

# e-Governance Academy & Estonian eGov Frameworks



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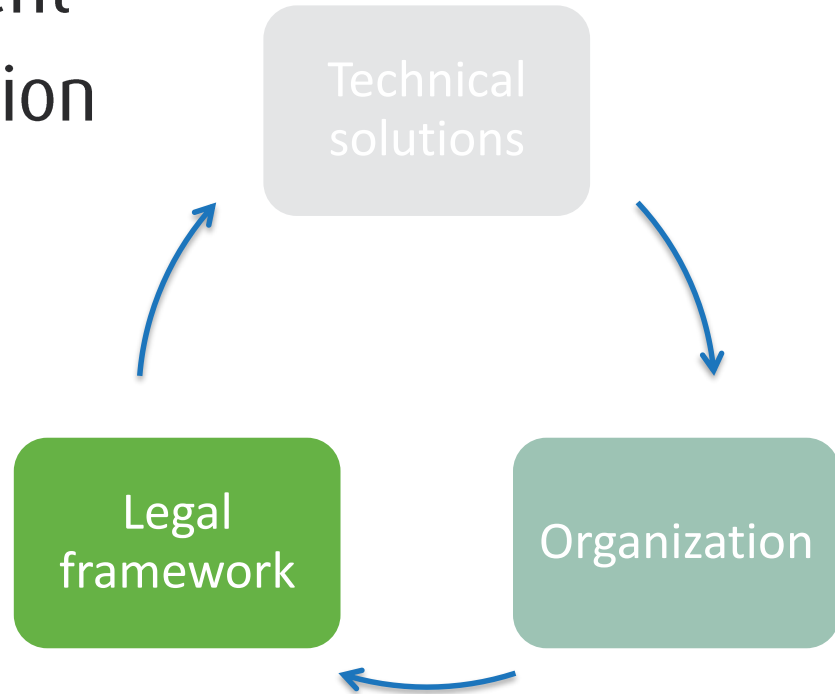


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# Competencies

- Central & local e-government
- E-democracy & e-participation
- Interoperability, open data
- Cyber security
- E-identity
- Change management



# Current projects



Armenia



Azerbaijan



Belarus



Georgia



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National Cyber Security Index



- Governance efficiency
- Economic competitiveness
- e-Way of live





# Balanced e-Governance = Combination of electronic services and participatory activities

e- GOVERNMENT  
e-Services

e-DEMOCRACY  
e-Participation



# Balanced e-Governance

Combination of electronic services and participatory services

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## **e- GOVERNMENT**

Transaction of user-oriented services offered by government that are based on information and communication technologies.

## **e-DEMOCRACY**

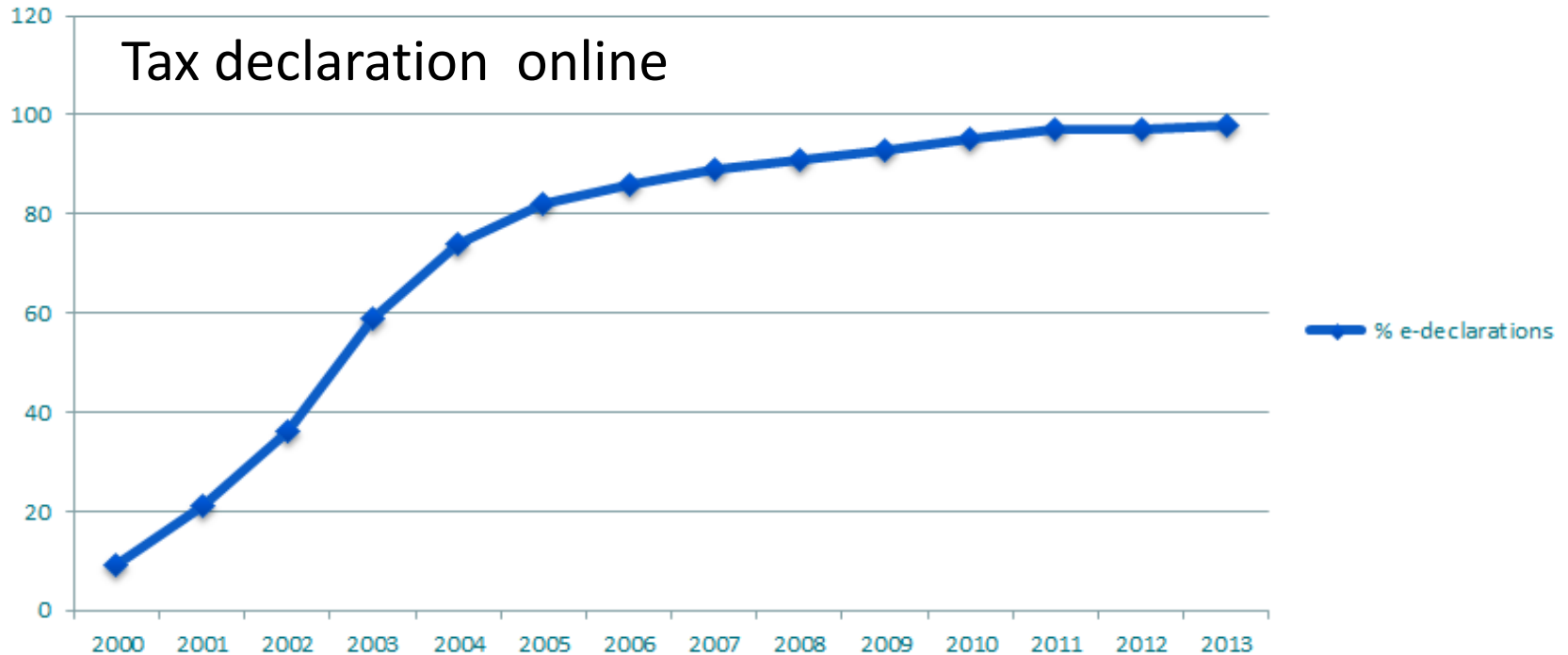
Digitally conveyed information (transparency) and the political influence (participation) exerted by citizens and business on the opinion-forming processes of public – state and non-state –institutions

