

## Knowledge Exchange Conference

From ebXML gateway to the challenge of applied research in Hong Kong

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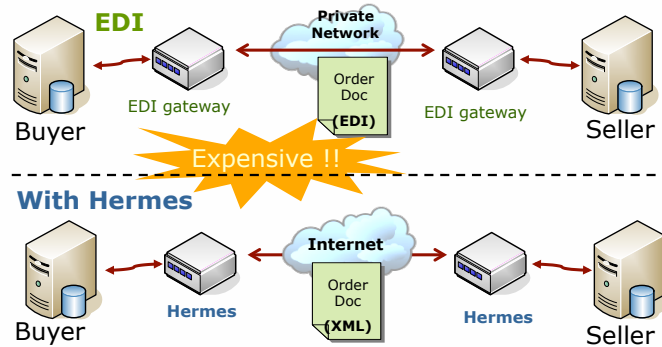
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## ebXML is an ISO standard for B2B E-Commerce

- ◀ ebXML is a stack of specifications for conducting B2B e-Commerce on Internet
  - ◀ Version 2 completed in 2002 by OASIS
  - ◀ Becomes an ISO standard in 2004
- ◀ The stack consists of three major components
  - ◀ ebXML Registry
  - ◀ ebXML Business Process
  - ◀ ebXML Messaging Standard (ebMS) for doc exchange
- ◀ Goal: Interoperability (for B2B) on Internet
- ◀ Subgoal: to replace EDI

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## B2B Message Gateway (Hermes) on Internet – convert Internet into a secure leased line



ebXML has been replacing the old EDI

## Two ITF projects were awarded based on R&D on ebMS

- ◀ Establishment of an ebXML Software Infrastructure in Hong Kong (ITS/101/01) – HK\$ 11.8M
  - ◀ Main output – Hermes (ebMS message gateway)
- ◀ An eLogistics Appliance with Data Exchange and Conversion Technologies for Infrastructure Connectivity (ITP/018/07LP) – HK\$ 6.6M
  - ◀ Main output – B2B Connector (ebMS network device)
- ◀ Hermes is the most popular ebMS gateway in the world

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## Worldwide Adoption of Hermes (B2B message gateway)

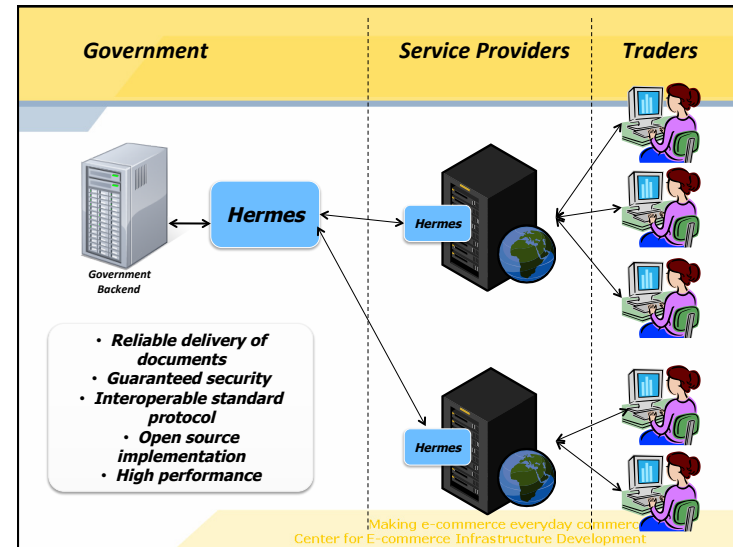
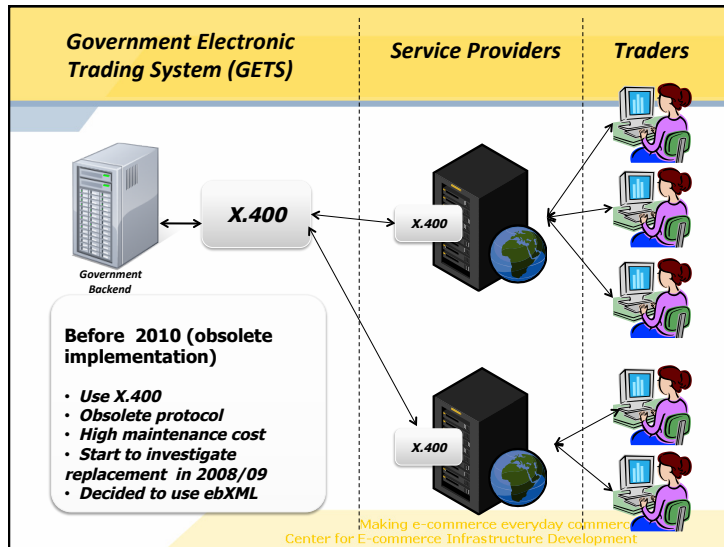
- ◀ Largest user base among all ebXML messaging products
  - ◀ Recorded download from 80+ economies (Australia, Canada, China, Chinese Taipei, Denmark, France, Germany, India, Korea, Korea, Japan, Macau, Myanmar, New Zealand, Singapore, Thailand, UK, US, Vietnam,.....)
- ◀ Many production cases in local and overseas project e.g.
  - ◀ Marine Department (Dangerous Goods Declaration)
  - ◀ Transport Department (Submission of Insurance Documents)
  - ◀ OGCIO (GETS & EGIS)
  - ◀ MTRC (E-Procurement system)
  - ◀ OOCL (international shipping company)
  - ◀ Spheroid Technology (IT consulting in Australia)
  - ◀ Tedis (IT consulting Australia)
  - ◀ Viatel (Connect to British Telecom hub)
  - ◀ B2bFusion, .....

