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## European ePractice Newsletter

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#### >> ePractice.eu reaches 10,000 members

Only 3 months after its launch, on Friday the 31st of August, the 10,000th member joined the ePractice.eu community of eGovernment, eInclusion and eHealth professionals. The 10,000th member is Eli Van de Weyer, from Belgium, who integrates as a high level eGovernment professional into the community. The good practice cases featured on ePractice.eu have an average size of €1.3 mn and a total implementation cost of altogether €500 mn. However, there is still room to grow, as European eGovernment expenditure was measured at €11.9 bn by the EU-funded eGEP study (2004). "Reaching 10,000 registered members is an important milestone for ePractice.eu. A critical mass of users is crucial for developing a rich community of professionals devoted to exchange and learn in all areas of an eGovernment project implementation", says Antoni Riu, ePractice.eu Project Manager.

#### >> High Impact Services workshop – Last week to register

Registration remains open for the High Impact Services ePractice.eu workshop to be held next Monday September 10 in Brussels. To launch the debate we have selected three recognized best practices that will be presented by their authors in order to (a) identify the key problems and (b) invite you to elaborate possible solutions. Paul Timmers, Head of the eInclusion Unit in DG Information Society and Media, will deliver the keynote speech. Particular issues and concerns on the eGovernment domain will be examined during the case presentation and participative session "Help.gv.at", awarded in 2003 with the eEurope Award "A better life for European citizens". The eHealth domain case which will be presented is: "The Health On the Net Foundation" (Switzerland) and focused on eInclusion "DEMOS, Delphi Mediation Online System" (Germany) will be analysed. Preliminary comments and thoughts on these cases are welcome. Please send them to [HIS-workshop@epractice.eu](mailto:HIS-workshop@epractice.eu) and we will circulate them amongst the workshop participants to prepare the discussion.

Additional information and registration at <http://www.epractice.eu/workshop/2>

#### >> Last weeks to vote for the Most Inspiring eGovernment Award 2007

There are only two weeks left to vote for the Most Inspiring eGovernment Award 2007, and the stakes are high. We encourage all ePractice.eu members to visit the list with the 52 eligible cases for the award and vote for their three favourite European good practice initiatives. To be able to participate in the election of the Most Inspiring good practice you must be a registered user with a completed profile at ePractice.eu. The winner of this unique award will be announced at the Ministerial eGovernment Conference 2007 in Lisbon (Portugal).

More information at My Public Profile settings area [<http://www.epractice.eu/settings>], where you can click on the most suitable options for you. Please be aware that your contact information and professional background will never be seen by non-registered visitors.

Further information: <http://www.epractice.eu/?page=gpcase.list.awards2007&abc=ALL>

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### Kyosei-Polis

The Asociación\_Ciudades\_Kyosei aims to create a FOSS System for Citizen Participation in Municipalities that could be sustained and used in developed and developing countries. Our projects comprises research, design and construction of the system with an interdisciplinary and collaborative approach, which incorporate both socio-political and technical components. Our theoretical framework includes current e-Participation research trends and analyzes many participation and e-Participation experiences. A qualitative analysis of the characteristics and requirements of the e-Participation stake-holders (see "target group"), and the evaluation of existing Internet concepts and tools for participation (mass collaboration, locality, wikis, blogs, fora,...) are to be integrated and leveraged.

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### MAREVA - Value creation analysis for government transformation projects

MAREVA is a successful and innovative methodology to assess the value of public sector transformation projects. This project complies with the priority on e-government efficiency and effectiveness included in the i-2010 Action Plan It helps administrations in prioritizing initiatives, managing them (evaluate alternatives, commitment of project leaders on concrete objectives) building knowledge for further projects to optimize their value. MAREVA launched in 2005 by the French e-government Agency (ADAE, Agency for the development of egovernment), has now been rolled out for about 100 e-governments initiatives in 10 French government ministries and in several other public organizations, including Quebec government.

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### Federated Identity Service Transactions

Reach acts as an Identity Provider (IdP) for eGovernment websites to receive authenticated online sessions from registered identities that have been verified against public services records and activated by physical delivery of a one-off activation code.

