

WEB-SERVICES FOR EXCHANGE OF DATA ON COOPERATION AND MOBILITY BETWEEN HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

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Agenda

- Real life scenarios and needs
- WSDL format of exchanged data (ver. 2)
- Mobility web node (ver. 2)
 - architecture
 - testbed
- Problems to solve

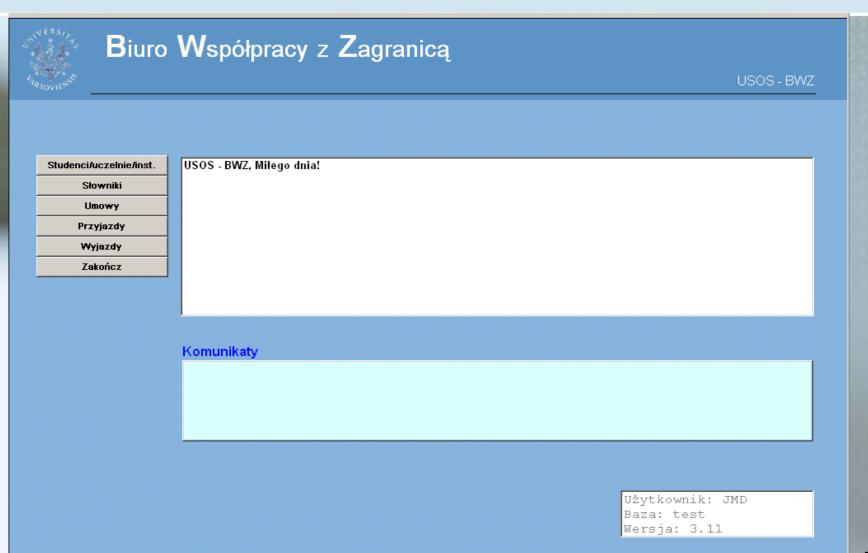
Real life scenario

International Relations Office at the University of Warsaw

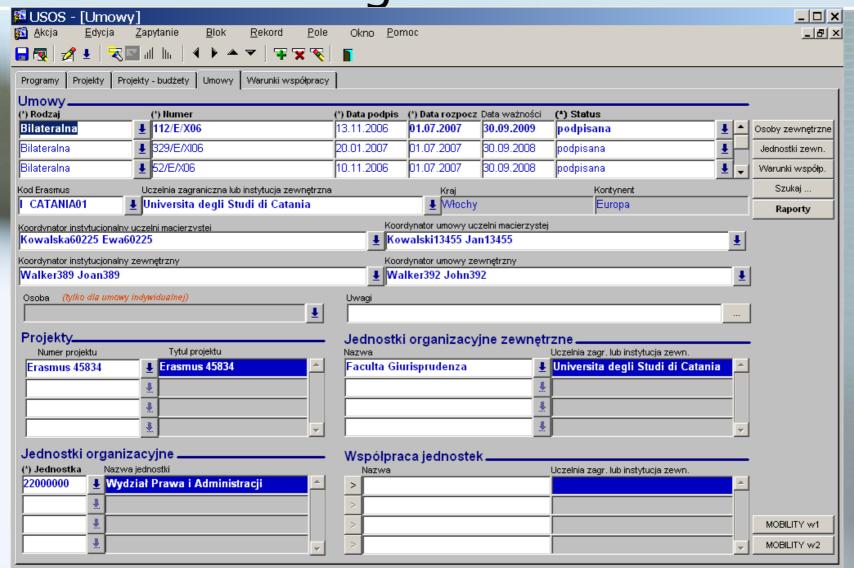
Faculty of Mathematics, Computer Science and Mechanics

University Study-Oriented System (USOS)

