Development tools training session

Peces
Pervasive computing in embedded systems

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PECES Middleware

A comprehensive software layer enabling the seamless cooperation of embedded devices across various smart spaces on a global scale in a context-dependent, secure and trustworthy manner.
Devices have **context properties**, defined in terms of **context ontologies**

**PECES operation**

- **OFFICE**
- **HOME**
- **STREET**
- **MALL**

**CONTEXT PROPERTIES**
- Owned by: John
- Current location: street
PECES operation

**Coordinators** define smart space memberships via **role specifications** (constraints on context properties)
There are 3 levels of role specifications:
- local (intradevice)
- space (PAN)
- internet
PECES operation

Devices implement services, which are available to other smart space partners via RPC mechanisms.
PECES operation

With the help of an internet registry, these mechanisms are available on a **global scale** (local barriers are broken)

**Integrated islands** -> **Integrated world**
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## Concepts

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<th>Knowledge defined as a set of concepts within a domain, and the relationships between these concepts. It can be used to reason about the entities within that domain [wikipedia]</th>
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<td>Smart space</td>
<td>Group of devices that are allowed to collaborate with each other by means of services and information exchange. All members of a certain smart space share a <strong>common role</strong></td>
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<td>Role specification</td>
<td>Constraints a device must fulfill in order to acquire a certain role, defined in terms of context ontologies</td>
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Tutorial

CONTEXT PROPERTIES
Owned by: John

ROLE
homeMember

SERVICES AVAILABLE
lightningControl
ambientMusicControl

ROLE SPECIFICATION
“All devices fulfilling
Owned by: John
are homeMembers”

ROLE
homeMember

SERVICES OFFERED
ambientMusicControl
Development tools

- **Eclipse plugin**
- Support developers during creation of base projects for PECES application, including
  - Initialization of the middleware
  - Initialization of communication plugins
  - Definition of context properties associated to devices
  - Definition of services
  - Definition of smart spaces
  - Definition of security requirements
  - Simulation of the interaction between different devices
Install tools in Eclipse

- Update site: [http://www.ict-peces.eu/eclipsertools](http://www.ict-peces.eu/eclipsertools) (includes middleware library)

- Install tools using Eclipse usual procedure
Project set-up

- Project structure: one application consists on several projects
  - One project for overall definitions
  - Specific per-device projects

- Create new PECES project (Tutorial)
Define devices

- Project structure: one application consists on several projects
  - Device manager: set the devices that take part of the application
  - Device properties
    - Coordinator: able to define smart spaces
    - Gateway: able to provide Internet connectivity to other smart space members
    - Communication capabilities

- Device manager: two devices
  - homeserver: coordinator
  - myphone
Define devices’ context properties

- Devices are defined by their context properties
- Context properties are used for intelligent smart space formation
- Define the necessary properties that will be used during the smart space formation

- Context properties: based on ontologies
  - PECES project provides a set of ontologies under http://www.ict-peces.eu/ont
  - device.owl and smartspace.owl provide necessary elements for the definition of a typical scenario

- Custom ontologies can be also used in the application

- Ontology manager: necessary elements
  - One user: “John”
  - One service: “ambientMusicControl”
  - myphone: carried by “John” consumes “ambientMusicControl”
  - homeserver: carried by “John” provides “ambientMusicControl”
Define available services

- Services offer public interfaces to other smart space members
- Service clients instantiate proxies to services offered by other devices

- Services definition tool: one service is offered
  - ambientMusicControl: implemented by homeServer
Define smart spaces

- Smart spaces are groups of collaborative devices
- They are defined by applying conditions (role specifications) to devices context properties
- Devices inside smart spaces can
  - Communicate each other
  - Broadcast messages inside the group
  - Make use of the available services
- Role spec. tool: one smart space
  - home: all devices carried by John
Results

- Two java projects: one per device
- Configured features
  - Devices initialization
  - Services definition
  - Smart groups definition
  - Static/initial context properties
- TODOs
  - Implement services code
  - Implement further devices’ functionality
  - Deployment on devices
- The development tools set includes other tools with further functionality:
  - Security-related configuration
  - Simulation of application on custom-defined scenarios
Thanks for your attention!

- More information and downloads
  - [www.ict-peces.eu](http://www.ict-peces.eu)
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