# eGovernment example:

**Parental benefit – best  
eGov service in 2004  
(interoperability of 5  
information systems from  
5 government institutions)**



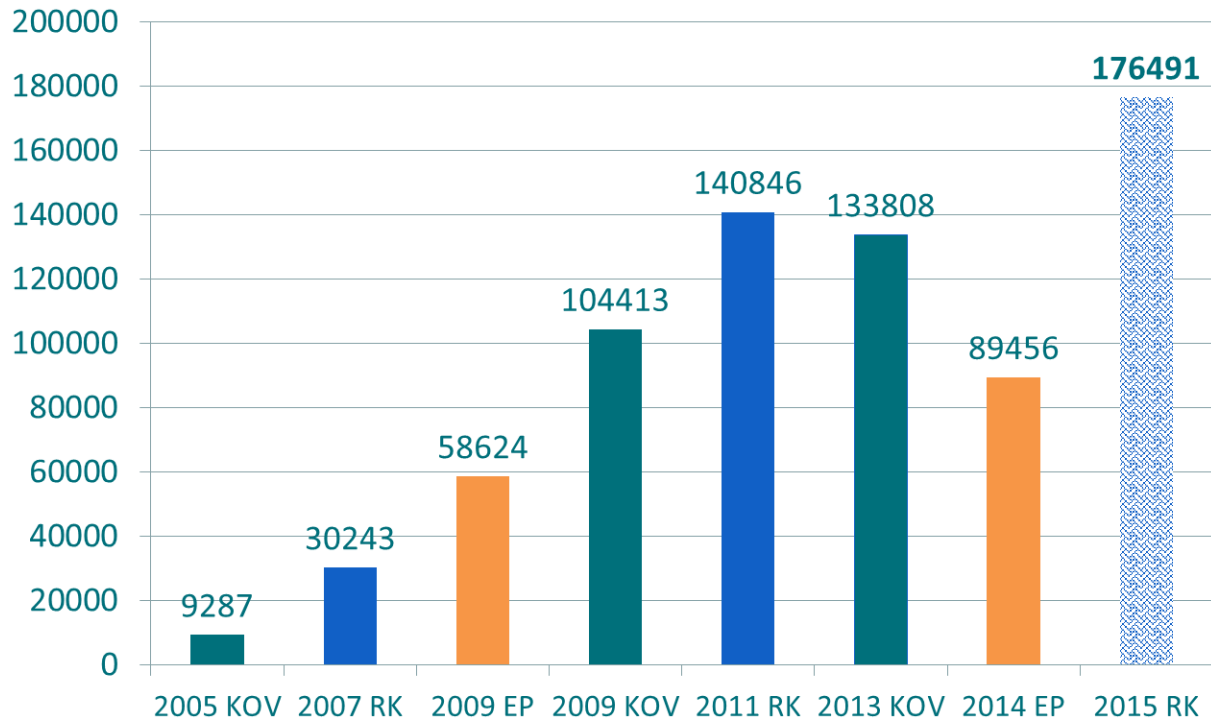
# Takeup takes time



# i-voting in Estonia



# i-Voting statistics in Estonia





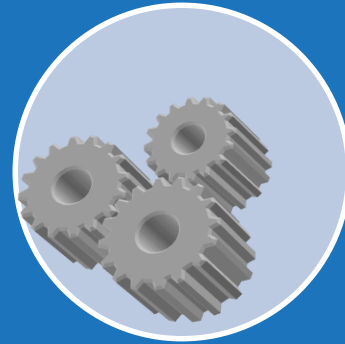
Organization



Legal  
framework



Fiscal  
framework



Technical  
architecture

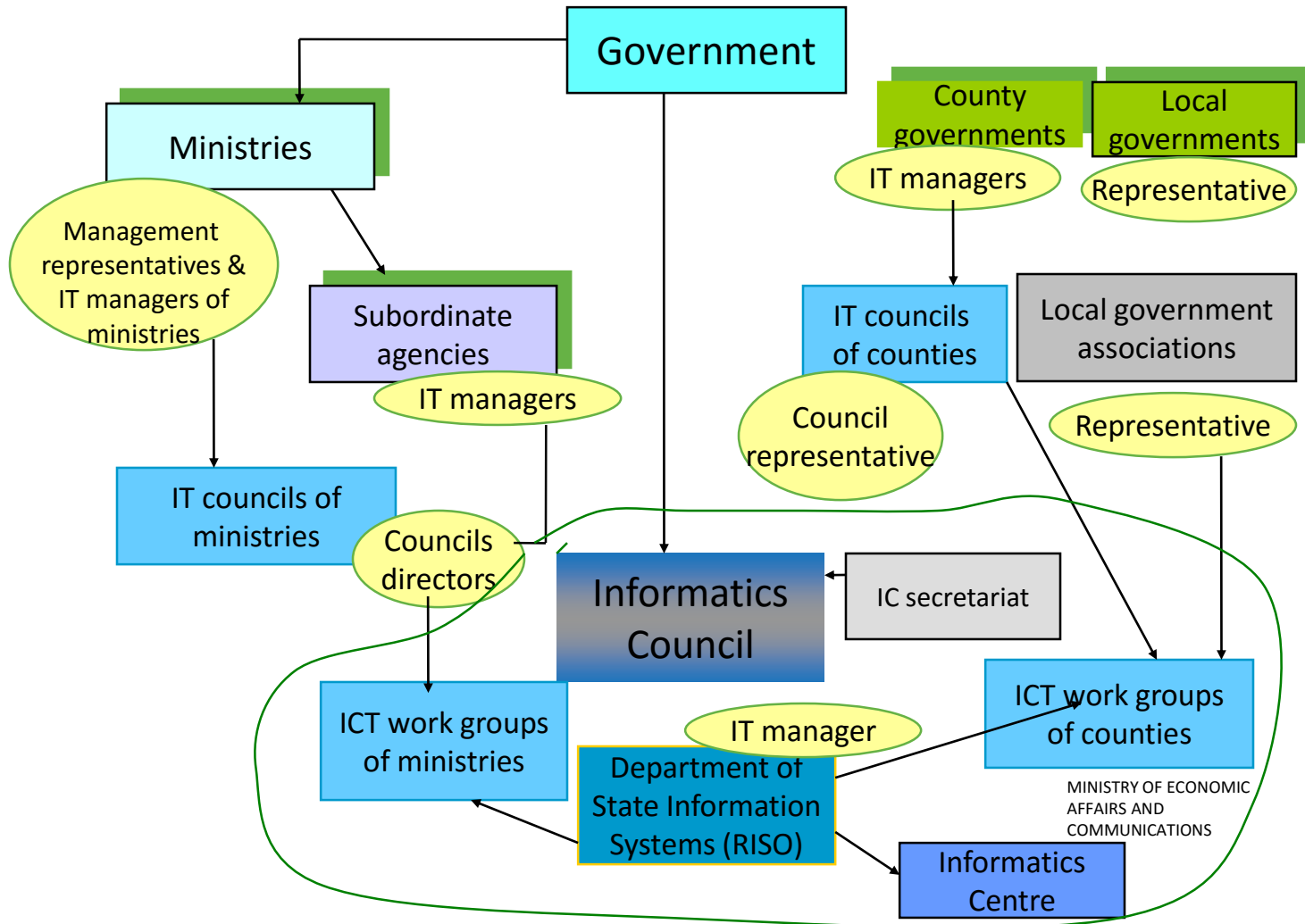


eGovernment Policy / Strategy

# Principles

- Citizen (customer) orientation
- Leading role for the private sector
- Efficient and transparent public sector.
- e-Democracy/e-participation.
- Protection of personal data
- Measures against digital divide (ID-cards example...)
- Neutrality concerning technological platforms





# Central coordination and IOF management – Different roles

eGovernment Central Coordination Unit:

eGov and Information Society strategy planning and monitoring.