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## Government Electronic Trading Service (GETS) - OGCIO

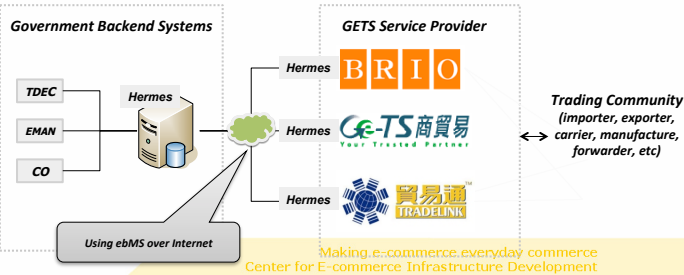
- E-Government gateway for 6 major trade-related documents for trade declaration (import & export)
  - TDEC, EMAN, .....
  - Mandatory electronic submission by law
- Three service providers (SPs) are appointed to provide front-end services to traders, services include:
  - Accept document submission from traders (via electronic or paper means)
  - Collection of levy
  - **Exchange trade documents and system messages with Government via electronic channels**
- Processes **20 millions of document submission** per year

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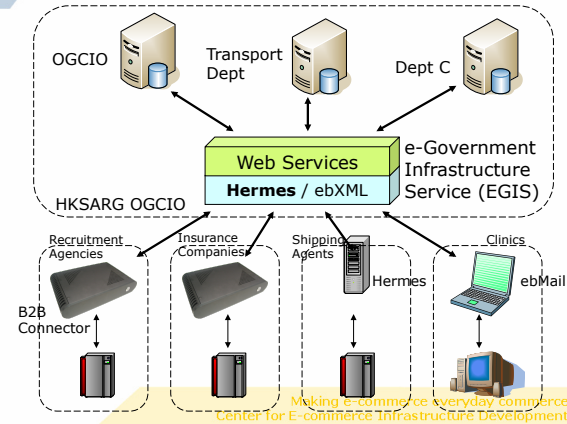


