

CHAPTER 6: UNDERSTANDING EACH OTHER

An Introduction to Multiagent Systems

<http://www.csc.liv.ac.uk/~mjw/pubs/imas/>

- In order to be able to communicate, agents must have agreed a common set of terms.
- A formal specification of a set of terms is known as a *ontology*.
- The knowledge sharing effort has associated with it a large effort at defining common ontologies — software tools like ontolingua for this purpose.