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Building a community on ICT for governance and policy modelling

Implementation through two projects: eGovPoliNet and Crossover



Strategic backgrounds and status quo

eGovPoliNet

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- Significant societal transitions and drastic changes in economy, climate and demography currently affect societies and social behavior around the globe
- Longer-term transformation to be mastered and steered well ahead in time
- Several projects running
 - > to respond to challenges and to bring forward solutions to
 - deploy innovative ICTs to support open governance
 - facilitate policy development through innovative ICT support
 - to foster disciplinary integration and multi-disciplinary problem solving



Demands to resolve jointly





- Joint efforts to achieve substantial contributions to advance the field and to improve economic growth and social welfare
- Governance and policy making demand
 - appropriate support through governance and policy models, process flows and analytical tools
 - > appropriate tools ensuring reliability and validity
 - proper understanding, interpretation, visualisation and harnessing of collaborative online tools



Need for Integration and Joint Efforts





- Overcoming traditional fragmentation of research efforts through consolidation, community building, integration
- Researchers and practitioners to exchange and learn from each other in specific themes
- Establish respective communities spanning across the globe to discuss advancements and future challenges

eGovPoliNet and crossover to foster co-operation and coordination of research and practice to address issues that could not be solved alone



Overarching objective





- Strengthen scientific, technological and social research and practice excellence in digital public governance and policy modelling by
 - integrating the research and practice capacities of individuals and organisations spread across Europe and worldwide
 - including lessons and innovative approaches of the existing projects and future projects



Concept for international community building

eGovPoliNet

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Phase 1: **Enabling**

Phase 2: **Growing**

Phase 3: **Sustaining**

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Set up portal

Establishing contacts

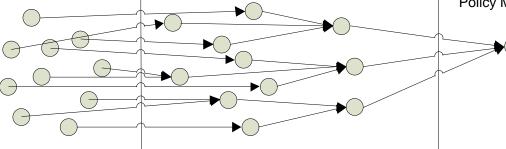
Networking

Community building

Community of ICT solutions for Governance and Policy Modelling

Existing communities

Help establishing contacts and networking among existing communities



Joint repository of (inter-)national and multi-disciplinary ICT solutions for governance and policy modelling

State of Play Analysis

Identification of Grand challenges

Identification and Conduction of Joint RTD Activities



Expected achievements





- Establishment of a community
 - Regular interaction via online and offline international and multi-disciplinary constituency building events
- Set-up and growing of community knowledge portal
- Studies and comparative analyses of cases and the field
 - Identifying research, practice and development projects
 - Identifying good-practice examples concerning modelling and simulating
 - Investigating and visualising social behaviour for better understanding



Knowledge portal





- Cases (applications, sorted along domains) and projects (R&D), mixed
- Tools & technologies
- Methods
- Theories
- Papers
- Actors / institutions (who is who)
- Interrelations among concepts
- Comparative analyses from cases





Next community building events





- June 2012: DG.o Conference, University of Maryland, USA – panel on policy development
- June 2012: BIG DATA workshop in Brussels
- September 2012: EGOV and ePart conferences, followup workshop with FP 7 projects, focusing on roadmapping future research needs
- October 2012: ICEGOV 2012, New York, workshop or panel or tutorial on policy modelling
- December 2012: Workshop in Washington DC on modelling
- January 2013: Conference







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