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This deliverable is related to the mock up of WP9.2 that has been improved in this period by producing a first real prototype integrated with CAMART, AXDB and therefore also with AXCS.

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1 Executive Summary and Report Scope

This deliverable is the accompanying document for the Prototype having the name common to the deliverable.

2 Introduction

WP9.2 has been improved in this period by producing a first real prototype integrated with CAMART, Statistic engine for CAMART and Administrative Information Integrator. This integration processes involved also AXDB and AXCS.

This prototype is able to perform the following tasks:

- Getting logs coming from AXCS web service
- Organizing such logs in the internal database of the factory
- Generating internal XML format in polling mode (this has been done in order to demonstrate the new internal format)
- Generating the XML format provided by one of the partners (ILABS in that case), and publishing at a predefined time frequency the resulting XML in an ftp directory
- Generating also in polling mode an XML format that is transformed according to the profiled XSLT.
- Generating top-bottom ten on demand for statistics.
- Authentication
- Development of a web service for gathering statistics instead of the GUI only
- The work to be performed yet is not functional but mainly related to refinement, usability and user interface. The work can be summarized in the following points:
  - Generate a user interface for creating user profiles (assign ftp, assign XSLT, etc to each factory user, getting users from the factory)
  - Produce the AII user interface meliorated in terms of usability and uniformity with respect to the other user interface present in the system (this should be discussed in order to have a common user interface in terms of graphics and CSS for all the web application in the AXMEDIS system)

3 Prototype Description

The first prototype of the DE 9.1.2 has been produced and presented. In this document a short presentation of the provided system will be given in order to evidence the work done.

3.1 CAMART for Statistics

3.1.1 Introduction

The role of Core Accounting manager and Reporting Tool (CAMART) for Statistics is strictly bound with database for logs (provided by AXCS) since it has to collect information from AXMEDIS Certifier and Supervisor about Action Log and store them into the AXMEDIS database, homogenizing fragmented information the different tools sent to the AXCS. This is very important as the AXCS or the SuperAXCS will not store forever data related to each user, but will use policies to remove detailed data, after a certain amount of time or after some triggered operations that have to be defined. Only data for statistical purposes will be kept.

