

AXMEDIS Tutorial on Content Production

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Tutorial presentation (I)


- **Rationale**
 - ▶ Open to all and based on AXMEDIS 2005 Content production tutorial
 - ▶ Adopts examples selected to explain both the process modifications and related benefits
 - ▶ Limits & constraints are pointed out to keep a fair and concrete perspective.



Tutorial presentation (II)



- **Intended audience**
 - ▶ Decision makers
 - ▶ Technical managers
- **Prerequisites**
 - ▶ Basic knowledge of Production cycle & tools
 - ▶ Basic knowledge of Protection tools






Objectives & Outcomes (I)


- **Objectives**
 - ▶ Recall overall content production process
 - ▶ New tools location in the process
 - ▶ Hints & suggestions on environment set-up
 - ▶ AXMEDIS content production framework usage know-how



Objectives & Outcomes (II)



- **Outcomes**
 - ▶ AXMEDIS & MPEG-21 models know-how
 - ▶ AXMEDIS & MPEG-21 license know-how
 - ▶ AXMEDIS content production know-how
 - ▶ SMIL editing know-how
 - ▶ Content descriptors/fingerprint & metadata usage know-how





The context


Content Production & AXMEDIS

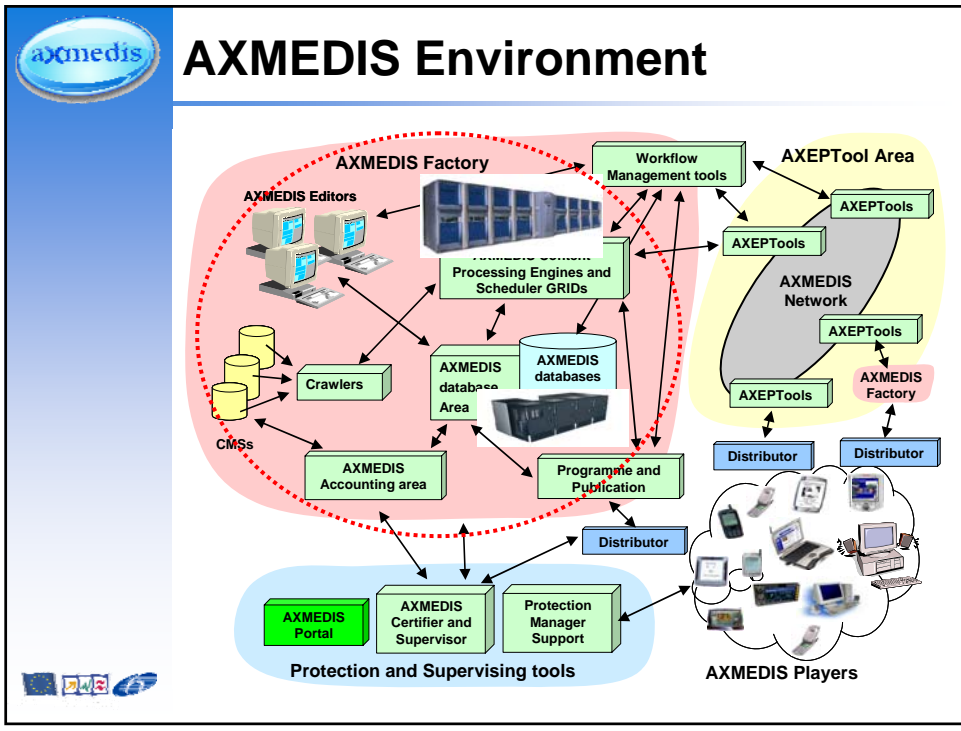
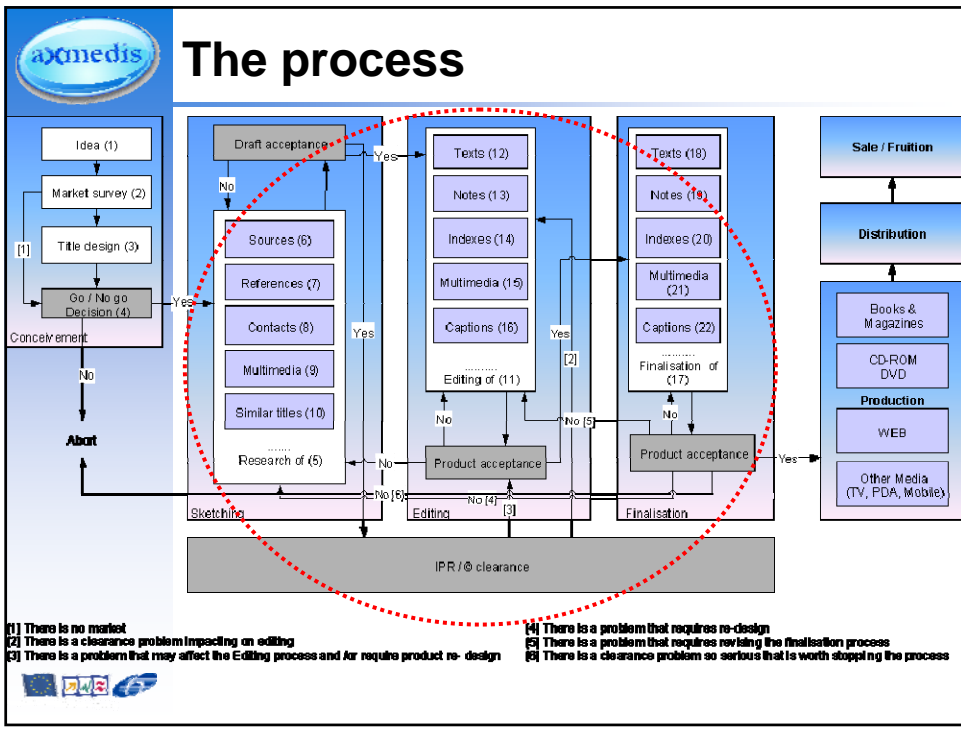



The context

- **Objectives**
 - ▶ Recall overall content production process
 - ▶ New tools location in the process
 - ▶ Hints & suggestions on environment set-up

- **Outcomes**
 - ▶ AXMEDIS relation to standard content production context know-how










Environment set-up (I)


- **Preliminary actions**
 - ▶ Retrieve install requirements & documentation
 - ▶ Organise work environment following requirements (HW/SW)
 - ▶ Organise needed space and infrastructure
- **Select and download tools**
 - ▶ Identify needed tools and related install pack
 - ▶ Download the install pack



Environment set-up (II)



- **Install tools**
 - ▶ Follow install pack instructions (automatic configuration recommended)
- **Configure tools**
 - ▶ Insert required data for custom configurations or wherever needed
- **Get acquainted with user interface & commands**
 - ▶ Read available documentation, suggestions, tips and FAQs
 - ▶ Look at provided examples






Content production – Intro

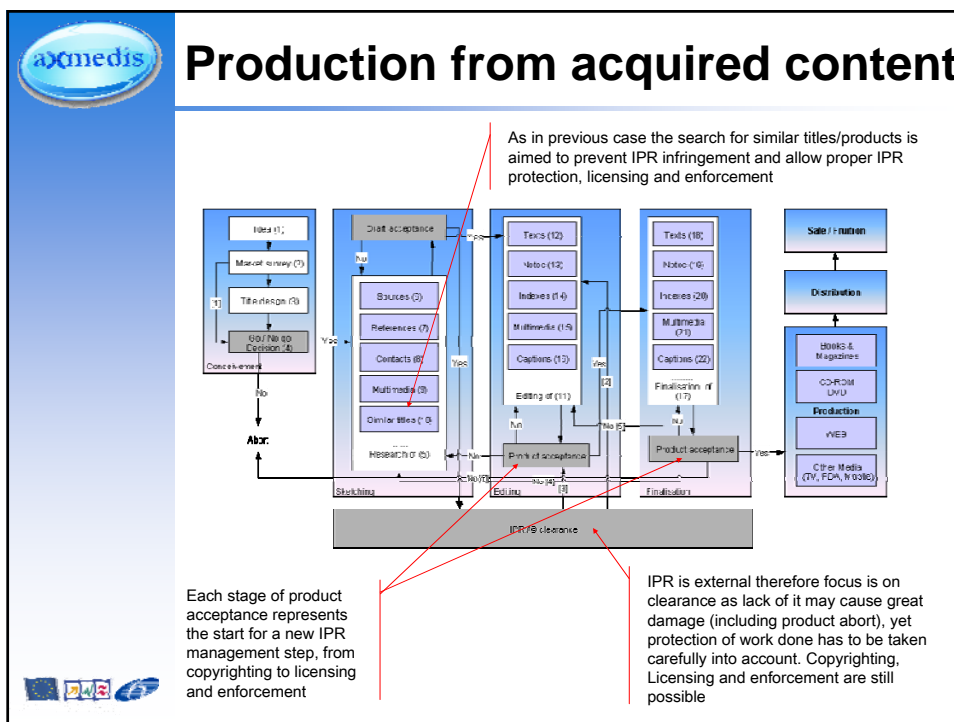
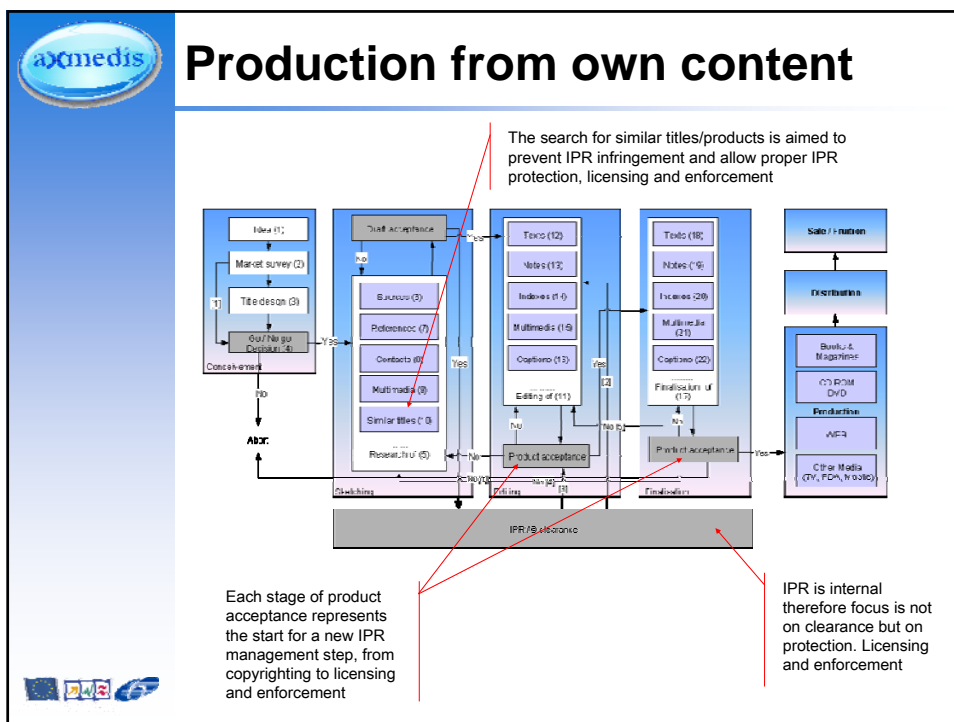
Starting from Own or Acquired Content




