# Trends in Content Management: CMIS and its Value to Business

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### CMIS - Vendors Playing Nice



### Background

- Original Concept as an AIIM Committee in 2006
  - "Interoperable Enterprise Content Management iECM"
  - Kick off meeting vendors, academics, end-users
- Three vendors created own project
  - Microsoft, EMC, IBM
  - Expanded to 7 vendors



### Background

- Draft specification submitted to OASIS in 2008
- Strong participation and collaboration among 19 vendors
- Final public draft in January 2010
- Ratification on May 4, 2010





- Statement of Purpose
  - Define a domain model that can be used by applications to work with one or more Content Management systems
    - Data Model, Abstract Capabilities, Set of Bindings
    - Problem of "islands of incompatible systems" making it difficult for organizations and application developers to integrate content across and among systems



#### Whitepaper - CMIS, by Gilbane Group and OASIS



Gilbane Beacon
Guidance on Content Strategies, Technologies, and Practices

#### Content Management Interoperability Services (CMIS)

Addressing Contemporary Requirements for Content Integration

By Dale Waldt, Senior Analyst December 2009

Sponsored by members of the OASIS CMIS Technical Committee including:















- Use Cases for CMIS 1.0
  - Collaborative Content Applications
  - Portals Leveraging Content Management Repositories
  - Mashups
  - Content Repository Search
  - http://www.oasis-open.org/committees/cmis/charter.php

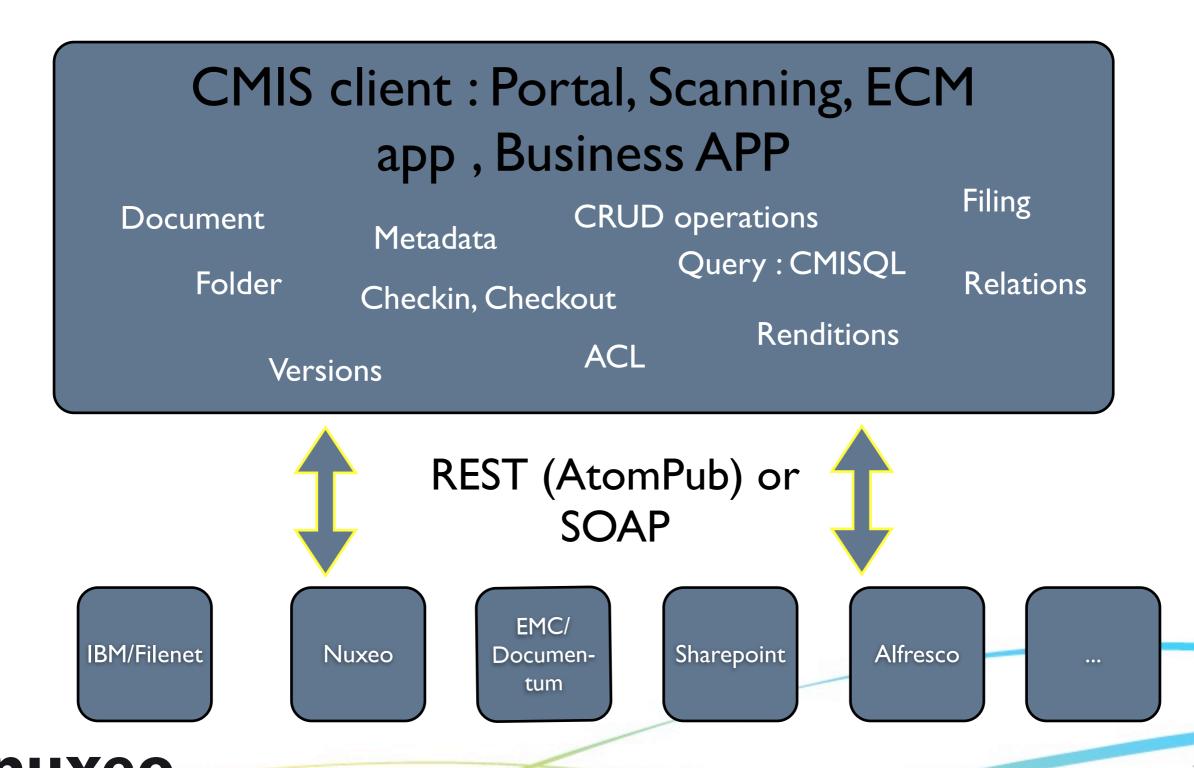


- Secondary Use Cases
  - Content-centric Workflow and BPM
  - Archival Applications
  - Compound and Virtual Documents
  - Electronic and Legal Discovery
- Not in 1.0 Scope
  - RM and Compliance
  - DAM
  - WCM