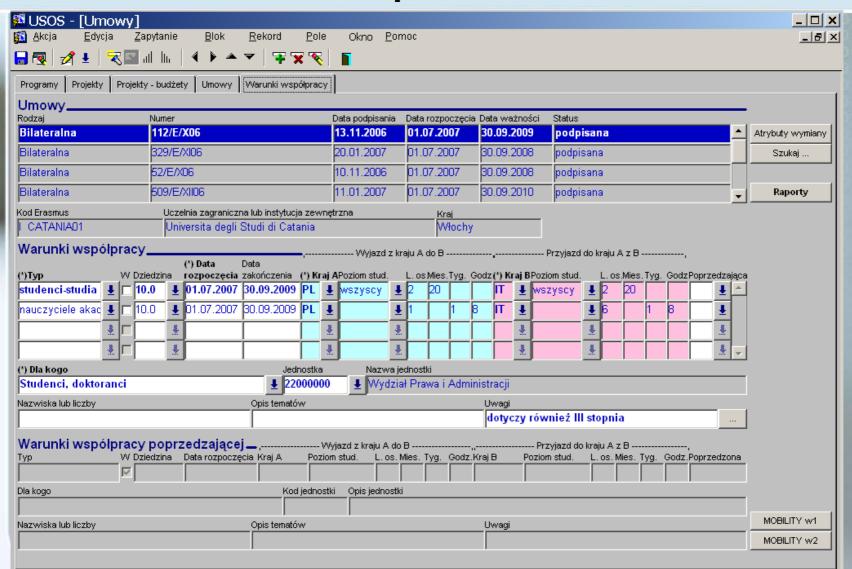
USOS - module for IRO



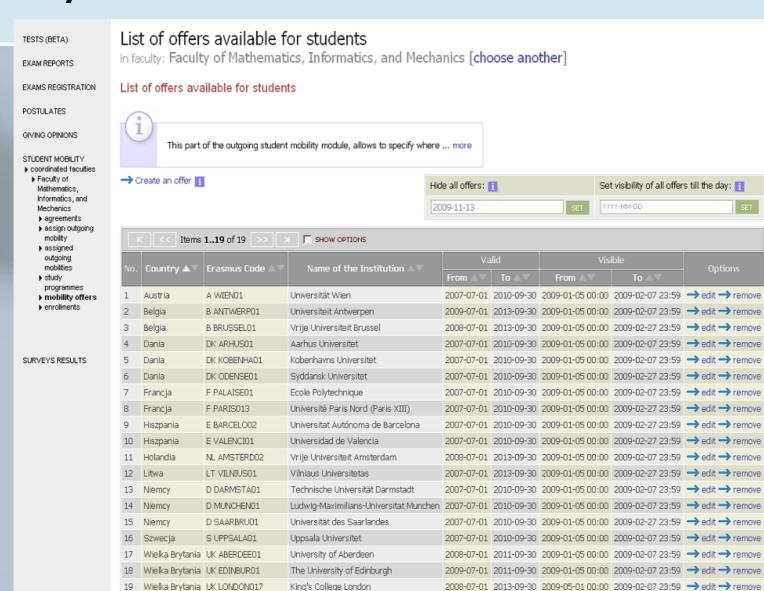
IRO – International cooperation Agreements



IRO – Agreement → Conditions of cooperation



Faculty – Offers available for students



Items 1..19 of 19

Faculty – Student's application



This application has been accepted.

Priority	Institutions to which the student wants to go. 🚺 (max 3)
1	Université Paris Nord (Paris XIII) (Mathematics)
2	Vrije Universiteit Brussel (Mathematics)
3	Universitat Autónoma de Barcelona (Mathematics)

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Language	Level	[
English	znam język dostatecznie dobrze, by rozumieć wykłady	
French	znam język dostatecznie dobrze, by rozumieć wykłady]
German	znam język dostatecznie dobrze, by rozumieć wykłady	F

Courses with marks (ma					
1000-135RC1a	Partial differential equations I	4,5			
1000-1L00RR	Differential equations in natural sciences	5			
1000-135ST1	Statistics I	4,5			

Opinion	(min 1)(max 1)		
RLMTODO	Status 🚺	Options 🚺	
Grzegorz Łukaszewicz	submitted	→ view	

Motivation letter in a foreign language

Please consider my candidature to the deans founded scholarship.

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to propose my candidature to the Socrates-Erasmus student exchange program in the academic year 2009/10. I'm a student of the fourth year of mathematics. I am studying mathematics as a primary specialization in a Individual Studies Program in conjunction with physics.

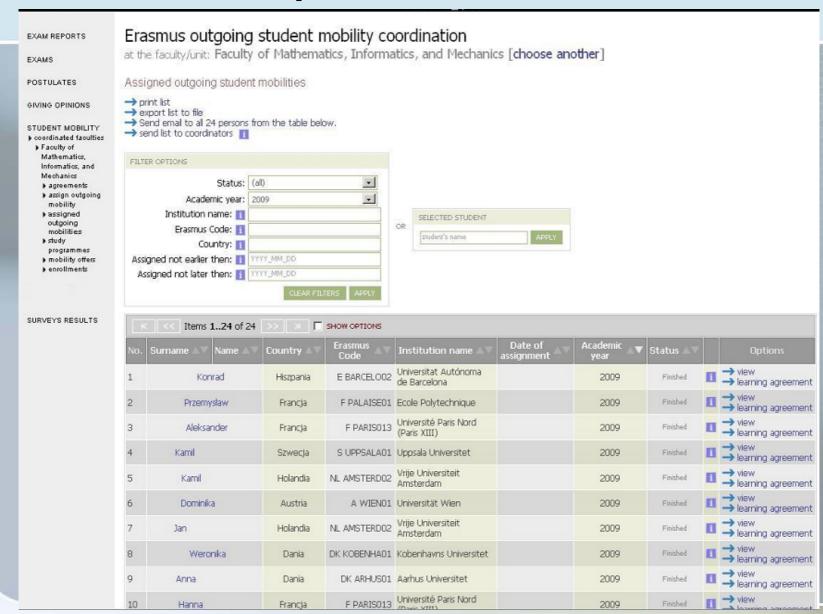
It is a great combination which makes studying more interesting and purposeful. I am a hard-working and solid person. A result of that is the fact that every semester I am exceeding the required ECTS numbers and every subject I take on is passed by me. Thanks to such approach I have passed more subjects that were necessary, and I have also passed numerous subjects on the faculty of Physics.

I believe that an international scholarship will be a great opportunity for me to widen my horizons (not only mathematical) and to get more knowledge in various fields. I am aware that it may be a difficult challenge, however I am sure I will be able to cope with it and it will be a great benefit to me as well.

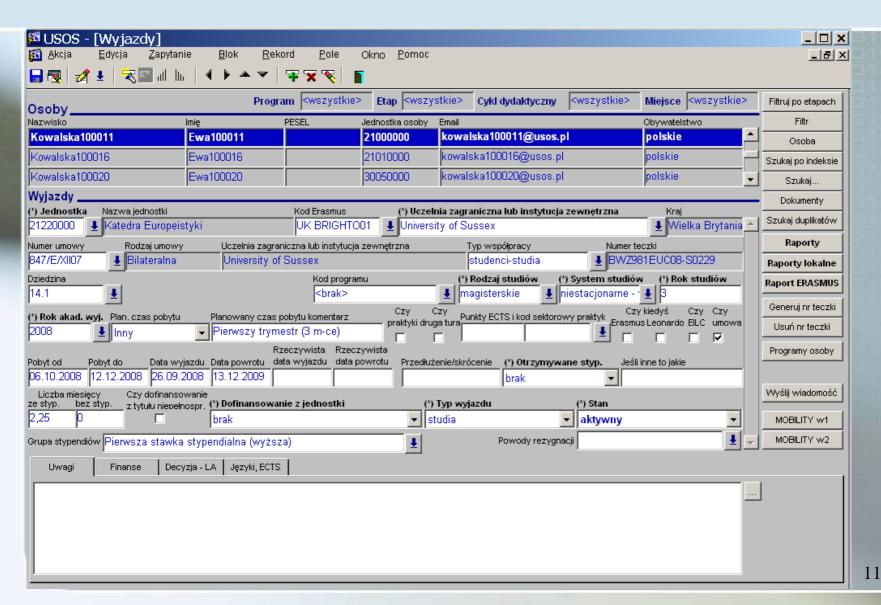
As a person who is travelling a lot, and with good knowledge in foreign languages I hope I won't have any problems to acommodate myself in a new environment. After finishing my master degree I am planning to continue my studies to reach the PhD degree.

