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"epSOS in short"

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Introduction to epSOS



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epSOS Mantra

From strategies to services eHealth as the enabler for cross-border healthcare

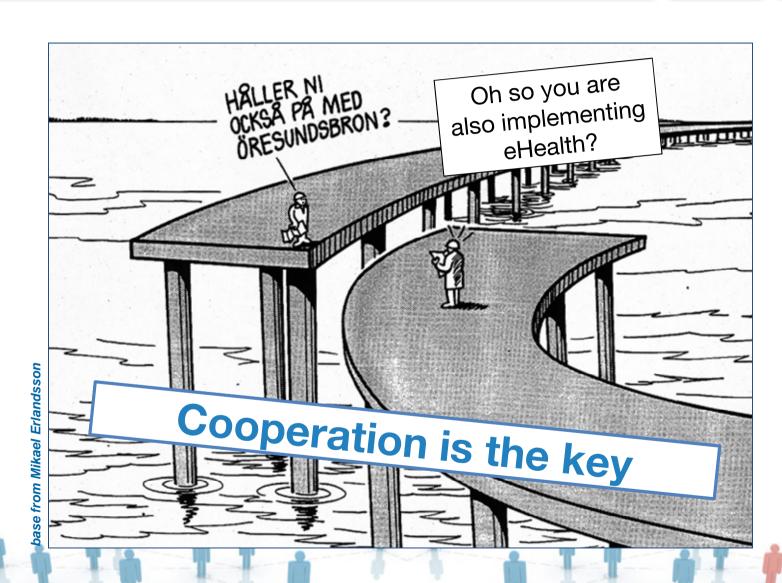


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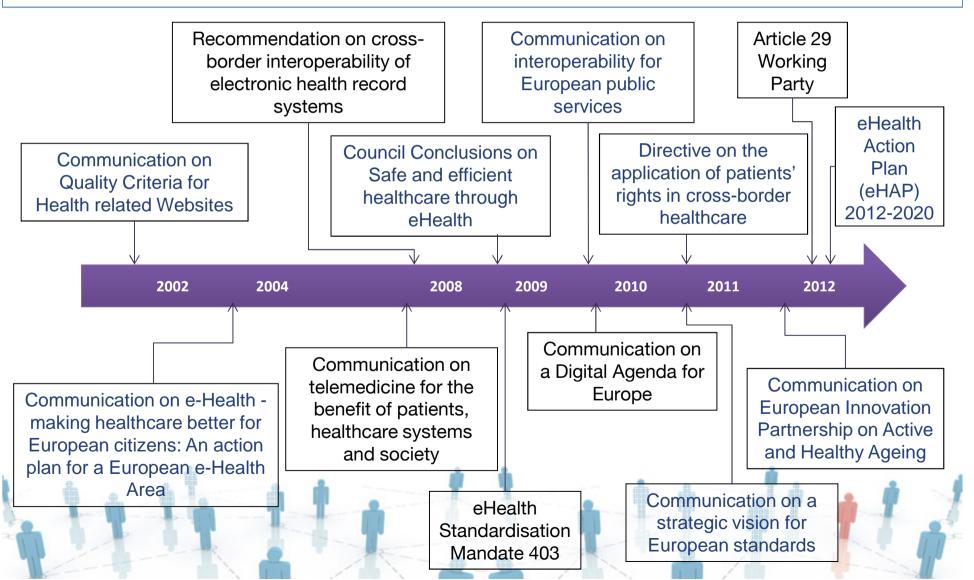
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Policy Context for EU eHealth Interoperability



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epSOS Time Frames

epSOS I epSOS II

2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013



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The Goal

Smart Open Services for European Patients

..to develop a **practical** eHealth framework and ICT infrastructure [based on existing national infrastructures] that will enable **secure access** to patient **health information**, particularly with respect to a basic **Patient Summary** and **ePrescription**, **between European** healthcare systems.