Content production – Intro

- **Objectives**
 - ▶ Recall of production process based on own content
 - ▶ Recall of production process based on acquired content
 - ▶ Exposition of differences among the two approaches
- **Outcomes**
 - ▶ AXMEDIS relation to standard content production context know-how










Content production – Detail


From models to tools usage



Content production – Detail



- **Objectives**
 - ▶ Recall of basic & AXMEDIS principles
 - ▶ New tools presentation & location in the process
 - ▶ Hints & suggestions on AXMEDIS content production framework usage
- **Outcomes**
 - ▶ AXMEDIS & MPEG-21 models know-how
 - ▶ AXMEDIS content production know-how
 - ▶ SMIL editing know-how
 - ▶ Content descriptors/fingerprint & metadata usage know-how






AXMEDIS Model – Definitions

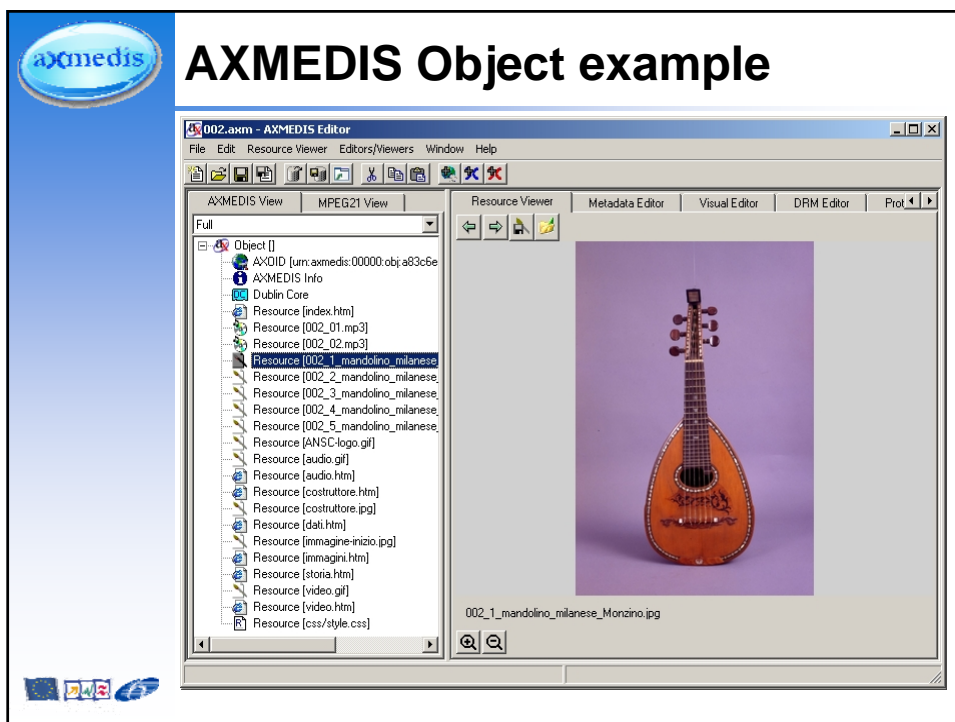
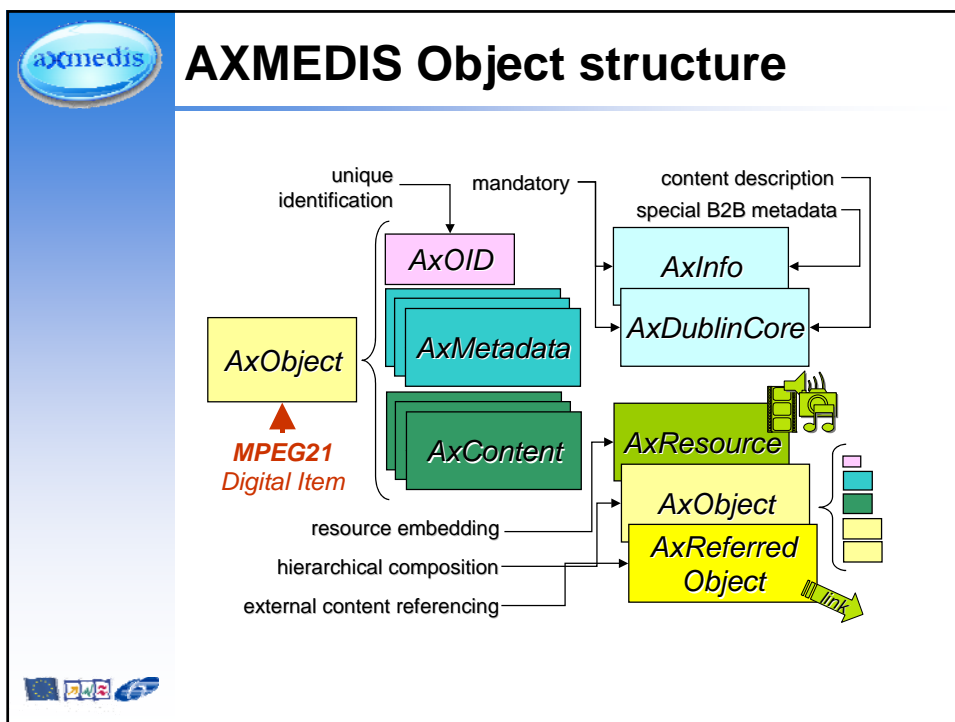
- **AXMEDIS Objects**
 - ▶ MPEG21 Digital Item with a specific structure
 - ▶ Can be protected
 - ▶ Has several kinds of metadata
 - ▶ Can embed or refer resources and other AXMEDIS objects
- **AXMEDIS Objects Kinds**
 - ▶ Basic – with resources and the related metadata
 - ▶ Composite – containing / referencing other Basic or Composite AXMEDIS Objects




AXMEDIS Model – Singularities

- **Structure**
 - ▶ Hierarchical with one level for resources
 - ▶ Hierarchical with more levels for embedded AXMEDIS objects
- **Protection**
 - ▶ Only AXMEDIS Objects can be protected
- **Metadata**
 - ▶ Only AXMEDIS Objects have metadata not their components
 - ▶ AXMEDIS Objects metadata are always accessible










Metadata – AxInfo (I)


- **The AxInfo part of the metadata contains B2B and AXMEDIS specific information like:**
 - ▶ ObjectCreators (ID, Name, Company, Nationality, etc.)
 - ▶ Owner (ID, Company etc.)
 - ▶ Distributor (ID, Name, Company, etc.)
 - ▶ Object version & revision
 - ▶ ObjectStatus, ObjectType
 - ▶ IsPromoOf (AXOIDs)
 - ▶ History of object production



Metadata – AxInfo (II)

- **Furthermor AxInfo contains specific information like:**
 - ▶ Workflow information
 - ▶ Fingerprints algorithms used
 - ▶ Internal Potential Available Rights (the rights owned)
 - ▶ Potential Available Rights (the rights on sell)
 - ▶ Metadata certification and status







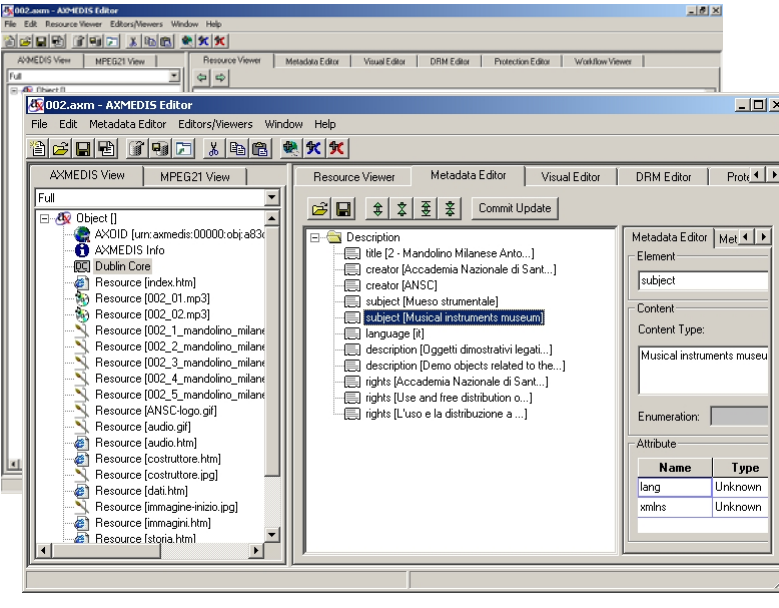
Metadata – Dublin Core (I)

- **Dublin Core Metadata are a standard set of metadata usable for multimedia cataloguing, comprising 15 basic elements:**
 - ▶ title
 - ▶ language
 - ▶ creator
 - ▶ publisher
 - ▶ contributor
 - ▶ rights
 - ▶ description
 - ▶ source
 - ▶ coverage
 - ▶ subject
 - ▶ format
 - ▶ type
 - ▶ date
 - ▶ relation
 - ▶ Identifier

- **Dublin Core Metadata comprises also other and derived elements :**
 - ▶ abstract
 - ▶ audience
 - ▶ available
 - ▶ conformsTo
 - ▶ dateAccepted, ...