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## **TK: Turkey enters top 10 of global eGovernment Benchmark**

According to an independent yearly report evaluating public websites in 198 countries worldwide, Turkey's public websites rank 9th this year, sharing the top ten with Asian and North American leaders as well as the United Kingdom (5th) and Portugal (7th). In comparison to last year's results, Turkey achieved a dramatic leap by gaining 18 ranks, thus leaving EU countries behind.

The evaluation was conducted between June and July 2007 by Professor Darrell M. West and a team of researchers from the Center of Public Policy of the Brown University, Rhode Island, USA.

The findings of this seventh 'Global E-Government' report are based on the assessment of 1 697 national government websites; those of executive, legislative and judicial bodies but also of state agencies responsible for Health, Taxation, Education, Administration, Interior and more.

Websites were measured based on the presence of a wide range of features related to information availability, eGovernment services delivery and public access.

The assessed features include: online publications and databases, privacy policy and security features, disability access, presence of online services and number of different services, digital signatures and user payments, email address and website personalisation, comment forms, automatic email updates, personal digital assistant (PDA) access, English version of the website, etc.

### **Further information:**

- <http://www.epractice.eu/document/3753>

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## **UK: A web of safety**

The Safer Leicester Partnership has launched a website which promotes the work being done to make the town a safer place.

The partnership brings together different agencies including the Leicester City Council, as well as police, fire, rescue and healthcare services. "The website gives an insight into what we're doing to make Leicester a safer place, and also offers advice on what people can do in their own communities," explained City Counsellor Culdipp Bhatti.

The site's 'Staying safe' section provides tips on how residents can protect themselves against domestic burglary and identity, ensure their own personal safety and improve the security of their homes. There is also advice on the sensitive issue of domestic violence. In addition, this section contains safety information targeted at specific groups, such as senior citizens, women, homosexuals, as well as ethnic and religious minorities.

Information on organisation committed to taking action to tackle crime and other safety issues – such as joint action groups and help lines – is also available.

**Further information:**

- <http://www.saferleicester.org/>
- <http://www.egovmonitor.com/node/13908>

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## **UK: Improving life expectancy through the Web**

The UK's Minister of State for Public Health Dawn Primarolo has launched the Health Inequalities Intervention Tool – an interactive website to help local health services and councils improve life expectancy in areas with the worst health and deprivation.

“Tackling health inequalities is a priority for the Department of Health and the NHS [National Health Service]. We have set targets that need to be achieved by 2010, including a 10 % reduction in the difference in life expectancy at birth between the fifth of areas with the worst health and deprivation and England as a whole,” said Primarolo.

“Our task now is to support local NHS and local authority service planners, commissioners and front-line staff to deliver on those targets,” she added.

The new tool presents both a national and local overview of current life expectancy for each of the 70 so-called ‘spearhead’ areas, and how much they lag behind the rest of England. It shows the diseases which are causing low life expectancy in each spearhead area and provides a “ready reckoner” for the high-impact interventions that will help narrow the local gap quickly, based on real data. These are giving up smoking, reducing infant deaths, preventative treatment for people at high risk of developing cardiovascular disease, among other things.

Dr Bobbie Jacobson, vice-chair of the Association of Public Health Observatories and director of the London Health Observatory, observed that: “Our tool is the first of its kind to provide hard-edged, local evidence to planners and commissioners, on the causes of their life expectancy gap and how it can be reduced.”

Life expectancy as a whole is improving across the UK. However, the gap between the most deprived areas and the entire country continues to widen. The average life expectancy in England is 76.9 years for men and 81.1 years for women (2003-2005 data). However, in spearhead areas, it is a more modest 74.9 for men and 79.6 for women.

**Further information:**

- <http://www.egovmonitor.com/node/13909>

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## **DE/EU: eTendering forms introduced**

Germany has introduced 14 “intelligent” PDF forms for EU-wide public tendering announcements.

An electronic publication facility for public service tender calls has been provided since December 2006 by the German Tendering and Procurement Network (DVBN) and the German Association of Cities and Boroughs (DStGB). The Tendering Information System is accessible here. This service now also offers 14 forms for the publication, free of charge, of EU-wide calls for bids.

