MyCERN scoping sub-WG

Meeting #5 - 27th April 2017

Mandate

- Establish the boundaries of the work to be done for the detailed study stage of the MyCERN project with a view on reducing the scope presented by the conceptual design report while preserving the essence of the project.
- ► The MyCERN scoping working group will list and define the various modules that could be part of MyCERN, and if needed will complete their specifications. For each of them, it will evaluate its relevance taking into account various factors: expected short term and long term benefits, potential overlap with other computing services, needed resources. It will then propose which modules should be part of the detailed study stage and confirm the needed resources and timeline.

MyCERN Modules

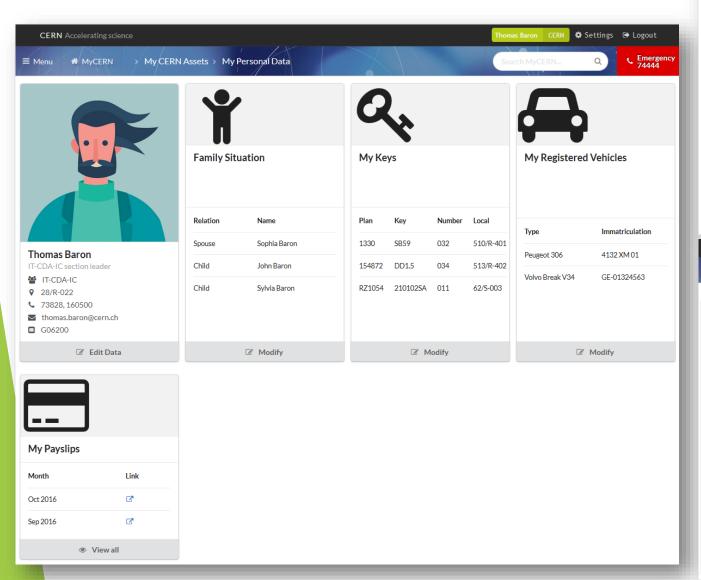
- Personal Assets Aggregator
- Communication Hub
- Information Hub
- Procedures Engine
- Convenience Tools

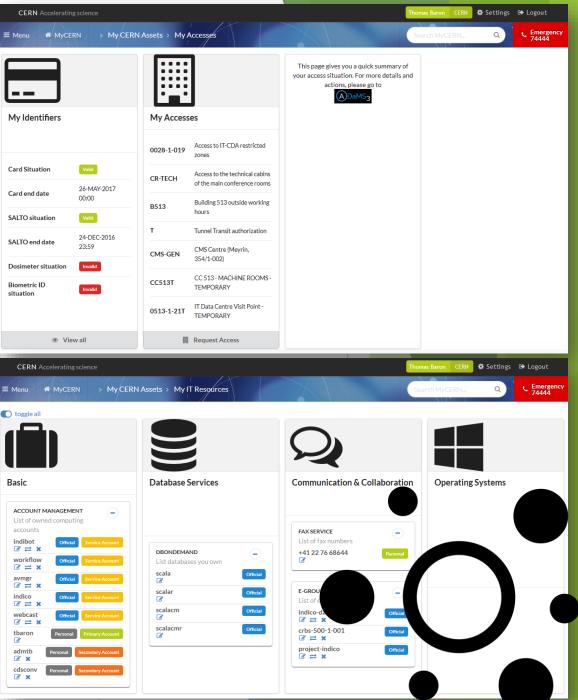


Personal Assets Aggregator

- Goal: Create one central place where CERN users can view all their personal data and assets stored in various CERN departments
- Benefits: Easy access and transparency of assets and information linked to a person, data sanitization, guidance to final service through simple redirection, seamless experience accessing data which otherwise would be accessible in very different contexts.
- Duplication: data exists outside but is scattered; no other gathering project
- Challenges: asynchronous connections to multiple data sources, multiple concurrent calls