- Collecting and analyzing ICT systems in government
- eGov budget planning with Ministry of Finances and donors
- Developing and giving approvals for legal acts related to eGov
- Preparing eGov strategies and action plans
- Monitoring Action Plan development
- Cooperating with CIOs. Trainings for CIOs.
- Planning and coordinating international cooperation on eGov.

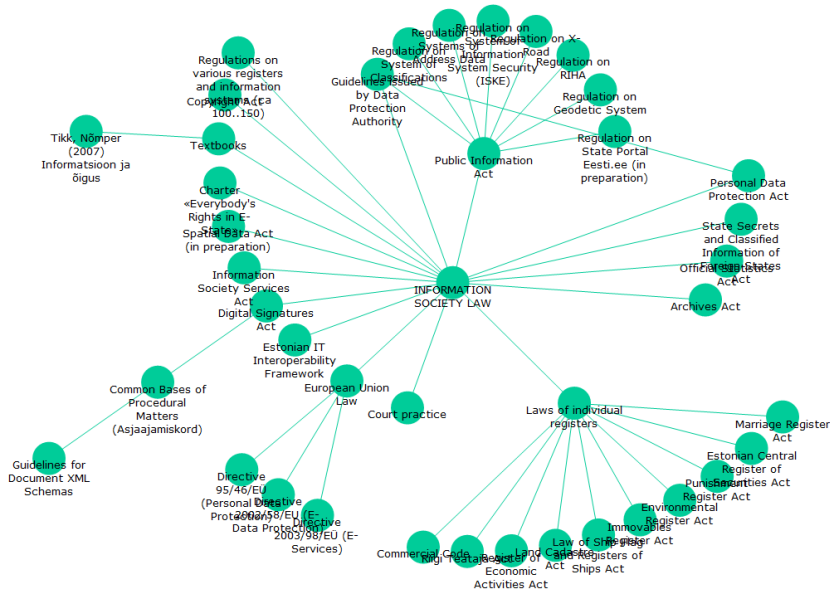
# Central coordination and IOF management – different roles

eGovernment Central Implementing Body:

Implementation of eGov interoperability platform.

- Data exchange layer and monitoring
- Portal
- IOP management system - metadata
- Infrastructure
  - Network
  - eID
  - CA
  - Mobile and payment gateway
  - Cloud