The statistics are also accessible also by a Web Service Interface whose WSDL is reported below:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<definitions xmlns="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/">
 xmlns:soap="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/soap/
 xmlns:http="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/http/
 xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
 xmlns:soapenc="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding/
 xmlns:mime="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wsdl/mime/
 xmlns:xr="http://new.webservice.namespace"
```
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<xs:complexType>
    <xs:attribute name="user" type="xs:string" use="required"/>
    <xs:attribute name="pw" type="xs:string" use="required"/>
    <xs:attribute name="date" type="xs:dateTime"/>
    <xs:element name="AXOID" type="xs:string" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xs:element name="AXCID" type="xs:string" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xs:element name="AXDID" type="xs:string" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xs:element name="AXDOM" type="xs:string" minOccurs="0"/>
    <xs:element name="AXWID" type="xs:string" minOccurs="0"/>
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            <xs:attributeGroup ref="cam:StatsAttribGroup"/>
        </xs:complexType>
    </xs:element>
</xs:complexType>

<xs:attributeGroup name="StatsAttribGroup">
    <xs:attribute name="type" use="required">
        <xs:simpleType>
            <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
                <xs:enumeration value="TopChart"/>
                <xs:enumeration value="BottomChart"/>
            </xs:restriction>
        </xs:simpleType>
    </xs:attribute>
    <xs:attribute name="cardinality" type="xs:int"/>
    <xs:attribute name="restrict-by" use="required">
        <xs:simpleType>
            <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
                <xs:enumeration value="AXOID"/>
                <xs:enumeration value="AXCID"/>
                <xs:enumeration value="AXDID"/>
                <xs:enumeration value="location"/>
                <xs:enumeration value="operation"/>
            </xs:restriction>
        </xs:simpleType>
    </xs:attribute>
</xs:attributeGroup>

<message name="CamartRequestMessage">
    <part name="parameters" element="cam:CamartRequest"/>
</message>

<message name="CamartReportMessage">
    <part name="parameters" element="cam:CamartReport"/>
</message>

<portType name="CamartStatsWS">
    <operation name="getStats">
        <input message="y:CamartRequestMessage"/>
        <output message="y:CamartReportMessage"/>
    </operation>
</portType>

<binding name="CamartStatsBinding" type="y:CamartStatsWS">
    <soap:binding style="document" transport="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/http"/>
    <operation name="getStats">
        <input>
            <soap:body use="literal"/>
        </input>
        <output>
            <soap:body use="literal"/>
        </output>
    </operation>
</binding>
3.1.2 The prototype
The system is divided mainly in two parts, that are the CAMART for statistical analysis, that in its first prototype is quite raw in the statistics provided and in the operators that can be applied.

The User interface is reported in the following. The first screen is a login screen:

After the login
Where it can be evidenced that after providing a user name and password and a search criteria in the Date Field, the system will ask for the records contained in the AXCS and after getting such information the record are filtered according to some criteria based on “equal” operator applied to the fields AXOID, AXCID, AXDID, AXDOM, AXWID.

Moreover it is possible to add charts that are summary of the statistics in the form of Top and Bottom ten that can be provided for AXOID, AXCID, AXDID, location and operation.

By adding two charts we obtain:
If a request without filtering is issued a web page like the following is obtained:
And by collapsing the results we obtain:

The charts can be provided in the form of the opposite of the request in terms of bottom and top:
The filtering is now provided AXCS server side in order to minimize the load on the network, and the results can be filtered as in the example below, where a filter on both AXOID and AXCID are provided.

The results obtained are:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Log ID</th>
<th>AXOID</th>
<th>Version</th>
<th>AXCID</th>
</tr>
</thead>
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<tr>
<td>CSO_b0e57f6696f5c7578177a058b299</td>
<td>BUS_d0712d28-e656-4db7-941c-8078ae77f66b DES_795-0</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
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<tr>
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<td>BUS_d0712d28-e656-4db7-941c-8078ae77f66b DES_2a33</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
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<th>Location</th>
<th>Count</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>North America</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Europe</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td></td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
3.2 CAMART and Administrative Information Integrator

3.2.1 Introduction

The role of Core Accounting manager and Reporting Tool (CAMART) is strictly bound with database for logs (provided by AXCS) since it has to collect information regarding the B2B. For example to have a table of Business counterparts that distribute, integrate, etc. AXMEDIS Objects. They should have a contract with the AXMEDIS Factory that host the AXMEDIS database (AXDB). This information is useful to interpreting the Action Log Information coming from the AXCS databases, when available in the AXCS.

The information will be collected on schedule and CAMART will act as a client of the AXCS Reporting Web Service.

AXMEDIS system has to be scalable and therefore we will have to deal with the fact that some installation can have AXDB, AXCS and other supporting tools on different machines, while others can be less distributed due to a lesser need for speed or storage capacity.

The core accounting manager is a sort of Client side of the bridge between the AXDB and the AXCS databases in order to allow AXCS to be independent by the database. The server side in the AXCS is the Web Service: AXMEDIS Reporting Web Service. The CAMART can be interpreted as a part of the AXMEDIS Database Interface, since is the part of the system that allows writing data related to Action-Logs into the DB.

Administrative Information integrator is a critical part of the AXMEDIS system since it is the real bridge between the AXMEDIS world and the world of company’s CMS and CRM for taking in account administrative and legal aspects (such reclaim for payment not done and so on).

This component has also a double face since it can operate in a dual manner: used for polling information from AXMEDIS system when needed by distributor for example, or user for pushing information in the CMS as soon as they are available for example in the case of collecting societies.

The operating mode is determined by accounting people during the installation/configuration of the system when it will be established whose fields have to be exported from the DB to the CMS and the frequency of exporting. When a frequency is set, the Administrative Information Integrator will work in push mode, pushing information in the CMS import area, otherwise it operates in polling mode by starting the update in the CMS by a link to a web page.

The principal specification arises, as always, from requirements. Administrative Information Integrator has to:

- **interface with different CMS technologies**: this means that administrative information integrator has to export its reports in a portable format such as an XML that will be defined in the detailed specification. The generated XML can then be parsed and transformed by the way of standard mechanisms such as XSL transformation;

- **store administrative information into the Content Provider database**: this operation will be possible in two ways, or by preparing a file to be put in the import area on the content provider database or by interfacing with the services offered by the CMS of the Content provider by standard mechanisms such as web services or other remote interface available to the Administrative Information Integrator;

- **communicate with the AXDB to get administrative information related to a specific Content Provider**: this is the minimum security requirement that have to be established in order to be sure to distribute information to entitled persons only.

- **guarantee privacy of sensitive data via protection mechanisms**: apart from what has already been stated, if a network connection is necessary to transfer data and the CMS of the Content Provider permits a connection on a secure channel, then the data will be sent encrypted.
3.2.2 The prototype
Regarding the Administrative Information Integrator (AII), the interface is quite raw, but the functionalities offered are quite stable apart from some minor refinement already specified above.
This module is comprised of a daemon that collects info from AXCS and stores logs locally on AXDB for future reuse from AII.
The interface of this daemon is very simple and is reported below:

Once started the interface changes, showing the new status:

Camart Manager

Poller Started.

Click to start or stop the Camart Axes Log Poller

Start  Stop

2006-08-29 11:57:08 - successfully inserted 0 record(s), 1 duplicate(s) found.
This thread runs in background and collects locally the remote logs provided by AXCS, showing also information on the logs inserted in the last poll with the amount of logs that were already present.

Regarding the Administrative Information Integrator seen from the user perspective, the authentication screen is the first page that appears:

![Axmedis Administrative Information Integrator Login](image)

and the User after a login with authentication and authorization phase is bring to the following User Interface that allows to:

- Configure the AII for the logged user, giving him the chance to select a CMS style and the FTP URL where the logs will be transferred after each data pushing
- Configure the time intervals in minutes between two pushing of data and enabling or disabling pushing
- Poll raw data or formatted data in the case the user has already saved a configuration
The system will push data in the configured ftp URL at the predefined interval in the format specified in DE 3.1.2.2.15 after getting them from the remote AXCS. In the case of polling the data in XML (formatted or unformatted) will be presented on the screen allowing the user to manually save the file for his own purposes and allowing him to use it immediately. The system tracks the time at which a log has been requested in order to avoid multiple gathering of the same data.

If the user has not chosen the configuration the general format is displayed, if the Poll now button is pressed:
While after the configuration the format defined for CMS1 will appear:
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