Best regards

Faculty - Nominations



IRO – Outgoing mobility

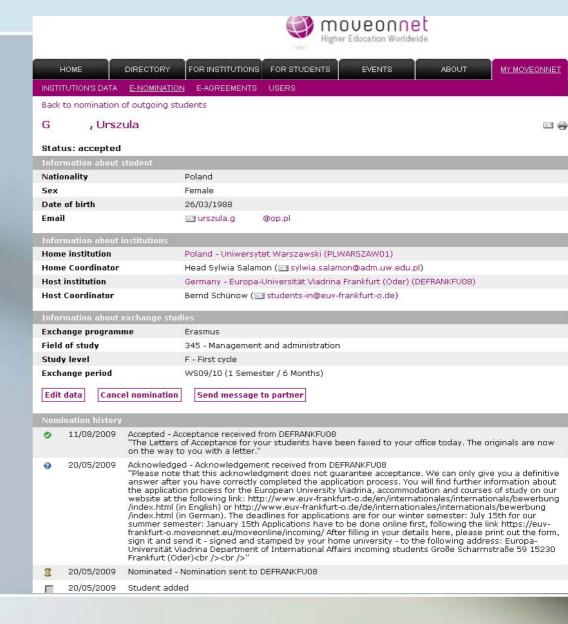


IRO – What happens next ...

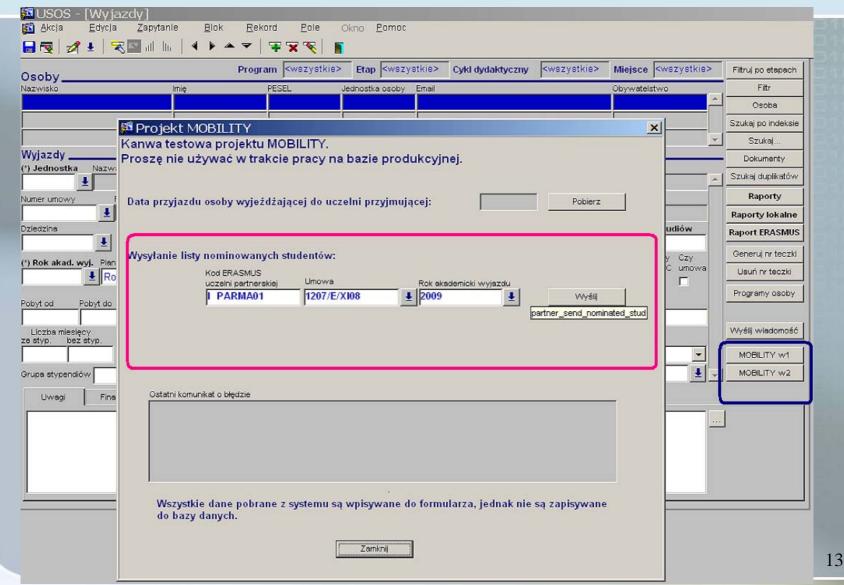
Nominations are:

- typed manually into partner's system (many different systems, many different styles and requirements)
- scanned,
- faxed,
- delivered by phone call
- ...

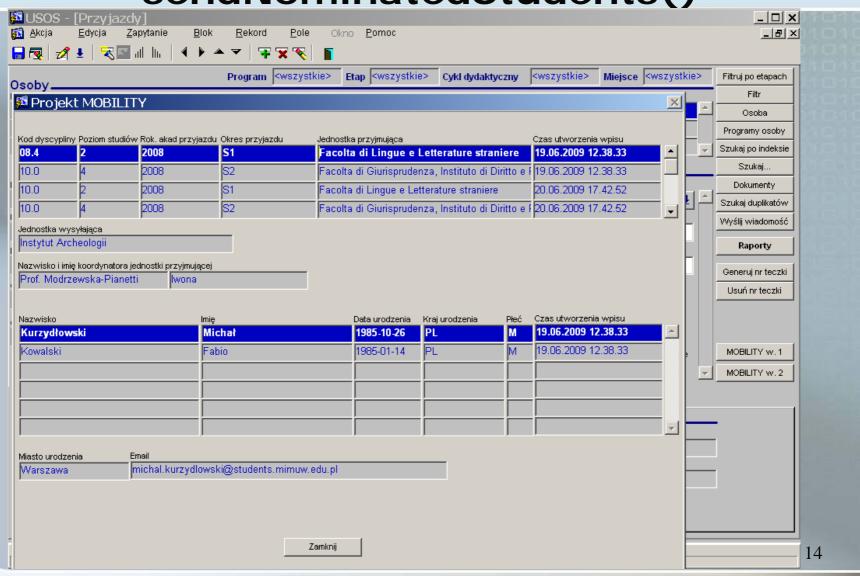
Usually many times (updates are common)



IRO – We would prefer to do it with ... one click → SEND button...