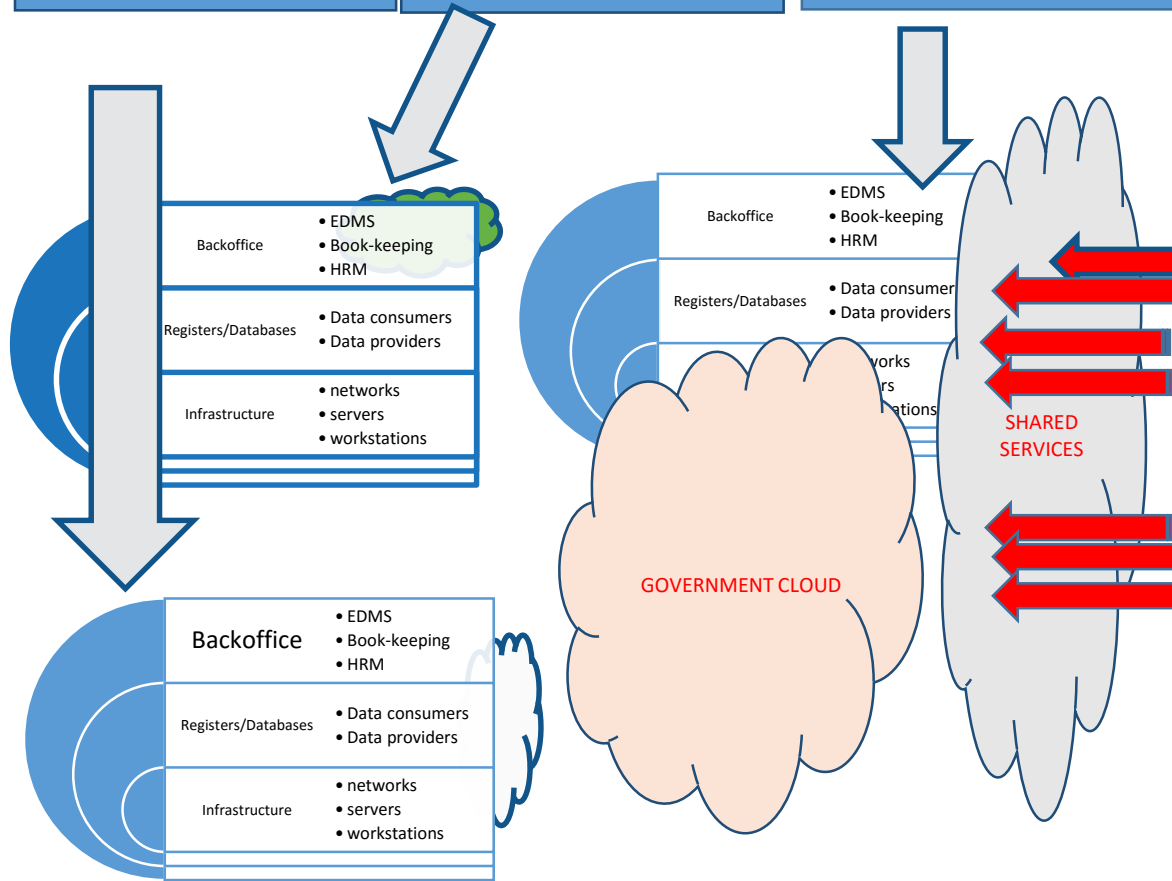
# Legal framework



- Technology can not be regulated but relations between people, organizations...rights and responsibilities
- Regulate as minimal as possible. Use existing legal framework and make needed amendments