The “intelligent” PDF forms can be completed either off-line or on-line, and can be stored and printed out locally. If used in their “intelligent” version, the forms have built-in plausibility tests which help to ensure that they are filled in correctly. The introduction of the new forms means that all major documents for the publication of national and EU-wide public tenders are now available on-line in Germany.

“The really innovative part of our offer,” DVBN’s CEO Uwe Schneider told the eGovernment Computing news service “is the option of filling in the forms off-line, storing them locally using the standard Adobe Reader 8.0 software and running them through a plausibility check. And all of that for free.” Previously, he pointed out, Adobe Acrobat was needed for these functions, implying additional costs.

**Further information:**

- [http://www.egovcom.de/srvinclude/4/1/inews\\_daily.asp?opt=archiv&red\\_nr=18042](http://www.egovcom.de/srvinclude/4/1/inews_daily.asp?opt=archiv&red_nr=18042)
  - <http://www.dstqb-vis.de/home/index.htm>
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## **DE: eBorough competition**

The German state of Brandenburg wants citizens to vote for the borough with the best, most user-friendly on-line services. The site for its eKommune2007 competition has now gone live.

The competition, which was first held in 2005, covers all of the state’s cities, boroughs and local authorities. It will be launched on 12 September, when the participation forms will become available on the site. Those who vote will be entered into a prize draw. Cash prizes also await the winning administrations, and this year there will be a special award for the most barrier-free site.

For the boroughs themselves, eKommune gives a useful checklist – with good practice examples – of “what pleases visitors to administrations’ websites”:

- “...when forms are available for downloading and, even better, can be sent back on-line...” (boroughs wanting to introduce or improve this service can use the technical infrastructure at <http://www.service.brandenburg.de> )
- “...when internet pages are barrier-free and people with disabilities can also find their way around them easily.”
- “... when appointments with the administration’s offices can also be made on-line and e-mails are processed within 24 hours by the relevant contact within the administration.”
- “... when the mayor regularly meets citizens in a chatroom or discusses current local issues in an open forum.”
- “... when there is clearly presented information about childcare and special provision for families, children and young people.”

**Further information:**

- <http://www.ekommune-bb.de/>
  - <http://service.brandenburg.de/lis/list.php/start>
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## **DE: IT procurement guidelines**

The German Interior Ministry has published new purchasing requirements for public sector procurement of IT systems.

The new EVB-IT System Contract sets out the purchasing conditions for public authorities' procurement of complete IT systems (hardware, software, integration and adaptation services, and installation ready for use). The model text is fully covered by contract law. EVB-IT replaces the BVB series used up to now. The main change is that overall responsibility for the proper functioning of the IT system as a whole will now clearly rest with the supplier. For federal authorities, the new contract is mandatory.

Demand from local authorities for a full IT procurement model contract had been growing, due to rising investment in complex systems and "not always positive" experiences with suppliers. As always, negotiations were held with the IT sector on the new text. But no agreement was reached on the contract and its supplementary provisions. Issues still to be resolved include liability and licensing conditions. The IT industry has not given its seal of approval to the new contract. However, the ministry says it is open to further negotiations. Other model contracts envisaged for the EVB-IT series are:

- An EVB-IT planning contract, under which the detailed planning stage can be contracted out before the system contract itself is signed;
- An EVB-IT system delivery contract, focussing on the commercial law aspects;
- A separate system servicing contract.

**Further information:**

- [http://www.kbst.bund.de/cln\\_012/nn\\_836802/SharedDocs/Meldungen/2007/Wirtschaftlic hkeit-Recht/08\\_24\\_EVB-IT\\_20Systemvertrag\\_veroeffentlicht.html](http://www.kbst.bund.de/cln_012/nn_836802/SharedDocs/Meldungen/2007/Wirtschaftlic hkeit-Recht/08_24_EVB-IT_20Systemvertrag_veroeffentlicht.html)

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## **NL: Putting children at the heart of eGovernment**

The Dutch Interior Ministry is exploring the possibility of placing children, a traditionally neglected segment of the population, at the heart of its eGovernment services. This is part of efforts to construct an eGovernment 'Kind Centraal' (Children's Centre).

