



## **PPP: new e-Ten funded project invites participants to join working groups for exchange of good practices in eGovernment**

**Participants from administrations and the private sector are invited to take part in new working groups that will explore concrete ways of exchanging good practices between administrations. The PPP Support Action project - assisting e-Ten projects in reaching deployment - is part of a bigger set of initiatives that are currently run by the European Commission and its working groups such as the Good Practice Framework and are designed to move the eGovernment agenda forward by facilitating practical exchange of good practice.**

The working groups are being established by the new PPP (Provide eGovernment Good Practice Portability) project. The groups will enable the people behind good practices to meet face to face with parties from other administrations and explore practical ways of transferring their know-how. The working groups will constitute platforms for administrations to conclude memoranda of understanding, joint ventures or other concrete agreements that will lead to the transfer of good practice, or elements of it.

The four working groups are:

- **Electronic Identity** – based on BELPIC, the Belgian personal identity card
- **Secure infrastructure** – based on FAST, *Fournisseur d'Accès Sécurisés Transactionnels*, document exchange infrastructure (France)
- **Cross-border portals** – based on the OresundDirekt information portal (Denmark/Sweden)
- **Citizen portals** – based on Liverpool City Council's citizens' portal (UK)

The overall objective of PPP is to create a functioning brokerage for eGovernment good practice. This will be a vital tool in sharing the benefits of eGovernment across Europe and developing interoperability.

The consortium behind PPP consists of Steria Benelux (co-ordinator), eForum (a Belgium-based eGovernment association), Sheffield City Council (UK) and Generalitat Valenciana (Spain). Prominent academics working on eGovernment will act as rapporteurs for the working groups, ensuring a high level of reporting of each group's progress and deliverables. The rapporteurs are:

- Professor Herbert Kubicek, University of Bremen, Germany (**Electronic identity** working group)
- Professor Antonio Alabau, Polytechnic University of Valencia, Spain (**Secure infrastructure** working group)
- Professor Mike Martin, Newcastle University, UK (**Cross-border portals** working group)



- Professor François Heinderyckx, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium (**Citizen portals** working group)

Participation in working groups is free for public sector representatives. Public sector travel and accommodation costs can be refunded.

Further information can be found on the e-Forum website, [www.eu-forum.org](http://www.eu-forum.org).