IRO – partner would send us his students in a similar way → this is the result of the remote invocation of sendNominatedStudents()



Other scenarios

- Signing agreement (organization's information record, cooperation conditions of the agreement)
- Sending Learning Agreements (sending token vs sending structured data)
- Getting Transcripts of Records (grades)
- Sending departure/arrival dates of mobile students (important → scholarships)
- Sending course catalog

Learning Agreement

LEARNING AGREEMENT

	Academic year: Winter semester 2009/2010					
Field of study: Informatics, Computer Science (code 11.3)						
Name of						
Aleksa	ander G					
Constitute	landin din		0	·		
Sending institution: Country: University of Warsaw Poland						
Universi	ity of warsaw		Polan	iu .		
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Receiving	g institution:		Count	try:		
Univer	sité Paris Nord (Paris	XIII)	Franc	e		
(Current version					
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		Algorytmique parallele et distri		4		
		Analyse de Fourrier et theorie	du signal	4		
		Calcul haute performance		5		
	Modelisation mathematique pour le traitment des images					
Г	Programmation mathematique approfondie					
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Learning Agreement → Transcript of Records

In reference to

Student:	Piotr S
Study program:	DM-JSIM - Double Degree Program in Computer Science and Mathematics
Stage:	JSIM4I - Fourth year JSIM 3I+4M
Term:	2007 - Academic year 2007/08

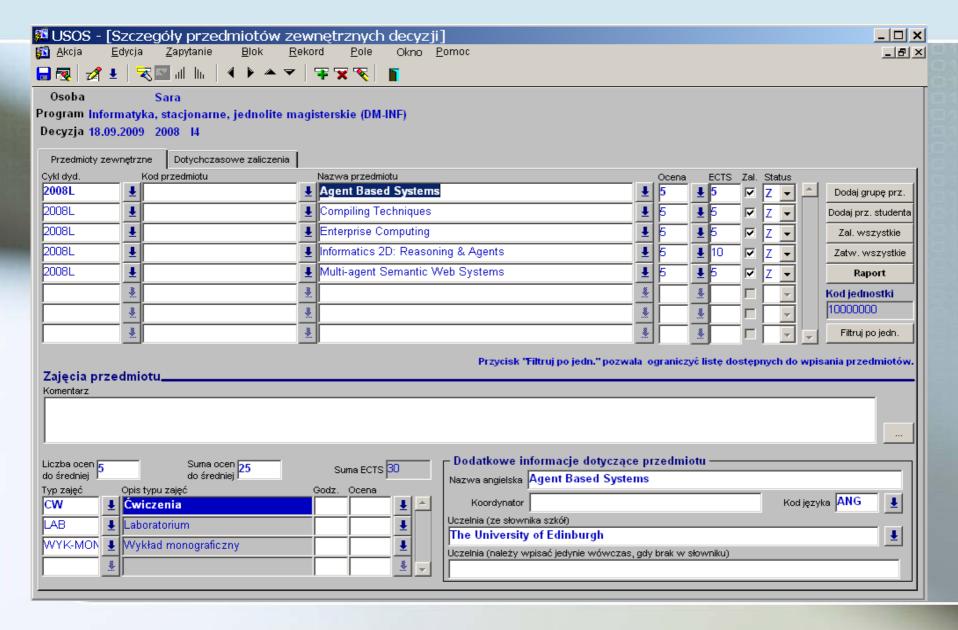
General information

	Decision number:	75064
	Decision date:	2008-08-17
i	Decision type:	MODIFICATION
	Decision state:	Z - approved
i	Stage of creation:	Filling in
	Next stage:	(no change)
	Comment:	Porozumienie w sprawie programu zajęć (LA)

External courses

#	Name	Term	Passed	ECTS	Language	i	Coordinator	Status
1.	Agent Based Systems U02497	2007	YES	5.00	English	none / none	Michael Rovatsos	Z - approved
	CW (8 hours), WYK (20 hours), Institution: (in Polish) The Univ	versity of E	linburgh					
2.	Computer Communications and Networks U03858	2007	YES	5.00	English	none / none	Mahesh Marina	Z - approved
	WYK (20 hours). Institution: The University of Edinburgh							
3.	Computer Security U03025	2007	YES	5.00	English	none / none	David Aspinall	Z - approved
	WYK (20 hours). Institution: (in Polish) The University of Edinb	urgh						
4.	Enterprise Computing U01902	2007	YES	5.00	English	none / none	Stephen Gilmore	Z - approved
	CW (8 hours), WYK (20 hours). Institution: (in Polish) The Univ	versity of E	linburgh					
5.	Informatics 2D: Reasoning & Agents U02602	2007	YES	10.00	English	none / none	Jacques Fleuriot, Michael Rovatsos	Z - approved
	CW (10 hours), LAB (20 hours), WYK (30 hours). Institution:	(in Polish) T	e University o	of Edinburgl				
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Grades from the University of Edinburgh



Diploma supplement

DIPLOMA SUPPLEMENT

Valid with the Diploma no 1000/46331/2009

I. INFORMATION IDENTIFYING THE HOLDER OF THE QUALIFICATION

- 1. Surname: S
- 2. First name(s): Piotr Krzysztof
- 3. Date of birth (day, month, year): 24.09.1985
- 4. Student identification number or code: 219737

II. INFORMATION IDENTIFYING THE QUALIFICATION

- 1. Diploma number: 1000/46331/2009
- 2. Name of qualification and the title conferred 1 magister
- 3. Main field of study and field of specialisation for the qualification : Computer Science
- 4. Name and status of awarding institution 1).

Uniwersytet Warszawski

Uniwersytet Warszawski, established in 1816 is a public higher education institution. The university is entitled to confer the degrees of 'doktor', 'doktor habilitowany' and apply for the title of 'profesor'. The university educates students in the spirit of Magna Charta Universitatum and is also a party to the Agreement of Polish Universities on the Quality of Education, as a result of which the University Accreditation Commission was established.