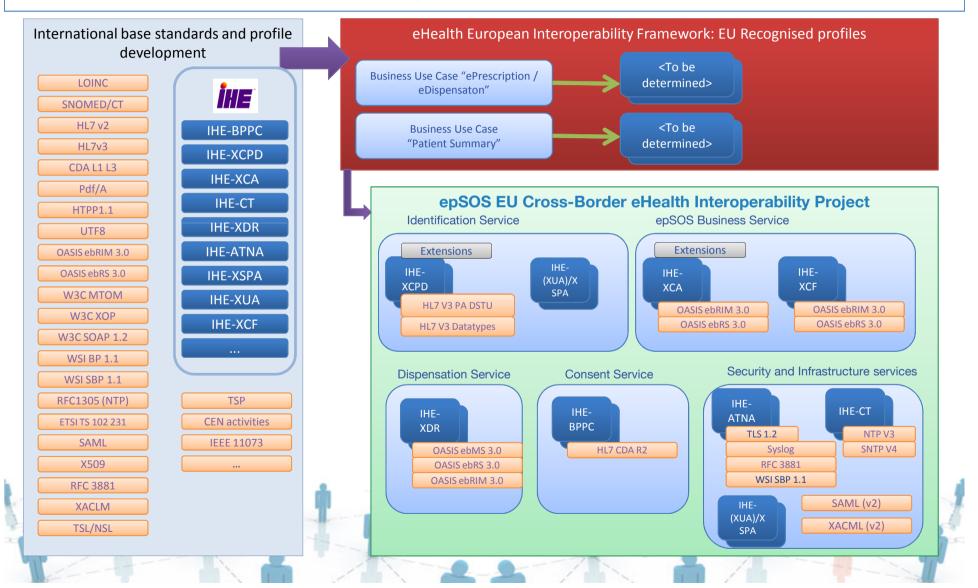
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epSOS Vision



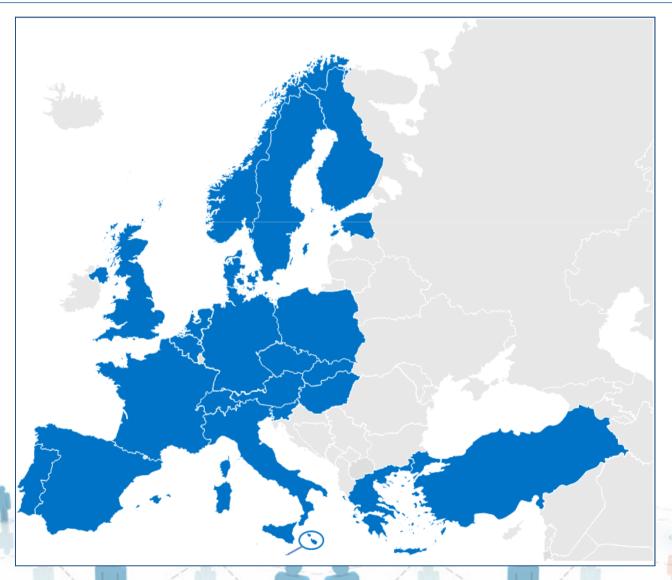
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26 Participating Nations





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Industry Team

as per 15.05.2013

3M	Agfa HealthCare	Alert Life Sciences Computing	Apollo Information Technologies
Boston Life Labs	CareCom	<u>Cisco</u>	Conet AG
dbMotion	Dedalus Healthcare Systems Group	Engineering S.p.A	<u>GE Healthcare</u>
Gnomon Informatics	<u>IBM</u>	<u>IHE Europe*</u>	<u>Indra</u>
Insiel S.p.A.	Intel Corporation	Mawell	MediCognos
<u>Microsoft</u>	Netsmart	Oracle	Posam
RISE	Steria	<u>Tiani-Spirit</u>	TrebleM
T-Systems	UBM Medica	X-tention	

Industry Team Steering Group members are underlined

*Industry Team Coordinator, no member of Industry Team

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Provide concrete cross border Health services

- Patient Summary for EU Citizens
 - Occasional and Regular Visit
- ePrescribing for EU Citizens
 - Medication ePrescription and eDispensation



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- Patient Access
 - Give the patients access to their information in multi-language
- Health-Care Encounter Report
 - Report information about an encounter
- Medication Related Overview
 - Provide relevant information for medication dispensation