Metadata Example (DC)

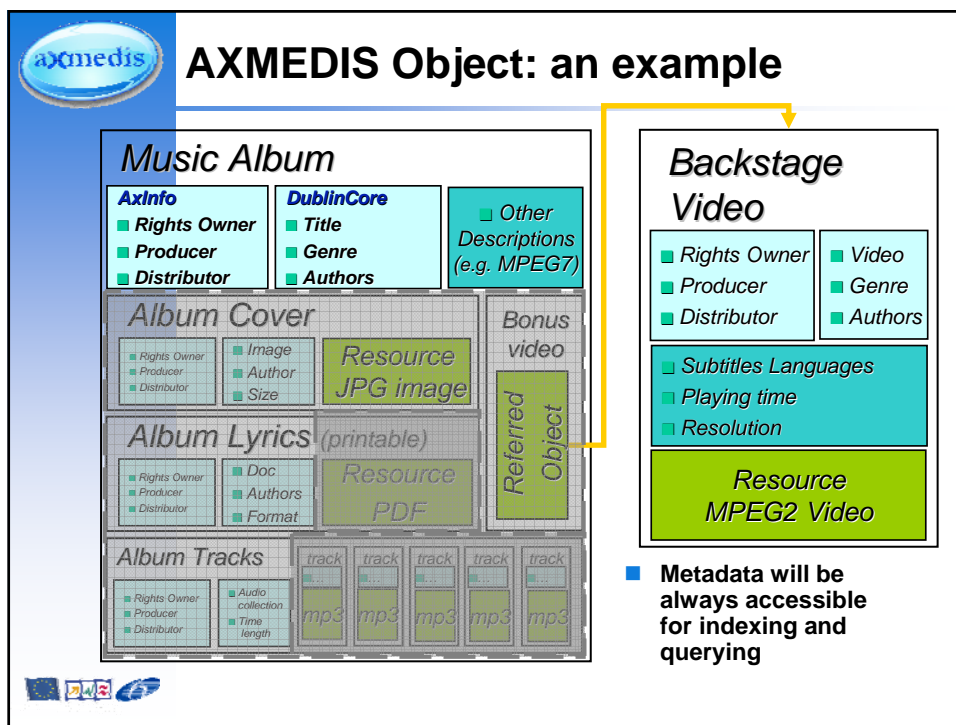
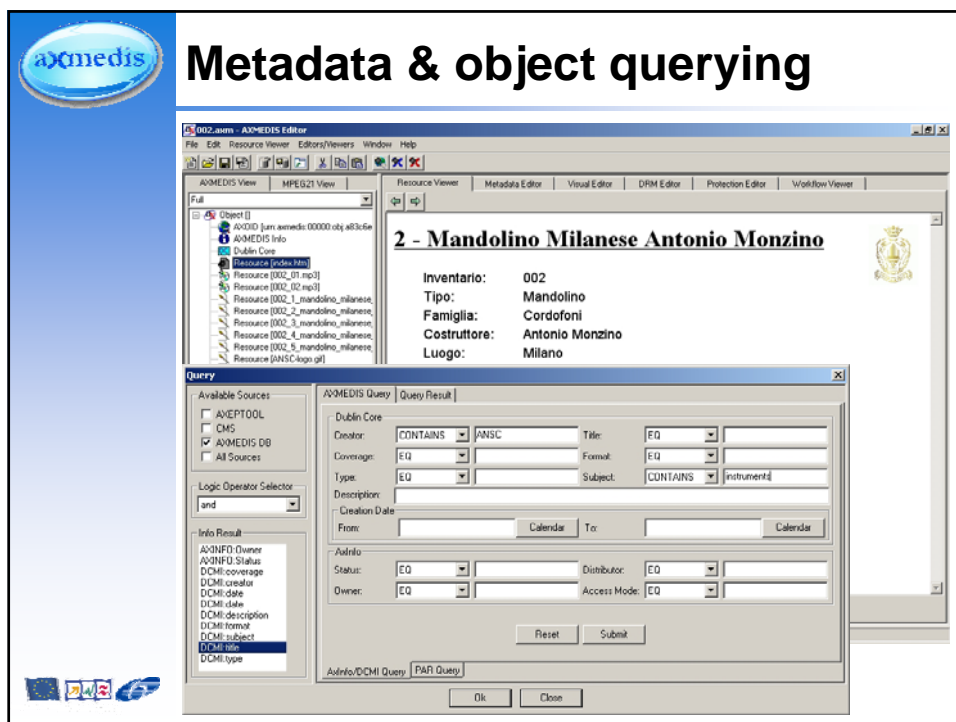


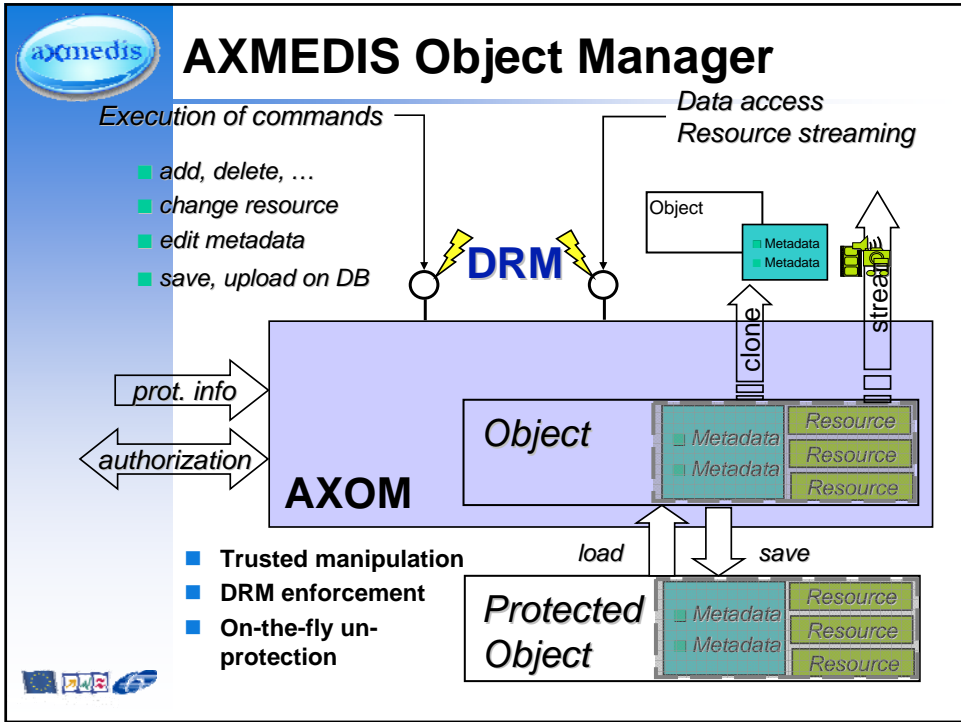
The screenshot shows the AXMEDIS Editor interface. The central metadata editor displays the following Dublin Core metadata:

- title [2 - Mandolino Milanese Antio...]
- creator [Accademia Nazionale di Sant...]
- creator [ANSC]
- subject [Museo strumentale]
- subject [Musical instruments museum]
- language [it]
- description [oggetti dimostrativi legati...]
- description [Demo objects related to the...]
- rights [Accademia Nazionale di Sant...]
- rights [Use and free distribution o...]
- rights [L'uso e la distribuzione a ...]

The right-hand panel shows the 'Attribute' table:


Name	Type
lang	Unknown
xmlns	Unknown





AXMEDIS Tools (I)


Editor, ActiveX and Plug-ins

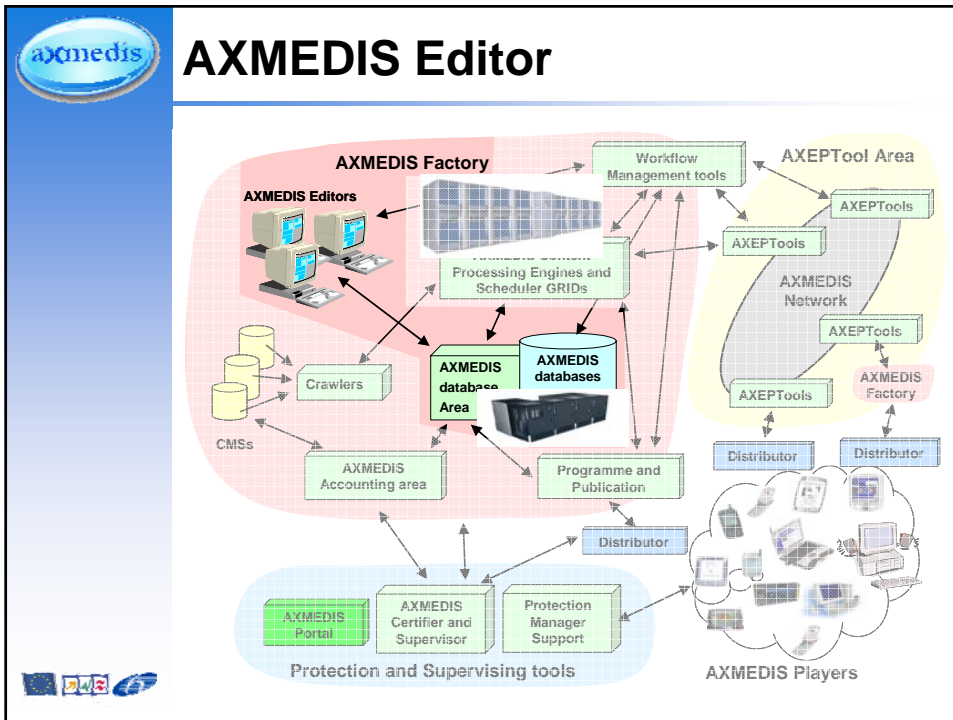



AXMEDIS Editor

- **Objectives**
 - ▶ Definition of AXMEDIS Editing suite
 - ▶ New tools presentation & location in the process

- **Outcomes**
 - ▶ Understanding of AXMEDIS Editor
 - ▶ Usage of AXMEDIS Editor
 - ▶ Embedding Digital Resources know-how
 - ▶ Integration and composition know-how of
 - SMIL
 - HTML
 - MPEG-4....


