



AXMEDIS Content Management

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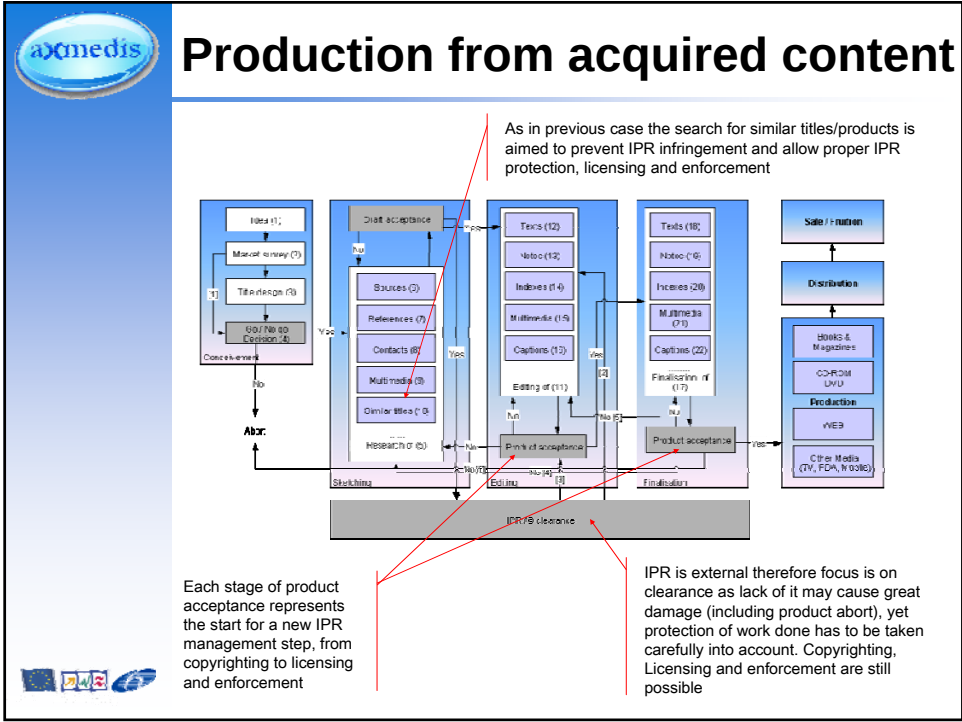
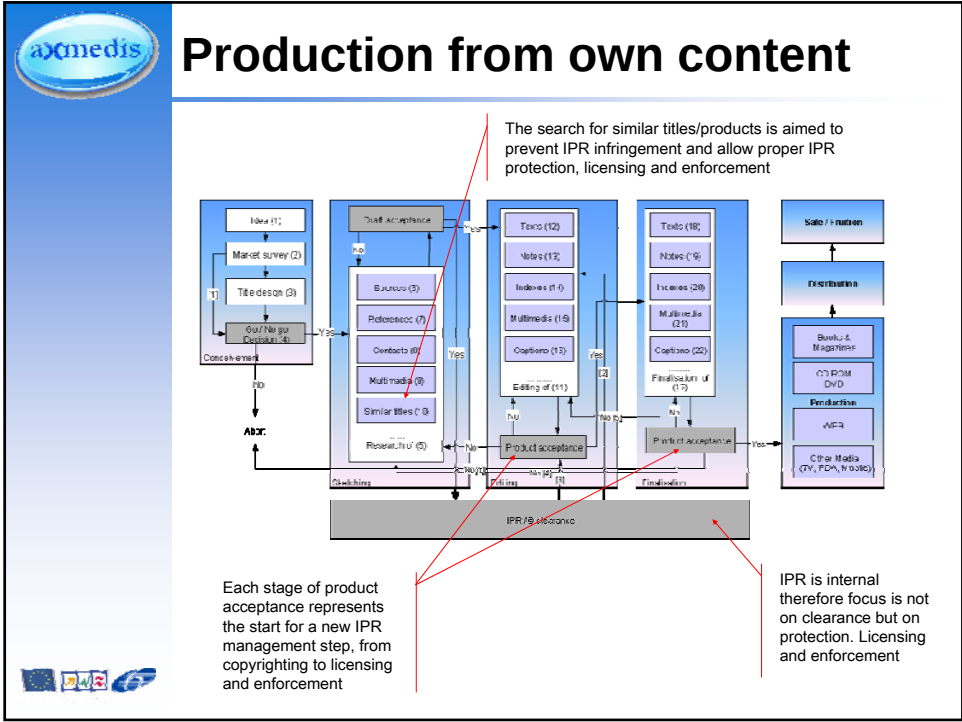