In the first half of 2007, the Ministry undertook the task of conducting an exploratory study examining the possibility of extending the reach of eGovernment to children. The report found that public services targeted at children in the Netherlands are fragmented.

"This fragmentation is visible in the multiplicity of projects, sometimes targeted at substantive aspects of services to youth, at other times, directed at facilitating government services, such as eGovernment," the report stated. It also noted that projects were often not connected coherently to one another.

Despite these challenges, the report identified good signs of progress, highlighting numerous cases of good practice, such as a virtual department for youth and family. The proposed Children's Centre will seek to provide better services to children and signal potential problems early on. It will provide current initiatives with the coherence and visibility they might currently lack and will act as a catalyst for a more integrated approach to eGovernment for children.

As a first step towards the creation of such a service, the government has developed a poster to raise awareness of eGovernment for children and put the issue squarely on the political map.

**Further information:**

- <http://www.e-overheid.nl/nieuws/4732>

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## NL: Wanted: pioneering local authorities

A new Dutch government task force has been set up to help cut red tape. Over the next four years it will be in search of 20 local authorities that are willing to introduce streamlined regulations and to experiment with new operational models, such as eGovernment.

The task force brings together the Union of Dutch Local Authorities (VNG) and the central government. The grouping is on the look out for local authorities which are prepared to introduce a package of reform measures, try out new ideas, work closely with central government and exchange ideas and good practice.

“A local authority that is for the citizens, that works on the basis of trust in its citizenry and business community; that operates a high-quality and fast service which does not burden citizens or companies unnecessarily – that is what we are striving for,” explained the mayor of Groningen who heads the task force.

The pioneering local authorities will not only get the chance to take part in pilot programmes, but they will also be first in line to influence the policy-making process, the mayor added.

### Further information:

- <http://www.e-overheid.nl/nieuws/4743>
- <http://www.vng.nl/Documenten/Extranet/Gemeenterecht/Toolkit/PioniergemeentenDef.pdf>

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## Latest Publications

- [EU: eGovernment in the European countries](#) 30 August 2007 | EU Institutions

### EU: eGovernment in the European countries

As part of its mission to inform the European eGovernment community about key issues of common interest, the eGovernment Observatory maintains a series of Factsheets presenting the situation and progress of eGovernment in 32 European countries: EU-27, Croatia, Turkey, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, providing for each one of them a wide and consistent range of information:

- Country Profile (basic data and Information Society indicators);
- History (major past eGovernment developments and milestones);
- Strategy (vision, objectives and principles supporting the eGovernment drive);
- Legal Framework (main legal texts impacting on the development of eGovernment);
- Actors (key organisations involved in the eGovernment drive);
- 'Who's Who' (main decision-makers and executives steering and shaping the move to eGovernment);
- Infrastructure (key components of the nationwide eGovernment infrastructure);
- eServices for citizens and for businesses (online availability and sophistication of services for citizens and businesses, based on the eEurope common list of basic public services).

EU-25 factsheets have been regularly updated since June 2005. In September 2006 the first edition of the factsheets of the following countries has been published: Bulgaria, Romania, Croatia, Turkey, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway.

As a general rule, factsheets are updated every 6 months with a new Edition. Important updates between two Editions may result in a new Release. The version number of the factsheet consists of its Edition and Release number, i.e.: 'v.6.0': Sixth Edition, 'v.6.1': 1st Release of the 6th Edition, etc.

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## New Factsheets

Factsheets for Finland (v.7.1) and Turkey (v.2.1) are now updated and available online.