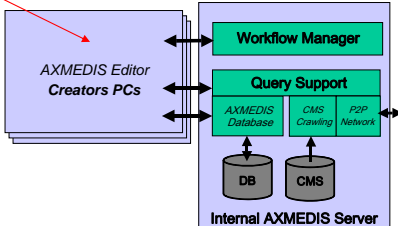







AXMEDIS Editor – Definition

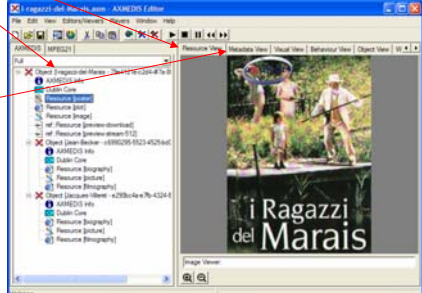
- **The AXMEDIS Editor is an application allowing**
 - ▶ manual production of AXMEDIS objects
 - ▶ inspection of automatically produced objects
 - ▶ finishing AXMEDIS objects pre-produced automatically

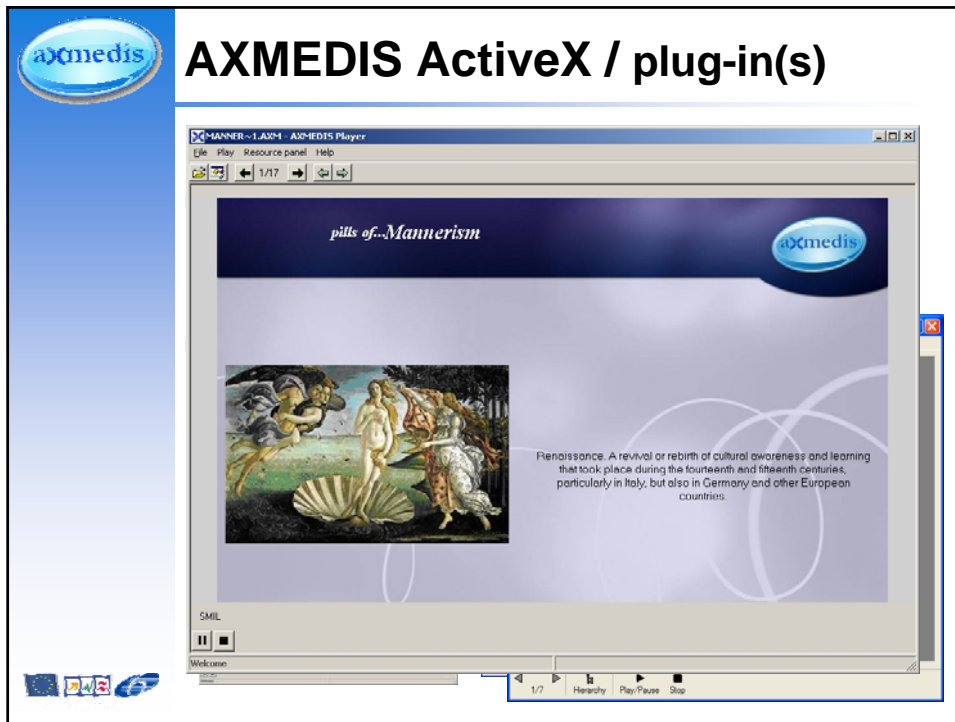






AXMEDIS Editor – Functionalities

- **It integrates many Editors & Viewers to handle all the aspects of the AXMEDIS Objects production**
 - ▶ Resource
 - ▶ DRM
 - ▶ Protection
 - ▶ Presentation
 - ▶ Annotation
 - ▶ Metadata
 - ▶ ...
 - ▶ Workflow










Content Processing usages


- **AXMEDIS objects creation/processing/adaptation**
 - ▶ For audio/video
 - ▶ For multimedia
- **Content and Metadata adaptation/processing**
- **Estimation of descriptors/fingerprinting**
- **Content protection and governance**
- **A combination of all this thanks to integration with**
 - ▶ Workflow
 - ▶ Crawler



Adaptation of audio content



- **Functionalities supported**
 - ▶ Down-sampling
 - ▶ Channel-mixing
 - ▶ MPEG-21 Digital Item adaptation
 - ▶ Adaptation to terminal output capabilities
 - ▶ Selection of a precisely specified file portions
 - ▶ Adaptation to specific user's presentation / rendering preferences
- **Supported formats & codecs**
 - ▶ mp3, wav, aiff, wma...






Multimedia content adaptation

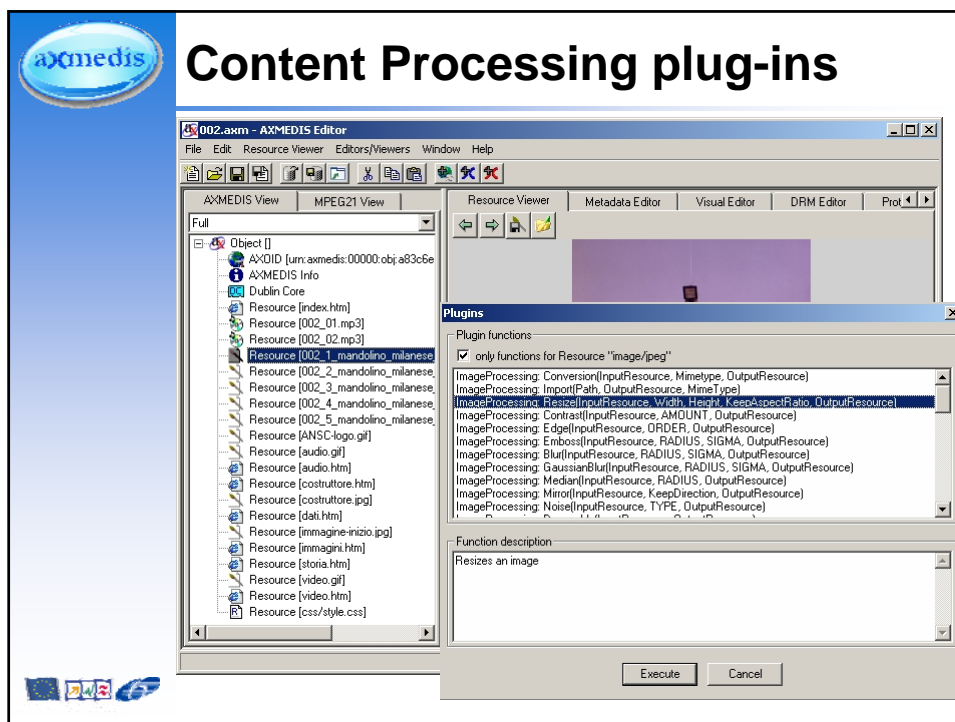
- **Functionalities supported**
 - ▶ Add, remove and delay Media tracks
 - ▶ Extract single track from multimedia files
 - ▶ Conversion between different formats
 - ▶ Concatenation of multimedia files
 - ▶ File splitting by size or time
- **Supported formats**
 - ▶ MPEG-4, MPEG-1/2, JPEG, AVI, BT, XMT, SWF, X3D, SMIL, 3GP...
 - ▶ SRT subtitles...



Usage of Fingerprint


- **To monitor**
 - ▶ Distribution channels
 - ▶ Published content
 - ▶ Acquired content
 - ▶ Distributed content
 - ▶ Used content
- **To detect usage / passage of content by**
 - ▶ Estimating in real time the fingerprint
 - ▶ Searching into the database







Practice section

- **Examples of operations using**
 - ▶ AXMEDIS Editors
 - ▶ Metadata editor
 - ▶ Plug in for processing content
 - ▶ Access to the database
 - ▶ Creation of composed objects
 - Digital resources
 - Formats (SMIL, HTML, ...MPEG-4)
 - Nesting levels
 - ▶ AXMEDIS Players as ActiveX / plug-in(s)