Content production – Intro

Content Production & AXMEDIS







Content production – Detail

From models to tools usage



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

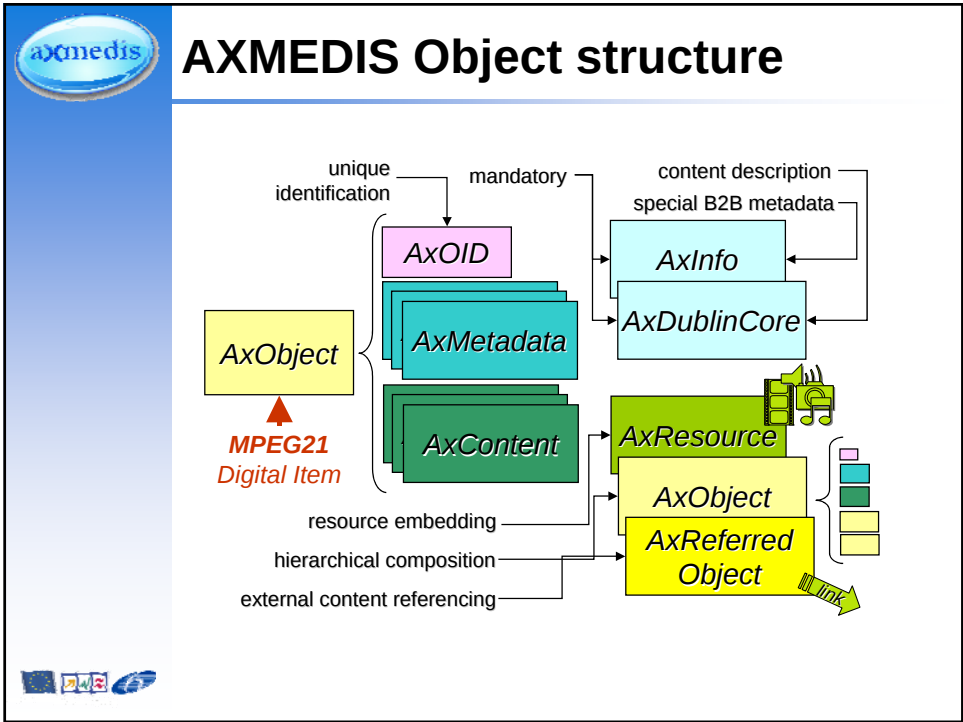


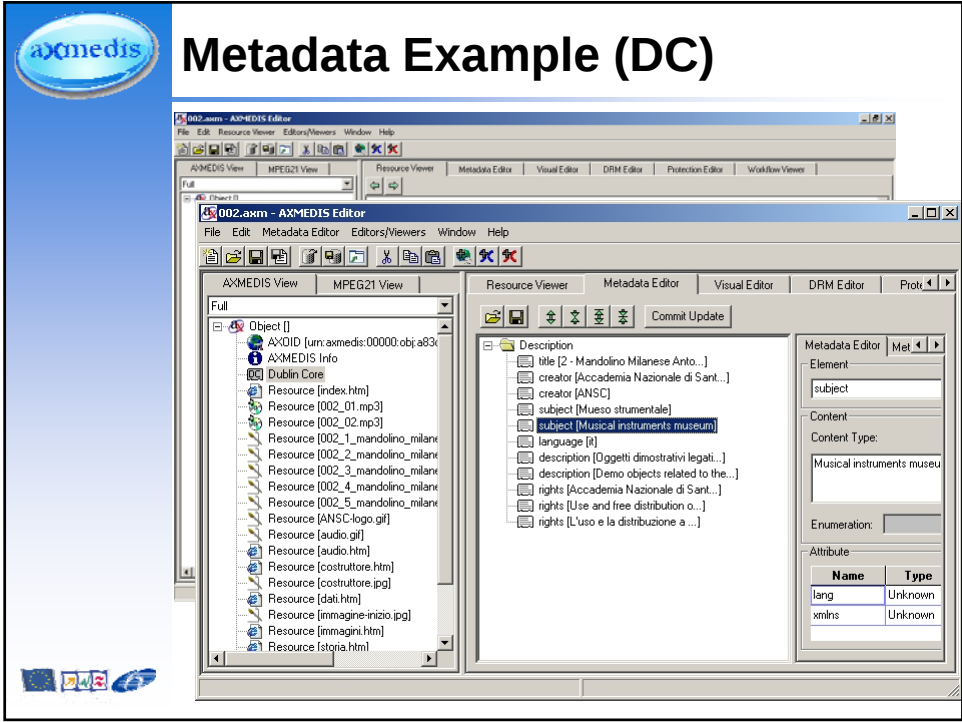
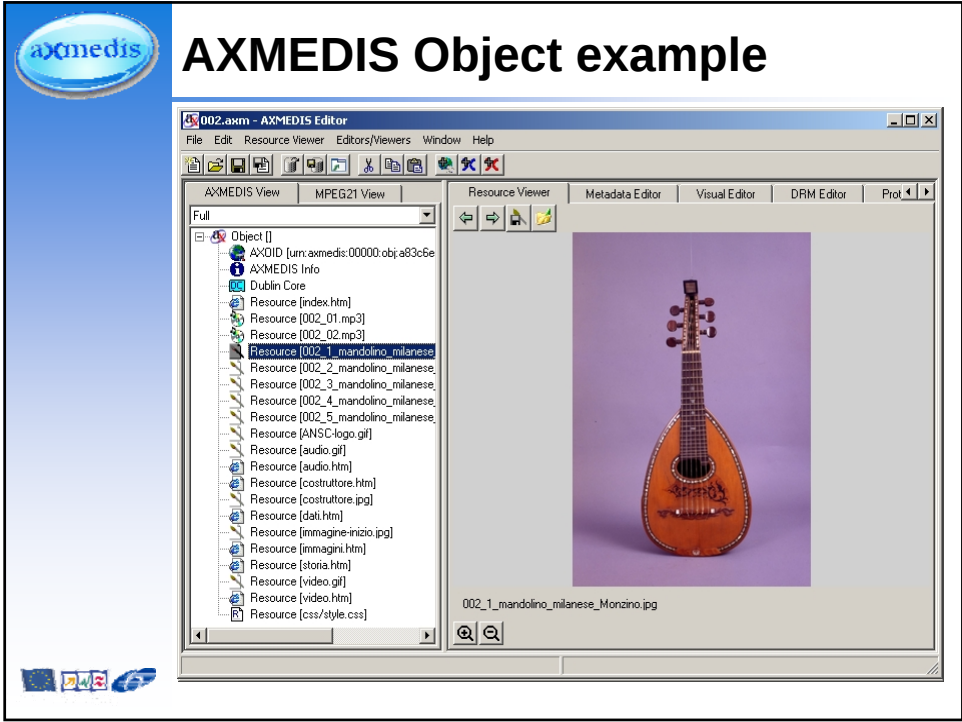


