The Semantic Web seeks to extend the World Wide Web from a web for human users to a web for machines as well, where machines provide a powerful assist to the human users. The World Wide Web requires the human user to find data and to provide semantic understanding to bridge multiple data sources, discern data suitability, and fuse data for human understanding. The Semantic Web empowers Software Agents to perform these tasks more rapidly, more thoroughly, and more concisely, freeing the human user to focus on understanding and decision-making.

The use of Software Agents is an integral part of the Semantic Web, and the use of Software Agents, both capitalizing on Semantic Web technologies and in non-Semantic Web applications, is gathering momentum and is of strong interest to this workshop.

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- Semantic Web
- Software Agents
- And their applicability to:
  - Web Services
  - Grid Computing
  - Global Information Grid
  - Security
- Semantic Grid
- Textual, image, and sensor data analysis
- Scientific, business, and military data analysis
- Distributed Information fusion and federation
- Data visualization
- Ontologies
- Other related technologies

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