Finland: <http://www.epractice.eu/index.php?page=document.factsheets&cntr=7>

Turkey: <http://www.epractice.eu/index.php?page=document.factsheets&cntr=27>

We invite you to visit the relevant section for regular and/or ad hoc updates related to the factsheets <http://epractice.eu/factsheets>

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## Upcoming Events

- [BE: 2nd IDABC eIDM Interoperability Workshop](#) 12 September 2007 | Belgium
- [FR: Smart Event '07 - Aml.d Conference and Demos 2007](#) 17 - 19 September 2007 | France
- [FR: Smart Event '07 – Smart University 2007](#) 17 - 20 September 2007 | France
- [PT: 3rd ENISA Awareness Raising dissemination workshop](#) 18 September 2007 | Portugal
- [FR: Onom@topic+ Workshop 2007](#) 18 September 2007 | France
- [PT: 4th Ministerial eGovernment Conference – European eGovernment Awards 2007](#) 19 - 21 September 2007 | Portugal
- [FR: Smart Event '07 – World e-ID Conference and demos 2007](#) 19 - 21 September 2007 | France
- [FR: Smart Event '07 – e-Smart Conference and demos 2007](#) 19 - 21 September 2007 | France
- [PL: ISSE/SECURE 2007](#) 25 - 27 September 2007 | Poland
- [FR: 2nd Annual Wireless & Digital Cities Congress](#) 26 - 28 September 2007 | France
- [IT: 1st International Conference MeTTeG07](#) 27 - 28 September 2007 | Italy
- [ES: UBL International 2007](#) 1 - 5 October 2007 | Spain

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## **BE: 2nd IDABC eIDM Interoperability Workshop**

Towards Common Specifications for eIDM Interoperability.

Within the scope of the IDABC programme and in support of the i2010 eIDM Roadmap, IDABC is organising a second Workshop on electronic Identity Management Interoperability on 12 September 2007 in Brussels.

The workshop will present and explain the inputs gathered and the work achieved towards the production of the draft "Common Specification for eID Interoperability". The objective is to collect the feedback and comments from the industry, from administrations and from the academic world on those "common specifications".

Registration to the workshop will be open until 5 September 2007. Attendance will be limited to a maximum of 60 participants. In order to confirm attendance, interested persons may send their details to the following email address: [eric.meyvis@siemens.com](mailto:eric.meyvis@siemens.com).

**Event website:** <http://ec.europa.eu/idabc/en/document/7180>

**Venue:**

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1040 Brussels  
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## **FR: Smart Event '07 - Aml.d Conference and Demos 2007**

Developing Ambient Intelligence, 2nd edition

The focus of the second edition of the conference devoted to Ambient Intelligence Development (Aml.d) will be on software engineering and security engineering practices especially adapted to the new challenges introduced by Aml ecosystems. The conference will be structured around two tracks:

- A Research track offering the opportunity to experience live research and participate in presentations on the latest research issues by high level academic speakers;
- An open track consisting of a presentation of Aml works and strategies in Europe.

The topics that are likely to be covered by the conference include:

- Software engineering;
- Security and Dependability;
- Integrated security and software engineering;
- Distributed architectures for Aml;
- Interaction mechanisms;
- Communication protocols;
- Experiences and case studies;
- Automated configuration and monitoring;
- Context awareness;
- Models and tools for simulation and validation;
- Attack models for Aml systems;

- Aml applications.

"Aml.d" is part of the "Smart Event '07" that will also host 3 other co-located international events, namely:

- World e-ID (Sept. 19-21, 2007);
- e-Smart, the leading smart card industry conference (Sept. 19-21, 2007);
- Smart University, educational program in smart card, ID and Aml technologies, designed and delivered by high level academics (Sept. 17-20, 2007).

**Event website:** <http://www.strategiestm.com/conferences/amid/07/index.htm>

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## **FR: Smart Event '07 – Smart University 2007**

Advanced educational programme, 3rd edition – Sharpening skills in Smart Card, e-ID, Mobile Telecoms and Aml Technologies

"Smart University" 2007 is the third edition of an educational programme dedicated to advanced technologies of Smart Card, e-ID, Mobile Telecoms and Ambient Intelligence (Aml). The event relies on the strong academic background provided by some of the best European universities, schools, institutes and Labs such as CNAM (France), INRIA (France), Institute for Prospective Technological Studies of Seville JRC, European Commission, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (Belgium), and University of Twente (Netherlands).

"Smart University" addresses young engineers - researchers as well as executives - willing to widen and deepen the scope of their knowledge on new technological and strategic issues of Smart Cards, e-ID, Mobile Telecoms and Aml.