AXMEDIS Model – Singularities

- **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

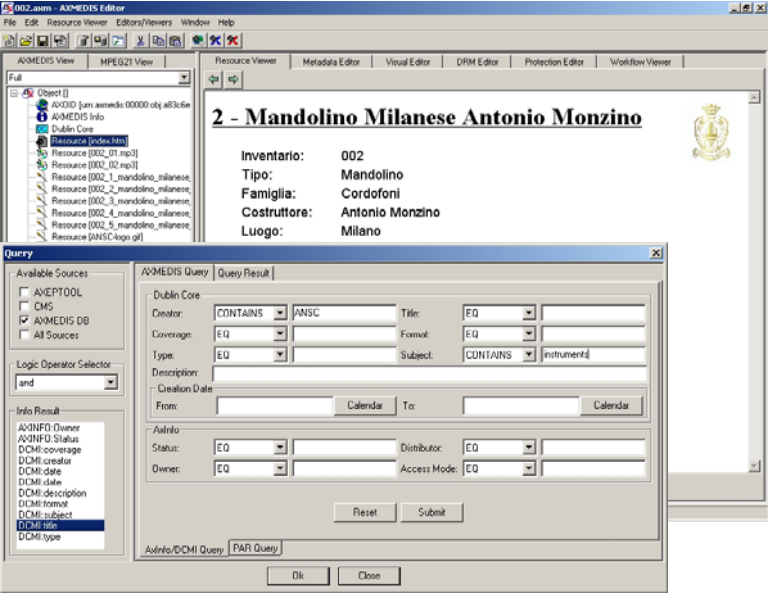








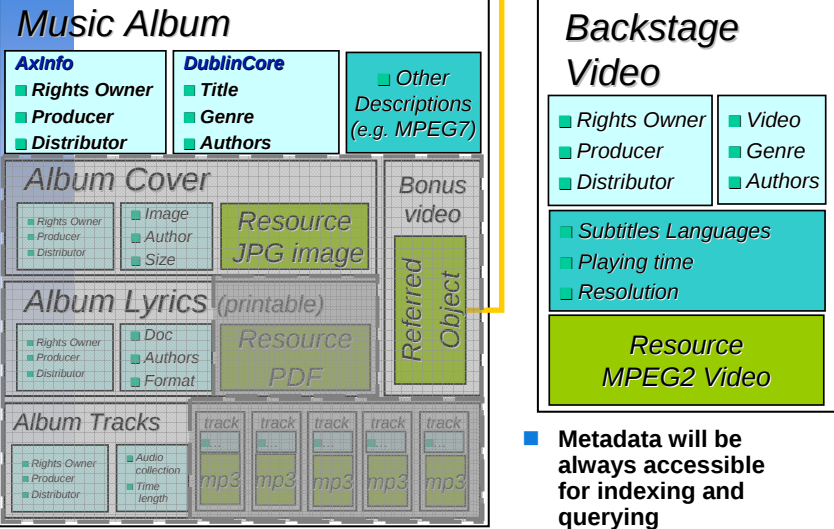
Metadata & object querying



The screenshot shows the AXMEDIS Editor application. The main window displays a metadata entry for a mandolin, titled "2 - Mandolino Milanese Antonio Monzino". The entry includes fields for Inventario (002), Tipo (Mandolino), Famiglia (Cordofoni), Costruttore (Antonio Monzino), and Luogo (Milano). A "Query" window is open in the foreground, showing a query builder interface with various filters and operators.



AXMEDIS Object: an example



The diagram illustrates the structure of an AXMEDIS Object. It is divided into two main sections: "Music Album" and "Backstage Video".

Music Album

- AxInfo**
 - Rights Owner
 - Producer
 - Distributor
- DublinCore**
 - Title
 - Genre
 - Authors
- Other Descriptions (e.g. MPEG7)**
- Album Cover**
 - Rights Owner
 - Producer
 - Distributor
 - Image
 - Author
 - Size
- Album Lyrics (printable)**
 - Rights Owner
 - Producer
 - Distributor
 - Doc
 - Authors
 - Format
- Album Tracks**
 - Rights Owner
 - Producer
 - Distributor
 - Audio collection
 - Time length
- Resource**
 - JPG image
 - PDF
- Bonus video**
- Referred Object**

Backstage Video

- Rights Owner**
- Producer**
- Distributor**
- Video**
- Genre**
- Authors**
- Subtitles Languages**
- Playing time**
- Resolution**
- Resource**
 - MPEG2 Video

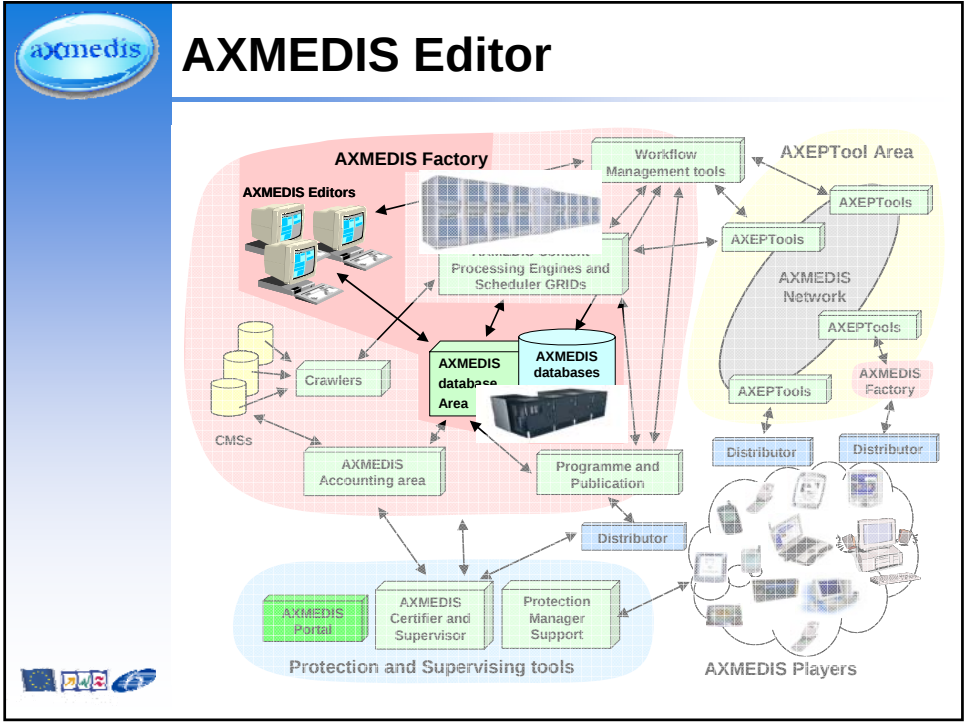
■ Metadata will be always accessible for indexing and querying



AXMEDIS Tools (I)

Editor, ActiveX and Plug-ins

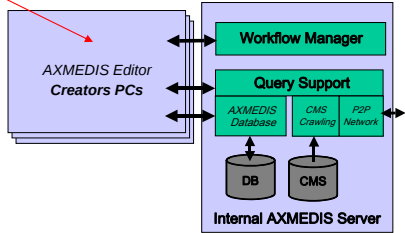
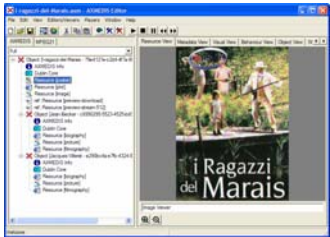






AXMEDIS Editor – Definition

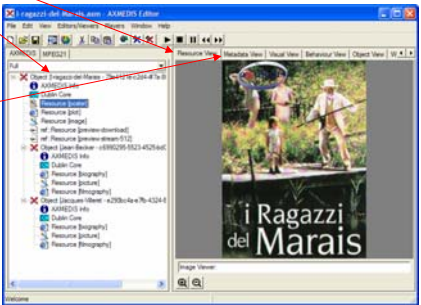
- The AXMEDIS Editor is an application allowing
 - ▶ manual production of AXMEDIS objects
 - ▶ inspection of automatically produced objects
 - ▶ finishing AXMEDIS objects pre-produced automatically