What is an NCP

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National Contact Point

Legal

Gathers all the legal supporting NCP structure

Controls the flow of information to and from the PN

Technical

Acts as an entry/exit point for a national eHealth infrastructure

Handles semantinc and technical adaptations of eHealth applications

Is built using the delivered components

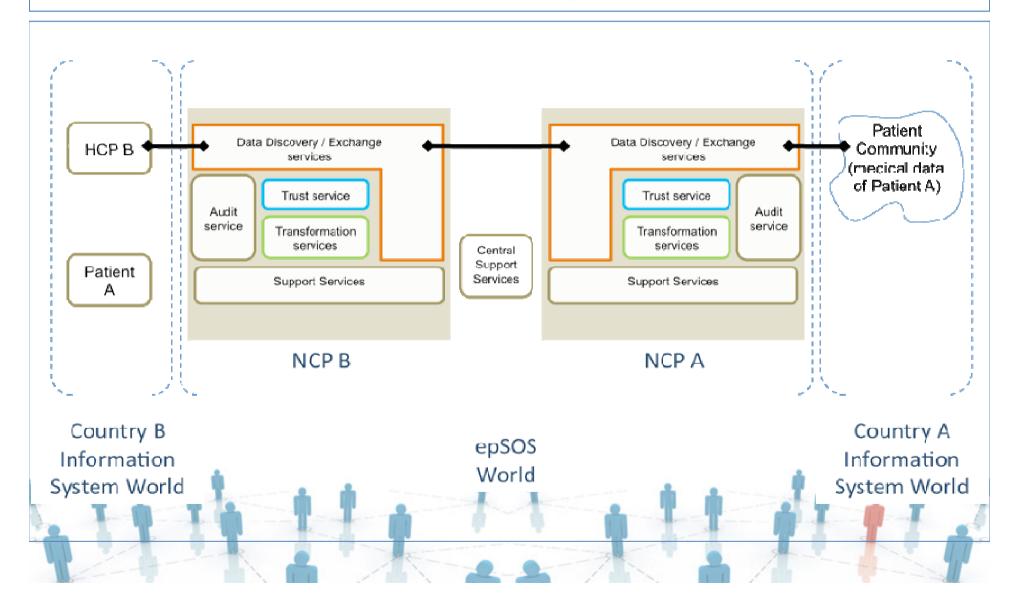
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NCP Concept







History



The development of the original components

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Motivations

- Interoperability to connect services and architectures, potentially different in every Participating Nation (PN)
- The National Contact Point (NCP) is the fulcrum of cross border interoperability, exploiting the role of connecting the PN to the European Level environment.





Original Idea

- Limit central project results to specifications
- Leave implementation to PNs

- Feasibility of achieving interoperability between NIs was very low
- PNs committeement with specs was low

Recognized outcome

Actions taken

 It was decided in 2010 to engage a consortium to develop a reference implementation







Fraunhofer Elga Tiani Solution

- Developed by the consortium of beneficiaries and industry team
- Mainly constituted by Fraunhofer, Elga and Tiani
- The resulting components were in part proprietary software

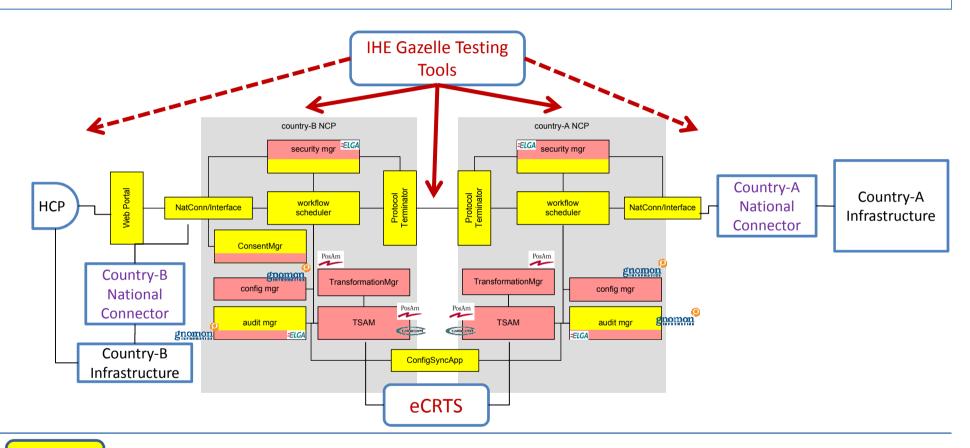
The development of the original components

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Common Components Development (CCD) Composition



yellow

Vendor ready-to-deploy and IHE connect-a-thon tested products → no JARF sponsoring, royalty-free licence for epSOS pilot projects

red

SRDC NCP

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- Second NCP implementation developed by SRDC (Software Research, Development and Consultancy Ltd., Turkey)
- Provided free of charge to several countries for their own NCP, under GPL license
- Makes use of open epSOS common components
- Has compliant interoperability with FET solution and OpenNCP

OpenNCP

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Summer of 2012

Concrete plans for forming an open source project (OpenNCP)

Delivering the software components necessary to run a NCP

Manifest it in the formation of an international taskforce team



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Organization



Who

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OpenNCP Community

Open group of people orchestrated by an agile software development methodology conducting effort on designing, coding, testing and delivering OpenNCP software