Subscription and Notification

#### **CMIS 1.0**



### **Emergence of Chemistry**

- Apache "Chemistry" Emerges as Incubator for CMIS code base
  - Nuxeo a co-founder in early 2009 with Day Software
  - Alfresco contributes to OpenCMIS in 2010
  - Active contributions ongoing by Nuxeo, Alfresco, Day, Open Text and SAP



### **Emergence of Chemistry**





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#### CMIS FOR JAVA

- OpenCMIS
- Overview
- Client API
- JavaDoc

#### CMIS FOR PYTHON

cmislib

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#### **Welcome to Apache Chemistry**

Apache Chemistry provides open source implementations of the Content Management Interoperability Services (CMIS) specification.

The project currently consists of the following sub-projects:

- · OpenCMIS CMIS client and server libraries for Java
- cmislib CMIS client library for Python
- jsclient CMIS client library for JavaScript

#### Incubation disclaimer

Apache Chemistry is an effort undergoing incubation at the Apache Software Foundation (ASF). Incubation is required of all newly accepted projects until a further review indicates that the infrastructure, communications, and decision making process have stabilized in a manner consistent with other successful ASF projects. While incubation status is not necessarily a reflection of the completeness or stability of the code, it does indicate that the project has yet to be fully endorsed by the ASF.



## Removing the Stigma from "Silo"



- Finding the common ground across Content Management Repositories
  - Technical Use Cases
    - Repository to Repository
    - Application to Repository
    - Federated Repositories
    - http://www.slideshare.net/pie1120/the-point-of-the-contentinteroperability-services-cmis-standard



- Repository to Repository
  - Publish a document from one repository to another
    - Example: a document in an ECM system published to a WCM upon approval
  - Manage corporate records from one centralized repository
    - Access business records from multiple document repositories in one records system for consistent retention, disposition



- Application to Repository
  - Use and consume managed content across other line of business applications
  - ERP, CRM, case management systems, collaboration tools
  - Let content flow across its natural horizontal business lifecycle



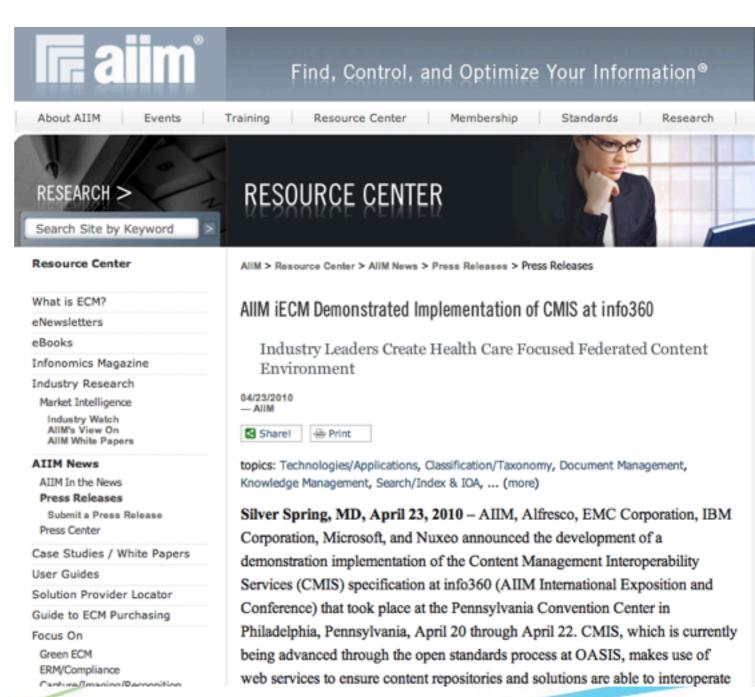
- Federated Repositories
  - Ability to use and consume content across multiple repositories
  - Appears to end user as one cohesive system
  - Ability to build single UI to access content in across multiple repositories - entirely different ECM products



