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Abstract:	This deliverable D2203 reports on the application and user interfaces, which the EAT provides for the second AQUILA trial. These are: the QoS API, the QoS GUI/Portal, the Application Profiles, and the Application Level Gateways. The deliverable describes in detail their functionality and shows usage scenarios.
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Executive Summary

This deliverable describes the interfaces of the End-user Application Toolkit (EAT) towards the applications and users of the second AQUILA trial.

"The modular End-user Application Toolkit will be made available in time to be used in the development of the applications for the second trial. As a working document for the development of the end user applications for the second trial, this deliverable will provide a detailed guide of how to apply the End-user Application Toolkit, including a full explanation of the software architecture used for applications services. Target audience for this deliverable are the developers of end-user applications." [Technical Annex]

This deliverable therefore focuses on the detailed description of the functionalities offered by the EAT. This includes also some scenarios on how to use the functionalities for so-called Basic Internet Applications as well as for Complex Internet Services.

One of the outcomes of the first trial is that Basic Internet Applications (here also called legacy applications) can be supported by the AQUILA architecture by providing different mechanisms such as Graphical User Interfaces (GUIs), Application Profiles, and Protocol Gateways (here also called Application Level *Proxies*). However, this support needs the involvement of (human) customers (end-users), because legacy applications cannot be modified in order to be QoS-aware.

Consequently, this deliverable also includes the explanation of the *user* interfaces the EAT offers. Moreover, user interfaces are an essential part of modern (complex) Internet services that provide multimedia services towards Internet users.

In that way, the application and user interfaces, developed for the first trial, can – with some modifications – be reused for the applications of the second trial. More specifically, the application and user support will be based on the following main "pillars":

- An Application Programming Interface (API) for QoS-aware applications,
- Graphical User Interface for manual reservation in different modes,
- Application Profiles to allow QoS mapping from a technical to a user-friendly level, and
- Application Level Proxies to support some special application signalling protocols.

The one responsible middleware that offers all these interface is the EAT which acts as the only QoS portal to the AQUILA's RCL controlled network.



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1 Introduction

This deliverable gives an overview of the application and end-user interfaces the EAT offers in the second AQUILA trial.

The purpose of these interfaces is:

- To support the developers of new QoS-aware applications and services by providing an Application Programming Interface (API) on the top of the EAT which is a QoS middleware between applications and the (AQUILA) network.
- To support the users of existing, QoS-unaware legacy applications by providing Graphical User Interfaces (GUIs) for manual QoS requests in different usage modes. Since the most users might be not familiar with AQUILA, the flexible approach of predefined Application Profiles is used to allow a mapping between user's QoS understanding and the technical details of AQUILA QoS reservation requests.
- To support some special applications based on dynamic signalling protocols by providing transparent Proxies (Gateways), which collect important information directly from application's traffic in order to use them for reservation requests.
- To support also automatic tests and measurements by providing a script interface for the batch processing of QoS requests.

By offering all these different interfaces towards various, legacy and new applications, services as well as real end-users, the EAT aims to be a powerful and flexible QoS portal towards the Resource Control Layer. For legacy applications, this has already been proved in the first trial. The second trial, moreover, will show how the EAT can be applied by QoS offering Complex Internet Services, for example.

The deliverable is structured as follows:

After the description of the overall approach useful for getting familiar with the EAT, the following chapter 2 describes the several, above mentioned application interfaces in more detail. The reader may select only one chapter he/she is interested in. Note that the chapters focus mainly on the functionality the interfaces offer.

More impressive scenarios on how to use them are given in chapter 3 which is split into two parts: one for the usage of Basic Internet Applications, and the other showing how Complex Internet Services can benefit from QoS.

After that, a short installation and configuration guide of the EAT is given in chapter 4.

The document ends with an Appendix containing detailed interface specifications, examples, etc.



2 Application Interfaces

2.1 Approach

The End-user Application Toolkit for the second trial supports two major kinds of (Internet) applications:

- Legacy Applications [D1201] that are in fact QoS-unaware and that cannot be modified in order to directly access the EAT or any other QoS infrastructure. The most of existing Internet applications are legacy ones. The EAT prototype for the first trial already supported a set of them.
- QoS-aware Applications [D1201] that can themselves request for QoS, by using an API, for example (EAT-based Applications use the EAT API), or by using signalling protocols such as RSVP and SIP.

