

Akogrimo – Overview and Potential Contribution to Telco-CG

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#### Some facts



- A European Research Project with a duration of ~3 years and an overall effort of ~1200 PM and an overall budget of 10,5 M€
- 13 Partners from industry and academia including 3 Telecom Operators and large IT service providers
  - TelCos: Telefónica I+D, Telenor, Portugal Telecom through IT-Aveiro
  - IT Industry: ATOSOrigin, Datamat
  - SMEs: CRMPA, BOC
  - Research: RUS and HLRS, UPM, UniZh, CCLRC, NTUA, UHOH
- Project Start: July 2004
- Info: <a href="http://www.mobilegrids.org">http://www.mobilegrids.org</a>

### The Akogrimo Vision



To produce a breakthrough in current practices for Grids with the creation of a distributed, mobile and pervasive environment to make it a business proposition for Telecom Operators and Service Providers

### **Basic Assumptions**

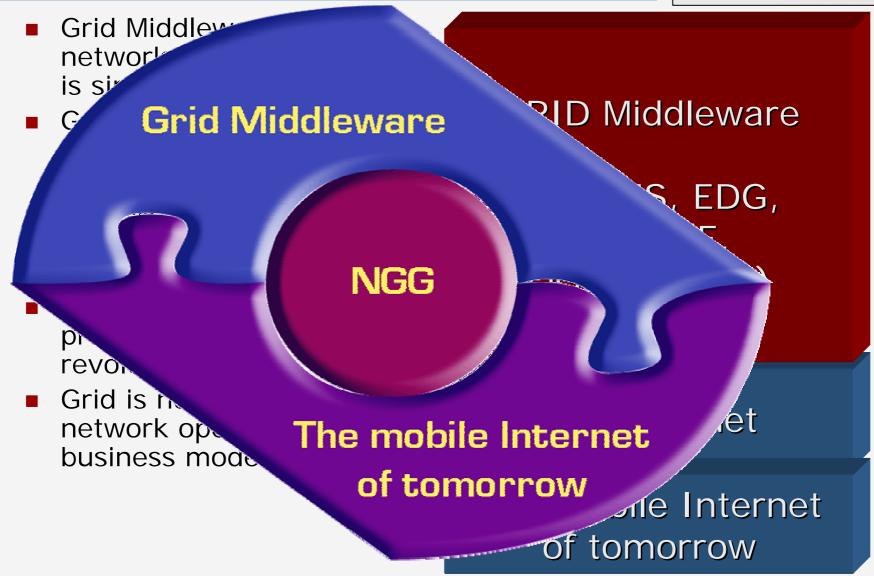


- The future Telecom
  Infrastructure is an All-IP network
- For pervasively available Grids commercial infrastructure providers such as TelCos are needed
- The Next Generation Grid should consider the needs of
  - Context changes and all kind of mobility
  - Services that are only available locally
  - RFID technology
  - Integration with SIP and VoIP applications

- From eScience Grids to Business Grids many problems need to be solved:
  - Security
  - Service Level Agreements and QoS
  - Cross organizational Accounting
  - Identity Management
  - Business models that enable a self-sustained Grid infrastructure
- For us Grids are
  - Cross-Organizational and not "Cluster Grids"
  - Dynamically composed as needed from a predefined set of collaborators

# Grid and Networks – not a business proposition yet





# Expectations for a collaboration with the TelCo-CG



#### Status

- Akogrimo is the end of the first out of two major cycles
- Has produced a set of documents, an integrated prototype combining network, network middleware (e.g. AAA server) and Grids
- Development is based on GT4, WSRF.NET and Web Services Frameworks
- Is now in the cycle 1 evaluation phase providing input for the definition of the second cycle
- How to collaborate?
  - Provide results from the project
    - Analysis of Application Scenarios and their commercial relevance
    - Value Chain and Business Modelling Framework
  - Contribute to the working documents of the group
  - Integrate the results from this group into the project and provide feedback and validation of them



