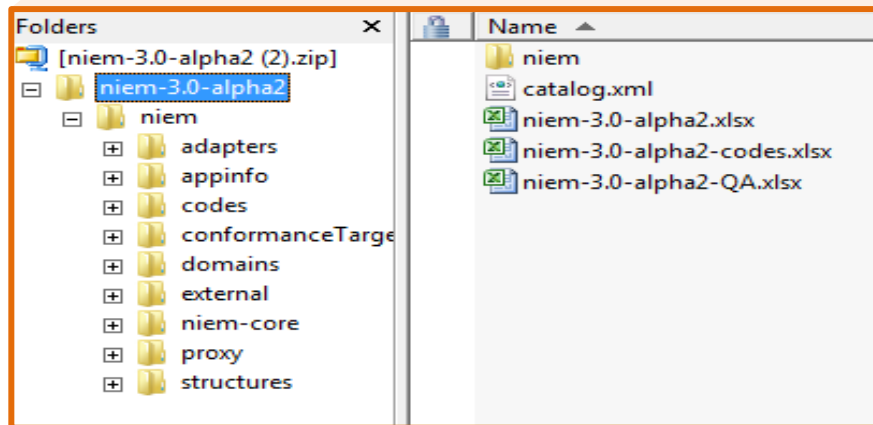
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**NOTE:** You can also go to [NIEM.gov/version3](https://www.niem.gov/version3) & click the “public review” button to get to this page!

The Beta link will allow you to download a Zip File of the model



Similar to the Alpha 2 model for public review, the Beta release package contains both **XML schemas** and a **Microsoft Excel spreadsheet**.

## STEP 2

# DETERMINE REVIEW TYPE & ACCESS MATERIAL

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## NON-TECHNICAL REVIEW

Type/Sub-properties	Type
nc:ActivityConveyanceAssociationType	extends nc:AssociationType
nc:Activity	nc:ActivityType
nc:Conveyance	nc:ConveyanceType
nc:ActivityConveyanceAssociationAugmentation	<abstract element, no type>
nc:ActivityDocumentAssociationType	extends nc:AssociationType
nc:Activity	nc:ActivityType
nc:Document	nc:DocumentType
Substitutable Elements:	
+ it:AdditionalDocument	it:AdditionalDocumentType
+ it:AdditionalInformation	it:AdditionalInformationType
nc:ActivityDocumentAssociationAugmentation	<abstract element, no type>
nc:ActivityFacilityAssociationType	extends nc:AssociationType
nc:Activity	nc:ActivityType

### Excel File:

The first tab contains the content of NIEM Core. The other tabs each contain an individual NIEM domain. All domains are included.

## TECHNICAL REVIEW

Schema Subset	Search for a	Search
Person	Person	Search
Types		
Attributes		
Elements		

### Text or XML Editor:

Schemas can be viewed via a text editor or an XML Editor

### SSGT:

<http://tools.niem.gov/niemtools/ssgt/SSGT-SearchSubmit.iepd>

## STEP 3

# CONDUCT YOUR REVIEW: WHAT TO LOOK FOR



### Definitions

Do you see a definition that appears to be incorrect? Do any definitions appear to conflict with each other? Are definitions distinct and distinguishable (or at least different)?



### Grammar/Spelling/Punctuation

Do you see errors in the text of the model?



### Technical Architecture

NIEM 3.0 has over a dozen technical improvements to architecture and structure. Review available schemas and artifacts.



### Harmonization

Do data element exists only once? Are they semantically precise and clear? Are they e-usable and scalable across domains and the NIEM community?



### Code Lists

Are code lists up-to-date and relevant?



### Other

Are there additional content or structural items or issues that need to be addressed?

## STEP 4

# SUBMIT YOUR FEEDBACK

To submit feedback go to <https://www.niem.gov/Pages/contact.aspx>.

### Ask us anything. Really.

We welcome your questions about absolutely anything NIEM. We'll try our best to answer them! Questions will be answered in a timely manner depending on the level of complexity.

**NIEM 3.0 Public Review:** If you are submitting feedback or have a question related to the NIEM 3.0 public review, please select the category "NIEM 3.0 Feedback" on the online form below.

Contact us online:

First Name *	Category * NIEM 3.0 Feedback
Last Name *	NIEM 3.0 Feedback Type --None--
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# **DON'T MISS YOUR LAST CHANCE!**

## ***SUBMIT YOUR FEEDBACK TODAY!***

Beta is your **LAST CHANCE** to provide feedback on the entire version 3.0 release. To ensure that 3.0 is a success, your review of Beta is critical!

### **Feedback Submission Period:**

June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013 – July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013

### **To download the model:**

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### **Questions?**

E-mail [information@niem.gov](mailto:information@niem.gov) with subject: **“3.0 HELP”**

Run...don't walk, and **SUBMIT YOUR FEEDBACK TODAY!**