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GIC hosting Greek Interoperability Council first joint meeting



The Greek Interoperability Council's first joint meeting took place in GIC-NTUA premises on October 25, 2010. The Greek Interoperability Council is an initiative of GIC, established for promoting interoperability benefits at all levels for administrations and enterprises in Greece. The Council establishment was launched during the Interoperability Days organized by GIC on June 9, 2010 aiming at initiating a mechanism for coordinating, promoting and advancing interoperability-related efforts in Greece... [read more](#)

Hervé Panetto, Nancy University, visiting the Greek Interoperability Centre

Hervé Panetto, professor at Nancy-University, Université Henri Poincaré Nancy and deputy director of ESIAL, School of Engineering in Information Technology, visited the Greek Interoperability Centre, on October 25, 2010. The two organisations share common research orientations, in the domains of Enterprise Interoperability and Future Internet Enterprise Systems. Prof. Hervé Panetto also joined the working meeting of the Greek Interoperability Council, delivering an invited talk on the status and outlook of interoperability, at a global scale.

(in the photo: Yannis Charalabidis and Hervé Panetto in Athens)



Engineering visits the Greek Interoperability Centre



Stefano De Panfilis, Director of R&D Laboratories Department at Engineering Ingegneria Informatica S.p.A. visited the Greek Interoperability Centre, in the National Technical University of Athens, on January 26, 2011. The two organisations share common research orientations, in the domains of Enterprise Interoperability and Future Internet Enterprise Systems, and... [read more](#)

GIC following and supporting Digital Greece 2020 Forum

The first joint meeting of the Digital Greece 2020 Forum took place on Wednesday, 3 November 2010 at the offices of the Hellenic Telecommunications and Post Commission... [read more](#)

GIC-NTUA hosting the First Open Meeting of the "Public Administration and Society" Working Group (DG2020)

The first open meeting of the "Public Administration and Society" Working Group, of the Digital Greece 2020 Forum, took place on Thursday, 27 January 2011, at the Premises of the National Technical University of Athens... [read more](#)

Greek Interoperability Centre visits IBM Research Labs in Haifa

Following GIC's successful organization of a track on "Cloud Infrastructures and Interoperability in the Public Sector", within the context of the 5th Mediterranean Conference on Information Systems, which was held in Tel-Aviv-Yaffo, Israel, on 12-14 September 2010, GIC Manager Yannis Charalabidis visited IBM Research Labs in Haifa... [read more](#)

In the photo: Yael Dubinsky (IBM Research) Yannis Charalabidis (GIC) and Gilad Saadoun (IBM Research)



GIC at the 1st International Workshop on Service Modelling and Representation Techniques, SMART 2010

GIC experts actively participated and delivered research presentations in the SMART workshop that was held in conjunction with the Service Wave conference in Ghent, on 13th December 2010. The workshop addressed issues related to modelling holistic service systems.... [read more](#)

GIC at the European Union Future Internet Enterprise Systems (FINES) Cluster Meeting

More than 30 high-level international experts including GIC-ENSEMBLE experts attended the European Commission / DG INFSO Future Internet Enterprise Systems (FINES) Cluster Meeting, held in Brussels, on 25th January 2011. The Cluster meeting focused on recent developments for FP7 and FP8 programmes, in the area of Future Internet research for enterprises... [read more](#)



GIC experts in Fraunhofer FOKUS Media Web Symposium, Berlin, November 4-5, 2010



GIC researchers attended the FOKUS Media Web Symposium on: "Mobile Applications, Social Media and Hybrid TV – towards experiencing integrated communication and media" that took place at the Fraunhofer FOKUS. The Symposium was held in Berlin, Germany, on November 4-5, 2010. The event included featured tutorials, workshops, a set of demonstrations and exhibitions from FOKUS and the sponsors, in order to reflect state of the art technologies and services.