Willing People == Community



OpenNCP Team and ep505 Members at 2013 Istambul Connectation



For Whom

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OpenNCP Adoption

Patient Summary			
PN	PS A	PS B	
Austria	FET	FET	
Estonia	OpenNCP	OpenNCP	
France	FET	FET	
Hungary	N/A	OpenNCP	
Italy	OpenNCP	OpenNCP	
Luxembourg	N/A	OpenNCP	
Malta	OpenNCP	OpenNCP	
Portugal	OpenNCP	OpenNCP	
Slovenia	OpenNCP	OpenNCP	
Spain	FET (→OpenNCP)	FET (→OpenNCP)	
Switzerlan	OpenNCP	OpenNCP	

ePrescription				
PN	eP A	eP B		
Croatia	OpenNCP	OpenNCP		
Denmark	FET	FET		
Finland	OpenNCP	OpenNCP		
Greece	N/A	FET (→OpenNCP)		
Hungary	FET (→OpenNCP)	FET (→OpenNCP)		
Italy	OpenNCP	OpenNCP		
Spain	OpenNCP	FET (→OpenNCP)		
Sweden	OpenNCP	OpenNCP		

Last Update: 10/12/2013







Since then (2012-06)

100 +

+ meetings

21

Software components

4

Used over 1 PAT and 4 PPTs

epSOS I/II

epSOS I and II services available

Adopted by MOST of epSOS PN (10+)

How

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OpenNCP Vision

...design and develop a set of Open Source Components (OpenNCP) that can be adopted by Participating Nation, to build their local implementation of the NCP (*National Contact Point*).



How

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OpenNCP Definition

"epSOS NCP software publicly available under Open Source licensing"







Motivation and Culture

Skills and Expertise

Key Ingredients

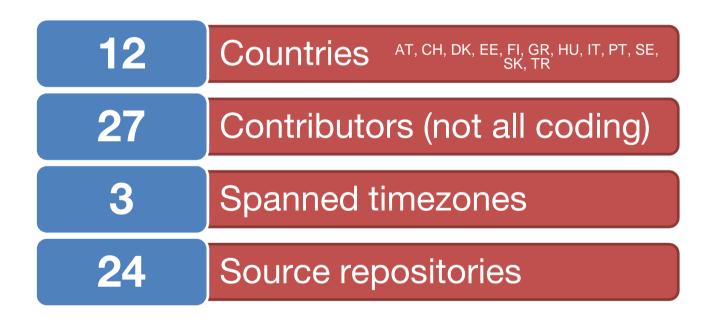
Willing People

Common needs





Distributed Development



development and contributions to the project should be easily obtainable and understandable





Method

Software components released **MUST**

- Be readily deployable;
- Have qualitative demands on the build tools (Continuous Integration);
- Have discipline of the developers when committing code;





OpenNCP Community

Collaborative Design

Technology Engineering Support & Maintenance

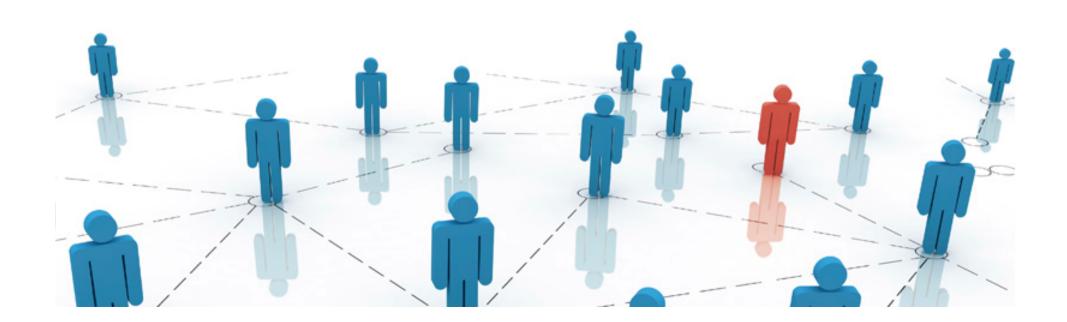
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Architecture and Technologies







