# ICT services @KaHo

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# Introduction

- Environment?
  - Multiple campus sites
  - Innovation
    - Research
    - ICT education
    - Partnerships
  - Integration of 2 large educational organizations (2012-2013)
  - Sub-part of a large Association
    - Policies
    - Administration
    - Centralized IT solutions
    - Diversity users (Academic Students, Bachelors, Post)





# Introduction

- Central ICT department & regional support
- Large/ small serverrooms ~campus
- Combining 1st, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3rdline support
- Equal service for all users
- ICT department in real life is more:
  - Audio, video, ICT internal education, cash and payment devices, videoconferencing,...



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- Layered approach bottom-up
  - Infrastructure and network
    - More than IT!
      - Airco
      - Power
      - Fire protection data centers
  - Security: privacy of data
  - Application hosting / performance
  - Monitoring and minimal disruptions
- Redundancy, fail-over and clustering on
- Hardware, software and people!

- Each campus / site must be able to run independent for a scope of basic services
  - Authentication, authorization, file,
     print, collaboration, support, local Lan
     Importance: design of solutions takes the above into account!
- Bring Your Own Device





- Importance of Virtualization
  - Education is open 24h 7/7
  - Scheduling of rooms is easier
  - Fits diversity of students in computer classrooms
  - Maintenance options
  - Uptime of resources

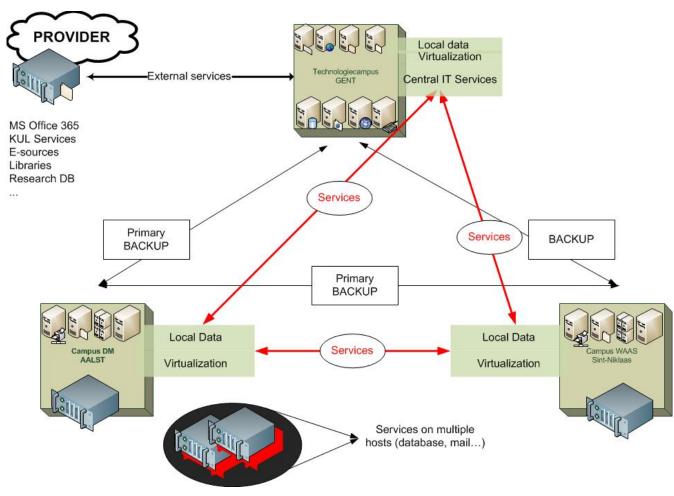




- Choosing the right platform or product?
  - Product and functionality: matrix
  - In-house support + internal staff
  - Financial cost (installation, license, support contract)
  - Is the product a (current) default, what future does it have?
    - Long term support, end of life?

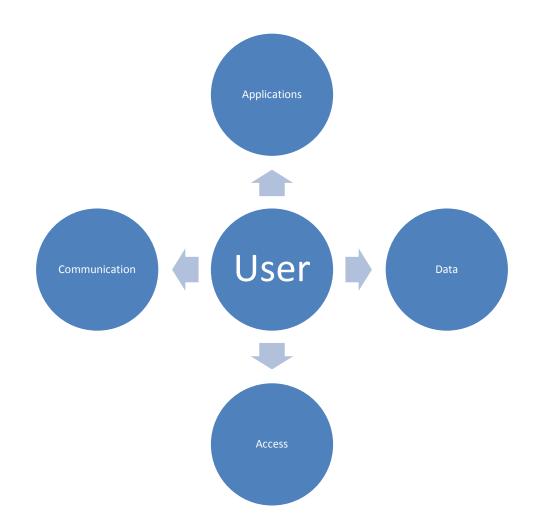
















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# Student wishes?

- Easy and user-friendly applications
- Mobile devices support (smartphones,...)
- Different hardware and OS support
  - Mac, Tablets, Laptops
  - Linux based , windows
- Internet Browsers: iexplore, firefox, chrome, safari....

# Student wishes?

- Advantages of being a student
  - Acceptable software pricing (or free)
    - MSDNAA, Dreamspark,...
    - ADOBE: difficult!
  - Laptop deals including assurance
    - Ex. Contract DELL within Association
  - "samenaankoop"; "campusshop"
    - = large contracts with companies to keep prices to a minimum





# Staff wishes?

- Same wishes as students (teachers)
- Remote and mobile working
  - Homeworking (as in the office)
- Collaboration
  - students, colleagues, companies, researchers...
- Storage requirements & Archiving • Miscellaneous software needs



# Staff wishes?

- "Delegated rights"
  - Ownership of mailgroups
  - Ownership of external access
  - Limited administrative procedures
- "independent" labo / class environment
  - Impact on licensing server
  - Importance of central software store





# User environment and advantages

#### General advantages

- EDUROAM
  - Each site of your organization shares a common wireless environment





# User environment and advantages

- Wireless access to resources
- Web-interfaces -> internet browsers
- Downtime during day minimized
- Single-sign on: 1 account, 1 login
- Remote access to personal data
- Virtual classroom: time advantage
- BYOD





# User environment and advantages

- Mobility versus local office
- Collaboration without borderlines
  - Filesharing, calenders, tasks, wiki,...
- Green Printing (papercut)
- Student and Staff portal: single point of information
- Automated helpdesk & email
   notification



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# Scope of Activities

- Design, optimization and integration
- Aim on multiple target audiences
  - Administration
  - Education
  - Research
  - Collaboration
- Security





# Audience / user community

- Many flavors in the User community
- Single versus multiple identities
- Miscellaneous Roles in the organization
- External users (companies,...)
- Anonymous (questionnaire, survey...)