GIC attending the Labs.OpenGov.gr

GIC attended the 3rd Meeting of the Labs.OpenGov.gr, entitled "Fighting Bureaucracy", on 13 December 2010, at the National Research Foundation, in Athens. The Labs.OpenGov.gr is an action in the context of open government, which aims to bring forth creative ideas, people and ways to introduce innovation in citizen relations with the public sector services.

GIC at the Information Day on "Cloud Computing in the Public Sector", Athens, February 10, 2011

Microsoft Innovation Centre in Greece organised an information day targeting Cloud Computing and its applications to the Public Sector, on February 10, 2011 in Athens. Titled "Innovative Approaches for Cloud Computing" ... [read more](#)

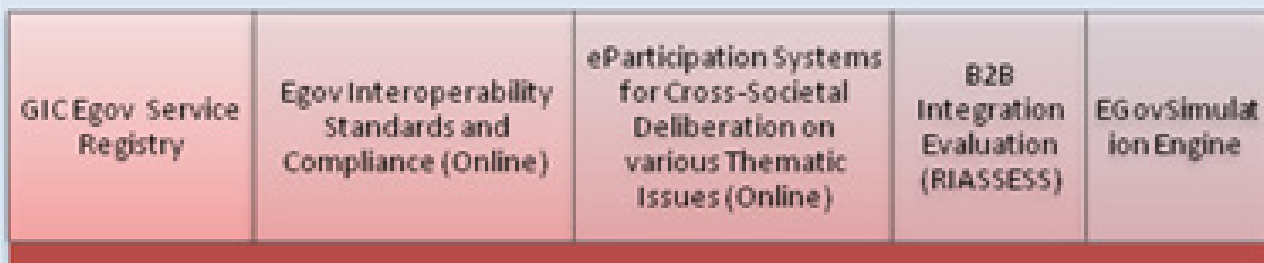


GIC participating in various events including:

- Internet of Services: Collaboration meeting for FP7 projects, Brussels, 19-20 October 2010
- ICT 2010 – Networking Session: Research Roadmap on ICT for Governance and Policy Modelling, Brussels, 27-29 September 2010
- 3rd International Conference on Developments in eSystems Engineering, DeSE 2010, London, UK, 6-8 September 2010.

DEVELOPING INTEROPERABILITY SCENARIOS AND PROMOTING INTEROPERABILITY SOLUTIONS

The GIC research team in collaboration with its network partners and in conjunction with the projects implemented in the DSS-NTUA laboratory works on developing interoperability scenarios and demonstrators and promoting them to relevant beneficiaries.



The e-Deposit Slip (scenario)	The EXELIXIS: Semantically-enriched Governmental Data Components and XML Schemas Management	e-ID Federation:	A Social Media collaborative Knowledge Resource Library (wiki)	Interoperability Barometer
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RESEARCHERS' SECONDMENTS IN GIC

During autumn 2010, the Greek Interoperability Centre organized in cooperation with the Free University of Brussels (VUB) and Brunel University, London two secondments with the researchers Dr. Yan Tang (VUB) and Bahareh Heravi (Brunel). During their stay, apart from collaboration and exchange of ideas with GIC experts, the two researchers were introduced to the research and scientific objectives and activities of the centre, and based on their research background and current work were involved in research activities of mutual interest, in particular in the field of: Ontology-based, Collaborative Standards Development Methodologies. [read more](#)

GIC-NTUA IN NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS



WEBINOS, Secure WebOS Application Delivery Environment, EC-FP7, ICT <http://webinos.org/>

Promoting a "single service for every device" vision, webinos is an EU-funded project aiming to deliver an interoperable, open source platform for web applications across mobile, PC, home media (TV) and in-car devices. WEBINOS is an initiative of 22 project partners from across Europe, spanning academic institutions, industry research firms, software firms, handset manufacturers and automotive manufacturers.



