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EU eGovernment Policy



eGovernment is about:

Modernization and innovation

in public administrations

ICT + organisational change + new skills

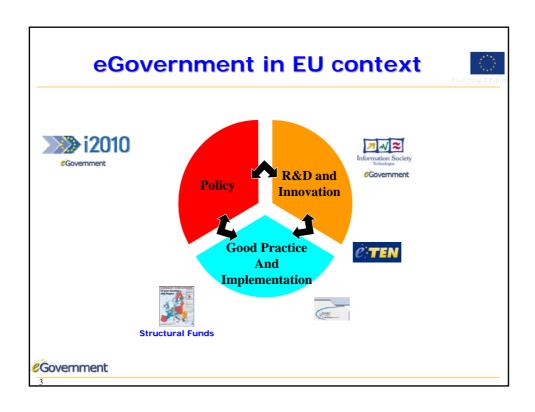
for better public services, democracy, public policies

Efficiency, inclusiveness, democracy, transparency

good governance with ICT

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Communication on eGovernment, 26 Sept 2003



State of Play



- National ands regional action plans and strategies
- Online availability > 90%; from information → transaction
- 50% of citizens and business accessed government websites in 2004; citizens doubled from 2003-2004
- eGovernment is real: e.g. benefits in time and cost savings
- Now from availability to widespread impact and innovation, e.g eGovernment Awards and Good Practices
- New policy being defined:
 - Manchester Ministerial Declaration (24 Nov 2005)
 - eGovernment Action Plan (Spring 2006)

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eGovernment Award Winners



- **KSI ZUS Pensions Poland**: secure filing of pension information, by citizens, businesses, intermediaries, for 20 million people. Over 250 million documents each year.
- EID Electronic Invoicing Denmark: 15 million transactions a year, saving €150 million per year for taxpayers, €50 million for companies; mandated by law, SMEs support.
- Kadaster-on-line land registry Netherlands: national land registry information, 6000 registered clients, 45,000 users. Strong potential for national & regional replication.
- Revenue Online Service taxation Ireland: secure, easy, 24/7 tax filing; 65% take-up in 2005; € 8.3 billion in payments. Shift to compliance and investigative work.



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Manchester Ministerial Declaration 24 Nov 2005

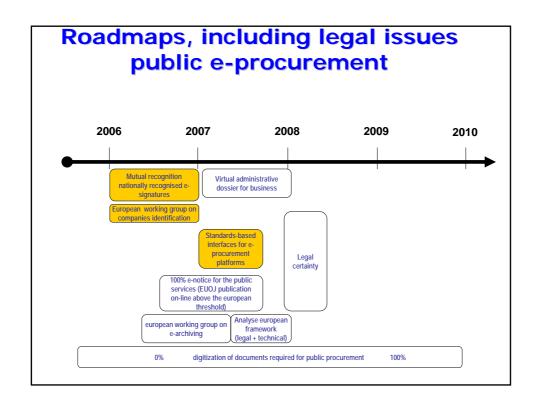


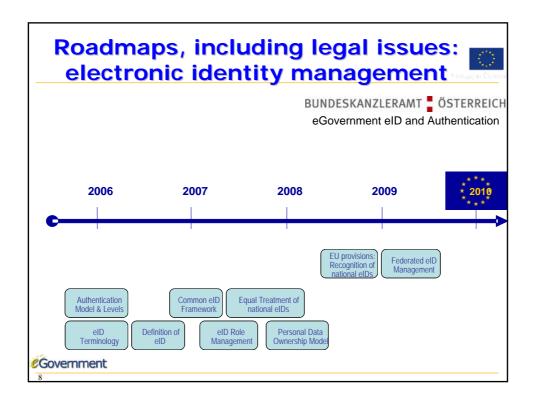
- No citizen left behind inclusion by design
 - By 2010 all citizens become major beneficiaries
 - By 2010 innovative ICT, trust, awareness, skills for inclusion
- ICT for efficient and effective government
 - By 2010 high user satisfaction
 - By 2010 adm burden reduction, efficiency, transparency, accountability
- Delivering high impact services
 - By 2010 100% e-procurement available, 50% take-up
 - By 2010 deliver other high impact services for growth and jobs
- Trusted access by means of eIDM* across the EU
 - By 2010 interoperable eIDM for public services across the EU
 - By 2010 electronic document recognition framework