5. Name and status of institution administering studies 49

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The University of Edinburgh - United Kingdom

6. Language(s) of instruction/examination. Polish, English

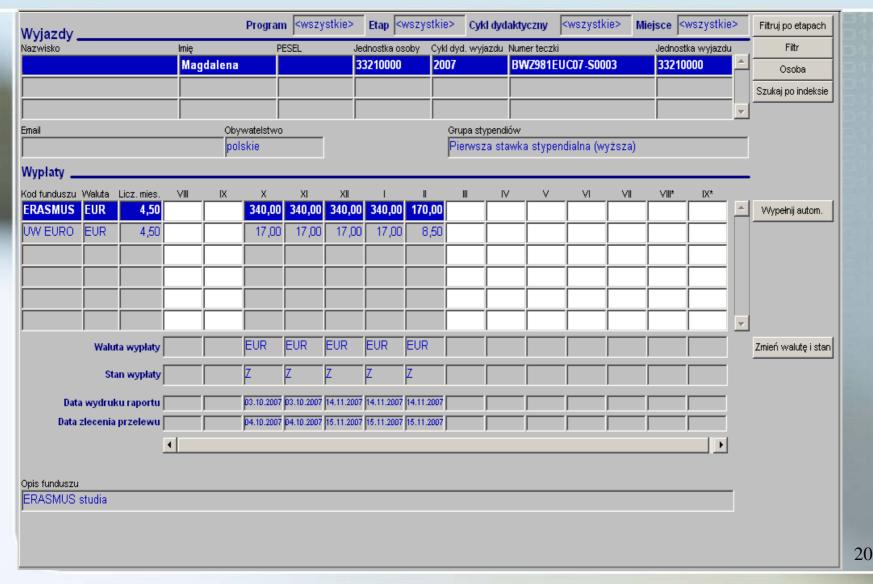
III. INFORMATION ON THE LEVEL OF QUALIFICATION

- 1. Level of qualification: second cycle programme
- 2. Official length of programme: 5-year studies (3+2)
- 3. Access requirements: maturity certificate or entrance examination

Computer Security	wyk 20	5	5
Computer Communications and Networks	wyk 20	5	5
Enterprise Computing	wyk 20/cw 8	4	5
Agent Based Systems	wyk 20/cw 8	4,5	5
Decision support systems	sem 60	4,5	12
Distributed Systems	sem-mgr 60	ZAL	6
Informatics 2D: Reasoning & Agents	wyk 30/cw 10/lab 20	4,5	10

IRO – Scholarships

(final amount depends on dates of arrival/departures)



GOAL

STOP SENDING PAPER,

EXCHANGE ELECTRONICALLY

STRUCTURED DATA

BY CALLING WEB-SERVICES

Establishing format for data exchange

- Standardisation committees and on-going projects
 - CEN (European Commission for Standardization)
 - Metadata for Learning Opportunities (MLO) e.g. programme of study, course catalog
 - European Learner Mobility (ELM) e.g. Europass portfolio (Diploma Supplement, Certificate Supplement, Curriculum Vitae, Mobility, Language Passport)
 - R3SG (Rome Student System and Standard Group)
 - National initiatives
 - OODI Finland
 - German universities, sending eToRs using OSCI protocol
 - Vendor initiatives
 - unisolution web services for moveon users
 - and many others ...

WSDL for the Mobility project

- Such diversity of standards does not make things easier
- Mobility project has specific objectives and specific needs
 - Data should be well structured
 - Pieces of data should be uniquely identifiable (on a database level)
 - Each party may want to use own identifiers
 - Each party may want to use own language

Some possible solutions are presented on the following slides ...

List of strings in various languages



ISO-based types

WSDL type	Description	ISO standard	Example value(s)
countryCodeT	Country	ISO 3166-1 alpha-2	"PL", "IT", "GB"
languageCodeT	Language	ISO 639-1	"pl", "en", "de"
genderT	Gender	ISO/IEC 5218:2004	"1", "2"

Identifiers (global)

•an organization – domain name, e.g. uw.edu.pl

(inspired by SCHAC)

•a person – national identifier

Type of national id	Example value
Finnish FIC	fi:260667-123F
Spanish NIF	es: 31241312L
Swedish NIN	se:12345678
Polish PESEL	pl:77121201230

homeId: localAgreementIdT Agreement agreementIdT 0 partnerId: localAgreementIdT (local Liquid XML Studio - FREE Community Edition 7.1.4.1284 identifiers) organizationId: organizationIdT localAgreementIdT value : nameT Liquid XML Studio - FREE Community Edition 7.1.4.1284 personalCharacteristicsT nationalPersonalId: nationalPersonalIdT Student givenName1 : string (local givenName2 : string · [E surname1 : string identifiers) surname2 : string gender : genderT studentPersonalCharacteristicsT: personalCharacteristicsT studentId: organizationalPersonalIdT E dateOfBirth : date placeOfBirth : string email : emailT • [\$ permanentAddress: addressT 🖽 **E** correspondenceAddress: addressT stationaryPhone : string mobilePhone : string Liquid XML Studio - FREE Community Edition 7.1.4.1294

Organization data

Example

```
E organizationId: organizationIdT

E organizationType: organizationTypeT

E name : internationalizedStringT

E address: addressT

E URL : anyURI

E administrativeCoordinator: organizationalPersonalIdT

E institutionalCoordinator: organizationalPersonalIdT
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Course data example