The programme consists of 8 tracks of 2 days according to a workshop format which enables time for Q&A and for discussions, and a large interactivity between participants, teachers and lecturers. The 8 educational modules are as follows:

- Smart Card Software;
- Smart Card & Mobile Telecoms;
- Identity Management and eServices;
- Near Field Communication (NFC);
- Smart Card and RFID Security;
- Biometrics;
- Ubiquitous Computing;
- Digital Rights Management (DRM)

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- Aml.d, conference dedicated to Ambient Intelligence Developments (Sept. 17-19, 2007).

Early bird registration for Smart University 2007 closes on 10 June.

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**PT: 3rd ENISA Awareness Raising dissemination workshop**

Raising Information Security Awareness across Europe – ENISA Workshop

The Awareness Raising Section of the European Network and Information Security Agency (ENISA) and the Portuguese members of the Management Board of ENISA are co-organising the 3rd Awareness Raising workshop during the Portuguese Presidency of the European Union. This workshop is part of the activities planned within the ENISA Work Programme 2007 and is aimed at sharing the findings of the Agency in the field of Awareness raising with Member States and industry representatives. The workshop will be held in Lisbon on 18 September, one day prior to the 4th Ministerial eGovernment Conference and European eGovernment Awards 2007.

The workshop on Awareness Raising aims at experts responsible or involved in Awareness Raising activities in their countries. Through a combination of presentations, case studies and panel debates, participants will further explore cutting-edge topics, key issues and emerging good practices in the awareness raising field. Particular attention will be given to private public partnerships, recent and successful initiatives of Internet service providers, mobile operators and banks aimed at raising awareness among users.

Approximately 120 participants are expected to attend the event. Registration can be performed online.

**Event website:** [http://www.enisa.europa.eu/pages/04\\_01\\_3rd\\_ar\\_dissemination\\_ws\\_2007.htm](http://www.enisa.europa.eu/pages/04_01_3rd_ar_dissemination_ws_2007.htm)

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**FR: Onom@topic+ Workshop 2007**

Designing and Mastering together the European platform for eID interoperability

Onom@topic+ is an Eureka MEDEA+ European funded project. Its strategic objective is to provide a complete technical platform and a framework enabling the European Governments to issue interoperable documents (Citizen Card, Electronic Identity, Visas or Passport documents) for electronic identification or authentication and for access to e-Services. Build around a strong industrial partnership involving all key players in the field, the project ambition is to spread its results in most European countries, including some of the 10 recent new EU entrants.

The 10 industrial and technical project partners organize a 1/2 day workshop during which they will give a deep status of their work covering:

- architecture of the proposed platform - comparison of the project solution with other federative eID frameworks

- IAS compatibility and security
- interoperability aspects towards pan European e services support
- endorsement of project results at normalisation level
- focus on some innovation topics such as new chip technologies, new contact-less interfaces, match on card biometry and middleware solution

Within the frame of the workshop 3 live demos will demonstrate the most innovative features brought by the partners in the scope of the project:

- eAdministration in a home environment
- Digital signature controlled by biometrics (MoC) with user-friendly registration
- Formal methods used for the validation of complex ICAO applications

The workshop agenda is available at:

<http://www.strategiestm.com/conferences/onomatopic/07/agenda.htm>

Registration (upon invitation only) can be performed at:

<http://www.strategiestm.com/conferences/onomatopic/07/registration.htm>

**Event website:** <http://www.strategiestm.com/conferences/onomatopic/07/index.htm>

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**PT: 4th Ministerial eGovernment Conference – European eGovernment Awards 2007**

4th Ministerial eGovernment Conference in Portugal and European eGovernment Awards 2007 – Reaping the Benefits of eGovernment

The Portuguese Government and the European Commission are jointly organising the fourth Ministerial eGovernment Conference entitled “Reaping the Benefits of eGovernment”. The conference will take place during the Portuguese Presidency of the European Union.

On the eve of the conference, 19 September, a Ministerial meeting will take place for EU Member States’ Ministers to take stock of progress since the 2005 Manchester Ministerial Declaration and the i2010 eGovernment Action Plan. Ministers will also seek to reconfirm the Member States’ commitment to the targets set and to identify/assess emerging policy priorities towards 2020, both at national and EU-level.