#### Services

- Helpdesk and support
- Infrastructure and network
- Development
  - Applications
  - Web applications
  - Web sites
- Business analysis
- Advice and top-management support
- Administration (maintenance contract,...)

# Helpdesk and Support

- Helpdesk and support staff
  - On site interventions (hardware issues, etc)
  - Installations user workstations and software
  - Ticket handling
  - Maintenance Q&A pages
  - User manual production





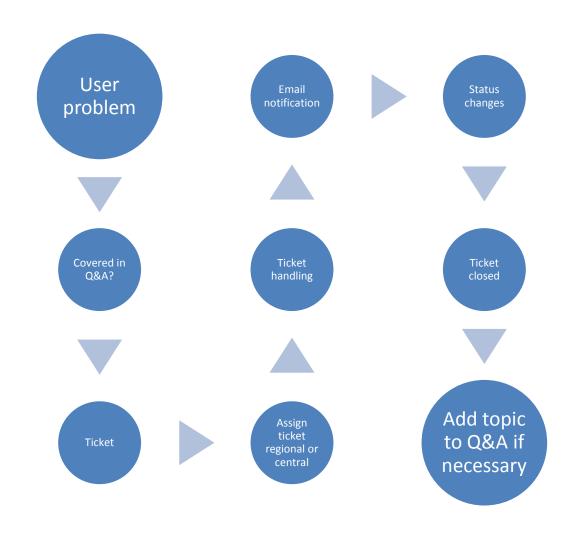
# Helpdesk and Support

- User friendly
  - Procedures
  - Visible
  - Clear workflows
  - Single point of contact on the outside
    - MPOC internal side
- Rental of devices
  - AVM, laptop,....





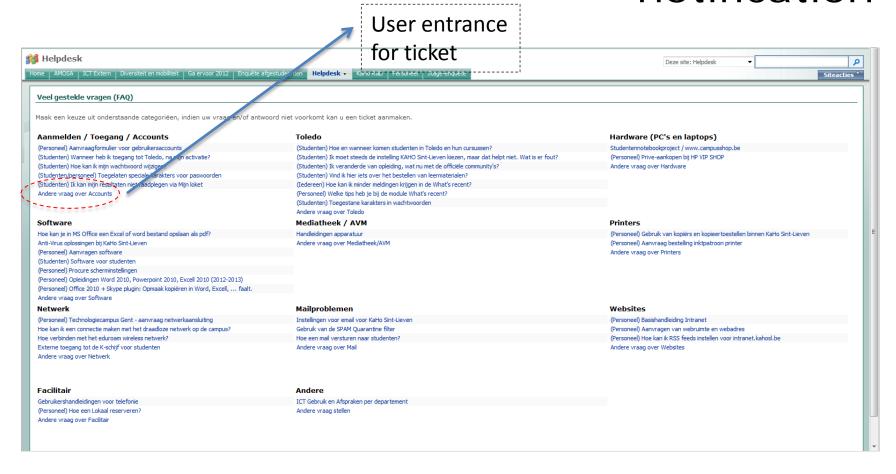
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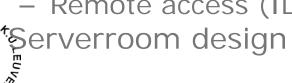
# Infrastructure and Network

#### Network

- Installation, upgrades and configuration of network devices, cabling
- Securing network devices and implementation security devices
  - Webfiltering, firewall, reverse proxy, ISA/TMG, Wifi
- Routing, DNS, DHCP and other network services
- Radius (EDUROAM wifi network)

#### Servers

- Design, installation and maintenance
- Virtualization (hyper-v and vmware)
- Storage configuration and maintenance
- Hardware en application monitoring
- Remote access (ILO) and central management