```
<tns:code>1000-234aMRJ</tns:code>
\langle tns:name \rangle
       <tns:value language="en">Compiler construction</tns:value>
       <tns:value language="pl">Metody realizacji jezykow programowania</tns:value>
</tns:name>
<tns:description>
       <tns:value language="en">Structure of a compiler. Phases of compilation: analysis (
            lexical analysis, syntax analysis, contex vel semantic analysis), synthesis (code
            generation, optimization, loading). Data structures of a compiler (symbol table
            et al.).</tns:value>
       <tns:value language="pl">Struktura kompilatora. Fazy kompilacji: analiza
            leksykalna, skladniowa, kontekstowa, generowanie kodu, optymalizacja, skladanie
            kodu. Struktury danych kompilatora (tablica nazw, tablica symboli).</tn>:value
</tns:description>
<tns:language>pl</tns:language>
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    %2Fprzedmioty%2FpokazPrzedmiot(prz_kod%3A1000-234aMRJ)&lang=2</
    tns:courseURL>
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instance
                     </
                     <tns:contactHours>30</tns:contactHours>
                     <tns:period>
                            <tns:academicYear>2008</tns:academicYear>
                            <tns:academicPeriod>S1</tns:academicPeriod>
                            <tns:duration>1</tns:duration>
                     </tns:period>
                      <tns:lecturerId>uw.edu.pl:1111</tns:lecturerId>
 Grade(s)
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Subject area code

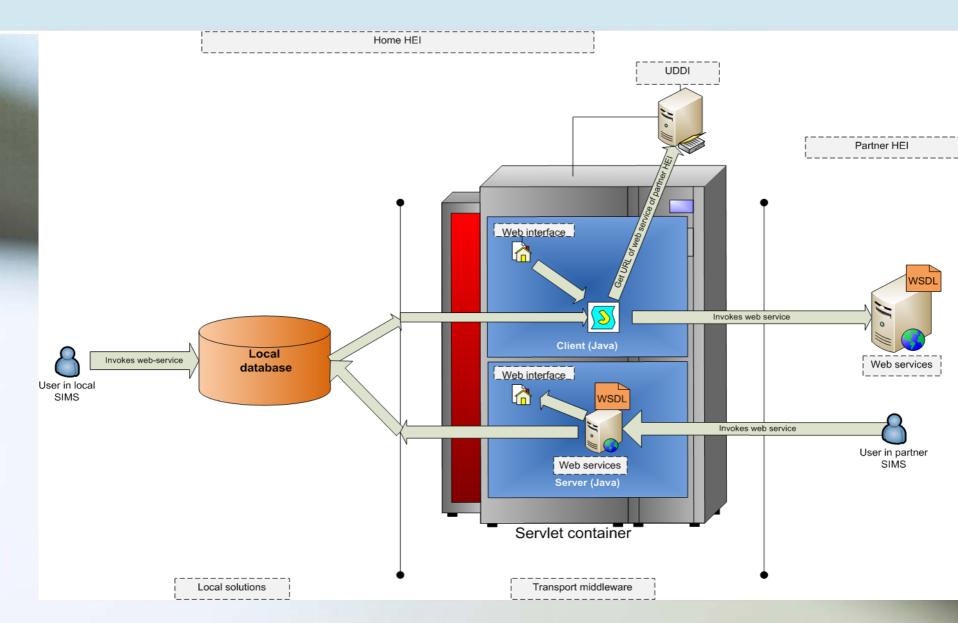
subjectAreaCodeT – code of the study subject area within specific classification; classifications supported are: EU, ISCED97 (case insensitive); EU denotes Socrate/Erasmus coding while ISCED97 – UNESCO ISCED 97 standard [ISCED]; examples: "11.3" corresponds to Computer Science, "15.1" to Journalism), ISCED97 – UNESCO ISCED 97 standard (examples: "48" – Computing, "32" – Journalism and information);



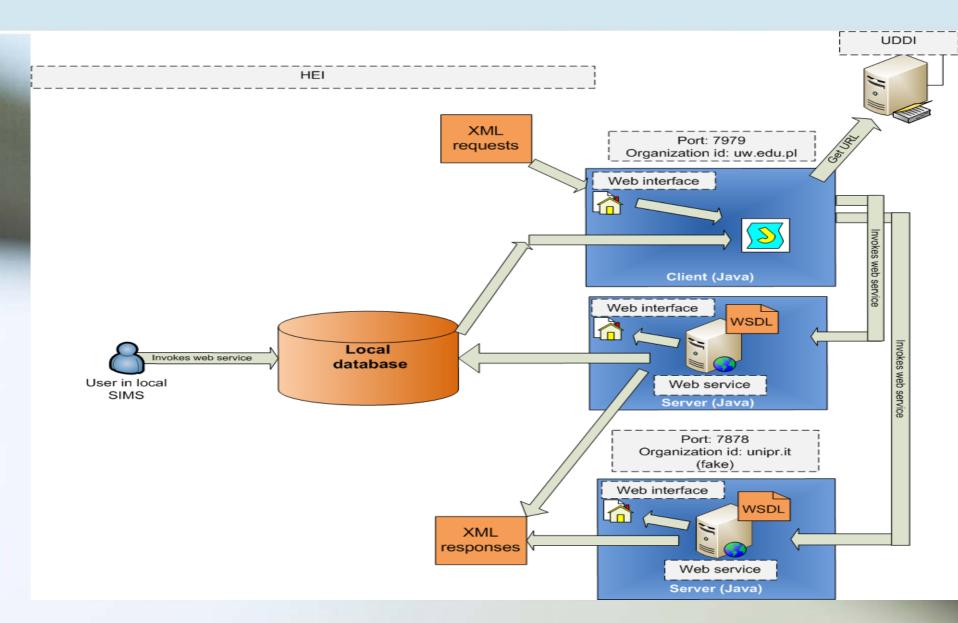
WSDL – methods (web services)