While providing a platform for high-level political debate and the exchange of ideas, the conference will highlight the direct impact of eGovernment on economies and citizens as well as its contribution to achieving the goals set out in the Lisbon Strategy. In this light, focus will be placed on four main themes relating to ICT and Public Services, namely:

- Better public services for growth and jobs;
- Participation and transparency;
- Social impact and cohesion;
- Effective and efficient administration, with special emphasis on the local and regional level.

The conference will also host the European eGovernment Awards 2007 (20 September) and the winning practices are expected to be presented by Viviane Reding, European Commissioner for Information Society and Media. The awards categories correspond to the four main themes of the Ministerial Conference.

Case submission for the Awards is open until 14 June! Online Submission, Guidance Notes and additional information are available on <http://www.epractice.eu/awards>.

**Event website:** <http://www.megovconf-lisbon.gov.pt>

**Venue:**

Lisbon International Fair  
Expo grounds  
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1998-010 Lisboa  
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**FR: Smart Event '07 – World e-ID Conference and demos 2007**

4th annual World e-ID Conference – Electronic ID management and applications, now coming to you!

"World e-ID" is part of the well established "Smart Event"; a forum on smart card, e-ID and Ambient Intelligence. World e-ID is a two and a half day conference designed for those interested in the electronic ID management and applications. The quest for pan European interoperable eID is now high on the EU political agenda, and no sector is exempt: telecommunications, banking and finance, health and social welfare, public transport, and government in general are increasingly heavy users of the eID features in combination with contact and contactless chip technology vendors.

Against this background, World e-ID 2007 will bring together top experts on e-ID to share knowledge and expertise on the near future of eID, and to give participants an insight in how to cope with it. Two plenary panel debates will respectively address the following topics:

- “Cyber Security in Europe & US: Meet the pathfinders of our future”:
- What is the best in class biometric modality for (remote) eServices access?

Numerous parallel strands will also be held, including: Large Scale eIDM projects at European level, National level, Local Government solutions, and in eHealth and Public transport; Large Scale eIDM systems in Latin America, cross Europe programs, EU member states roll outs; Best eID practices and systems solutions; Digital signature, the key for eID deployment; Standardisation, a must for interoperability and reliable systems; New emerging technologies, research and development, security aspects, RFID; and more.

Moreover, several parallel workshops are proposed on the day before the opening or during the conference. Among those are the following:

- FIDIS (Future of IDentity in the Information Society) workshop: Identity in the e-Society: which future?
- Onom@topic workshop: Designing and mastering together the European platform for eID interoperability.

Beside the World e-ID, the “Smart Event '07” will also host 3 other co-located international events:

- e-Smart, the leading smart card industry conference (Sept. 19-21, 2007);
- Aml.d, conference dedicated to Ambient Intelligence Developments (Sept. 17-19, 2007);
- Smart University, educational program in smart card, ID and Aml technologies, designed and delivered by high level academics (Sept. 17-20, 2007).

**Event website:** <http://www.strategiestm.com/conferences/we-id/07/index.htm>

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## **FR: Smart Event '07 – e-Smart Conference and demos 2007**

8th e-Smart Conference – Designing the future of digital security, smart cards and trusted devices.

Over three days, the e-Smart Conference will bring speakers of the industry to give presentation of new ideas, new technological and strategic trends in the field of digital security, smart card and trusted devices. Attendees will get the occasion to have fruitful exchanges and share visions of the smart card future with their peers.

The conference's programme will include three plenary sessions or debates focusing respectively on:

- Smart Security, The new frontier;
- Cyber Security Europe & US: Meet the pathfinders of our future;
- A New Mobile Eco-system: SIM, USIM, or no SIM?