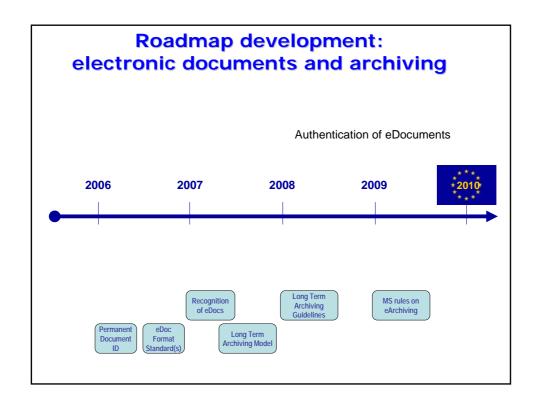


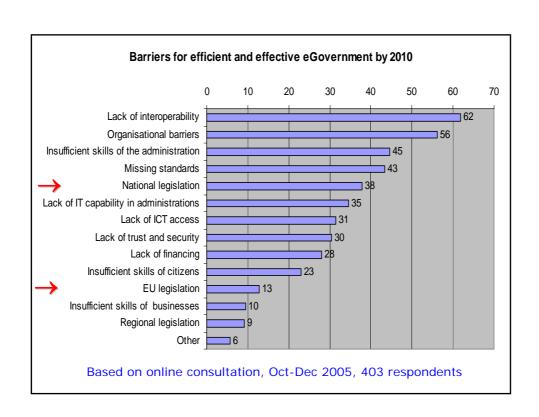
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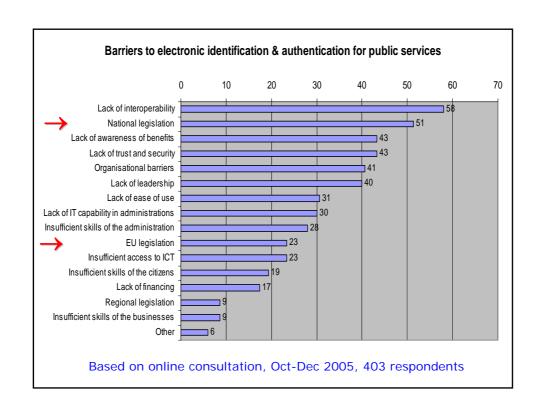
* Electronic identification and authentication management for public services











Innovating with EU eGovernment Research "ICT for Innovative Government"



Secure cross-border eGovernment

Very large scale, heterogeneous, cross-border architectures/ infrastructures; pan-European eGovernment eID,...



Intelligent, personalised eGovernment services for all

Intuitive interaction, inclusion, multi-channel service delivery platform, context-awareness, privacy protection & enhancement,

Adaptive and proactive eGovernment

Knowledge-based, legal and administrative process models, tools for administrative management, technologies for transparency, diversity, multi-level governance,...



eParticipation

Formulation and enactment of democratic decisions, scalable large scale dialogues, new forms of interactivity, Active Citizen,...



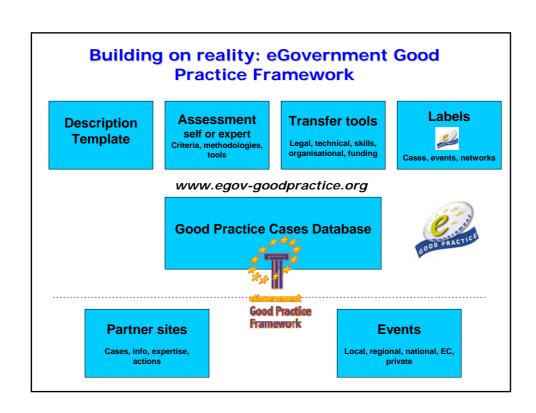
Legal issues in EU research projects and policy studies



- GUIDE: interoperable eID architecture
- E-Court: electronic court proceedings
- E-Power: analysis of legislation for consistency
- Ontogov: consistency systems/processes with law
- eJustice: cross-border court cases with eID
- E-Vote, E-Poll: electronic voting/polling
- Legal barriers in eGovernment: study and expert group, data protection, liability, transparency, administrative law...; country examples

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Conclusion



- eGovernment is now moving into a new phase: from availability to widespread benefits and impact
- Legal barriers mostly perceived at national level
- Several EU projects and studies could be of direct interest for CCBE
- Towards interoperable eIDM by 2010 with political support in Ministerial Declaration and within new EU eGovernment Action Plan developing roadmaps, projects, studies, and real-life high impact application areas

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