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sendOrganizationData()
getOrganizationData()
sendAgreementData(), getAgreementData()
sendNominatedStudents()
getNominatedStudents()
sendArrivalDate(), getArrivalDate()
sendDepartureDate(), getDepartureDate()
sendLearningAgreement()
getLearningAgreement()
sendTranscriptOfRecords()
getTranscriptOfRecords()
getCourseData()
validateNationalPersonalID()
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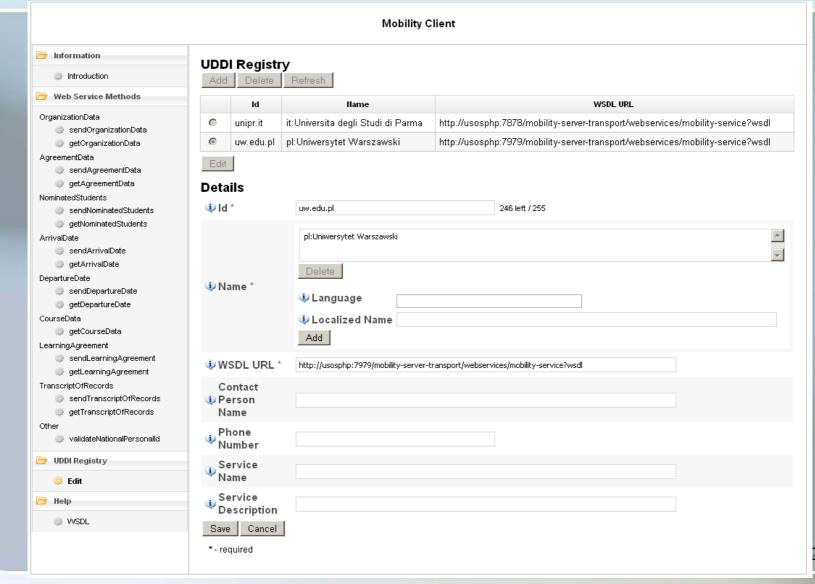
Architecture of the prototype (ver. 2)



Testbed for the project (ver. 2)

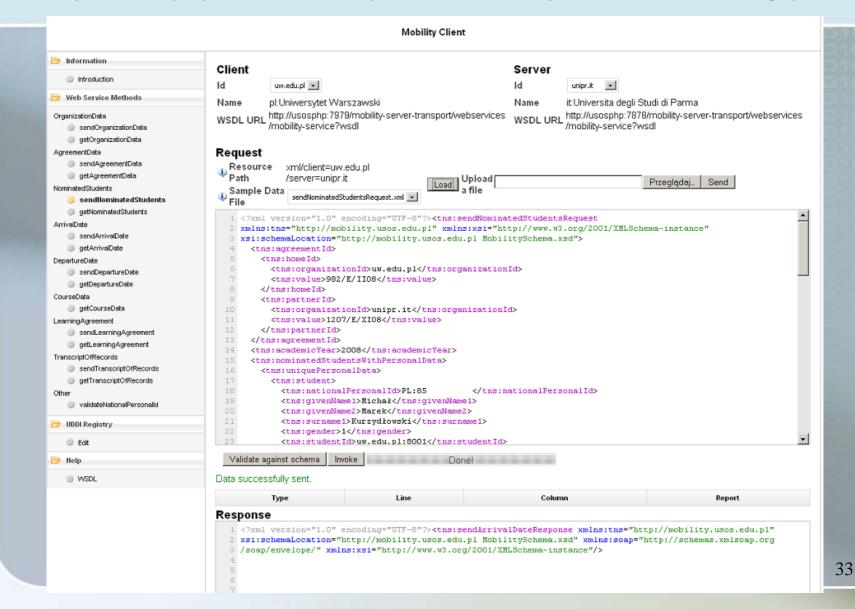


UDDI – Universal Description, Discovery and Integration (registry of Mobility nodes)



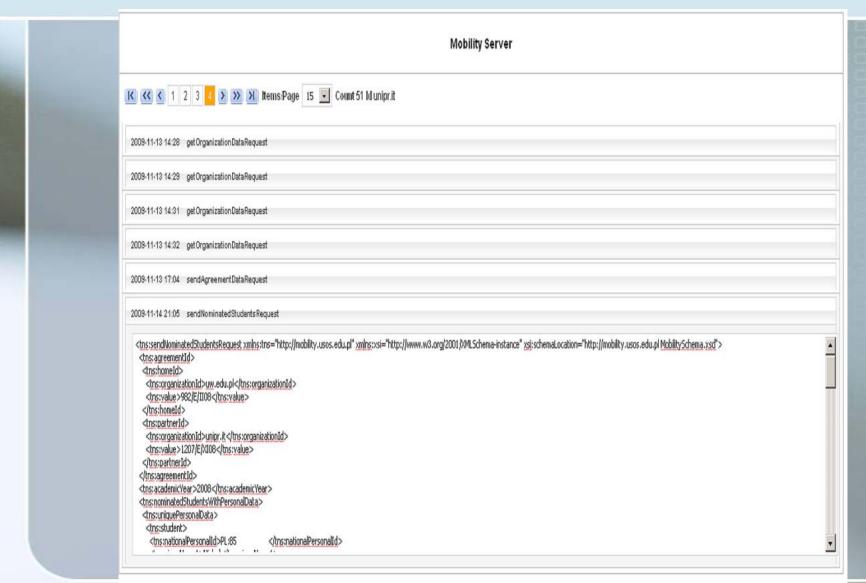
Web client (client= WARSAW, server= PARMA)

