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The main goal of the Greek Interoperability Centre is to establish a new research centre targeting eGovernment and eBusiness Interoperability Research.

Based at the Decision Support Systems Lab of the National Technical University of Athens - the leading technological research institute in Greece - the Centre promotes interoperability in administrations and enterprises.

The Greek Interoperability Centre aims at becoming a premium research centre in the field of Interoperability, forming a strong regional pole of research and technology in Europe.

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Participation in the CTG iGov 2008 Summer School, Manchester, 25th July 2008



This summer members of the Greek Interoperability Centre research staff participated in the iGOV 2008 Summer School that was organized in the 2008 Institute was held at the University of Salford, Manchester, UK. The accepted participants were given the opportunity to participate in both classroom and field activities, concerning:

- 1) ways to engage government organizations in mutually valuable research and filed projects;
- 2) comparisons of the philosophies, questions, and methods among the disciplines that make up digital government research;
- 3) urban development and urban regeneration techniques and methods;
- 4) ways and practices to engage the community and create human capital using web 2.0 and new technologies.

October 2008: eChallenges Workshop, Stockholm

Greek Interoperability Centre supported the organization of the workshop “Interoperability Infrastructures for European Public Administrations”, which was organized in Stockholm, Sweden, on Wednesday 22nd of October 2008, in the framework of the eChallenges 2008 Conference. The workshop’s main objective was to address the current challenges in various eGIF’s of European Union Member States, providing an opportunity for Public Administration officers and eGIF contributors to exchange current practices and opinions.

For more information on the conference, you may visit: http://www.echallenges.org/e2008/files/e2008_FinalProgramme.pdf#.
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PCI 08, Samos, Greece, August 2008

Member of the Greek Interoperability Centre presented a paper in the frame of the 12th Pan-Hellenic Conference on Informatics that was held on August 28-30, in Samos, Greece. The title of the paper is “The Greek Electronic Government Interoperability Framework: Standards and Infrastructures for One-Stop Service Provision”

For more information, you may visit: <http://www.icsd.aegean.gr/pci2008/program.html>

ISD 2008, Paphos, Cyprus, August 2008

Members of the Greek Interoperability Centre presented a paper in this year’s International Conference on Information Systems Development (ISD2008) that was held in Paphos, Cyprus. The title of the paper is “A Standardization Framework for Electronic Government Service Portals”.

For more information, you may visit: http://isd2008.cs.ucy.ac.cy/archive/ISD2008_Handbook_v1.pdf

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Greek Interoperability Centre wins the first prize in eGOV 2008



*Best Paper Award
for the most Compelling,
Critical Research Reflection 2008 - 2009*
*International Conference on
Electronic Government (DEXA, I33P),
Torino, September 2008*

Members of the Greek Interoperability Centre were awarded the first prize in this year's International Conference on Electronic Government (DEXA – eGOV), that was held on September 3-6, in Torino, Italy. The prize for the most compelling, critical research reflection 2008-2009 was awarded to the paper "Paving the way to eGovernment Transformation: Interoperability Registry Infrastructure Development", which presented a novel approach for developing Governmental Service Registries.

More information is available at

<http://www.uni-koblenz-landau.de/koblenz/fb4/institute/iwvi/agvinf/konferenzen/egov08/paper-awards>

New IGI Book on Interoperability — Call for Chapters

IGI Global announces the Call for Chapter proposals for the new book "Interoperability in Digital Public Services and Administration: Bridging E-Government and E-Business", edited by Yannis Charalabidis from National Technical University of Athens. Brief chapter proposals are welcome by December 15, 2008. More information on this publication and the Call for Chapters can be found at:

<http://www.igi-global.com/requests/details.asp?ID=506>

GIC Publishes Book on Interoperability Research

A new book titled "Interoperability Challenges for Businesses and Governments Worldwide: New Research Examples" will be published by GIC, consolidating high—quality research on Interoperability. A collection of novel approaches and methods for eBusiness and eGovernment systems is presented. Future contributing authors may contact GIC, for being candidates on future publications.

More information at: www.iocenter.eu

GIC and AIA Japan



Science and Technology (AIST) and the Greek Interoperability Centre (GIC) exchanged information on current research, in a workshop held in Athens on late September 2008. Issues of the discussion include current practices in Digital Services Provision, advanced Web Usability Techniques, Interoperability standards and relevant initiatives.

Athens Interoperability Workshop, February 2009

The Greek Interoperability Centre is holding the 1st International Interoperability Workshop in Athens, on 16th - 20th February 2009. Most prominent eGovernment and eBusiness scientists, industry representatives and practitioners are invited to chair participative workshops on key interoperability challenges. More information at: www.iocenter.eu

Through this workshop, we wish to gather and disseminate knowledge on eGovernment and eBusiness applications with an interoperability aspect.

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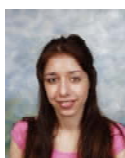
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The Greek Interoperability Centre also contributes to:

- 2008.10.21-24: The Global Forum, Athens, Greece
- 2008.10.20-22: ESIG, Rome, Italy, Second European Summit on Interoperability in the iGovernment
- 2008.11.6-7: 4th Regional e-Security Forum, Thessaloniki, Greece
- 2008.11.28: European Commission Interoperability Cluster, Lyon, France
- 2008.11.25-27: IST 2009 Event, Lyon, France
- 2009.01.5-8: HICSS, Hawaii, US, 42nd Hawaiian International Conference of Systems Sciences