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Web Content Management System Discussion

IT Infrastructure

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IT Web Infrastructure



- Options to publish Web content
 - Centrally Hosted Web sites
 - SharePoint Collaboration Workspaces
 - AFS based Web sites
 - DFS based Web sites
 - J2EE Java Applications
 - Twiki
 - + custom web servers
 - + (for documents in addition also EDMS, CDS, Indico)









Breakdown of all Web sites by type and category

	Total	Official	Personal	Test
Central	4556	2015	1840	701
AFS	2659	584	1933	142
SharePoint	1284	789	57	438
DFS	835	79	732	24
J2EE	152	82	8	62
TWiki	126	126		
Total	9612	3675	4570	1367



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- Access Statistics (~30 servers):
 - ~ 10 million hits / day; 3 TByte bandwidth / day



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- SharePoint as "Collaboration Workspace" used since 2007
 - Creation, publishing and maintenance of web sites became much easier and faster
 - Document sharing, Web forms, Web forums, project management tasks, Wikis, ...





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SharePoint at CERN



- Success as a user site hosting service:
 - ~1300 SharePoint sites (in May 2010)
 - 1/3 of all new centrally hosted web sites since 2007
 - Quickly became a very popular service
 - Main usage:
 - Collaboration workspace for document sharing and web forms
 - Also: web portal, discussion forums, public web site
- Use as a platform for IT/OIS services:
 - E-group archives, forums, RSS feeds (NICE alerter), help page hosting
 - Internal service documentation, operations and project management...



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Some facts and figures



- Excellent availability and reliability:
 - ~1 hour unavailability in 3 years, all scheduled
 - 2009: redundant infrastructure to further reduce maintenance time and help business continuity
 - Security: 1 security patch in 3 years
- Scalability and performance:
 - 400+ GB (250GB IT/OIS services; 150GB user sites)
 - 5.5M documents (5M archived e-mails), indexed
 - **700K requests/day** (5% for E-group archives)
- Flexibility as a platform for IT/OIS services
 - E-group archive project on schedule
 - New e-group archive features for Experiments: portal, advanced search features, web posting...



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End of 2009: upgrade to MOSS 2007

New features:

- InfoPath forms server,
- Advanced search in e-group archives,
- Web Content Management System:
 - "Publishing pages" WCM
 - "Variations" Multilingual Support
 - Approval workflows
 - Versioning

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SharePoint 2010

- Released end April 2010
- Key new features:
 - Site editing from web browser considerably improved
 - Relational data (relations between lists)
 - Web standards:
 - full support for Firefox/Safari
 - WCAG 2.0 compliance (accessibility guidelines)
 - REST (data access)
 - Web 2.0 / "Social computing"
 - Facebook/del.icio.us/blog features...
 - Sandbox mode to isolate custom code

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SharePoint 2010 status

- Migration of existing SharePoint sites
 foreseen for Q4 2010
- Dedicated hosting available
 - IT/GS Service Catalogue
 - Web Content Management evaluation





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