http://usosphp.mimuw.edu.pl:7979/mobility-client-web/index.jsp



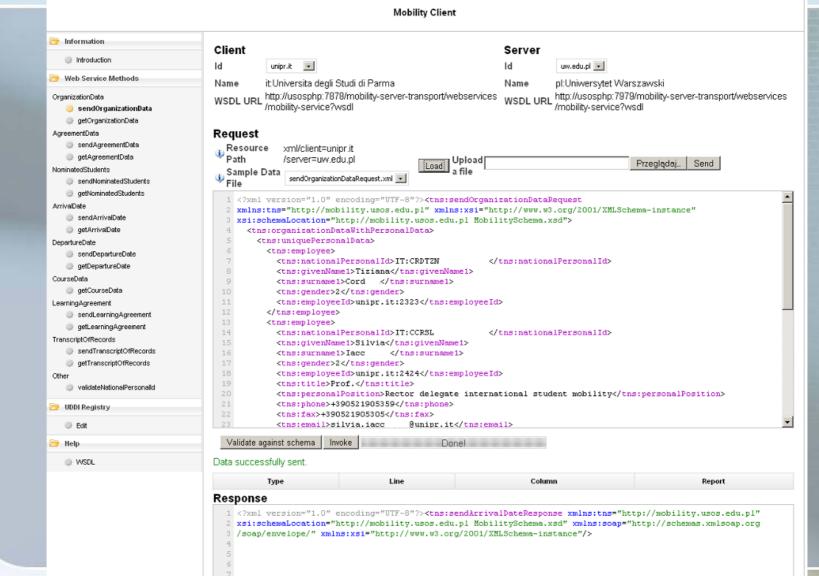
Web server (server=PARMA)

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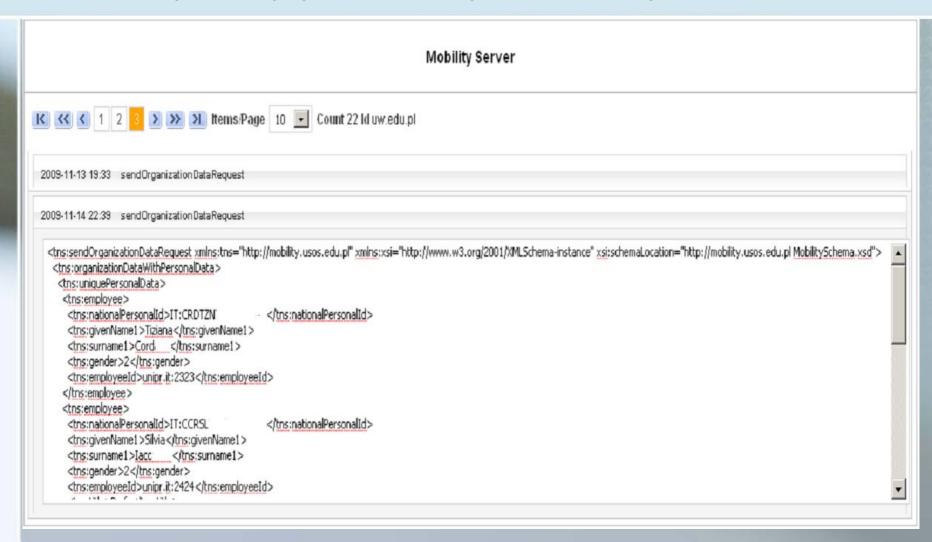
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Integration with USOS (Oracle database, Oracle forms)

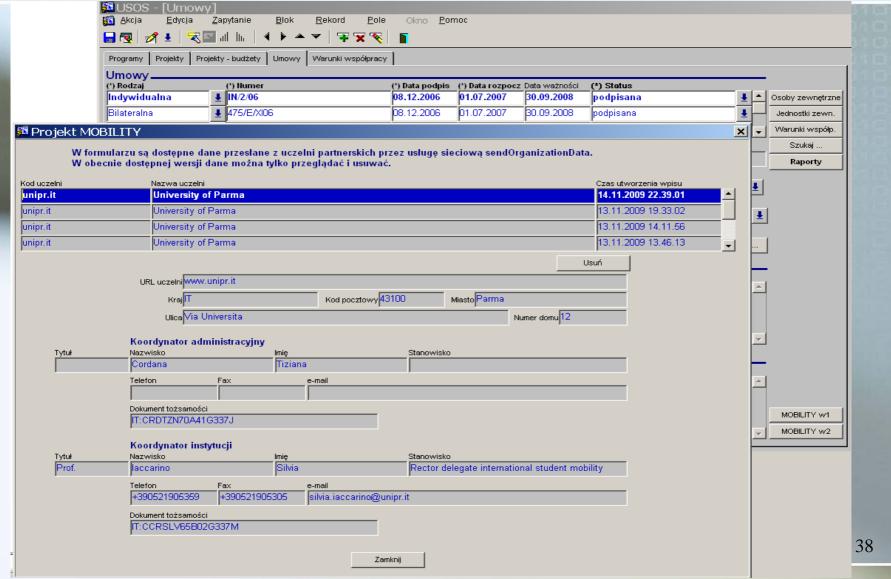
Web service called by the local user

- send() gather context data, create XML message, enque it into Advanced Message Queue for outgoing messages, read the answer from Advanced Message Queue for incoming messages
- get() create XML message, enque it into the Advanced Message Queue for outgoing messages, read the answer from Advanced Message Queue for incoming messages, display it in user interface

2. Web service called by the remote user

- send() store incoming messages in XML buffer inside
 Oracle database, use database views for selecting messages corresponding to specific methods, display them on demand in user interface
- get() invoke a procedure from Oracle package, which selects data from the database and sends to the caller

IRO – result of the remote invocation of sendOrganizationData()



Questions and problems

- Mobility project has specific objectives and specific needs concerning exchanged data – how to integrate its WSDL with other standards
- Software for mobility nodes distributed as opensource
- Software for local system developed by local vendors, consortia, ...
- UDDI one or many, who should administer?
- Authorisation and authentication in global scale (federated IDM or bilateral authorisation agreements)
- Security and privacy of data legal aspects
- Next steps ...

Links and readings

- Project home page
 http://usos.edu.pl/Mobility
- Web client
 http://usosphp.mimuw.edu.pl:7979/mobility-client-web/
- Web server
 http://usosphp.mimuw.edu.pl:7979/mobility-server-web/
- Rafał Nagrodzki, The Mobility Project, Master Thesis in Computer Science, University of Warsaw