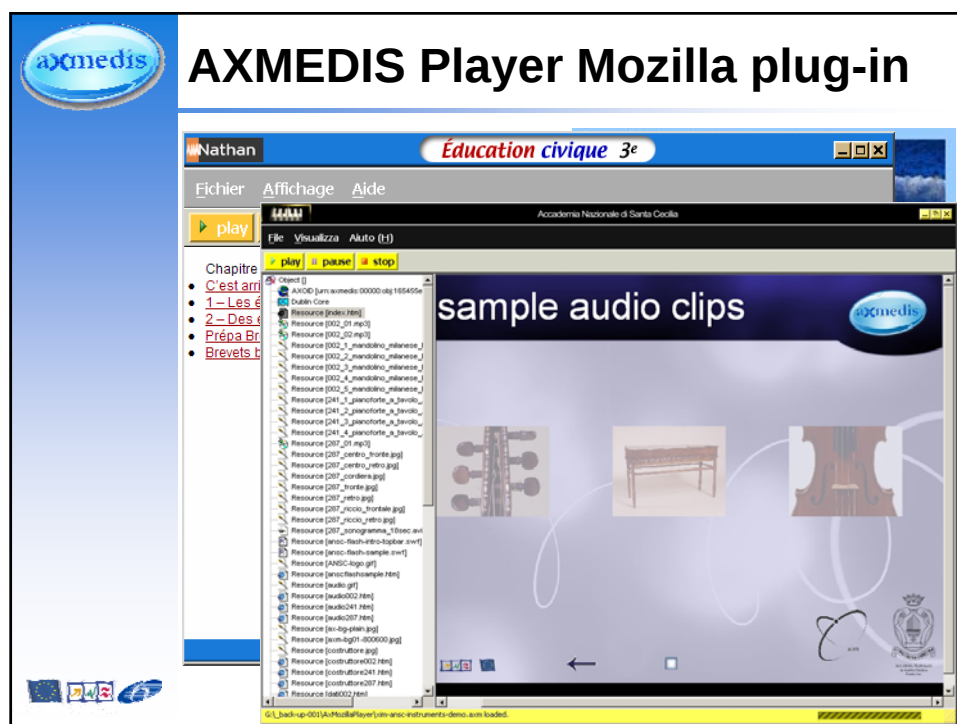




AXMEDIS Editor – Functionalities

- 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-21Digital 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

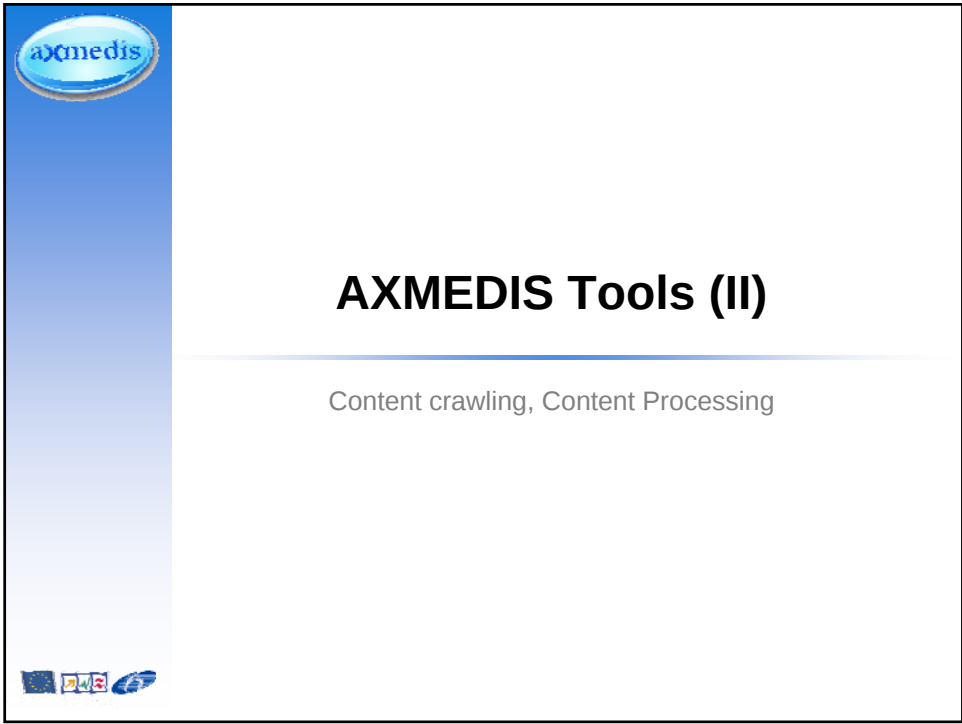
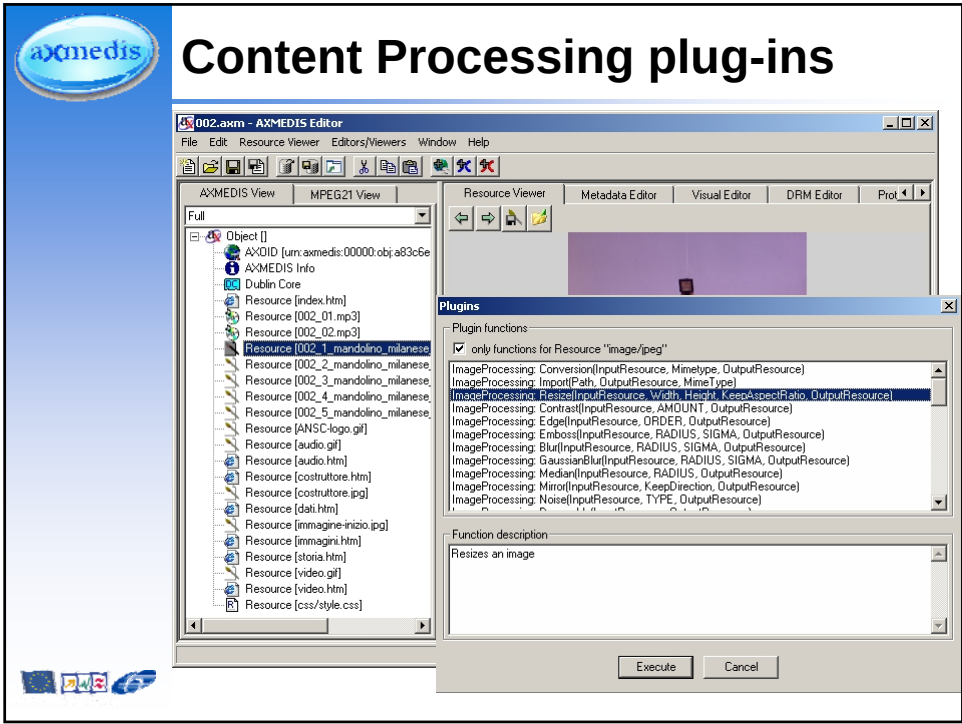
- **Functionalities supported**
 - ▶ Add, remove and delay Media tracks
 - ▶ Extract single track from multimedia files
 - ▶ Conversion between different formats
 - ▶ Concatenation of multimedia files
 - ▶ File splitting by size or time
- **Supported formats**
 - ▶ MPEG-4, MPEG-1/2, JPEG, AVI, BT, XMT,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