IHE Definition



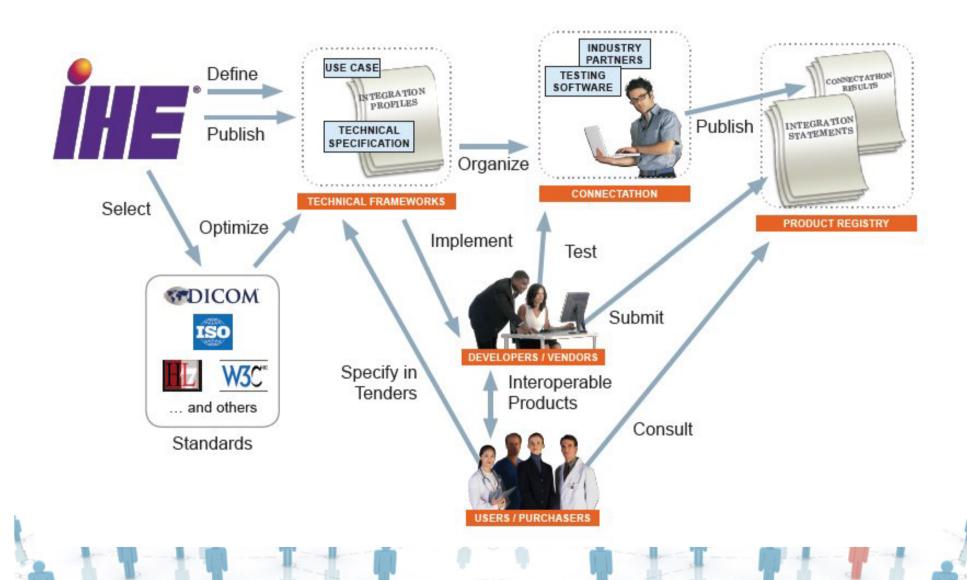
Aims to speedup the adoption of EHRs and optimize the clinical information exchange between systems.

By improving the **quality**, **eficiency** e **safety** of healthcare procedures due to improved information availability.

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HL7 Definition



Vision

 Create the best and most widely used standards in healthcare

Mission

 Provide standards that improve care delivery, optimize workflow, reduce ambiguity and enhance knowledge transfer. All based on maximum scientific rigor.

Meaning

 Level Seven refers to the seventh level of the OSI model, the application level.