Internet applications, however, have also to be distinguished with regard to their *complexity*. In AQUILA, we make a distinction between Basic Internet Applications and Complex Internet Services [D1202]. They have to be supported in different ways: Whereas Basic Internet Applications are often legacy ones which cannot directly use the EAT, Complex Internet Services can be QoS-aware or even EAT-based although they consist of basic applications. It is one of the aims of the second trial, to demonstrate this feature as it is described in this document.

Generally, the EAT provides - at the control plane - a set of application interfaces in order to support the wide range of different applications (Figure 2-1):

- Legacy applications do not interact with the EAT. QoS reservations must therefore be made manually (see below).
- For some specific legacy applications that dynamically negotiate data port numbers, a special Proxy (Protocol Gateway) (e.g. for H.323) detects the for an AQUILA reservation request necessary information from the application's data flow [D2201].
- For applications that rely on signalling protocols, Protocol Gateways (Proxies) are provided that interpret protocol messages and map them to AQUILA reservation requests. For the second trial, a SIP Proxy will be realised. However, the Proxy Framework is flexible and extensible in order to include additional Proxies (e.g. for RSVP) later on. (More details can be found in chapter 2.5.)
- For EAT-based applications, a special Application Programming Interface (API) provides interfaces and methods for login, reservation requests and releases, etc. This proprietary API is accessible via CORBA and provides the full AQUILA functionality. (More details can be found in chapter 2.2.)





Figure 2-1: The different application interfaces of the EAT

Due to the fact that the EAT is fully transparent for legacy applications – even if they are supported by a Proxy – QoS reservations must be performed in a different way. For that reason, the EAT provides a set of graphical user interfaces in form of Web pages, in which an end-user can *manually* request for QoS reservations (Figure 2-2). Moreover, the so-called AQUILA Portal offers among other things two different reservation modes: an advanced one for end-users that have knowledge about the technical details of an AQUILA request, and a regular one for end-users that are not familiar with AQUILA. (More details can be found in the chapter 2.3.)

In order to support the regular reservation mode, an additional application "interface" is provided, the so-called Application Profile methodology [D2202]. Application Profiles contain reservation "schemes" with technical parameters mapped to well understandable QoS metaphors. (More details can be found in the chapter 2.4)

Note that the regular reservation mode is not necessarily part of the AQUILA Portal. In fact, Application Profiles are usable via the EAT API and can therefore be called by every Complex Internet Service that wants to make use of the AQUILA's QoS capabilities. In that way, such an Internet service may offer its own regular reservation mode, by showing the QoS metaphors from the proper Application Profiles of its basic applications/plug-ins.





Figure 2-2: Application and user interfaces of the EAT

2.2 EAT API

2.2.1 Description of Functionality

The EAT API, in general, provides as set of CORBA interfaces and supporting data types towards applications and services in order to allow them the access to the AQUILA's network services and reservations.

This chapter gives an overview on the available interfaces, operations, structure types, and attributes. Moreover, instructions are given on how to use them. (The full interface specification is given in IDL in the Appendix.)

The following first UML class diagram depicts the API model with the most important interfaces and classes that belongs to users and reservations¹. A detailed description follows.

¹ For all types and interfaces, please, see the api.idl in the Appendix.





Figure 2-3: The EAT API (1)



Description:

The interface **Login** is implemented by a singleton object, to be used by all clients of this EAT (see paragraph 2.2.2). It provides:

- The loginClient() operation with two parameters: the login information (including user account and password) and an *optional* session id of the client (usually a web session id). loginClient() returns if successful the reference to an object of the interface type QoSSessionRequest which belongs to the now logged end-user. If an end-user severally logs in at the same time, he/she always gets the same reference. If something goes wrong with the login, an APIException is raised including a string with the reason.
- The getQSRequestMeansSessionId() operation with one parameter: the client session id of a previous call of the loginClient() operation. By using this id, it is possible to associate and return the reference to the belonging QoSSessionRequest object without to login once again. That is useful if a (web) client is not able to store the reference it gets from the previous call.