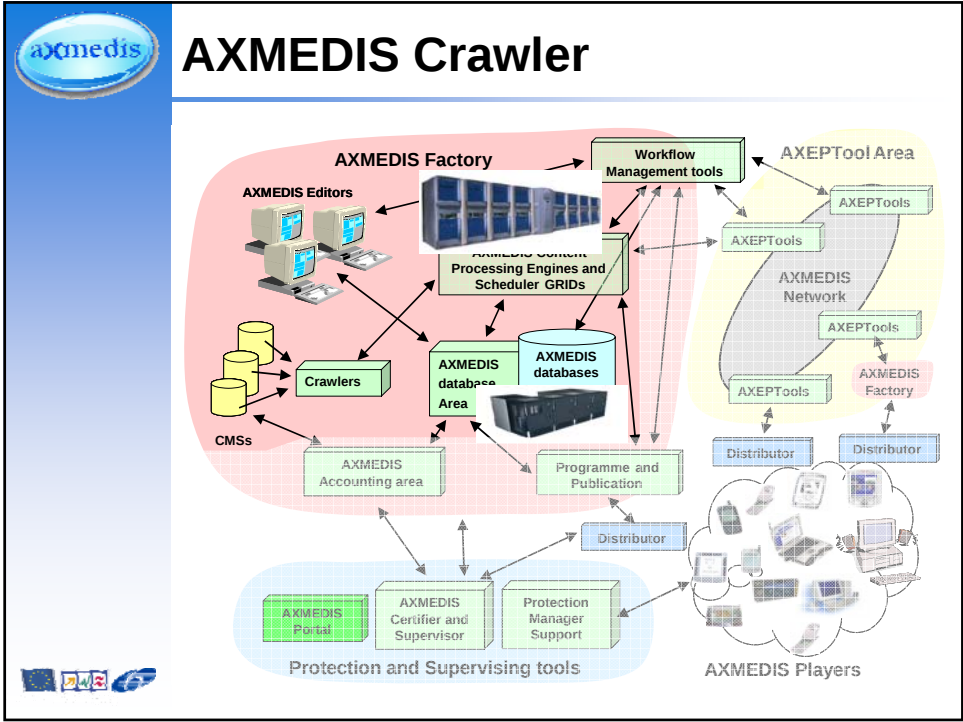


Usage of Fingerprint

- **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

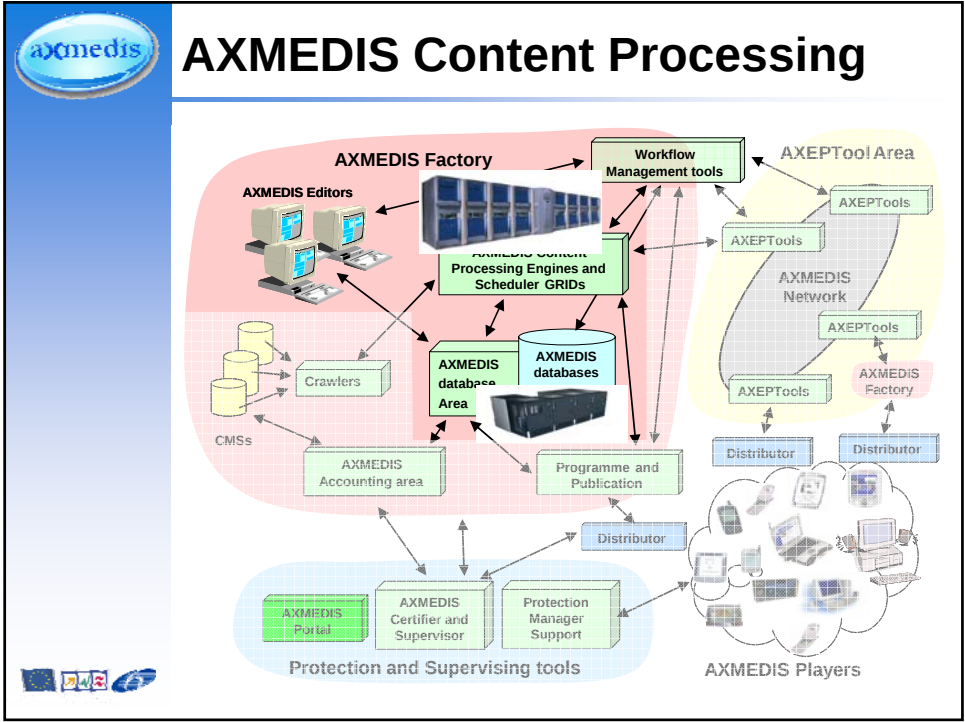
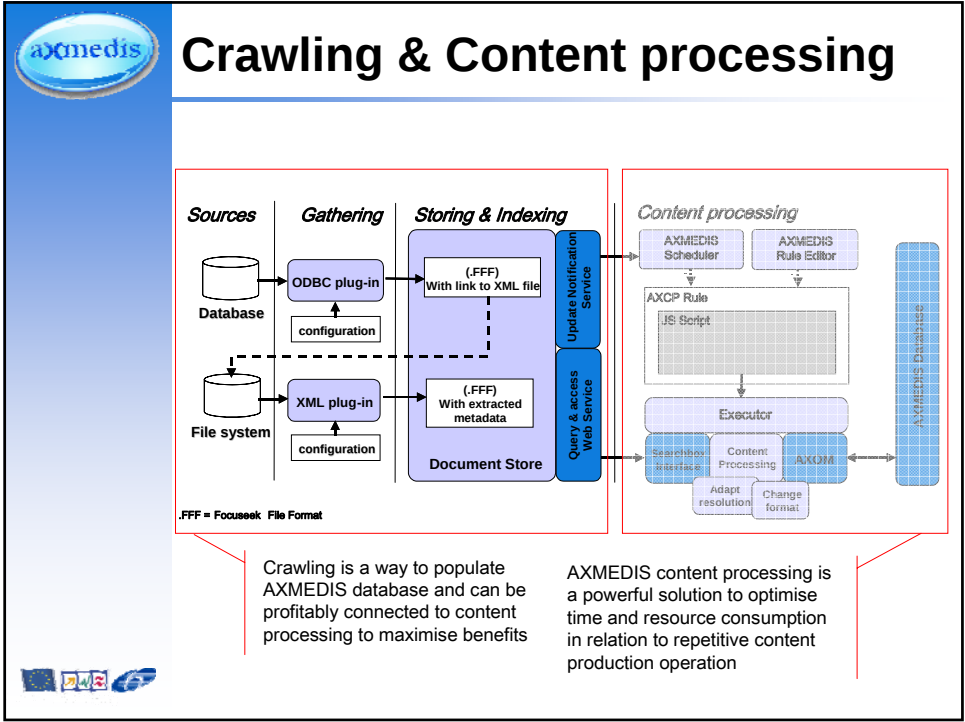