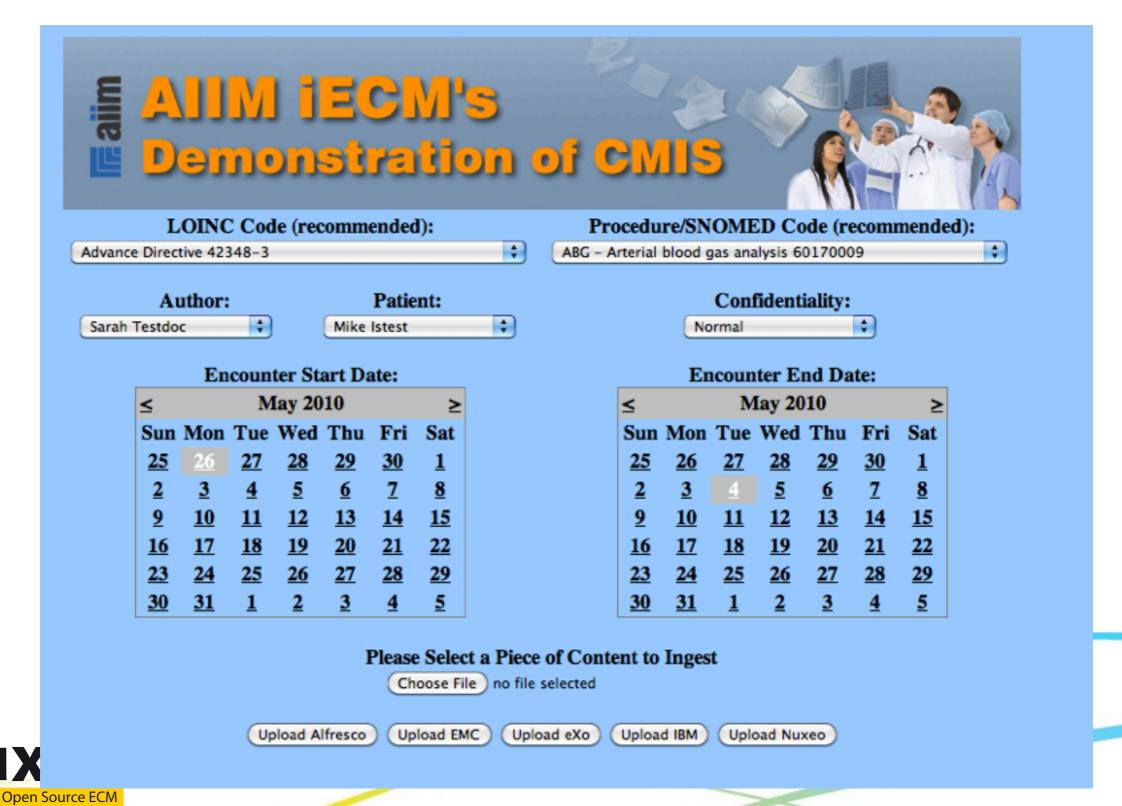
#### **AIIM iECM Demo Server**

- 5 Separate ECM repositories in a federated Health Care Scenario
- Built by Laurence Hart (@piewords) and Thomas Pole (Harris Corp.)
- Repositories all hosted by vendors - US, Europe, Cloud