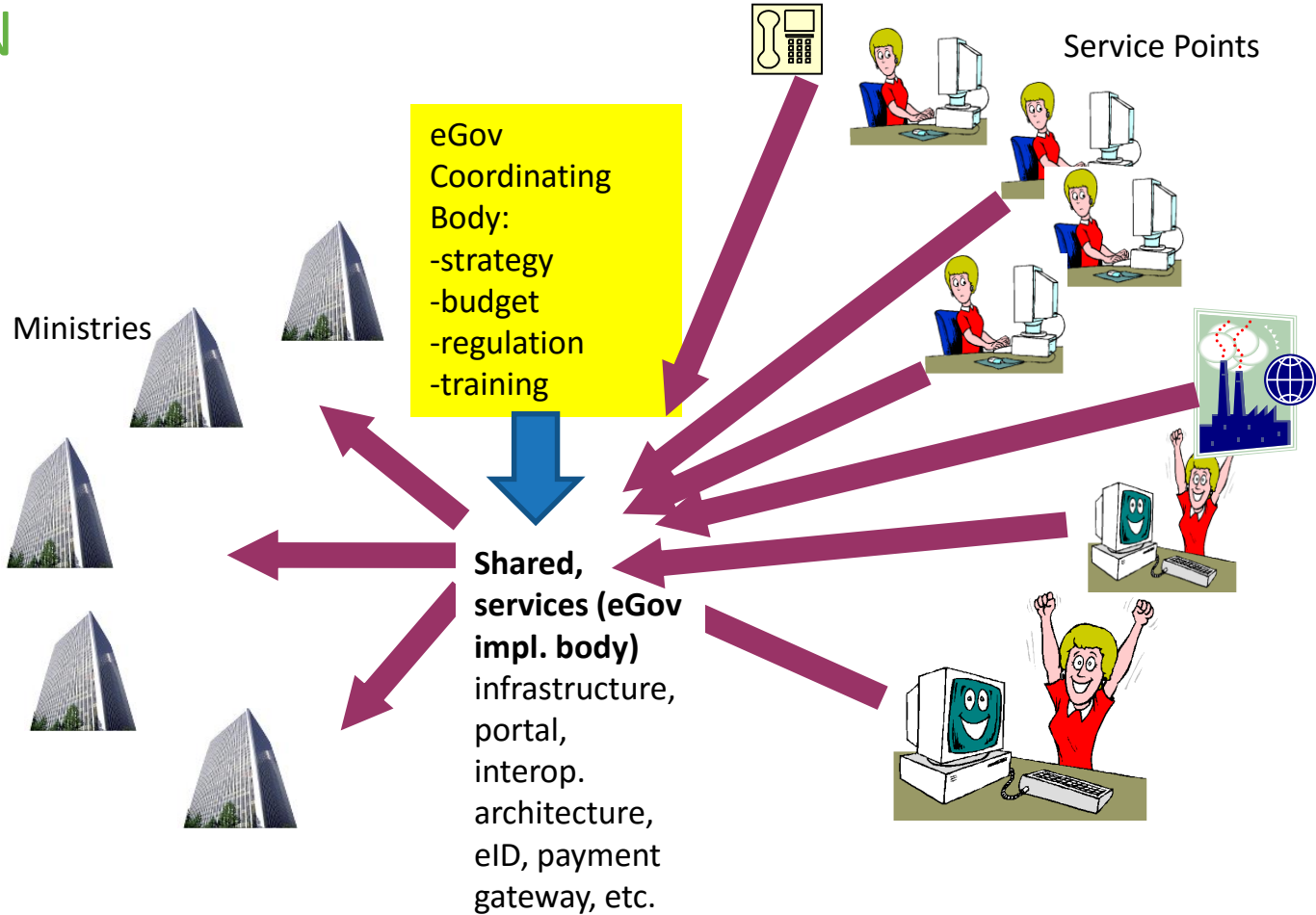
# Legislation

- Databases Act (1997/ 2006)
- Public Information Act (2001)
- Digital Signatures Act (2000)
- Act on Intellectual Property (applicable also for state databases)
- Principles of Estonian Information Policy (1998, 2004)
- Action Plan of Estonian Information Policy – (eEstonia) (1998, 1999, 2000, 2001,2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006...)
- Personal Data Protection Act (1996)



- ### Horizontal enablers
- ADDRESS SYSTEM
  - DATA PROTECTION MEASURES
  - ELECTRONIC ID
  - METADATA and MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
  - ONTOLOGIES and SEMANTICS
  - GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES
  - CLASSIFIERS
  - DOCUMENT REPOSITORY
  - SERVICE PORTAL for EGOV
  - DATA EXCHANGE INFRASTRUCTURE
  - MOBILE GATEWAY
  - PAYMENT GATEWAY

# VISION



# System Architecture

## Heterogeneous environment:

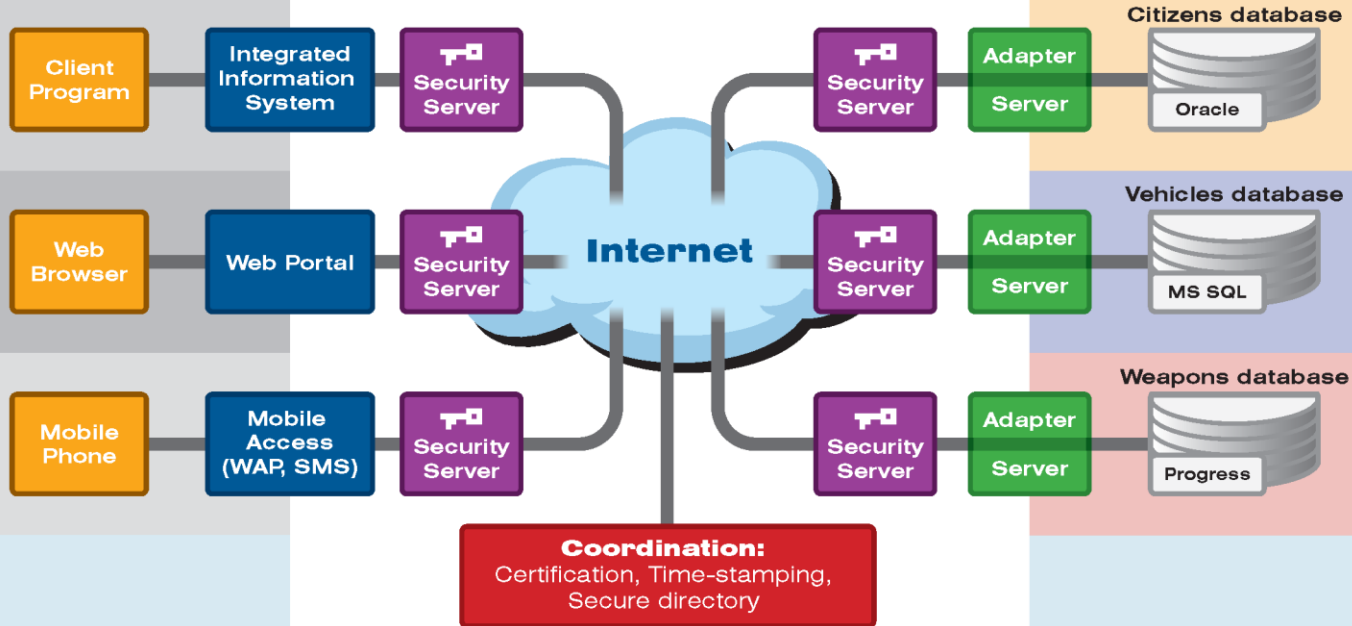
different operating systems, authentication and access methods

## Unified security environment:

- Confidentiality, integrity, availability and non-repudiation in a unified way
- Single protocol and single interface (XML-RPC)