AXMEDIS Content Protection

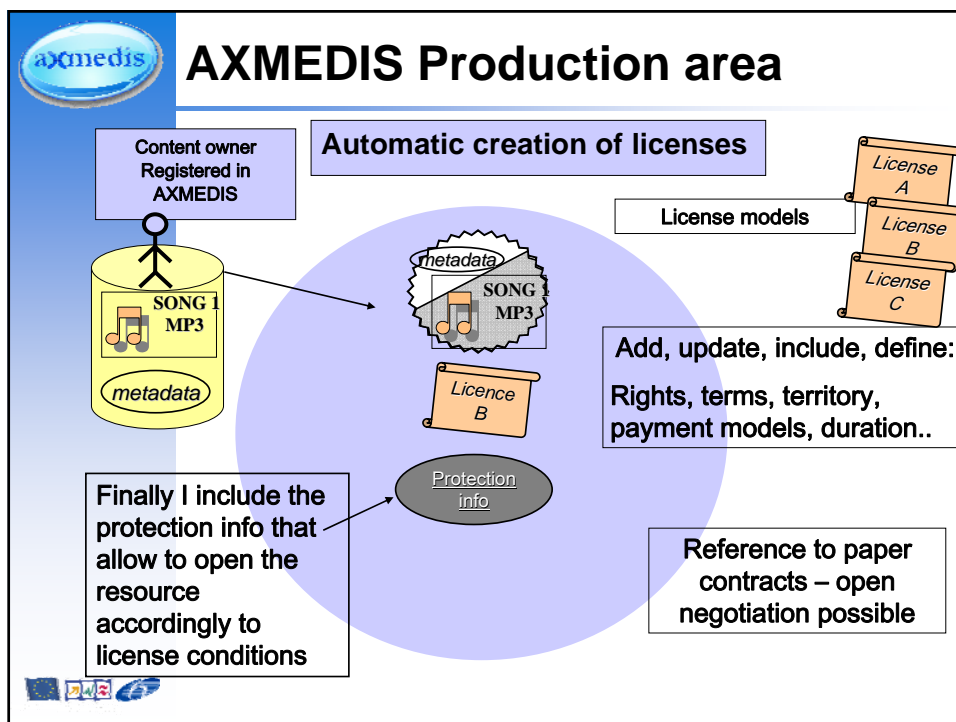
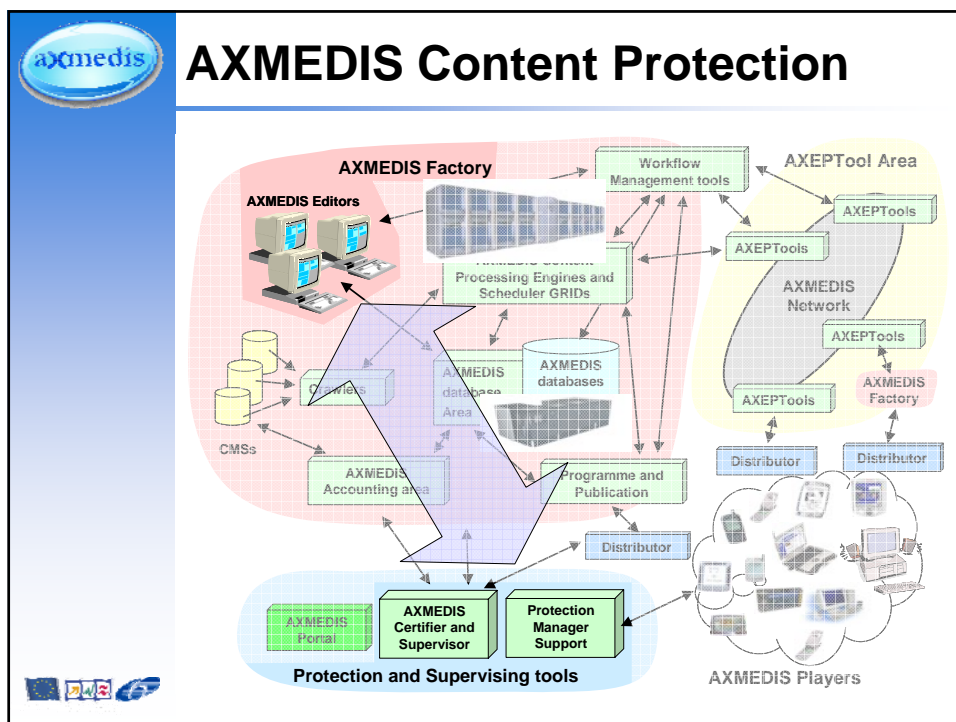
Tools & Methods to grant content tracking & protection

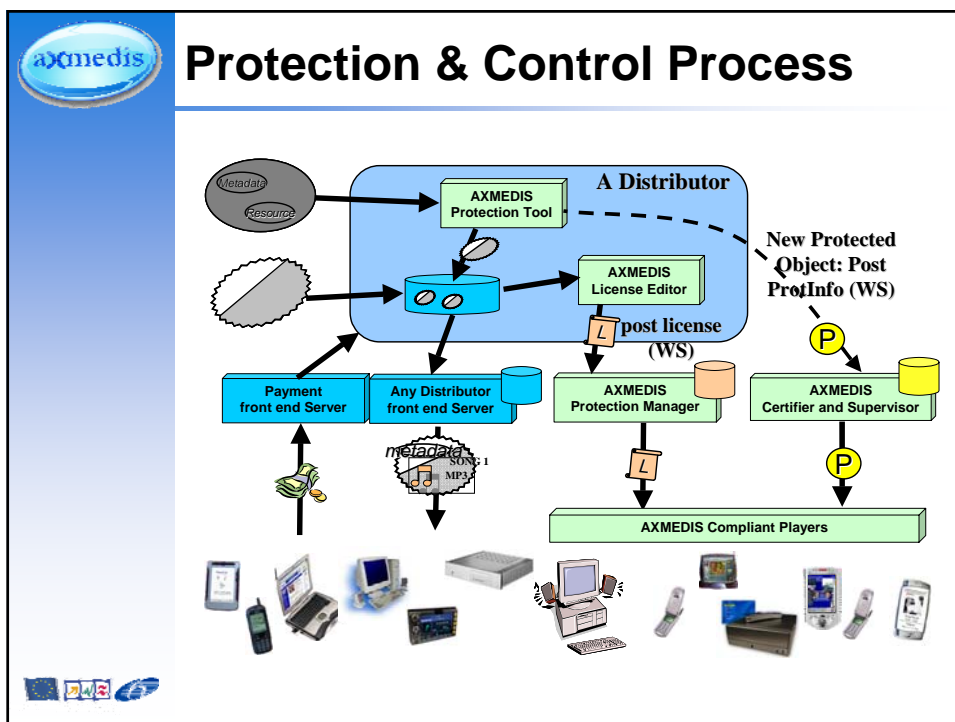
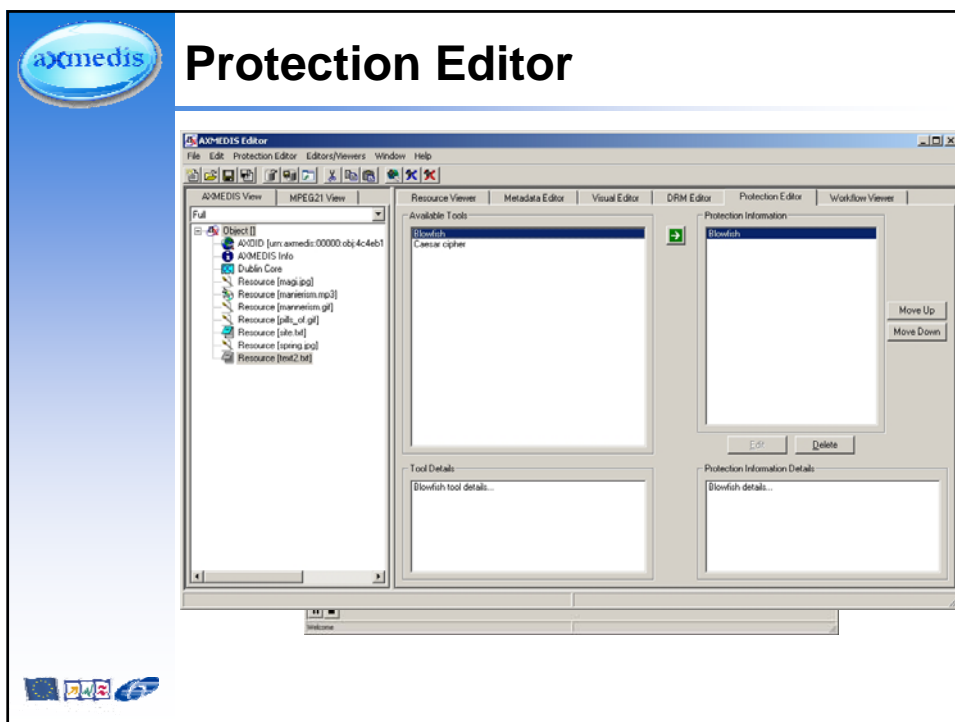



AXMEDIS Content Protection

- **Objectives**
 - ▶ Protecting content
 - ▶ Creating licenses
 - ▶ Using licenses
- **Outcomes**
 - ▶ Protecting content know-how
 - ▶ Creating licenses know-how
 - ▶ Using licenses know-how












