

Report for the period 19th July 2010 to 2nd September 2010

The European Commission

PSI related Initiatives

Exclusive Arrangements

On the 10th December 2009 the Commission announced that studies on the existence of **Exclusive arrangements** in the following Member States: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Poland, and Spain had been commissioned.

http://www.epsiplatform.eu/news/news/psi_exclusive_arrangement_studies_launched

http://www.epsiplatform.eu/news/news/czech_exclusive_arrangements_on_the_agenda

http://www.epsiplatform.eu/news/news/poland_exclusive_arrangement_questionnaire

http://www.epsiplatform.eu/news/news/france_exclusive_arrangement_questionnaires

The Austrian study has been completed and the Commission published the findings on the 20th May 2010

http://www.epsiplatform.eu/news/news/exclusive_arrangements_austria

The Belgium study has been completed and the Commission published the findings on the 5th March 2010.

http://www.epsiplatform.eu/news/news/exclusive_agreements_belgium

The Czech Republic study has been completed and the Commission published the findings on the 20th May 2010

http://www.epsiplatform.eu/news/news/exclusive_arrangements_czech_republic

The contractors have completed a number of the exclusive arrangement studies for Denmark, France and Poland. The Commission is reviewing these study reports and these should be published in the near future. (September 2010 at the latest) The Commission is considering whether to launch further studies later in 2010 or early 2011.

Infringement Actions

The **infringement actions** against Italy and Sweden are still in process but they maybe closed following the new or amended laws that came into effect on the 10th July 2010 and the 1st July 2010 respectively.

http://www.epsiplatform.eu/news/news/sweden_italy_new_psi_laws

The infringement action against Poland - the case has now been referred to the European Court of Justice.

http://www.epsiplatform.eu/news/news/poland_referred_to_court/%28year%29/2010/%28month%29/06

Economic Studies

The Commission issued an invitation to tender titled: *Assessment of the different models of supply and charging for public sector information* with the objective of commissioning a PSI economic study on charging models. The study once commissioned will run for six months. The APPSI weekly report dated 27th August 2010 alerted APPSI Members to this invitation to tender.

The final report from the PSI Group economic study working groups was published titled: *Public Sector Information. Economic Indicators & Economic case study on charging models*. The APPSI weekly report dated 27th August 2010 alerted APPSI Members on the availability of the report.

http://www.epsiplatform.eu/content/download/64545/898326/version/1/file/EC_EconomicStudyReport_V2.pdf

European Public Sector Information Platform service

On the 18th August 2010 the European Commission published in the Official Journal of the European Union an invitation to tender for the Follow up to the PSIplatform. The announcement stated:

*“The purpose of this tender is the purchase of a follow up service to the [PSI Platform](#) for the promotion of a dynamic PSI re-use market across the EU. The new project/services will build on the work and content of the [current web site](#). The future contractor will, in addition, monitor the impact on the re-use of PSI of new policies in key areas such as: pricing and charging policies, licensing, complaints and redress procedures, information systems for facilitating access to and re-use of PSI, etc. All interested parties are requested to submit their tender no later than **22 September 2010**.”*

Re-use of Cultural Material

On the 30th July 2010 the European Commission published an invitation to tender for the "PSI: Re-use of cultural material", the tender closed on the 13th August 2010. The announcement states:

“The purpose of this contract is to collect relevant information on (1) the importance of re-use in terms of revenues for cultural institutions and (2) on trends in the development of re-use market for cultural material.”

Review of the PSI Re-use Directive

The Commission has signalled in a number of meetings held across Europe during June 2010 that the review will commence in September 2010 with an online survey that is likely to ask a number of basic questions on the scope of the Directive. Further surveys will be undertaken over an 18-month period.

http://www.epsiplatform.eu/news/news/clear_signals_psi_stakeholders_should_prepare

The European Public Sector Information Platform

Meetings

There have been no meetings held during the period covered by this report.

The third meeting of the European Public Sector Information Platform is now in the planning stage and will take place in France (possible locations: Bordeaux or Nantes or Rennes) during late November early December 2010. The theme of the third meeting that is under consideration is 'open data at the local level'. The meeting will be jointly organised with the open data community in France. A formal announcement on the third meeting will be made on the E-PSI-P during September 2010.

The fourth and final meeting of the European Public Sector Information Platform will most likely be held in Germany.

The first meeting of the European Public Sector Information Platform was held in Stockholm in November 2009.