Crawling process

- **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





Content Processing

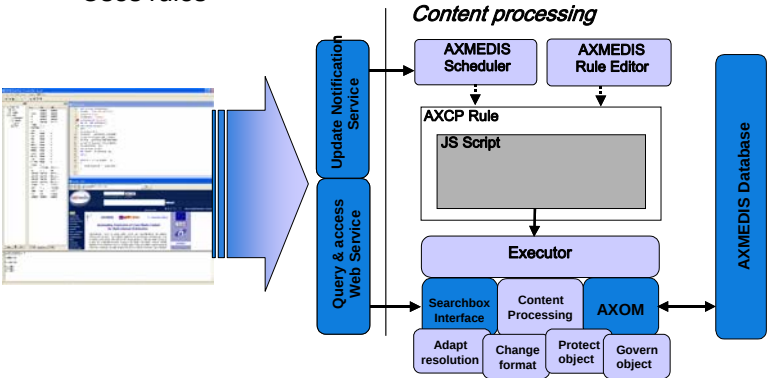
- Objectives
 - ▶ AXMEDIS objects creation/processing
 - ▶ AXMEDIS objects transcoding/adaptation
- Input
 - ▶ Definition of Rules & Timers
 - ▶ Supporting scripts
- Output
 - ▶ AXMEDIS objects creation/processing/adaptation
 - ▶ Estimation of descriptors/fingerprinting
 - ▶ Content and Metadata adaptation/processing





Content Processing Definition

- AXMEDIS Content Processing (AXCP)
 - ▶ A distributed tool based on a GRID
 - ▶ Workflow / Crawler connected
 - ▶ Uses rules



The diagram illustrates the AXCP architecture. On the left, a screenshot of a web interface is shown. A large blue arrow points from this interface to a central vertical bar containing two boxes: 'Update Notification Service' (top) and 'Query & access Web Service' (bottom). To the right of this bar, under the heading 'Content processing', is a flowchart. It starts with 'AXMEDIS Scheduler' and 'AXMEDIS Rule Editor' at the top, both pointing to an 'AXCP Rule' box which contains a 'JS Script'. This box points to an 'Executor' box. Below the 'Executor' is a row of four boxes: 'Searchbox Interface', 'Content Processing', 'AXOM', and 'AXMEDIS Database'. Arrows connect 'Searchbox Interface' to 'Content Processing', 'Content Processing' to 'AXOM', and 'AXOM' to 'AXMEDIS Database'. Below 'Searchbox Interface' are four smaller boxes: 'Adapt resolution', 'Change format', 'Protect object', and 'Govern object', all pointing up to 'Searchbox Interface'. The 'AXMEDIS Database' is a tall vertical box on the far right.





Complex Scenarios

- **Accademia Nazionale di Santa Cecilia,**
<http://www.santacecilia.it>
- **Dipartimento Sistemi ed Informatica (Unifi)**
<http://www.axmedis.org>
- **Examples:**
 - ▶ Crawling from TISCALI MediaClub CMS (DSI)
 - ▶ Content gathering from file system (ANSC)
 - ▶ Automatic production of SMIL representation (ANSC)
 - ▶ Automatic formatting of content (DSI)



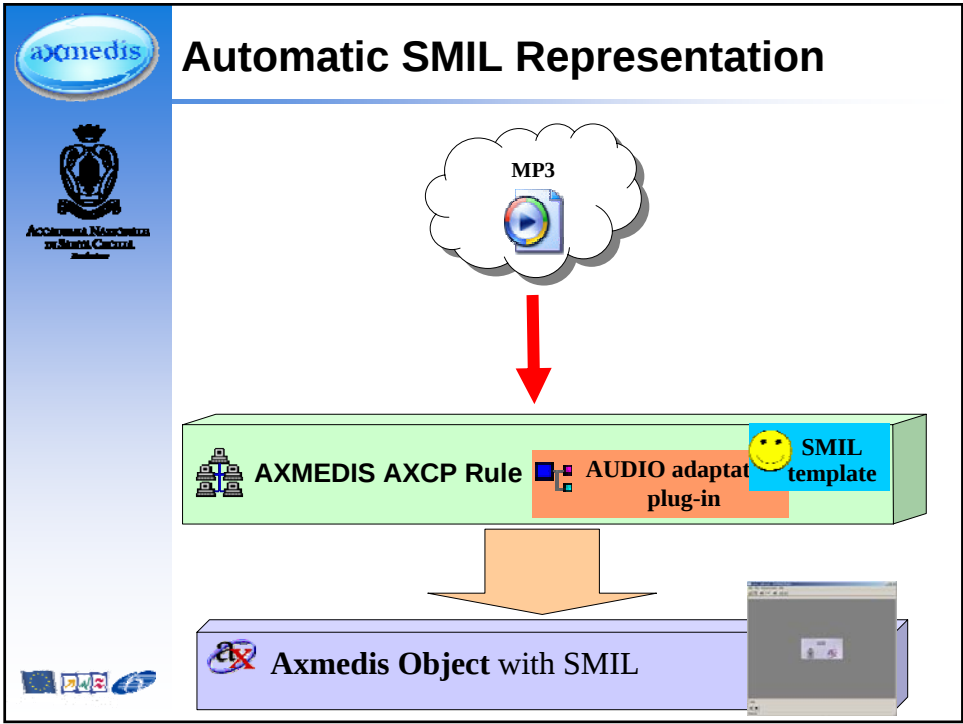
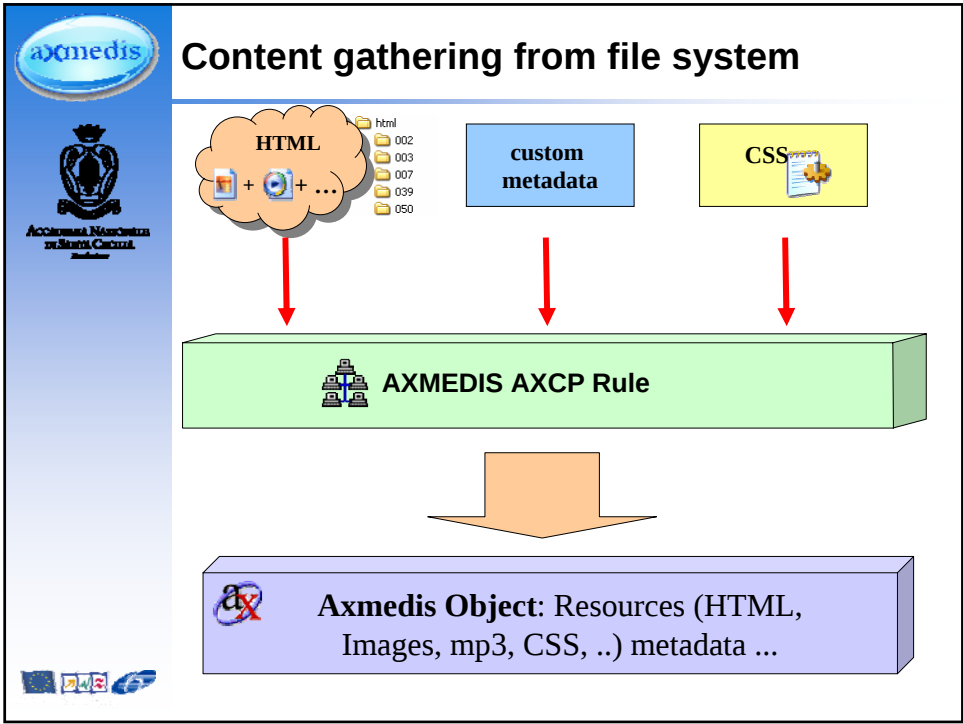