Protection Manager Support

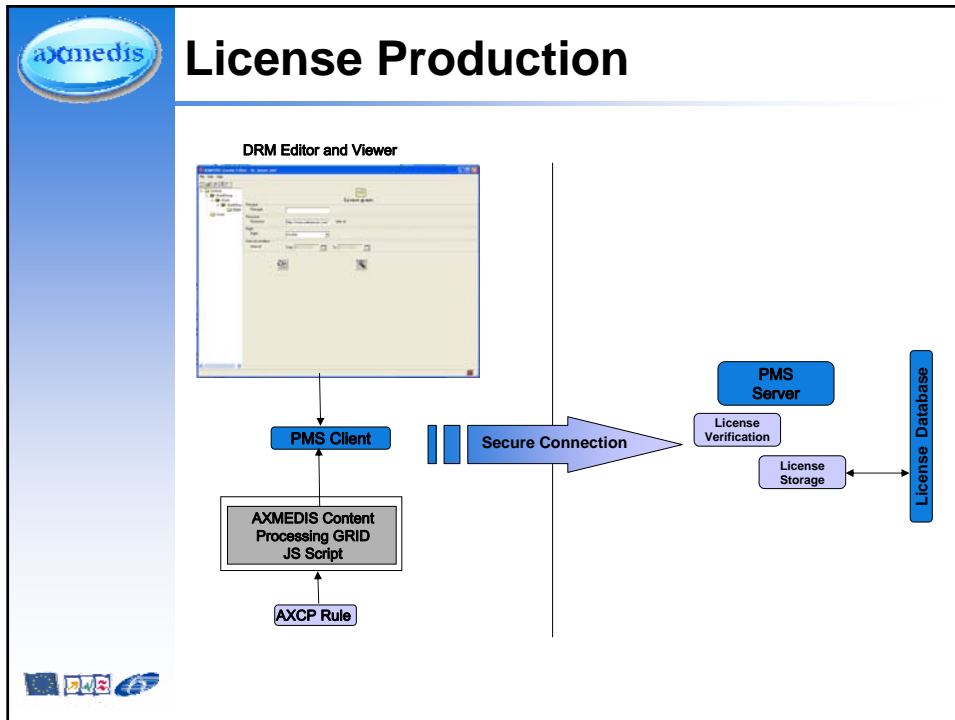
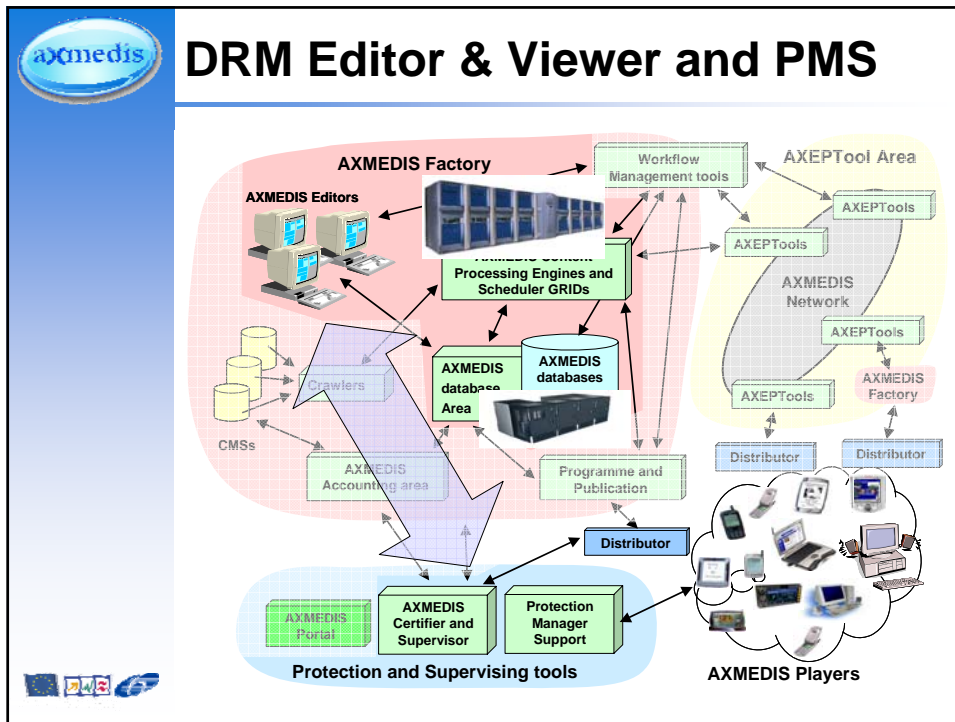
- **Objectives**
 - ▶ Provide the licensing functionality to the system
 - Verification, storage, management, authorisation of user actions
 - ▶ Connect clients to AXMEDIS Certifier and Supervisor through secure channels
 - Keep track of user actions, even off-line
- **Outcomes**
 - ▶ Several levels of control and governance: PMS Client, PMS Domain and PMS Server
 - ▶ Allow on-line and off-line operation to the users





Protection Manager Support

- **PMS Client**
 - ▶ Provide licensing functionality on the client side
 - ▶ Establish secure connection to the PMS Domain / Server
 - ▶ Tracking of user actions for allowing off-line operation
- **PMS Server**
 - ▶ Storage of licenses to be able to verify license chain
 - ▶ Connection to AXMEDIS Certifier and Supervisor for checking off-line user actions, tools certification and verification , etc
- **PMS Domain**
 - ▶ Support for Domains at two levels: Home and Factory

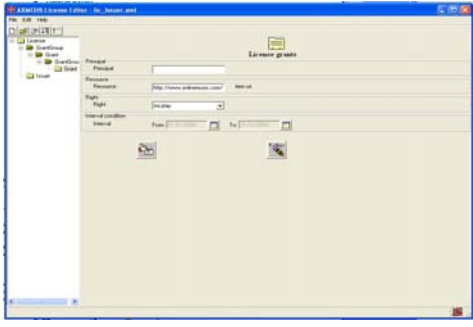







DRM Editor and Viewer

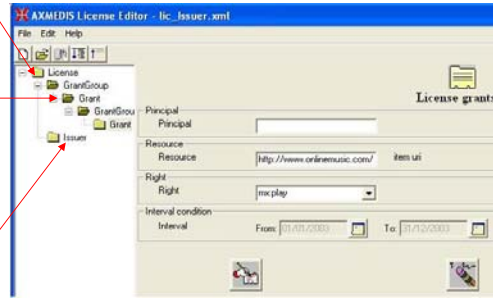
- **Purpose**
 - ▶ Edit and display licenses and Potential Available Rights (PAR)
- **Availability**
 - ▶ Stand-alone application
 - ▶ Integrated into AXMEDIS Editor (PAR Support)





DRM Editor and Viewer

- **License edition**
 - ▶ License root element
- **Permissions**
 - ▶ Grants in MPEG-21 standard nomenclature
- **Issuer**
 - ▶ The one who issues the license (content owner, distributor, etc.)



axmedis **DRM Editor and Viewer**

- **Principal**
 - ▶ The licensee
- **Resource**
 - ▶ Multimedia content
- **Right**
 - ▶ The right given to make use of the resource
- **Conditions**
 - ▶ Time interval
 - ▶ Number of times
 - ▶ Territory
 - ▶ ...

The screenshot shows the 'AXMEDIS License Editor - lic_issuer.xml' window. Red arrows point from the list items to the following fields in the interface:


- 'Principal' points to the 'Principal' field.
- 'Resource' points to the 'Resource' field containing 'http://www.onlinemusic.com/ item uri'.
- 'Right' points to the 'Right' dropdown menu set to 'max play'.
- 'Conditions' points to the 'Interval condition' and 'Interval' fields, which include 'From' and 'To' date pickers.

axmedis **DRM Editor and Viewer and PMS**

The diagram illustrates the workflow:



- The **DRM Editor and Viewer** (represented by a screenshot) sends data to the **PMS Client**.
- The **PMS Client** connects via a **Secure Connection** to the **PMS Server**.
- The **PMS Server** contains **License Verification** and **License Storage** components.
- The **License Storage** component is connected to the **License Database**.

- **Sending license to Protection Manager Support (PMS) Server from DRM Editor and Viewer**
 - ▶ When the license is finished, the PMS Client sends the license through a secure connection to PMS Server
 - ▶ The license is verified against parent license(s) or PAR. If it is valid, then it is stored into License Database
 - ▶ This process can be automatized using JScript rules




Practice section


- **Examples of operations using**
 - ▶ Protection mechanisms
 - ▶ DRM Editor and viewer
 - ▶ Metadata editor
 - ▶ License production and storage
 - ▶ Usage of Protected Objects



AXMEDIS Tools (II)

Content crawling and Focuseek




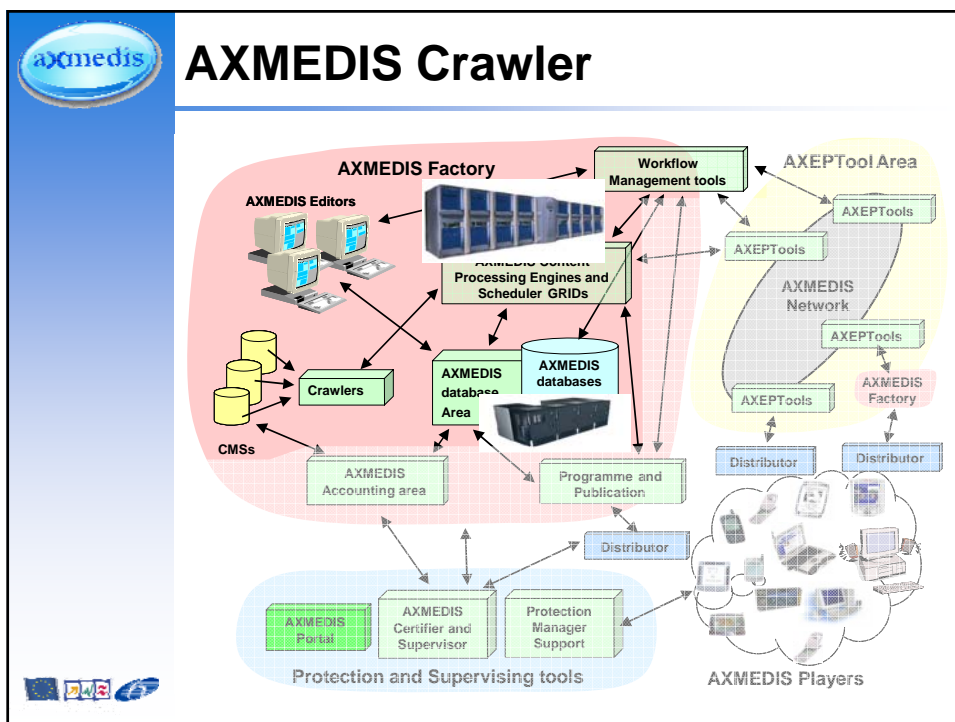



AXMEDIS Crawler

- **Objectives**
 - ▶ Definition of AXMEDIS Crawler
 - ▶ Tool location in the process

- **Outcomes**
 - ▶ Understanding of AXMEDIS Crawler
 - ▶ Usage of AXMEDIS Crawler know-how