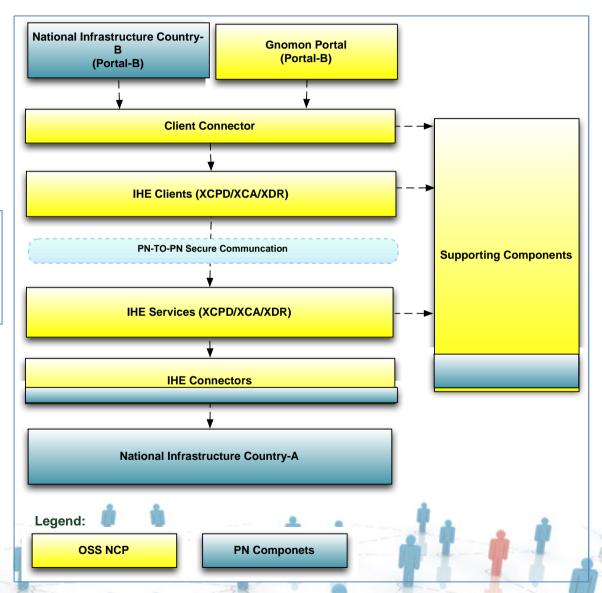
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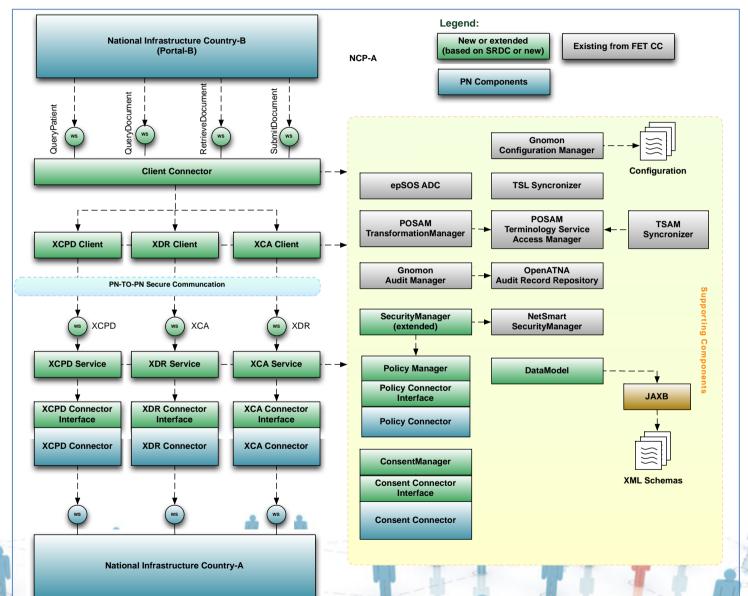
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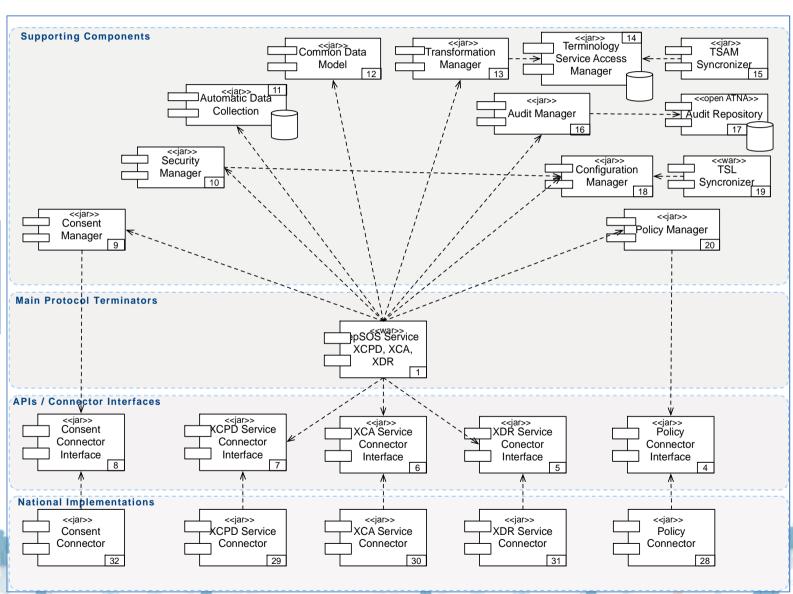
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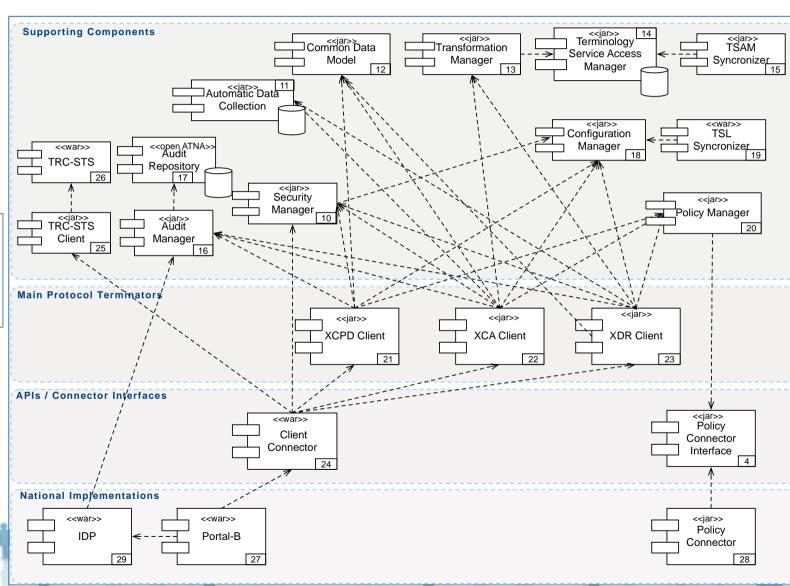
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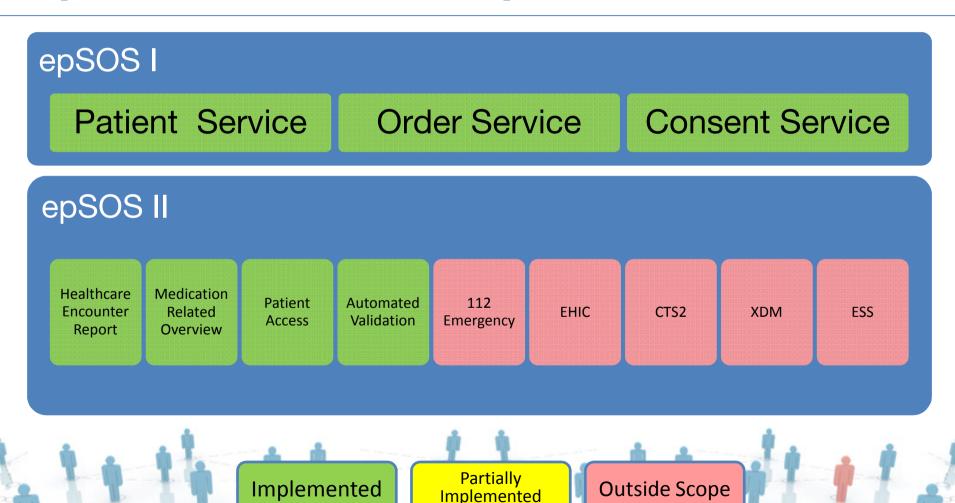
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OpenNCP Services Implementation Status