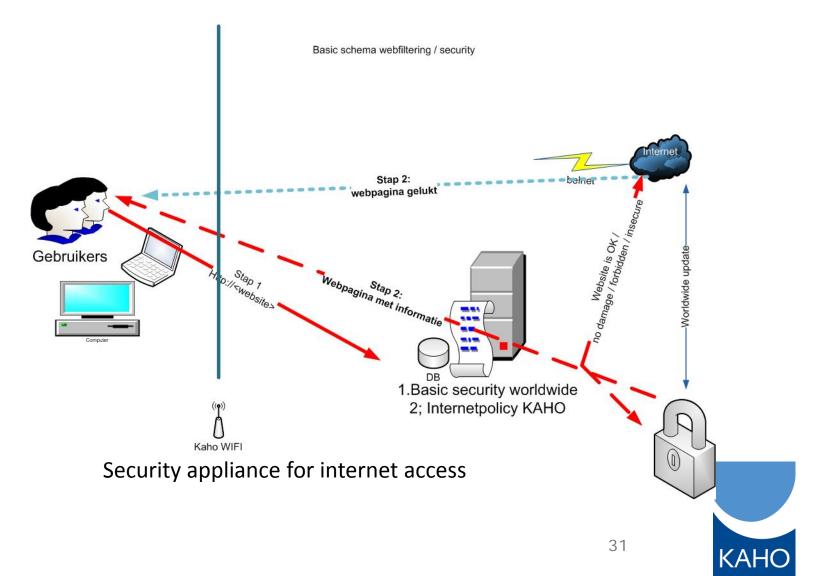
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- Server applications
  - Design and implementation
    - Mail services (exchange, office 365)
    - File, Print and other basic services
    - Remote applications and environment
      - Citrix, RDGWS, UAG, Direct Access (win7)
    - Replication
    - Clustering
    - Backup strategy
    - Monitoring
    - Web services
    - And many others....



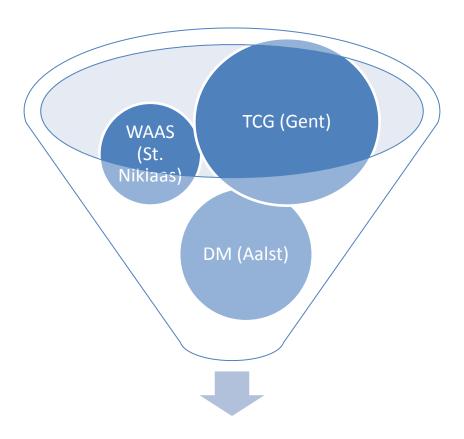


# Infrastructure and Network





# Size ICT on campus



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# Development Platform

- C#
- MOSS with .NET 3.5 + Sharepoint Designer
- Default. .NET 4.0 or +
- Visual studio and Teamfoundation (SCRUM)
- ReSharper (jetbrains)
- WCF and WPF
- SQL Reporting Services



# Development Projects

- Persona Human Resources application
  - Customer: 8 schools
  - Registration, calculations, reporting,...
  - E-portal applications for holiday requests, etc.
- Internship students, Portfolio
- Account services
- E-learning application (MOSS,.NET and DRUPAL)
- Surveys
- Workflow applications
- Project websites with general branding



# Business analysis

- Project lead for optimization of processes
- Participating from analysis to implementation
- Risk & Integration management
- Documentation
- ICT needs a global overview





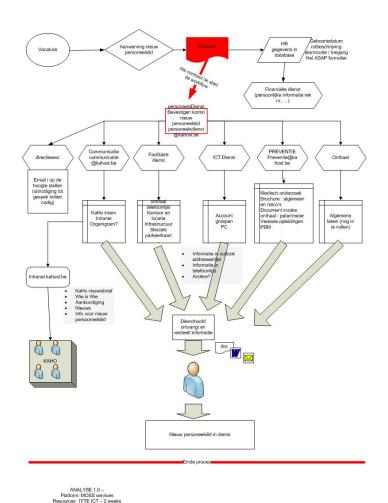
# Business analysis example (1)

- Goal: optimize the start of new employees
  - Several administrative processes
  - Several technical processes
  - Several functional topics
  - Less paper
- Platform: MOSS workflow, email notifications





# Business analysis example (2)







# Advice and top-management support

- ICT business view and policy
- ICT position of organization
- Reporting financial results and status
- Innovation and Research
- Advice on policy documents and procedures (Association)





# Orders and follow-up

- Administrative process of ICT equipment orders and purchasing
- Centralized business model
  - 1 vendor versus multiple vendors
- Default order chain and contracts
  - Umbrella topology for all sites: ROI!
- Lifecycle parameters and values
  - Central approach for all equipment



# Administration

- SAP Student lifecycle (KUL Association)
- Finance department: proAcc and Procure
- HR department: Persona (int. Devel),
   Acerta
- Student internship: Int.Devel





#### Platforms and tools

- Windows and Linux OS
- MS Office suite products
- MS System center solutions
- MS SQL and MySQL
- IIS, MOSS, DRUPAL
- Visual studio, Resharper
- And many others...





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# Conclusion

# Start an ICT department from scratch requires:

- Network connectivity, video conferencing
- Physical serverroom
  - UPS, Storage, servers, ....
  - Support contracts
- Central administration / Student registration
- Central user / identity directory
- Agreements and deals for equipment
- Clear education content and requirements





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# Q & A?