### Selected Results -

Visionary Scenarios and Validation Scenarios

### **Evaluation Approach**

Define a wide range of potential application scenarios for an Akogrimo Grid

### Visionary Scenarios

### Challenges

Open Grid Service Architecture

- Use cases
- Functional requirements

Mobility of Grid Resources

Knowledge Orientation

- Knowledgebased systems
- Semantic Web

Select some of them to be realised and validated within the scope of the project

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## Important element of the selections criteria - Commercial Relevance

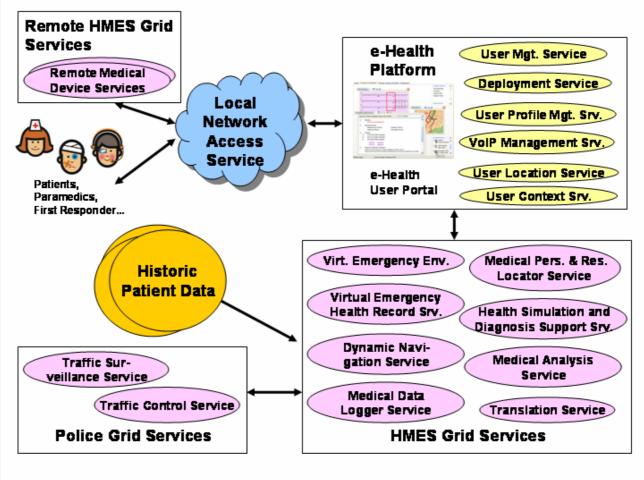


- Customers: Who? How many? Motivation?
- Number and type of transactions
- Payment: How much? How frequent?
- Business opportunities: number, strength
- How many (and which type of) third parties collaborating in Grid-based value chains?
- Investments: infrastructure, applications, organisation
- Coverage of existing infrastructure
- Risks: technological, commercial
- Reimbursement potential

# Selected scenario: Heart Monitoring and Emergency Service



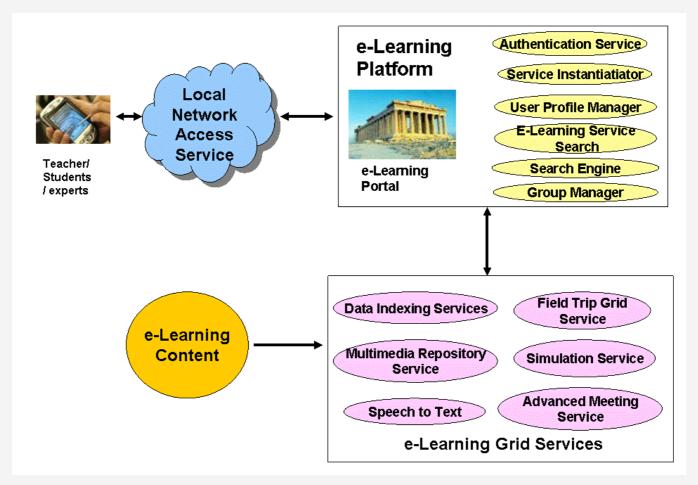
Medical Emergency Scenario extended towards permanent monitoring and introduction of services offered by the police



### Selected Scenario: The Field Trip Service



Combination of e-learning and collaboration approaches from the Field Trip scenario with simulation and visualization capabilities





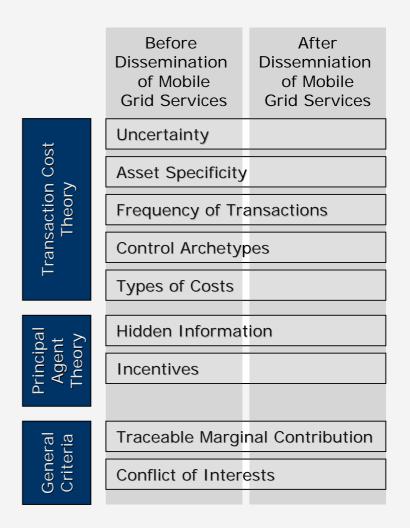
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### "Analytical Toolset"