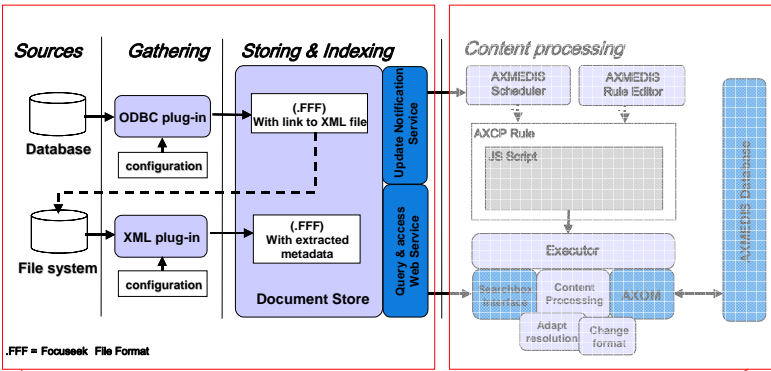


Crawling process

- Objectives
 - ▶ Ingestion into AXMEDIS Database
- Input
 - ▶ List of sources
 - ▶ Definition of Rules & Timers
 - ▶ Supporting scripts
- Output
 - ▶ Ingestion into AXMEDIS Database
 - ▶ Content and Metadata adaptation/processing
 - ▶ Estimation of descriptors/fingerprinting


Crawling & Content processing




.FFF = Focusseek File Format

Crawling is a way to populate AXMEDIS database and can be profitably connected to content processing to maximise benefits



AXMEDIS content processing is a powerful solution to optimise time and resource consumption in relation to repetitive content production operation






AXMEDIS Content Processing

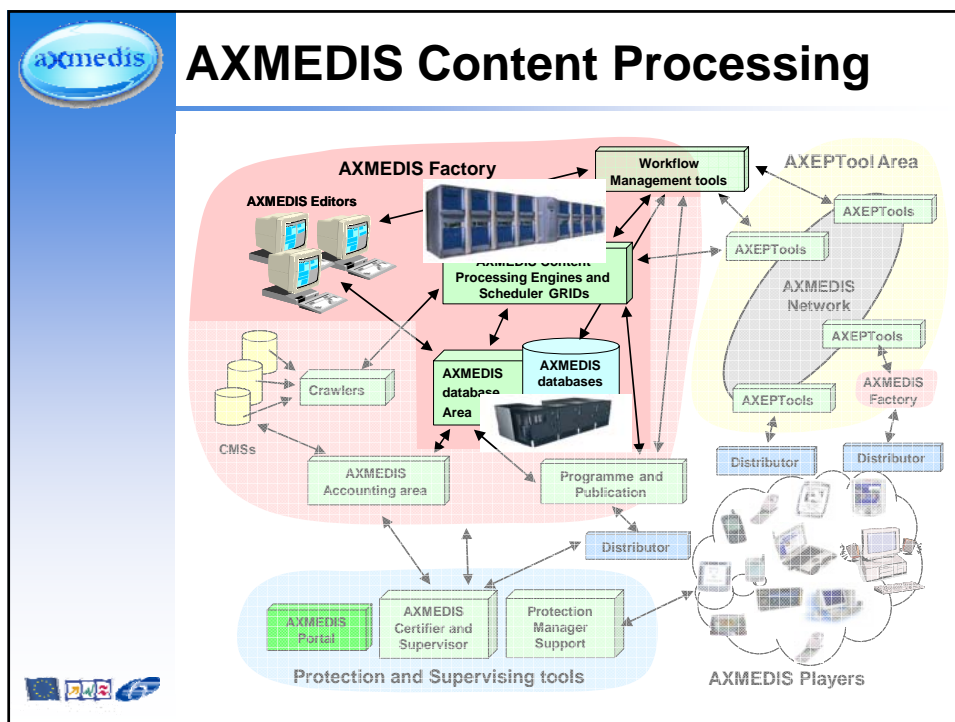
Powerful automation tools for content processing



AXMEDIS Content Processing

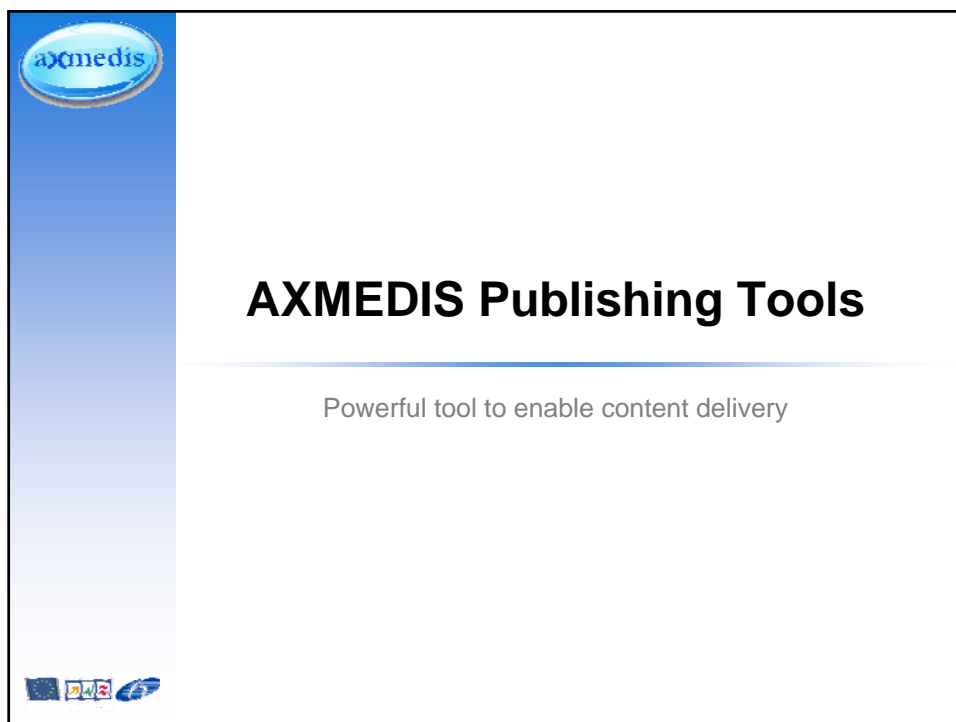
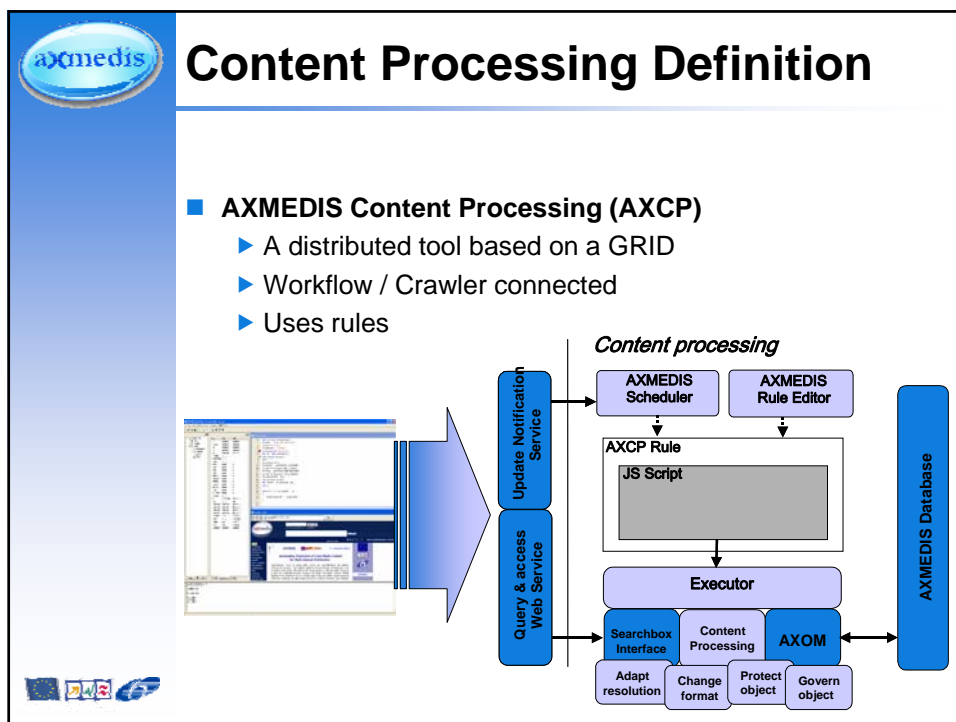
- **Objectives**
 - ▶ Definition of AXMEDIS Content Processing
 - ▶ Tool location in the process
- **Outcomes**
 - ▶ Understanding AXMEDIS Content Processing
 - ▶ Usage of AXMEDIS Content Processing know-how






AXMEDIS Content Processing



- **Objectives**
 - ▶ AXMEDIS objects creation/processing
 - ▶ AXMEDIS objects transcoding/adaptation
- **Input**
 - ▶ Definition of Rules & Timers
 - ▶ Supporting scripts
- **Output**
 - ▶ AXMEDIS objects creation/processing/adaptation
 - ▶ Estimation of descriptors/fingerprinting
 - ▶ Content and Metadata adaptation/processing