Tools



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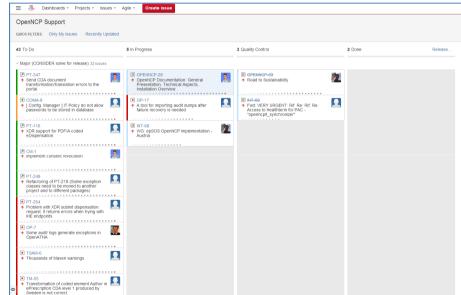
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Development Management





Tool

Atlassian Jira + GreenHopper

Location

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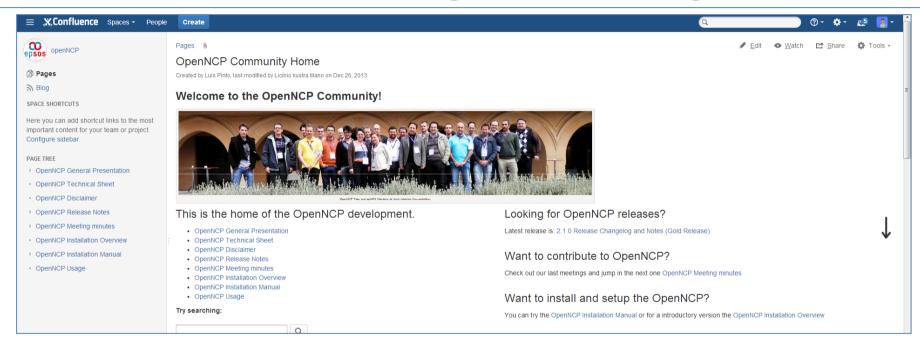
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Knowledge Sharing



Tool Atlassian Confluence

Location https://openncp.atlassian.net/wiki

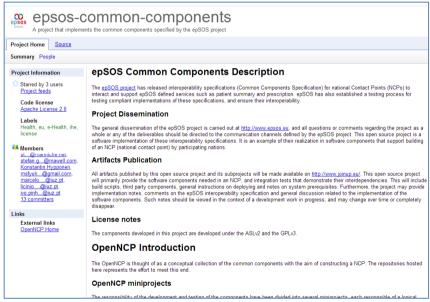
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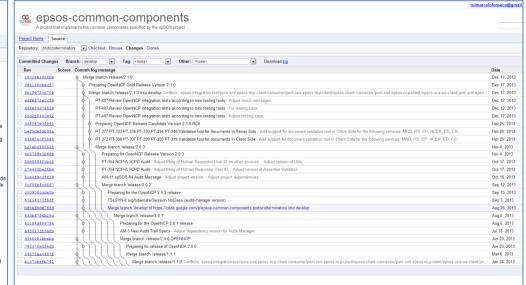
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Code Sharing





Tool

Google Code + Git SCM

Location

https://code.google.com/p/epsos-common-components/

Tools

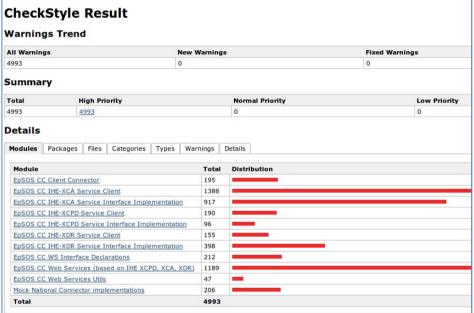
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Quality Assurance





