

**eChallenges 2008 Conference,
Stockholm – Sweden, 22-24 October 2008**

Workshop

“Interoperability Infrastructures for European Public Administrations”

Workshop Objectives

Moving in the direction of eGovernment and tGovernment roadmaps, as adopted by Governments all around the world, interoperability is posing as one of the great challenges for administrations, industry and research. With the basic standardisation now in place, as most Governments have issued National eGovernment Standardisation Frameworks, attention is gradually transferred to the implementation and deployment of infrastructures to support one-stop delivery of public electronic services, through the interoperable operation of a vast number of systems, organisational units and public officials.

In the European Union context, the need for Interoperability Infrastructures at local, National and European level is now stressed by the i2010 strategy and the new Services Directive (Directive 2006/123/EC). The workshop will address the current challenges in various eGIF's of European Union Member States, providing an opportunity for Public Administration officers and eGIF contributors to exchange current practices and opinions. Issues of the discussion include:

- Central Governmental Service Portals (Gateways) offering one-stop, interoperable services to citizens and businesses
- Interoperability Service Registries, allowing for service publishing, discovery and composition
- XML Schema Repositories for electronic service forms based on emerging UN/CEFACT CCTS standards
- Federated ontologies and standardized codelists for the public sector
- Central and vertical eID infrastructures, allowing for federated management of electronic identities
- Light-house systems in pan-European eFinance, eHealth, eJustice or eProcurement applications, promising advanced, cross-country interoperability

Call For Papers and Participation

Full paper contributions should be submitted to the organiser via email, following the author guidelines of the eChallenges conference (8 pages max), to be eligible for publication in the Conference Proceedings. Short contribution proposals should be sent to the organiser via email, including title and one-page abstract .

Participants should register to the workshop, by communicating via e-mail with the workshop organizer. All participants and contributors must be properly registered with the eChallenges Conference (www.echallenges.org).

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Important Dates

Full Paper Submission Deadline: June 6, 2008

Short Paper Submission Deadline: June 13, 2008

Author Notification: June 20, 2008

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