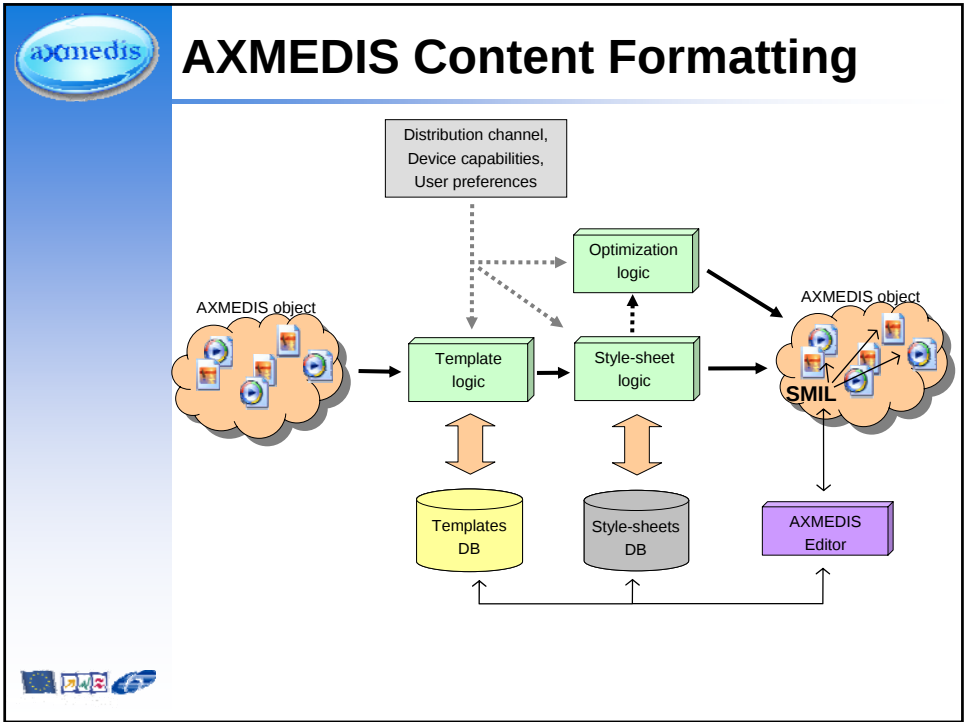
Crawling TISCALI Media Club

- **Crawling using searchbox**
 - ▶ a postgres database via ODBC
 - ▶ XML files with metadata on file system
- **The script produces AXMEDIS objects**
 - ▶ One for each movie with:
 - Plot & poster (HTML)
 - Preview
 - Subobjects on:
 - The director
 - The actors
 - ...









AXCP GRID

Managing the Rule Execution in the AXMEDIS Grid



AXCP Grid

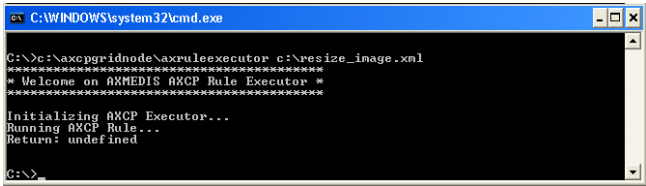
- **Consists of**
 - ▶ One Rule Scheduler (Server Side)
 - ▶ Many Rule Remote Executors (Client Side): AXCP GRID Node
- **Rule Scheduler: Internal Scheduler and Dispatcher for**
 - ▶ rule installation
 - ▶ rule firing
 - ▶ rule executor discovering and management
 - ▶ rules scheduling and dispatching according to the executor profile
 - ▶ communication with the AXMEDIS environment (workflow)
 - ▶ ...
- **Rule Remote Executor**
 - ▶ Consisting of the same AXCP script language engine





AXCP Rule Executor

- **Applications**
 - ▶ Standalone



```
C:\>c:\axcpgridnode\axruleexecutor c:\resize_image.xml
*****
* Welcome on AXMEDIS AXCP Rule Executor *
*****
Initializing AXCP Executor...
Running AXCP Rule...
Return: undefined
C:\>
```

- ▶ Node of the GRID

- **Properties**
- ▶ CPU Monitoring
- ▶ CPU Workload Constraints
- ▶ Communication with the Scheduler (GRID Node)





Installing Rules on Grid

- **Manually using the scheduler**

GridRule	Ctrl-A
Launch scheduler	Ctrl-L
Stop Scheduler	Ctrl-S
Backup	Alt-B
Restore	Alt-R
Minimize	Alt-M
Exit	Alt-X
Start Grid Peer functions	Ctrl-F
test replace parameters	
test replace schedule	
test install whole rule as string	
test replace parameters and schedule	
- **Installing rules with the AXCP Rule Editor**
 - ▶ Script for Automated Production of content and production of licenses
- **Activating rule using external application**
 - ▶ AXCP Rule Editor, Workflow, Web application, etc...
 - ▶ Workflow is activating them
- **Running a rule**
 - ▶ On-demand execution





AXMEDIS Tools (III)