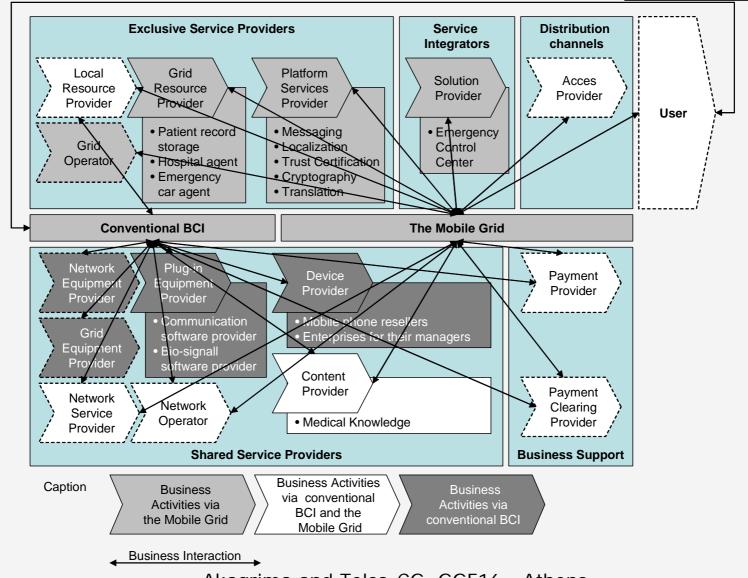


- Description of a Mobile Grid Services Value Network
- Analysis of the participants' development
- Analysis through various cost theories
  - Transactional Cost Theory
  - Principal Agent Theory
  - General Criteria



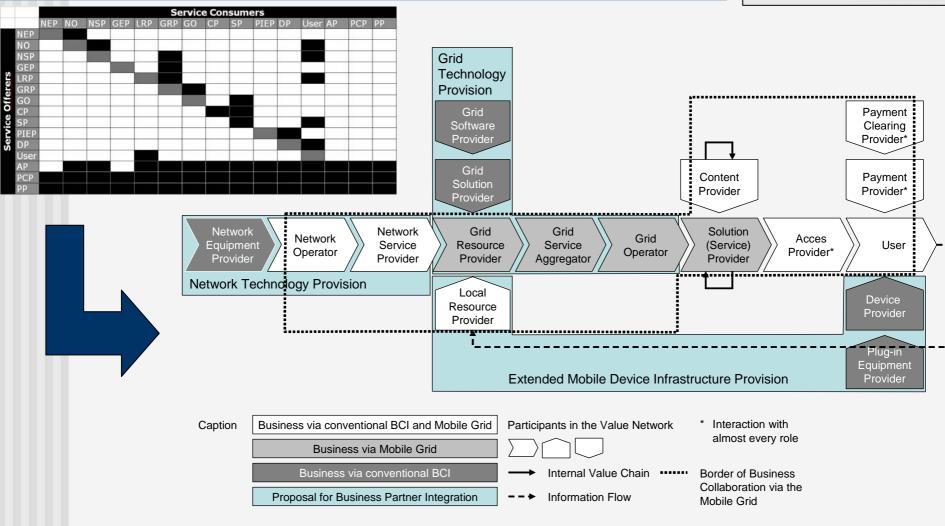
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#### Consolidated Value Network





 Mobile Grid Services Value Network proposed based on considerations of dyadic interrelations hips

## Summary of potentially relevant documents for the Telco-CG role model



- D 2.3.1 Description and evaluation of visionary scenarios
  - Clarification of differences between Mobile Grids and established OGSA-based Grids
  - Derived criteria for characterizing mobile grid scenarios
- D 2.3.2 Specification of validation scenarios
  - End user, domain, and provider-specific requirements on applications to carry out the Heart Monitoring and Emergency Service as well as the Field Trip Service
- D 3.2.1 –Akogrimo Value Chain
  - Analytical framework for value network interactions based on economic theories
  - Consolidated value network for mobile grid based services
- D 3.2.2 Akogrimo Business Modeling Framework
  - Which business strategies can be followed by TelCos and Service Providers in order to maximize their benefits from offering services in the Mobile Grid field?
- Next Step: Indicative Business Cases
- All are available at: <a href="http://www.mobilegrids.org">http://www.mobilegrids.org</a>



## Thank you!