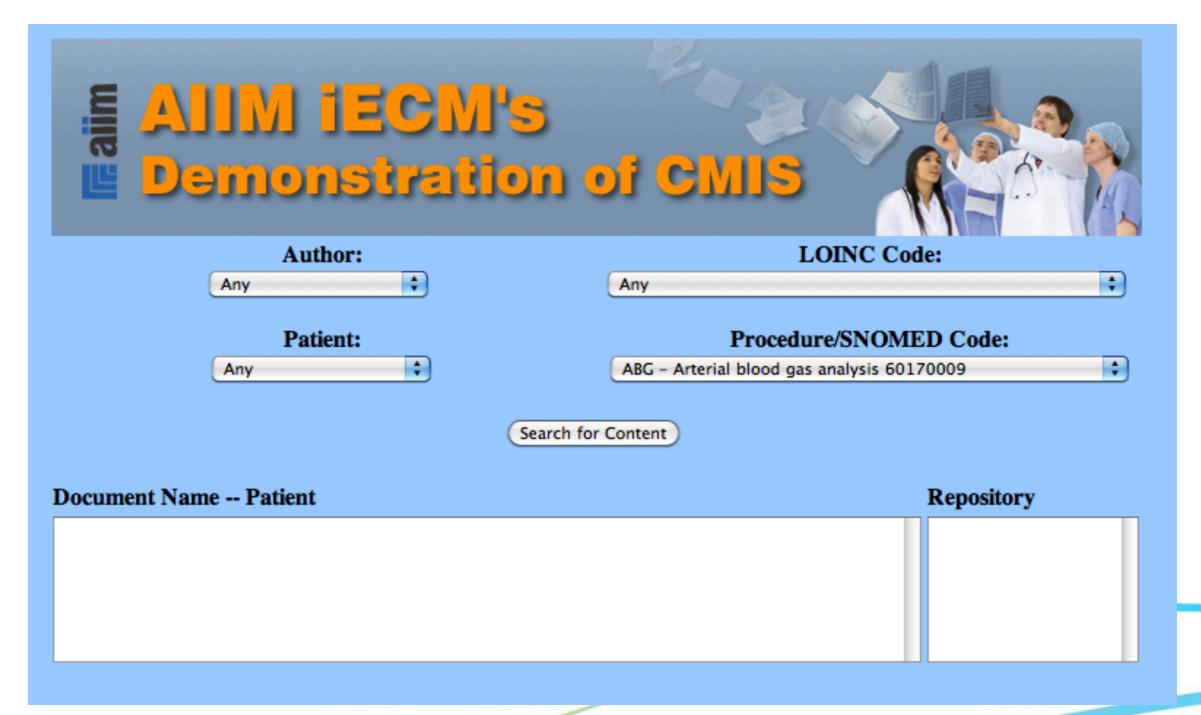


#### **AIIM iECM Demo Server**



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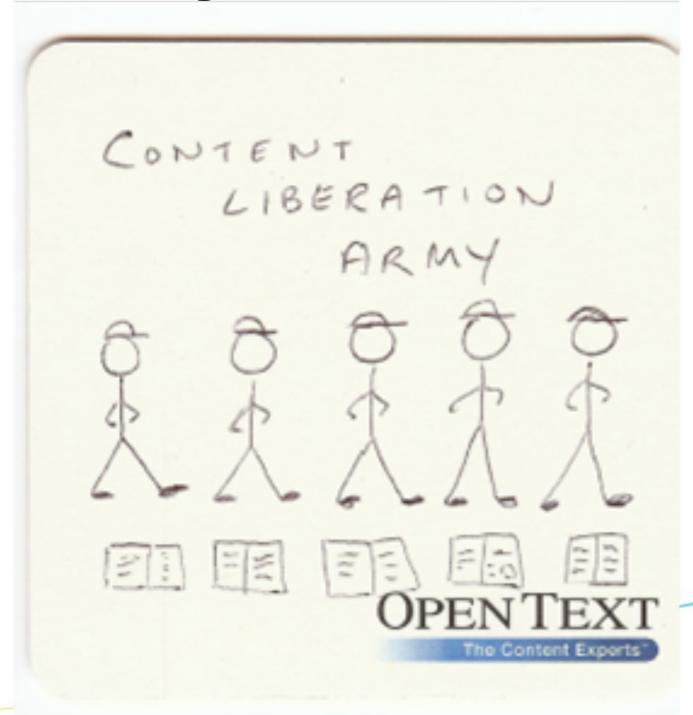




## Problem is Not Vendor Lock-in It's Content Lock-in



## The Content Liberation Army: Powered by CMIS?





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### Lowest Common Denominator or Greatest Common Factor?