## Government Electronic Trading Services (GETS)

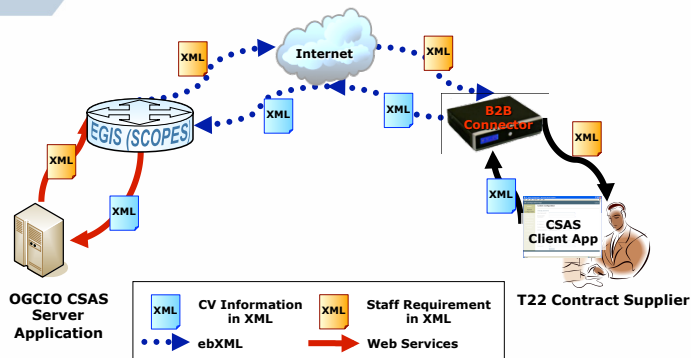
- ◀ All 3 Service Provider (SP) also use Hermes for document exchange
  - ◀ Brio Electronic Commerce Limited
  - ◀ Global e-Trading Services Limited
  - ◀ Tradelink Electronic Commerce Limited
- ◀ Hermes takes care over **20-million** trade document exchange per year



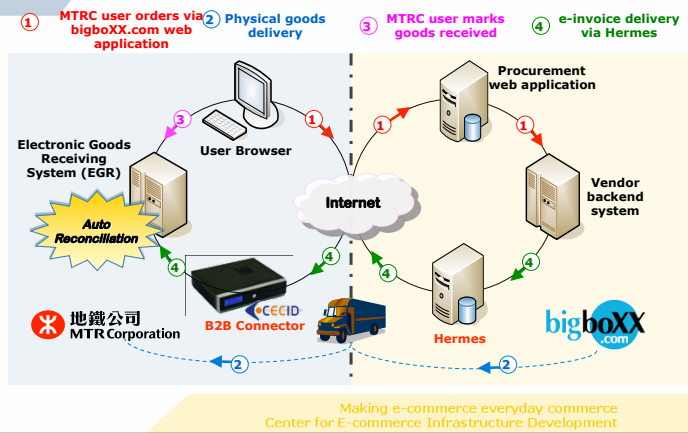
## Government Data Exchange and Integration Gateway (EGIS)

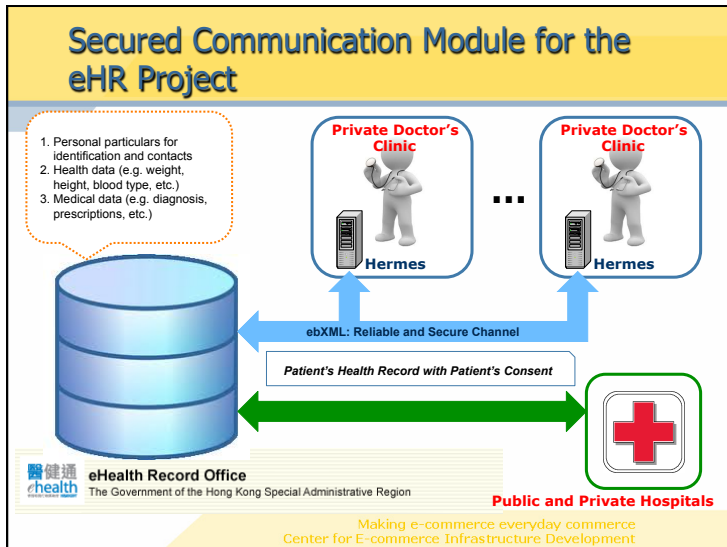


## Contract Staff Administration System (OGCIO)



## E-Procurement Messaging System (MTRC)





- ### Challenge of Applied Research in Hong Kong
- Why should we do applied research in Hong Kong?
  - Make relevancy to the society
    - Is it good enough to do curiosity-driven research only?
    - In disciplines like Engineering, we need to connect to the societal grant challenges – health care, energy, environment, security, etc....
    - **Applied research connects us to the society and industry**
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- ### Challenge of Applied Research in Hong Kong
- The major challenge is sustainability
    - Need to maintain a team
    - Need to build up continuous support from the industry to solicit sponsorships
    - Need to have a stream of projects to keep a team
    - Need to have new idea to solicit new fundings before earlier projects have been commercialized
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