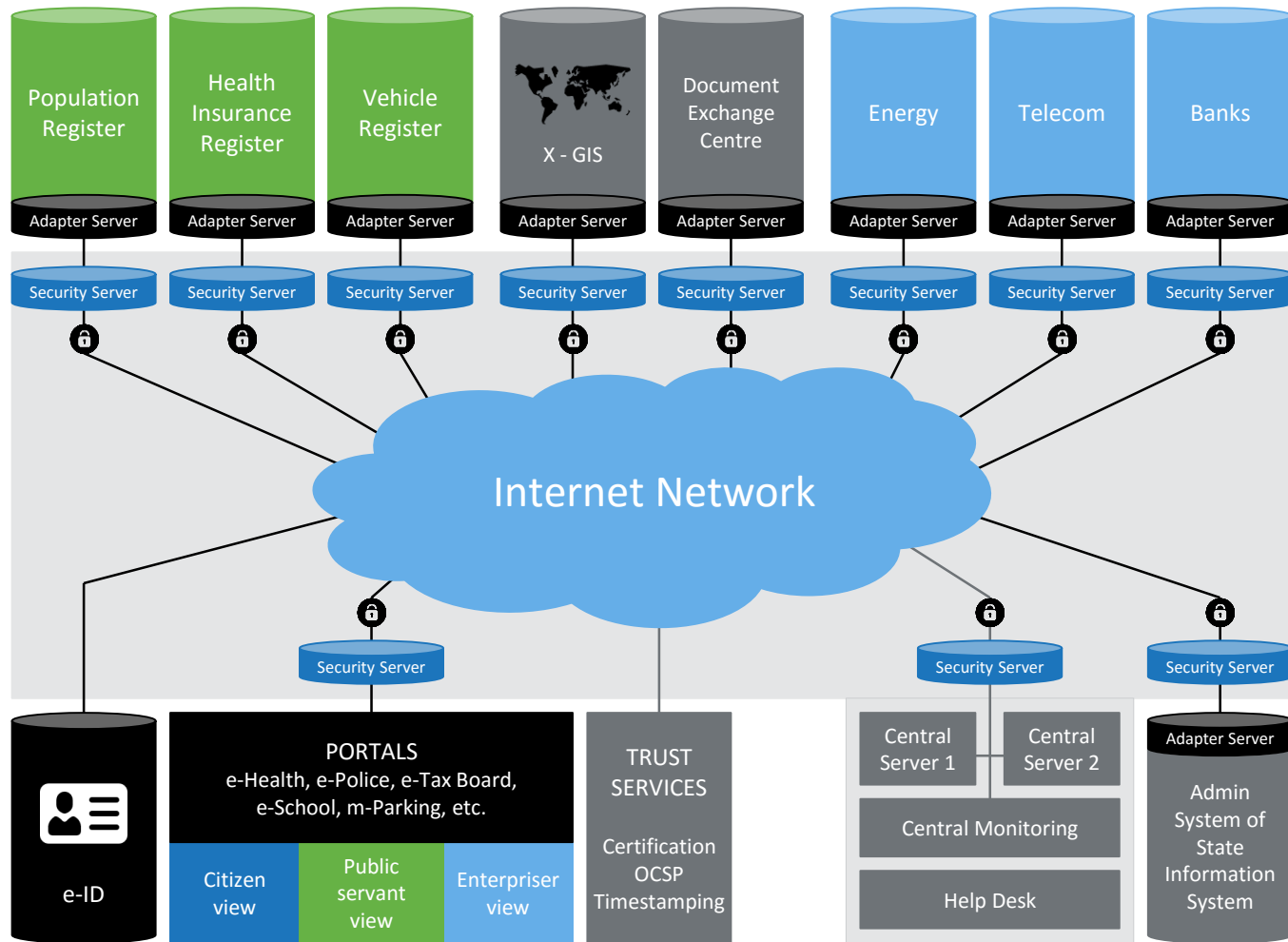
## Heterogeneous environment:

different database systems, technologies, protocols and interfaces





# X-Road



# The central components in the architecture:

- Government network GovNet
- Data Exchange Infrastructure (x-road);
- The layer of personalized portals (citizen portal(s), entrepreneur portal(s), civil servant(s) portals);
- The register of registers, catalogue of services and the management system for the state information system;
- The layer of geoinformation systems;
- The layer of document management systems and document exchange centre;
- The system of classifications;
- The system of address details;
- The security system

## REMOTE ADMINISTRATION & SUPPORT



Certification Authority (offline)



Central monitoring station



Service Provider Administrators

Support & administration services  
Initial Installation and localization  
Training  
Operating of CA