Personal Assets Aggregator





Personal Assets Aggregator: Scope

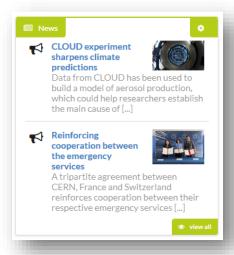
- Resources for detailed design: 5m
- Contact all owners of data considered (see backup slides)
 - Detail with them what data should be shown
- Evaluate the cost of implementation of all connectors + OAuth compliance
- Prototype with at least two data sources:
 - ▶ One AIS (some targetted information), one IT
 - Stress tests

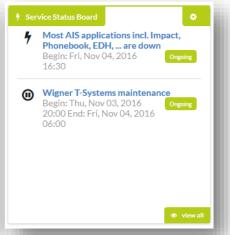
Communication Hub

- ► Goal: Centralising all CERN official and services communications through one interface with a possibility to redirect messages to other channels
- See more detailed specifications in backup slide
 - ▶ Service specs are still work in progress on the push notification service side
- Benefit: Better reach of CERN users, lower email usage, simplify access to notifications for users, avoid multiplying notification initiatives
- Duplication: None
- Challenges: Create new service from scratch

Communication hub







Communication Hub: Scope

- Resources for detailed design: 3m
- Liaise with the Push Notifications Project management team
- Establish detailed specs and mockups for
 - Push Notification Service configuration page
 - Notifications listing page and widgets
 - List the use cases for a more advanced filtering sytem, the available options for its implementation and their technical feasibility
 - ► Tagging of messages
 - ► Hierarchize the channels
 - ▶ Implement search of the messages content
- Evaluate the cost of implementation

Information Hub

- ► Goal: Group administrative and practical information from various sources (newcomers guide, admin e-guide, welcome brochure, regional information, Help at CERN...), give to the editors common practical tools to maintain this information, tag it and provide easy access through a powerful semantic search engine and a customizable ranking system.
- Benefit: Ease retrieval of practical information for CERN users
- Duplication: None (the new portfolio should become the master and not just a copy of existing sites)
- Challenges: Setup the semantic search engine, build up and maintain the CERN Ontology



Information Hub: Scope

- Resources for detailed design: 3m
- Information sources
 - List all sources of information to be centralised in MyCERN
 - Select a common way to handle version management, cooperative editing, tagging of articles and automated deployment for this
 information
 - ▶ Drupal, Sharepoint, Gitbooks etc.
- Semantic Search and ranking engine
 - > Study the requirements for the semantic search and ranking engine
 - Initial corpus: Above information sources
 - ▶ Possible extensions: Snow KBs, other CERN pages
 - Market survey and selection of product
- Evaluate the cost of implementation
- ▶ Re-scope: Ranking of search results according to personal preferences and personal data
- De-scope: No expert system



Procedures Engine

- ► Goal: Turn procedures currently existing on paper into computing workflows automatically adapting to the user's situation, and tracking progress
- Benefit: Simplify processes by tailoring them to users, better guidance of users; less work for service supporters/managers
- Duplication: Other services (EDH) already handle these kinds of processes, through workflow engines and expert systems
- ► Challenges: process complexity, reliance on external sources

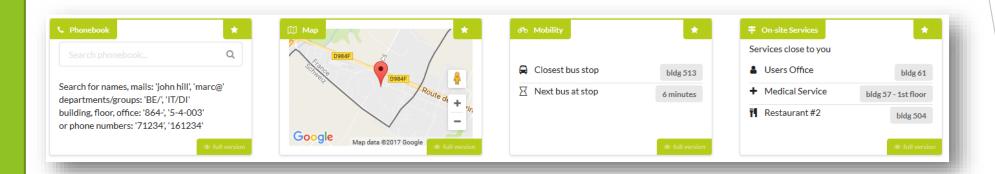
Procedures Engine: Scope

- Re-scope: List procedures to be computerized and recommend priorities for their implementations; hand over their handling to AIS in their standard work plan
- ► Ensure that feedback (progress tracking) from ongoing procedures can be given to MyCERN (ongoing procedures widget) Define interfaces Pilot implementation on the EDH contract extension process
- Resources for detailed design: 1w (interface description); 2w (pilot implementation in EDH)

