

Seminar: “Interoperability by default” – the implementation of CEF building blocks

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| Date: | 24 April 2019, 10:00-16:00 |
| Venue | Tallinn, Estonia, Ministry of Economic Affairs & Communications (MKM) |
| Organisers: | Organised by WP4 Lead (AAU) and MKM, supported by ITL |
| Aim | To get an idea of the implementation of the CEF BB’s and discuss implications for DIGINNO’s strategic focus and policy recommendations |
| Background | <p>The CEF programme (Connecting Europe Facility) is launched by the European Commission (EC) to support development of a digital infrastructure. The CEF building blocks offer basic capabilities that can be used in any European project to facilitate the delivery of digital public (and private) services across borders.</p> <p>The CEF building blocks aim to facilitate delivery of digital public (and private) services across borders by ensuring interoperability between IT systems so that citizens, businesses and administrations can benefit from seamless digital public (and private) services wherever they may be in Europe.</p> <p>Digital cross border services related to the following CEF BB’s are highly relevant for the work towards interoperability in DIGINNO WP3: e-ID & e-signature, e-delivery, e-invoicing and (recently) blockchain.</p> <p>CEF Building Blocks are basic digital service infrastructures, which are key enablers to be reused in more complex digital services. They are based on interoperability agreements between EU member states. EC is encouraging public and private sector in the member states to implement CEF BB’s in the way they find it useful, i.e. the main responsibility lies at national level.</p> <p>Insight in the national implementation will tell us about the state of readiness regarding cross border e-business delivery and help us to focus DIGINNO’s work towards real needs (e.g policy recommendations and interoperability agreements).</p> <p>Basic introduction to CEF BB’s: https://ec.europa.eu/cefdigital/wiki/display/CEFDIGITAL/Building+Blocks</p> |
| Topics to cover | <i>How can BSR countries implement CEF BBs – content, funding, etc? Based on national experience on implementing CEF BBs, what are the legal challenges related to implementation of CEF BB and how can they be solved? How is public (or private) sector promoting the uptake of CEF BBs? Are there any challenges?</i> |
| Outcome | Insight and policy recommendations, possible spin-offs and/or new project ideas among participants. |

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| WP's involved | WP3, WP4 |
| Target group | Policymakers, experts, DIGINNO partners, private sector (showcase partners + others interested parties) |
| Invited special guests: | European Commission and national experts working with CEF BB's |
| Agenda | <p>09:30-10:00 <u>Registration</u>, coffee/tea</p> <p>10:00-10:10 <u>Welcome</u> by organisers</p> <p>10:10-10:20 <u>Introduction</u>: Why are CEF BB's important? <i>Kristo Vaher, Govt CTO, Estonia</i></p> <p>10:20-11:00 <u>CEF Building Blocks and opportunities</u> Introduction to CEF BB (e-invoicing, e-ID, e-delivery, blockchain), funding opportunities, EC directive and future plans after 2020 <i>Christian Vindinge Rasmussen, Erik-Martin Forsberg, European Commission representatives</i></p> <p>11:00-11:30 <u>The national implementation seen from EU</u> Evaluation on the national implementation of CEF BB-s seen from EU level – which countries are lagging behind and within what BBs, which countries are still missing some BBs? Any recommendations from EC on national policy making or how to promote the uptake of CEF BBs? <i>Christian Vindinge Rasmussen, Erik-Martin Forsberg, European Commission representatives</i></p> <p>11:30-12:30 Lunch (in-house)</p> <p>12:30-14:00 <u>Examples of member states implementation</u> <i>Overview of the national state-of-play regarding CEF BBs (based on finished/ongoing/future planned CEF projects); share their experience/thoughts on implementing BBs with list of possible challenges; how to promote the uptake of the CEF BBs nationally with list of possible challenges and how can private sector contribute?</i></p> <p>Lithuania: TBC</p> <p>Estonia: <i>Kristo Vaher, Government CTO</i></p> <p>Latvia: <i>Gints Šakarnis, VARAM</i></p> <p>Denmark: TBC, DIGST</p> <p>Finland: <i>Pirjo Ilola, State Treasury of Finland</i></p> |

13:45-14:30 **Panel discussion:** *How to overcome the legal and technical challenges on implementing CEF BBs? How to promote the uptake of the CEF BBs nationally?*

All speakers together with Lauris Linabergs, VARAM and Ruta Šatrovaite, INFOBALT

14:30-14:45 Energy break

14:45-15:30 **Workshop**

Introduced by Knud Erik Skouby, AAU

15:30-15:45 **Workshop conclusions**

15:45-15:55 **Next steps**

16:00 **Closure**

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