AXMEDIS Publishing Tools

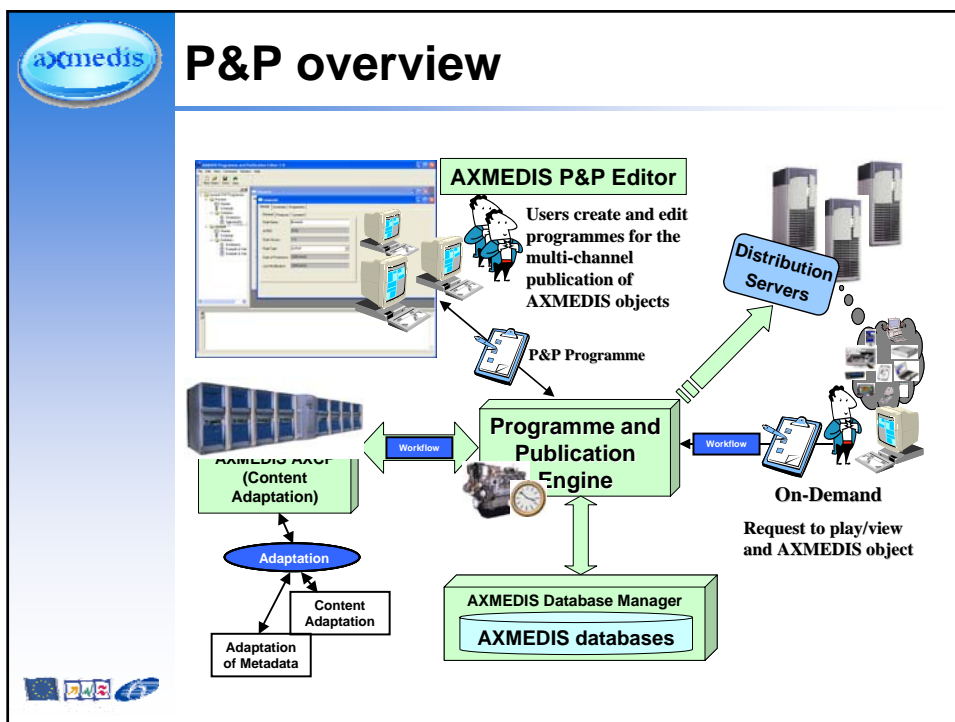
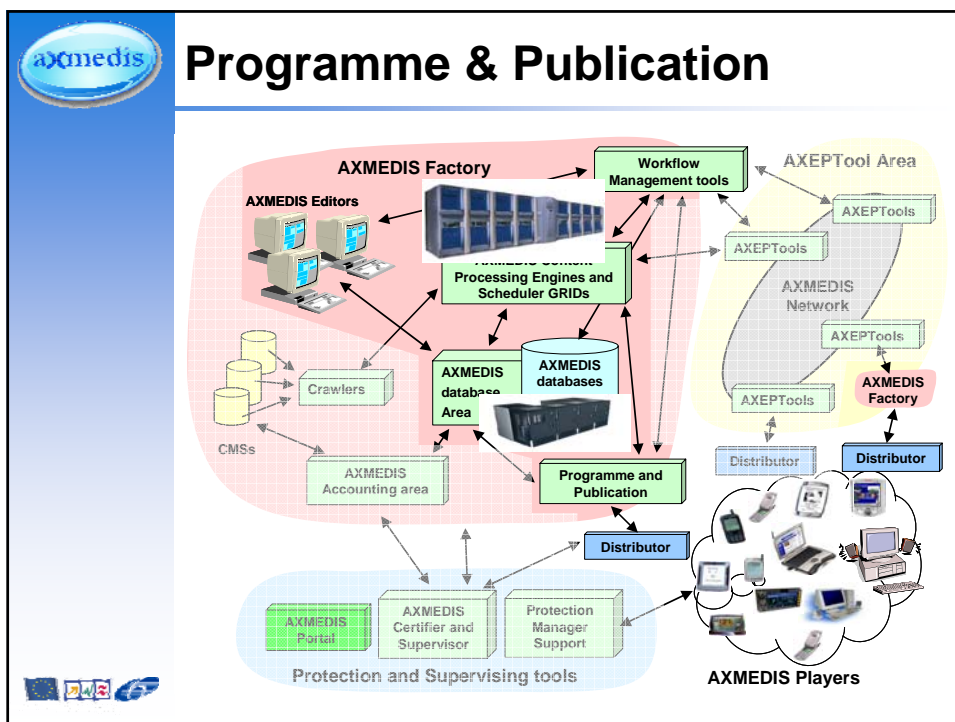
- **Objectives**
 - ▶ Introduce AXMEDIS publishing tools
 - ▶ Explain their relation with the content production chain
- **Outcomes**
 - ▶ Understanding of Programme & Publication (P&P)
 - ▶ Understanding of AXMEDIS Query on demand
 - ▶ Understanding of AXMEDIS distribution mechanism




Introduction to P&P

- **Aim**
 - ▶ Operations and applications of the P&P area
 - AXMEDIS P&P programmes: create, edit, test, activate
 - multi-channel distributions
- **Overview**
 - ▶ P&P Area within the AXMEDIS architecture
 - ▶ Tools and functionalities
 - ▶ P&P Editor
 - ▶ Create and edit a P&P programme
 - ▶ "Test", "Activate" or "Stop" a P&P programme
 - ▶ AXMEDIS P&P Engine and P&P Engine Monitor
 - ▶ "On-Demand" requests

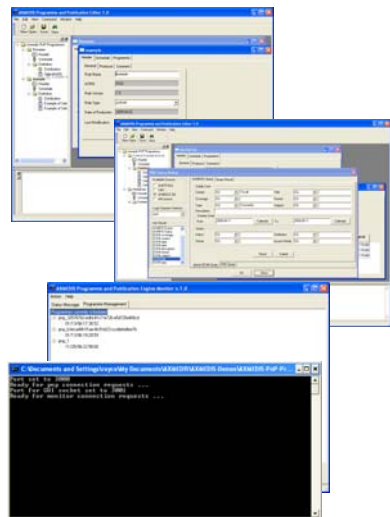





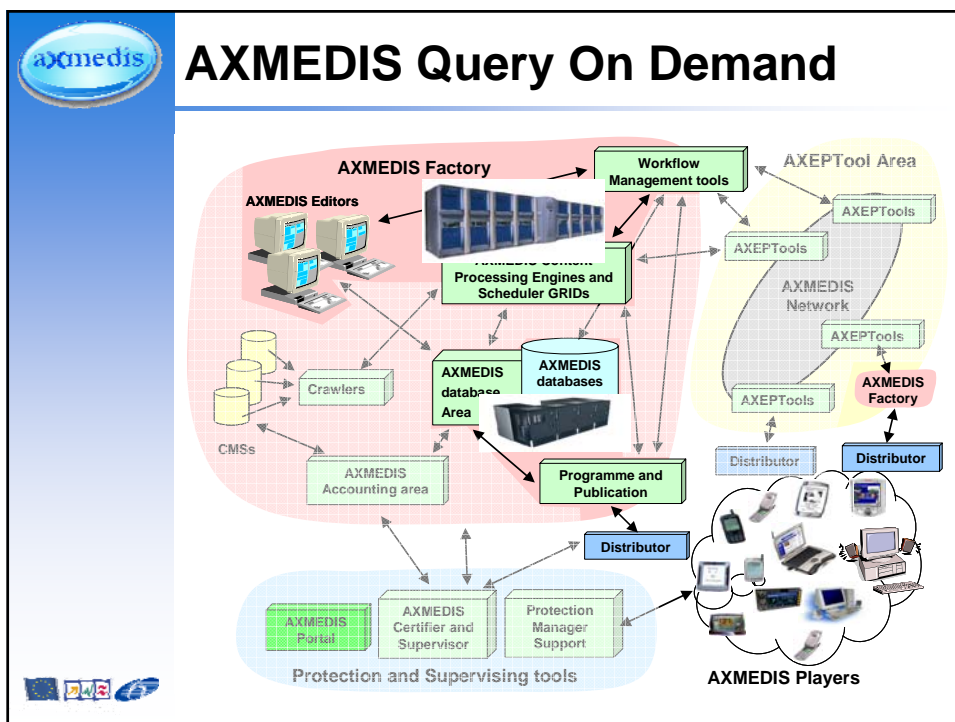



P&P Area Tools

- **AXMEDIS Programme and Publication**
 - ▶ P&P Programme Editor (GUI)
 - Editing
 - Search (P2P, AXDB)
 - Testing and Activating
 - Quick test; Full test
 - ▶ P&P Engine
 - Links to AXMEDIS Content Processing area
 - Links to the AXMEDIS Distribution Servers
 - GUI monitor
- **On-Demand**










Query On Demand

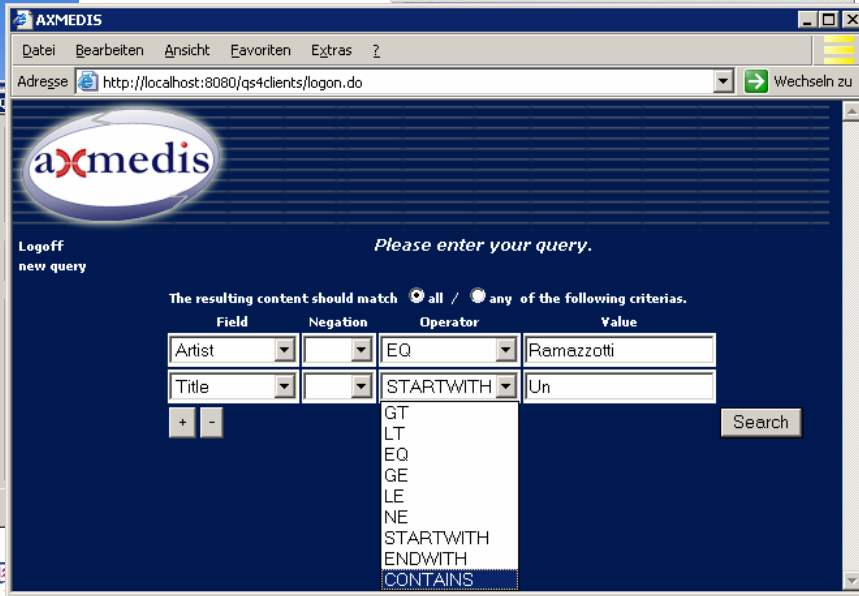
- **The actor wants to select and download specific content according to his wishes, e.g. based on**
 - ▶ Artist
 - ▶ Title
 - ▶ Year of publication

- **AXMEDIS provides a simple search mechanism**
 - ▶ Simple queries are enriched using information about the client device and the distribution channel
 - ▶ User can select a specific content or refine the query

- **The P&P Engine adapts On-Demand content to fit with the user's device (client profile)**
 - ▶ Content is produced on demand based on client and distribution profile
 - ▶ Content is downloaded and played on the client device





Querying



Logoff
new query



The resulting content should match all / any of the following criterias.

Field	Negation	Operator	Value
Artist	<input type="checkbox"/>	EQ	Ramazzotti
Title	<input type="checkbox"/>	STARTWITH	Un
+ -		GT LT EQ GE LE NE STARTWITH ENDWITH CONTAINS	Search




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