

# Press Release

## IMIS/"Athena" RC takes part in the SECOVIA Capacity Building Workshop and Transnational Exchange Experience Workshop on Cloud Computing in Sarajevo

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During the mid of June 2014 both the second SECOVIA Capacity Building Workshop together with the second SECOVIA Transnational Experience Exchange Workshop on Cloud Computing were held in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Both events were organized by SERDA and their objective was on the one hand to promote the use of cloud computing solutions by the public sector and highlight of its benefits and on the other to facilitate the exchange of ideas, practices and solutions on shared IT services and infrastructures for territorial administrations.

SECOVIA partners from five different countries were present making possible the trans-border exchange of experiences and ideas. IMIS following its participation in the respective preceding events in Baia Mare and Ljubljana IMIS was once again present represented by Mr. Thodoris Stratiotis.

In the framework of the Capacity Building Workshop Mr. Stratiotis presented two lectures:

- One presenting the history of cloud computing and its core elements such as its most important concepts, its business model, its advantages and drawbacks, as well as some prominent cloud computing products and services. The goal of the lecture was to help even the least knowledgeable people with cloud computing get familiar with it.
- Another one presenting the different delivery models of cloud computing including: Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS), Platform as a Service (PaaS), Software as a Service (SaaS), Network as a Service (NaaS) and Communication as a Service (CaaS). The special features of each category were presented along with some of the most important applications in each case. With this lecture the audience was capable to identify that cloud computing can be addressed to types of users serving different needs but in general it provides IT resources and software not as products which can be bought but as utilities which can be rent for as much the customer desires.

During the Transnational Experience Exchange Workshop IMIS' representative had the chance to discuss with the local audience on the current situation regarding the adoption of cloud by Public Authorities, businesses and ordinary citizens in the South East Europe region. Common policy and organizational problems were identified and solutions were suggested.

### More information

About the project: <http://secovia.eu>

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