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# Welcome to the third eGovPoliNet Newsletter!

The **eGovPoliNet** project (Building a global multidisciplinary digital governance and policy modelling research and practice community) is running a series of activities aimed to establish an International Policy Community. The community aims to bring together experts from academia, and from practice, in the field of ICT solutions for Governance & Policy Modelling. In the second period, the main aim is to engage partners and new members in research and a wide range of international events to increase the Policy Community. "... to bridge disciplinary views, the coordination action has successfully engaged different experts in comparative analyses of theories, methods and solutions for policy modelling and governance. A book will be published in 2014, comparing approaches and views from different disciplines and distinct locations around the globe, and showcasing joint work of distinct communities. An important aim of the project is achieved thereby ..." says Prof. Maria A. Wimmer, the coordinator of eGovPoliNet.

# eGovPoliNet running activities

Comparative analysis Glossary Scenarios Networking A Book The Knowledge Portal Workshops

# Current Research Topics...

eGovPoliNet focuses on establishing a dialogue, building consensus and drawing upon common agendas to promote research & development and use of ICTs (Information and Communication Technologies) in the strategic planning and decision-making processes in government environments. An important instrument to achieve these objectives is to collect relevant cases, theories, methods, simulation models and tools for ICT solutions in governance and policy modelling from different disciplines as well as from research and practice and conduct a state-ofplay analysis and comparative analysis. Different theories, methods, simulation models, cases and projects are compared to each other and conclusions are drawn.

eGovPoliNet aims at identifying and responding to developing global research, practice and innovation challenges in the field of digital governance and policy modelling. Current activities toward defining grand challenges of research include developing Scenarios for future visions of ICT solutions for Governance and Policy modelling. More on Scenarios will be presented in the forth Newsletter.

... Toward Grand Challenges of Research

# eGovPoliNet at the EGOV and ePart Conferences 2013

eGovPoliNet held a workshop along EGOV and ePart 2013 conferences in Koblenz, Germany on 19 September 2013. Researchers and practitioners discussed the advances in complexity theory and the application of the methods of complexity research and network

analysis in public policy, governance, public decision-making, and public management. ... <u>more</u>

Also along EGOV and ePart 2013 conferences, eGovPoliNet organised a PhD colloquium. During 2 days, PhD students from different Universities were discussing their ideas with senior researchers... <u>more</u>

### ... other conferences & networking events!

**eGovPoliNet visionary speech:** Maria Wimmer gave a visionary speech along the High-level E-Gov Conference 2013 in Vilnius... <u>more</u>

**eGovPoliNet presentation:** Dmitrii Trutnev presented eGovPoliNet Community at the First Russian IT-Experts Constituent Congress in Moscow, Russia... <u>more</u>

**Workshop:** Marijn Janssen and Natalie Helbig organised a dedicated track on Policy and Governance Innovations and PhD colloquium along ICEGOV2013... <u>more</u>

Workshop with FP 7 projects was organised by Vishanth Weerakkody and Maria A. Wimmer at tGov 2013 ... more

**Conference track on policy modelling** at ECMS 2013 was organised by Maria A. Wimmer and Scott Moss ... <u>more</u>

Panels at AIS-UK (organised by Laurence Brooks) and ESSA 2013 (organised by Wander Jager)

**Presentation about eGovPoliNet** given by Marijn Janssen during conference "Actual problems of ICT specialists" in May 2013, organised by Khmelnitsky University in Ukraine

**Presentation** given by Dmitrii Trutnev at XVI All Russia Conference "Internet and Modern Society" in autumn 2013 ... more

### At a glance: in-progress activities ... A book



#### Title Policy Practice and Digital Science - Integrating Complex Systems, Social Simulation and Public Administration in Policy Research

Will be published in SPRINGER Public Administration and Information Technology Series Ed.: Reddick, Christopher G. (<u>link</u>)

The book aims at being the first comprehensive book in which the various development and disciplines will be covered from the complete policy-making perspective... more

Although the submission deadline has passed, interesting papers will be still considered to be included in the book, please contact m.f.w.h.a.janssen@tudelft.nl for more information.





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### The Knowledge Portal

Link to the Knowledge portal

The Knowledge portal represents the online presence for multidisciplinary and international constituency building and knowledge exchange of researchers and practitioners including governments and industry. The portal does not only act as an information point but also as a collaborative environment, where members of the community (i.e. users of the portal) are able to access the publicly available documents and participate in the various service offers.

The portal was developed by Crossover, which ended in June 2013. eGovPoliNet took over from there, sustaining and enhancing the platform to support an active Policy Making 2.0 community and meeting further eGovPoliNet requirements.

The eGovPoliNet portal offers various features to the members of the consortium and to its external users in order to provide them with mechanisms that will increase productivity and facilitate the spread of knowledge. In that sense, users have access to Glossary, Cases, Papers, Methods, Wiki and Experts database.

More about the Knowledge portal in paper "A domain model for online community building and collaboration in e-government and policy modelling"... more



### Meet you next time in:

SKIN 3 workshop: Joining Complexity Science and Social Simulation for Policy... more

**IFIP EGOV 2014:** 11<sup>th</sup> Conference on electronic Government bringing together the top of the scientific research community in e-government and e-governance from all over the world ... <u>more</u>

IFIP ePart 2014: 6th International Conference on Electronic Participation... more

ECMS 2014: The 28<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Modelling & Simulation... more

ECIS 2014: The 22<sup>nd</sup> European Conference on Information Systems... more

ECCS 2014: the European Conference on Complex Systems... more

**ICEGOV 2014:** The 8<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Theory and Practice of Electronic Governance... <u>more</u>

ESSA 2014: The 10<sup>th</sup> Conference of the European Social Simulation Association... more

**APPAM 2014:** The fall research conference on Policy Analysis and Public: Teaching Policy Analysis and Management in Today's Classroom... <u>more</u>

**4S/EASST:** The biennial Conference of the European Association for the Study of Science and Technology: Social Challenges for Science and Technology Studies... <u>more</u>

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