Moreover, participants are offered to possibility to attend various parallel workshops and meetings, including:

- The Future of IDentity in the Information Society (FIDIS) workshop, focusing on the theme 'Identity in the e-Society: which future?';
- The Onom@topic workshop – Designing and mastering together the European platform for eID interoperability.

e-Smart 2007 is part of the “Smart Event '07” that will also host 3 other co-located international events, namely:

- World e-ID (Sept. 19-21, 2007);
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**PL: ISSE/SECURE 2007**

9th ISSE Conference - The Independent European ICT Security Conference and Exhibition, jointly organised with SECURE 2007

The ninth edition of the ISSE Conference is hosted by NASK, a Polish telecommunications and IT organization and supported by ENISA (the European Network and Information Security Agency) together with eema (The Independent European Association for eBusiness) and the Association for the Promotion of Trustworthiness of IT-Systems (TeleTrust).

ISSE is a European level conference for the presentation and discussion of technical, commercial, organisational, legal and political concepts for information security as well as privacy and data protection in the area of eGovernment among others. The focus of ISSE is on security as a part of business processes and electronic transactions, and on related issues such as risk management and interoperability. In line with its pan-European focus, ISSE 2007 will be jointly organized with SECURE 2007, Poland's longest running annual conference on the security of telecommunications, data networks and systems.

ISSE is expected to attract over 400 delegates from across Europe, providing an informal environment for attendees to explore, discuss, and learn from their counterparts about the latest developments in the ICT security industry. Over three days of presentation sessions, debates, discussions and workshops, key topics will be covered. Those will notably include:

- Trusted computing;
- Information Security, Information Rights and Identity Management;
- Legal and technical aspects of Security and Data Protection;
- Awareness raising;
- eGovernment Applications and European IT-Security Projects;
- Interoperability and Security Standards;
- Web Services and Networks Security;
- Securing identity: eidentification, biometrics, smart tokens, PKI solutions.

**Event website:** <http://www.isse.eu.com/>

**Venue:**

University of Warsaw  
Old Library  
Krakowskie Przedmiescie 26/28  
00-927 Warsaw  
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**FR: 2nd Annual Wireless & Digital Cities Congress**

Wireless & Digital Cities 2007

This event has been designed for municipal authorities planning, evaluating or deploying wireless networks.

This is the most comprehensive conference for cities and local authorities where delegates will be able to hear from 30+ European Practitioners from France, Belgium, Italy, Spain, Germany, Netherlands, UK, Greece, Norway, Iceland, Sweden, Finland, Turkey, Estonia, Czech Republic and USA.

Special rates are available for city authorities & public sector organisations.

**Event Website:** <http://www.wirelesscitiescongress.eu>

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## **IT: 1st International Conference MeTTeG07**

1st International Conference on Methodologies, Technologies and Tools enabling e-Government – MeTTeG07

The first International MeTTeG07 Conference is organised by the Department of Mathematics and Computer Sciences of the University of Camerino, Italy. The event intends to bring together researchers, teachers and practitioners active in the area of electronic government from different perspectives and disciplines with a focus on the role played by the information and communication technologies.

The conference programme is now available, and it will cover the following keynote sessions:

- eParticipation;
- re-Engineering in Public Administration;
- eGovernment services;
- eVoting;
- Social aspects.

The on-line registration is now open at the conference website:

<http://conferences.cs.unicam.it/metteg07/conftool/>.

On-site registration (at the conference venue) will still be possible.

**Event website:**

<http://conferences.cs.unicam.it/metteg07/>

**Venue:**

Informatics Pole of the University of Camerino  
Via S. Agostino 1  
Piazza Cavour  
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## ES: UBL International 2007

UBL International – Symposium and courses

UBL International 2007 will take place in Madrid, Spain the week of October 1-5, 2007. The inaugural event was held in 2006 in Copenhagen, Denmark. The event is organised by Atenea Interactiva in cooperation with the UBL Spanish Localisation Subcommittee, Invinet Sistemas (Spain), Eurobits (Spain), Crane Softwrights Ltd. (Canada).

UBL International is a training summit bringing together worldwide Universal Business Language expertise to deliver:

- October 4: a full day of free symposium presentations
- October 1-3 and 5: full-day and half-day lectures and hands-on courses from commercial training companies on Practical Universal Business Language Deployment

Information about UBL International 2007 is also available in Spanish at <http://www.ubl.org.es/>.

**Event website:** <http://www.ublconference.com/200710/index.html>

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