Publishing Tools – Powerful tools to enable content delivery

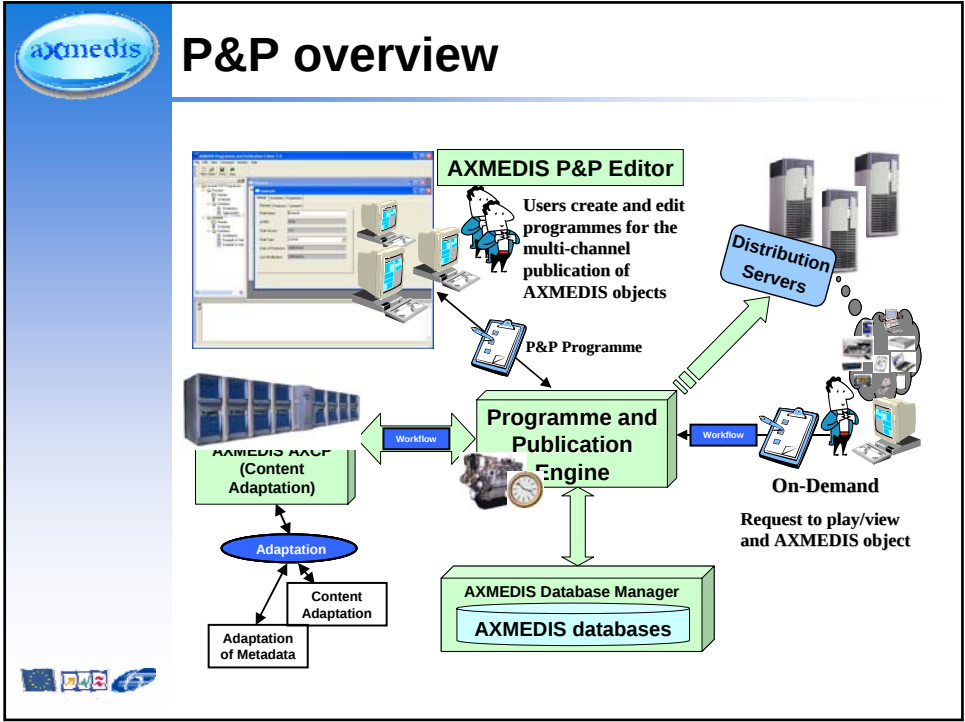




- ▶ Operations and applications of the P&P area
 - AXMEDIS P&P programmes: create, edit, test, activate
 - multi-channel distributions

- ▶ 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

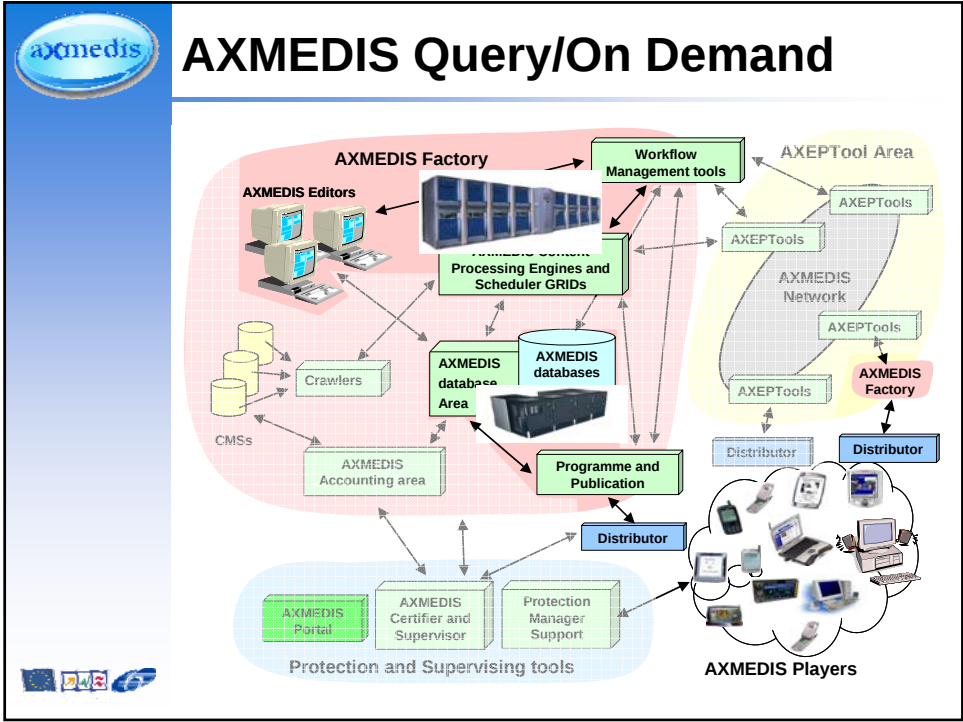
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axmedis **P&P Area Tools**

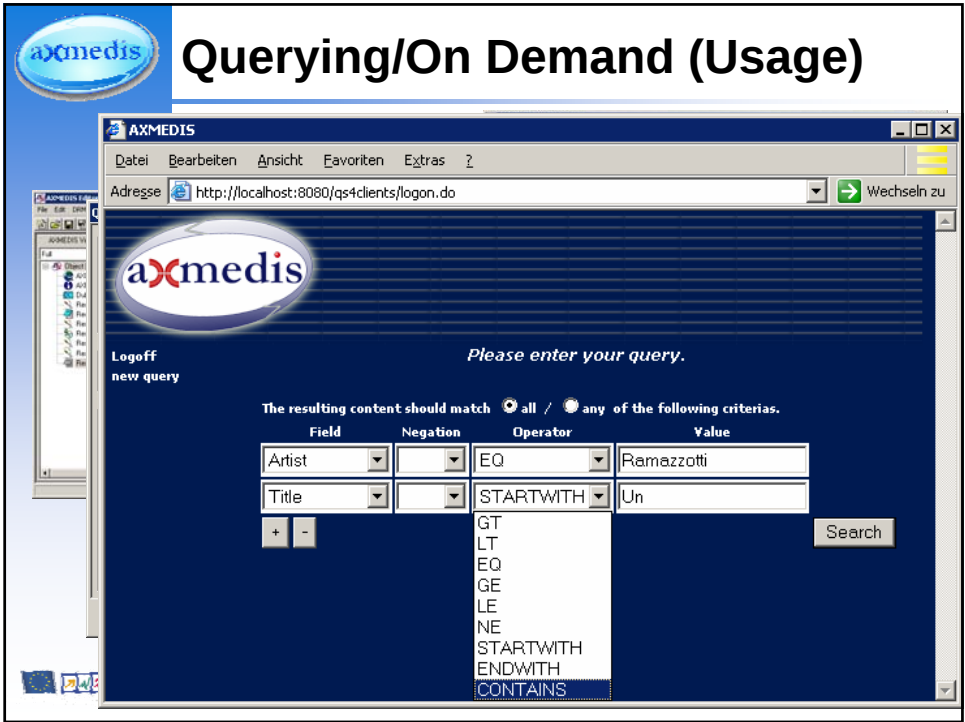
- **AXMEDIS Programme and Publication**
 - ▶ **P&P Programme Editor (GUI)**
 - Editing
 - Search (P2P, AXDB)
 - Testing and Activating
 - Quick test; Full test
 - ▶ **P&P Engine**
 - Links to AXMEDIS Content Processing area
 - Links to the AXMEDIS Distribution Servers
 - GUI monitor
- **On-Demand**

The image shows several screenshots of the AXMEDIS P&P tools. These include the graphical user interface for editing and testing programmes, the engine interface showing links to content processing and distribution servers, and a command prompt window displaying system logs or status information.



Query/On Demand (Scope)

- **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





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