Tool

Jenkins

Location http://dev.iuz.pt/openncp-jenkins/

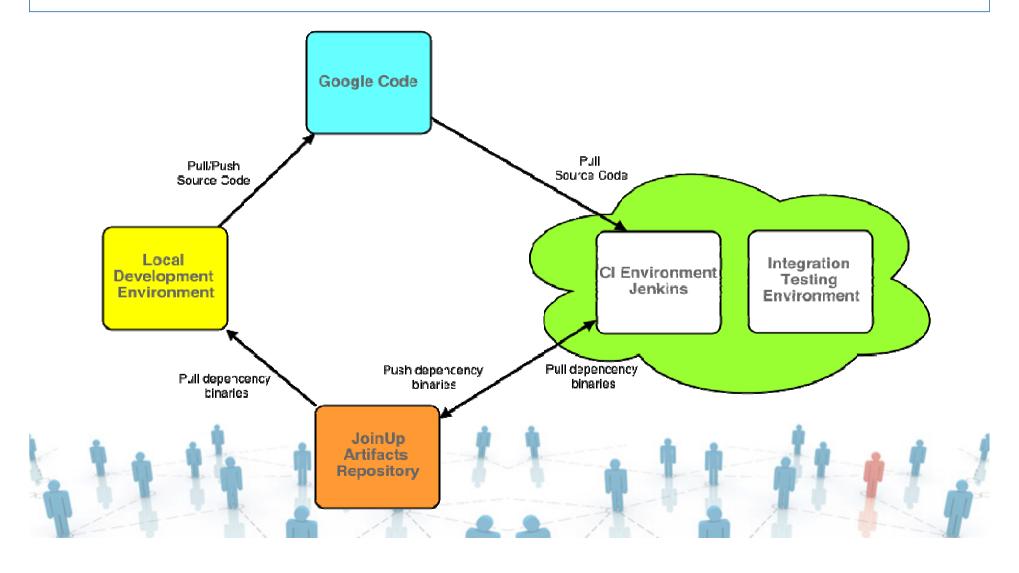
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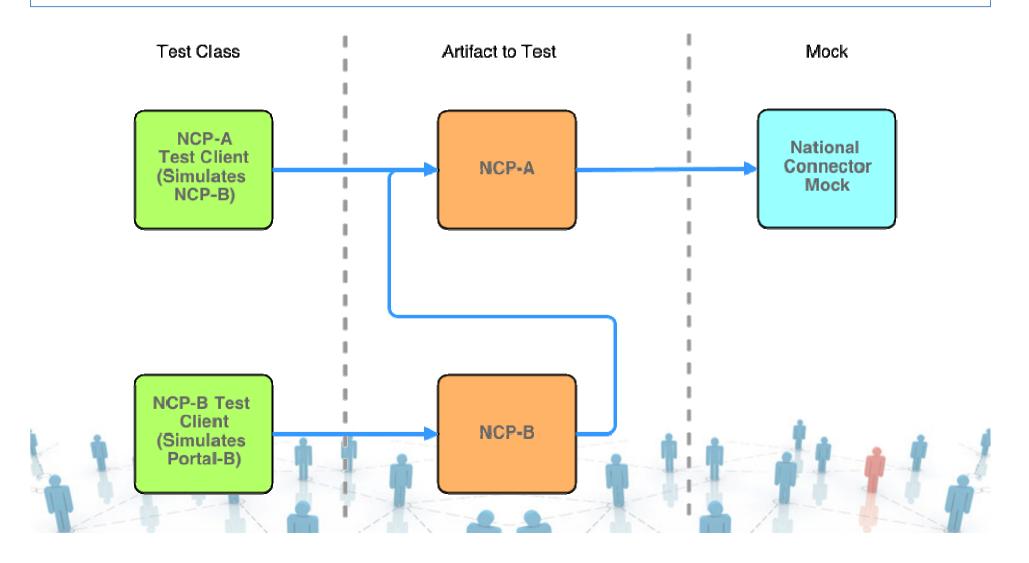
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Quality Assurance: Continuous Integration Scheme



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Publishing Framework



Collaborative platform created by the European Commission

Support open source development work done by government agencies in Europe

Tool

JoinUP

Location

https://joinup.ec.europa.eu/software/ecc/home

Tools

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Other tools and technologies used in OpenNCP

Programming Language	Java
Webservice framework	Axis 2
Build framework	Maven
Versioning Scheme	Semantic Versioning
Licensing	GPLv3 and ASLv2





Experiences and outlook to the future



Experiences

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- The past year and a half has been quite challenging to all of the OpenNCP members;
- We have managed to produce and maintain a set of important SW artifacts, with contributions from different PNs, with many constraints;
- Each PN earned a lot of knowledge and experience highly based on the sense of community and the information exchange;



Outlook to the future

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- The future of the OpenNCP will highly depend on the community good health;
- The increase of testing load under OpenNCP will lead to the assurance of the solution maturity;
- Each PN will gain more responsibility and independence in the testing activities;
- We hope to see the work performed in the OpenNCP used across multiple future projects;

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