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Cloud computing is a disruptive technology model that is changing the way public sector organizations consume information and communications technology (ICT), and how they deploy and deliver services to stakeholders. A **trusted** network infrastructure is the foundation for any successful cloud implementation.

"If an agency wants to launch a new innovative program, it can do so by leveraging cloud infrastructure without having to acquire significant hardware, lowering both time and cost barriers to deployment."

Project website has been developed to inform stakeholders and experts but also general public, about the project. The web-site is used to diffuse general information on the project and its partners, as well as to disseminate news and current development of cloud based services. Visitors can also find interviews and interesting videos about the project and cloud computing topic.

http://www.secovia.eu

The consortium has launched a new Facebook page where visitors are able to join to the group and share informations with each others. Project partners continuously post fresh news about the project and cloud computing. To visit our Facebook site go to

http://www.facebook.com/secovia   Conntact e-mail: secovia@lepida.it

Project Partners

The SECOVIA consortium brings together regional authorities and development agencies, territorial associations and knowledge institutions covering different policy implementation levels and institutional frameworks in Italy, Bulgaria, Greece, Austria, Romania, Slovenia, Hungary, Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. The partnership has been set up on the basis of addressing shared problems and challenges through a coordinated, multi-level policy approach to promote jointly developed cross-border IT services and resources for public administrations. Informations related to the partner institutions are available on the following links:

http://www.secovia.eu/about-secovia/partnership

Project events

SECOVIA Closing Conference, Rome, 22.09.2014

The closing event aimed at communicating project results, promoting experience exchange on virtual accessibility strategies and raising awareness on the potential of cloud computing for public organizations. The conference was also the occasion to stimulate a debate at International level on Cloud Computing perspectives and on the related strategies applied by the EU and the SEE countries.

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The conference was addressed to the general public and to the partnership and to their national delegates on Digital Agendas with the objective to share the SECOVIA project achievements and to promote an exchange of experiences on cloud computing solutions and to explore its potentialities. The speakers were selected to provide a detailed overview of the national Cloud strategies and politics with the main purpose to stimulate the sharing of good practices and of different views on the topic. As the last part of the event a round table was held to discuss challenges and opportunities of Cloud Computing for SEE Public Administrations, with the objective to promote the access to IT public services, resources and infrastructures, on line with the indications of the Digital Agenda for Europe.

Transnational Experience Exchange workshop in Hungary

The international exchange of experiences workshop was held on 09 September, 2014 in Győr Hotel Famulus with foreign and local experts. The international event provided an opportunity for the exchange of the experiences of the program summaries and to investigate the cloud-based IT services role in public administration.

Project results

An introductory video was made by the Bulgarian partner. It draws up the general informations about the cloud, SECOVIA project, partnership, how to implement the cooperation between different countries' public institutions and so on. The video is available on the following link (and also on the project communication channels):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T2pjPa37Qzw