Public Sector Information (PSI) Data Catalogues

The European Public Sector Information Platform has continued to add and maintain the following three groups of data catalogues:

- Catalogues by Governments - [data.gov style catalogues](#) (with access to raw data)
- Catalogues by Governments - [Information Portals](#) (no or limited access to raw data)
- Catalogues by [Civil Society Initiatives](#) (Substitutes for government catalogues)

http://www.epsiplatform.eu/psi_data_catalogues

Guest blog

Each month the European Public Sector Information Platform invites a prominent PSI stakeholder to host the Guest blog and to post topics that PSI stakeholders may if they wish comment upon. No new guest bloggers have posted topics during the period covered by this report.

http://www.epsiplatform.eu/guest_blogs

The Guest bloggers to date have included:

- **Gustaf Johnssén**, Special adviser, Department for Public Administration, Ministry of Finance, Sweden
- **Marco Ricolfi**, Chair in Intellectual Property, Torino Law School, Italy
- **Ton Zijlstra**, Independent Consultant, Netherlands
- **Carmen Álvarez-Cienfuegos Rico**, Advisor at the State Department for Telecommunications and Information Society, Spain
- **Christopher Corbin**, Advisor to the European PSI Platform and a member of the UK APPSI
- **Audrey Mandela**, Chair of the UK Locus Association
- **Jennifer Campbell**, Managing Director of MeteoGroup and Director of the Press Association
- **Javier Hernández-Ros**, Head of Unit, Access to Information, DG Information Society and Media, European Commission
- **John Gray**, a Fellow of both the Chartered Institute of Secretaries & Administrators and the Royal Society for the Arts and a member of the UK Advisory Panel on Public Sector Information (APPSI)
- **Richard Pettifer**, General Secretary of PRIMET (The Association of Private Meteorological Services).
- **Rolf Nordqvist**, Manager of Government Affairs at Bisnode and Chair of the European Association PSI Alliance

Topic Reports

The European Public Sector Information Platform publishes topic reports on PSI related topics. Since the 27th APPSI meeting a further 2 topic reports have been published.

http://www.epsiplatform.eu/topic_reports

- Topic Report 15: New Zealand moves to embrace PSI Re-use and Open data
- Topic Report 14: State of Play: PSI Re-use in Spain - Aporta Project
- Topic Report No. 13: State of Play: PSI Re-use in Australia
- Topic Report No. 12: Open data in Finland - bottom up and middle out, but not yet from top down
- Topic Report No. 11: Recognising the road to data.gov.de: An assessment of the European and national regulatory framework impacting PSI re-use in Germany
- Topic Report No. 10: PSI Re-use in France: Overview and Recent Developments
- Topic Report No. 9: PSI in Sweden: from infringement to enforcement?
- Topic Report No. 8: PSI Portals: Overview of Progress (Part 1)
- Topic Report No. 7: Linked Data and Government
- Topic Report No. 6: State of Play: PSI Re-use in Slovenia
- Topic Report No. 5: Momentum building for open government data in Norway
- Topic Report No. 4: PSI in the Cultural Sector
- Topic Report No. 3: EC Communication on the PSI re-use Directive: PSI re-use stakeholder reaction
- Topic Report No. 2: Good Practice in promoting PSI re-use: The IFTS brand
- Topic Report No. 1: Good Practice in promoting PSI re-use: The OPSI brand

Legal Aspects of Public Sector Information (LAPSI)

The Legal Aspects of Public Sector Information (LAPSI) thematic network has not held any meetings or published any reports during the period covered by this report.

The next scheduled meetings for LAPSI will take place in October 2010 preliminary details of which maybe found at: <http://www.lapsi-project.eu/meetings>

Internet Governance Forum (IGF) Meeting 5 - Vilnius, Lithuania, 14th to 17th September 2010

<http://www.intgovforum.org/cms/>

<http://www.igf2010.lt/index.php/en/welcome/index>

Workshop 120 - VILNIUS 17TH SEP 2010, 11:30-13:30

“Public sector information online: democratic, social and economic potentials”

<http://www.intgovforum.org/cms/index.php/component/chronocontact/?chronoforname=WSProposals2010View&wspid=120>

<http://events.linkedin.com/Public-sector-information-online/pub/372368>

The aim of the workshop is to become an open discussion forum and a meeting point for public sector, businesses and citizens in the endeavour to work together and understand and meet the challenges of unveiling the value of PSI in the digital economy and for the benefit of citizens and the whole society.

The workshop will be focused on learning more about the value of PSI when it is opened up for re-use. It is meant to stimulate dialogue, discussion and debate starting at the economic and social potential value of PSI for citizens, moving on to its economic promising contribution to economic growth through innovative business models and then examining the future challenges of e-government.

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