ENSEMBLE, Envisioning, Supporting and Promoting Future Internet Enterprise Systems Research through Scientific Collaboration, EC-FP7, ICT, <http://www.ensemble-csa.eu>

ENSEMBLE, a Support Action funded by the European Commission, aims to coordinate and promote research activities in the domain of Future Internet Enterprise Systems (FIeS), providing a sustainable infrastructure for the FIeS community into use for these purposes into the foreseeable future. Additionally, ENSEMBLE, working with the FIeS community, will develop and implement a systematic approach to the establishment of Enterprise Interoperability (EI) as a science.



OUR SPACE, The Virtual Youth Space, EC-FP7, ICT, <http://www.ep-ourspace.eu>

OUR SPACE: Based on the idea that the active involvement of young people in the process of socio-political decision-making plays a very important role in our societies, OurSpace aims to contribute towards bringing the EU closer to the youth by improving their role within the democratic system of the EC through the use of ICT.

PLUG-IN Development and Provision of Interoperable Electronic Services to SMEs, General Secretariat for Research and Development, Greece (starting early 2011)

CAP Common Airport Policy, General Secretariat for Research and Development, Greece (starting early 2011)

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS AND PUBLICATIONS ON INTEROPERABILITY AND HOT DIGITAL AGENDA TOPICS

European Commission Communication: Towards interoperability for European public services

On the 16th of December 2010, the European Commission has adopted the Communication "Towards interoperability for European public services", to establish a common approach for Member States public administrations, to help citizens and businesses to profit fully from the EU's Single Market. Within the Digital Agenda for Europe, the Commission committed itself to adopt a Communication that introduces the European Interoperability Strategy (EIS) and the European Interoperability Framework (EIF), two key documents that promote interoperability among public administrations. Both the EIS and EIF recognise that interoperability has several dimensions: legal,

organisational, semantic and technical. You may find more information on the two key documents on http://ec.europa.eu/isa/strategy/index_en.htm

GIC publishes the 5th Interoperability Guide

GIC publishes the 5th Interoperability Guide on 'Managing eGIF projects: Design, development and maintenance of e-Government Interoperability Frameworks - recommendations and guidelines'. Download the Interoperability Guide at www.iocenter.eu.

Envisioning Digital Europe 2030: Scenarios for ICT in Future Governance and Policy Modelling

Three GIC experts contributed to the report on Envisioning Digital Europe 2030 which has been the result of research conducted by the Information Society Unit of IPTS as part of the CROSSROAD Project... [read more](#)

GIC experts contribute a chapter in a new book on Transformational Government by IGI

The "Handbook of Research on ICT-Enabled Transformational Government: A Global Perspective" provides comprehensive coverage and definitions of the most important issues, concepts, trends, and technologies within transformation stage e-government (t-government) implementation. The book is edited by Vishanth Weerakkody (Brunel University, UK); Marijn Janssen (Delft University of Technology, The Netherlands); Yogesh K. Dwivedi (Swansea University, UK). The book features a chapter by GIC experts: Charalabidis Y., Sarandis D. and Askounis D. on «Knowledge-driven Project Management for achieving Electronic Government Transformation», detailing a new proposal for a project management method that targets reusability among e-Government and Government Transformation projects.

A WINDOW IN UPCOMING GIC ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS:

- **July 4-6, 2011:** The Greek Interoperability Centre co-organises the **Samos 2011 Summit** on Future Internet in collaboration with the University of Aegean and the ENSEMBLE FP7 project – supportive action to the FINES Cluster (EC – DGINSFO). Visit <http://samos-summit.blogspot.com/> to be informed on the Summit's scope, agenda, participants and further activities.
- **March 3-4, 2011:** GIC in Bled Forum 2011: The 12th Bled Forum on Europe, is taking place in Bled, Slovenia on 3rd and 4th March 2011.
- **June 2011:** Greek Interoperability Days, to be announced soon.
- **Summer 2011:** GIC supporting WeGov awards 2011: to be announced soon.

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