## INTEGRATION LAYER



Primary management server



Secondary mgmt. server 1



Central monitoring station

Security gateway



Officials' portal

Security gateway



Entrepreneurs' portal

Security gateway



Citizens' portal

## LOCAL PARTNER



Local Administrator

## OPERATION: SUPPORT, MONITORING, TRAINING, ADMINISTRATION



Registry



Adapter server



Security gateway



Local Administrator



Local monitoring station

## REGISTRY 1



Registry



Adapter server



Security gateway



Local Administrator

## REGISTRY 2

Operates local organization:  
- Local policies  
- Training  
- Validation  
- User support  
- User administration of Portals

Monitoring information

End-user queries

Database-dependent protocol

# Digital ID and Signature

Since 2002



Active cards: 1 265 423 >92% of the population  
Authentications: 431 537 431  
Signatures given: 280 716 198

# mID

(in SIM card)

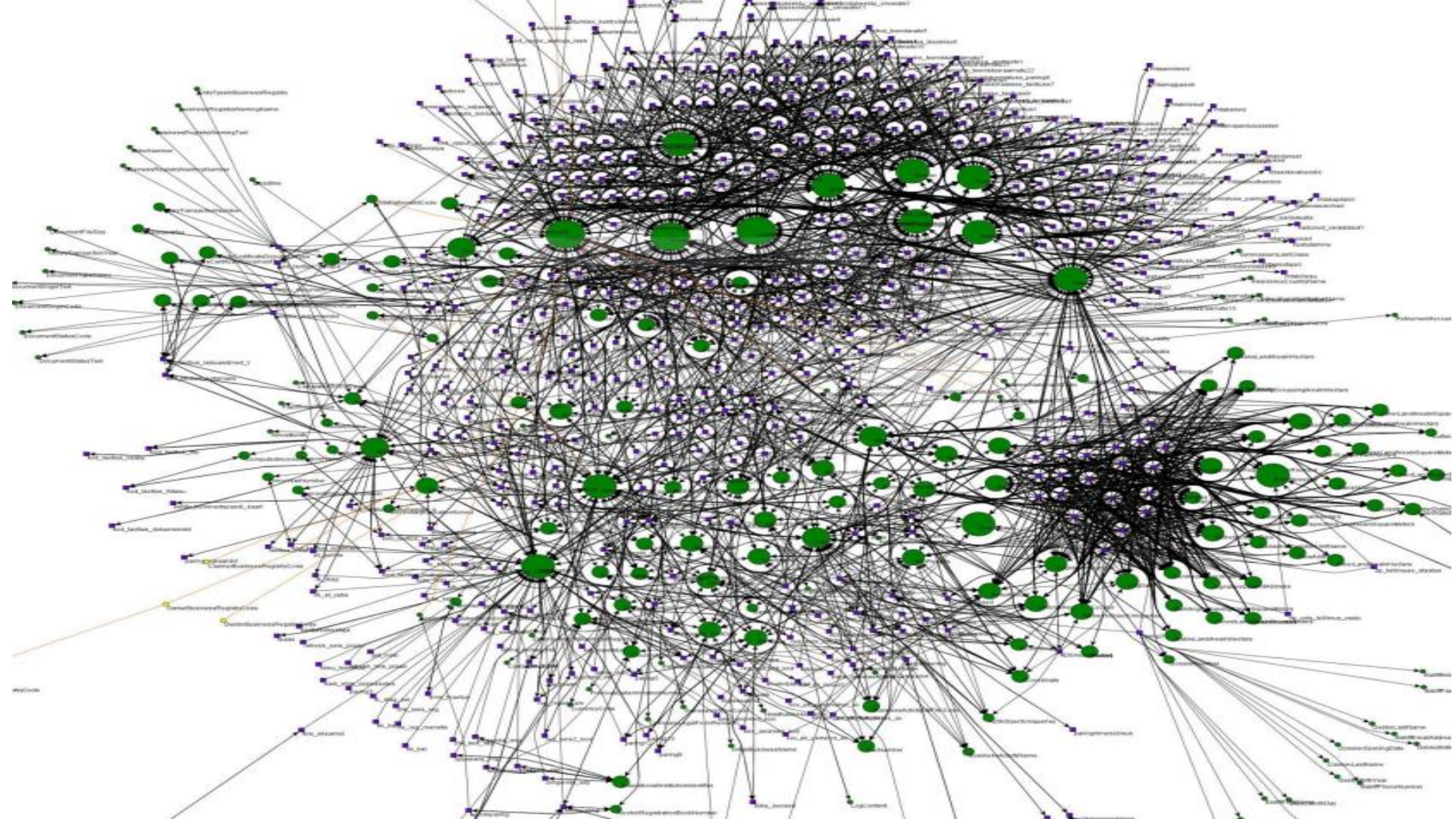
Doesn't need software installed on PC

Doesn't need web browser support

Works on any handset

Can be supported by any operator





# Thank You

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