Convenience Tools

- ► Goal: Provide centralized, light-weight interfaces to existing practical tools, through interfaces suitable for mobiles and desktops
- Benefit: Usage on mobiles through web and app
- Duplication: Low (no such interfaces on a mobile app; m.cern.ch will be replace by MyCERN)
- Challenges: None

Convenience Tools





Convenience Tools: Scope

- For each tool, establish the precise specifications based on existing features from m.cern.ch
- Study the interfacing with existing DBs (Indico, mapcern)
- Evaluate cost of implementation
- Resources for detailed design: 1m

MyCERN: Scope

- Resources for detailed design: 1m
- Establish the detailed specs for the web interface
 - Customization of pages and widgets
- Establish the detailed architecture
- Select best suited technology stack

Backup Slides

List of Personal Data to Consider (1/2)

- Personal photos (official and social) (ADAMS and IT)
- Firstname, Lastname (AIS)
- Address at CERN (AIS)
- Stored email address (AIS or IT)
- Contract date, end date, type (category of MP) (AIS)
- Supervisor name (Team Leader and DTLs for Users) (AIS)
- Official documents (Swiss card, French card): start date, validation end date; if applicable date when a new card was requested and pending) (AIS)
- My local address (residence) (AIS)
- Family member names (names, registration date, birth date) and their legitimation cards as above (AIS)
- ▶ Registered vehicles: number, start date (AIS)

- Green number plates, start date (AIS)
- Rented radioactive source, details as available (HSE)
- Stored emergency contacts (or link to that) (AIS)
- Rented books (if the list is too long then a link instead of a list) (Library/CDS)
- Rented gas bottles (AIS)
- Rented electronic pool items (if the list is too long then a link instead of a list) (AIS)
- List of CERN club memberships
- Generic links which leads to specific entries when logged in:
 - Link to my entry in HRT,
 - ▶ Link to print EDH CERN contract certificate
 - Link to personal pay info (if 'paid') and tax certificate
 - Link to my leave



List of Personal Data to Consider (2/2)

- My Accesses (ADAMS)
 - Overview list provided by BE plus link to ADaMS
- My IT Resources (IT-CDA)
 - Provided by IT; link to IT resources portal for actions
- My IT Services (IT-CDA)
 - Provided by IT; link to IT Services portal for actions
- My Documents (CDS, EDMS, Indico, INSPIRE)
 - Summary of documents owned by the user in CDS, EDMS, Indico, INSPIRE
- My Snow tickets (IT)
 - List of recent tickets and link to Snow for action

- My CERN Social (IT)
 - Citations in Facebook Workplace, Mattermost and social.cern.ch



Push Notifications Service Specs

- Notification channels
 - Restricted to specific posters
 - Subscribable by users
- Notifications targets
 - Individualized
 - Group
 - Mapped to existing E-group
 - Dynamic egroups for other criteria
 - Location
 - Geolocalisation
- Notification carriers
 - Desktop applications (Win, Mac, Linux)
 - ► Mobile Apps (iOS, Android)
 - SMS
 - Email
 - Web Portal

- Notification sources in MyCERN (channels)
 - ► Internal Communication News
 - Internal Communication Official news
 - Official notifications
 - Mandatory channel (everybody is subscribed) open to specific services
 - Card service
 - Account service
 - ADAMS
 - CERN SSB
 - Any other service
 - Indico-developers
 - IT-CDA
 - Etc.
- Notification history
 - Supported
- Acknowledgement (dissmissal)
 - ► For individual messages only



List of Convenience Tools

- List of events of interest
 - From indico APIs
- Lightweight phonebook
 - XLDAP or phonebook?
- List of on-site services
 - Leverage existing DB (extract from mapcern)
- Map of CERN points of interest
 - ▶ Simple Google maps overlay

- List of emergency contacts
 - Defibrillators, fire brigade, assembly points...
 - From mapcern
- Mobility information
 - Mobility car sharing, bicycles, shuttles circuits
 - From mapcern
- Weather
- My Links
 - Set up by the person; MyCERN can propose an initial list