- Basics of the Specification
  - Object Types
    - Documents, Folders,
       Relationships, Policies
  - Each object has an object identity, properties
  - Objects may an access control list, a content stream or rendition



#### 2.1.4.3.3 Property Definitions

The Document base Object-Type MUST have the following property definitions, and MAY definitions on base types, the query name MUST be the same as the property ID. The rep

cmis:name Name of the object

Inherited: False
Property Type: String
Cardinality: Single

cmis:objectId Id of the object

Required: False
Inherited: False
Property Type: ID
Cardinality: Single
Updatability: Read 0

Updatability: Read Only
Choices: Not Applicable
Open Choice: Not Applicable

MUST be set on the object

cmis:baseTypeId Id of the base object-type for the object

Required: False
Inherited: False
Property Type: ID
Cardinality: Single
Updatability: Read Only
Choices: Not Applicable
Open Choice: Not Applicable

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### Lowest Common Denominator or Greatest Common Factor?

- Versioning of Documents
- CMIS Query and Discovery Services
- Navigation Services
- Multi-Filing Services



### Platforms vs. Suites vs. Condominiums



## ECM Evolving into a Platform for Content Applications

- CMIS opens the door to meaningful consumption of content across business processes
- Generic deployments of basic document management often don't meet business requirements
- Compliance cudgel often doesn't work
- Productivity is back on the front-burner
- CMIS = Fast integrations



## ECM Evolving into a Platform for Content Applications

- Recent AIIM Market Intelligence "State of the ECM Industry" 2010
  - 34% Respondents have a keen interest in CMIS
  - But... only 7% plan to adopt over next year
  - http://www.aiim.org/Research/ECM-State-of-Industry-2010.aspx



## ECM Evolving into a Platform for Content Applications

- Vendors with cohesive platforms may be able to be most creative with CMIS
- ECM vendors will need to differentiate in new ways
- Suite vendors that assembled portfolio via acquisition will take longer to take full advantage of CMIS
  - Inconsistent architectures and integrations

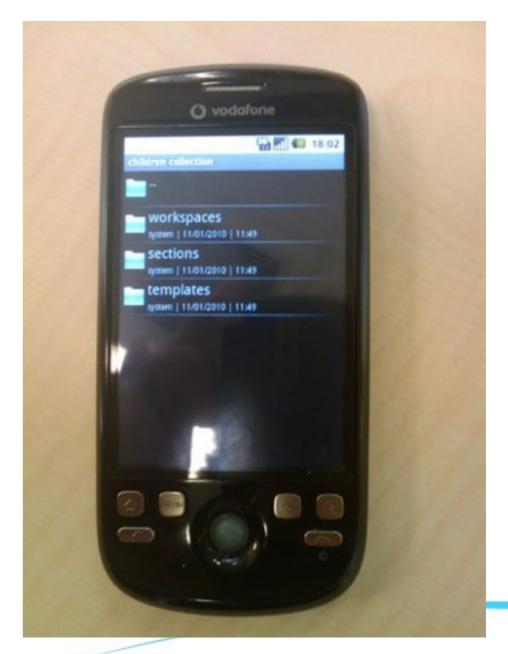


## CMIS: It's Real. And It's Spectacular.



#### Real World CMIS in Action

- Content Management Goes Mobile
  - Android CMIS Broswer
    - Browse CMIS repository
    - View Documents
    - Email Documents
    - Search
    - View Document Properties



http://code.google.com/p/android-cmis-browser/



#### Real World CMIS in Action

- Content Engine behind WCM / Portal Systems
  - Drupal
  - EZPublish
  - Nuxeo
  - Alfresco
  - KnowledgeTree



NXC CMIS client extension makes it really easy to integrate eZ publish powered website with ECMS that support communication by CMIS standard.

We have tested the solution and it works well with a selection of ECM systems such as Nuxeo, Alfresco and KnowledgeTree.

Extension supports browsing, downloading, uploading content by CMIS standard, also it contains additional class for expublish that makes it easier to integrate systems together. With this extension it is possible to create a links to documents that are stored on CMIS server side, and downloading it through expublish as proxy.



#### Real World CMIS in Action

- Business Process Management
  - Access content stored in ECM repositories via CMIS





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