The interface **QoSSessionRequest** is the main user agent for a QoS requesting client. For each logged end-user exactly one object exists that implements this interface. It offers the following:

- Three readable attributes: The account name of the logged user, its contracts (namely its **SLA**s), and the associated client session ids (at most five).
- The advancedRequest() operation with two parameters: the request spec of the type AdvancedSpec including for example network service id and SLS, and the *optional* requester (see interface EventObserver), usually the requesting client. If a reservation can be established, the operation returns the reference to a new object of the interface type QoSSessionUnit containing one single reservation/session element (e.g. for a unidirectional reservation). Otherwise, an APIException is raised.
- The advancedMultipleRequest() operation. Instead of requesting a single, unidirectional reservation, a multiple (e.g. a bi-directional) reservation is requested. The request parameters can only differ from the requested services and the service level specifications. An inseparable QoSSessionUnit is created and returned, containing as many single elements as requested (e.g. two for a bi-directional reservation).
- The advancedGroupRequest() operation for different reservation requests within a group, for example for several service components per application, or for several applications per Complex Internet Service. A QoSSessionGroup is created and returned. (The group may get its own group name.)



- The prepareSessionCharacteristicsOptions() requests for the available QoS options for a reservation in the regular mode in order to present them to the end-user. The only parameter indicates which Application Profile is to be used for that (see interface ApplicationManager).
- The regularRequest() operation with again two parameters: one of the type RegularSpec including for example the Application Profile, one service component and the chosen QoS option, and one for the requester. A QoSSessionUnit is created and returned.
- The regularMultipleRequest() operation like above but for multiple reservations (see advancedMultipleRequest()). The single reservation elements can only differ from the flow specs and scopes, for example regarding the source and destination addresses.
- The regularGroupRequest() operation for multiple groups, for example for the different service components of one application.
- The createEmptyGroup() operation to establish an empty QoSSessionGroup, optionally with a meaningful name.
- The getActiveQoSSessions() operation to return all active sessions (groups and units) of this client/end-user.
- The getQoSSessionUnits() operation to get all active session *units* of this client/user in a uni-dimensional array.
- The retrieveReservationHistory() operation to have a full list of all accepted former and actual reservations including their parameters and accounting information.
- The close() operation with the client session id as the only parameter, in order to deassociate a client (web) session from this object.
- The logout() operation to log off the end-user and to *release* all of his/her reservations (in contrast to Login.close()).

The interface **Qossession** will not directly be implemented but is to abstract from its children QossessionGroup and QossessionUnit, and to have a common return type. Nevertheless, it provides the following attributes and abstract operations:

- Four attributes: sessionId as the *unique* session identifier, isGroup to indicate whether the session is a group or a unit, group to refer to the aggregating group if one exists, and requester to refer to the optional requesting client.
- The release() operation to release this session (unit or group) including all of its elements (groups, units, and/or single elements). Accounting data are automatically requested and stored within the EAT.



• The suspend() operation to cancel either this session (unit or group) without storing any accounting data.

The interface **QoSSessionGroup** as specialisation of QoSSession. It is for reservation groups which have the purpose to be better "manageable" than many separate reservations (e.g. to suspend the whole group). The interface provides the following features:

- The attribute groupName to show the purpose of the group.
- The attribute sessions to refer to the member QoSSessions of this group. Thus, these can either be QoSSessionUnits or again QoSSessionsGroups.
- The getSession() operation with one parameter: the id of a member session. It returns the reference to this object.
- The join() operation with one parameter: the reference to an already established session unit or group in order to include it into this group. By using this, multidimensional groups can be built.
- The leave() operation with the same parameter in order to quit the membership of the belonging session unit or group in this higher-level group.
- The leaveAll() operation to quit the membership of *all* session units or groups of this higher-level group. After that, this group can be released without releasing its members.

The interface **QoSSessionUnit** provides access to an inseparable reservation unit consisting of one ore more reservation elements. Therefore, the features are:

- The attributes isMultiple and numberOfElements. The first flag indicates whether the session unit is a multiple one, the second attribute gives the number of the reservation elements.
- The attribute status containing the session status. It can be Provisional (waiting for the Proxy information), Active (established in the ACA but not in the edge router), or Enabled (established also in the edge router).
- A list of attributes that belong to this session unit, e.g. the requested services and SLS.
- The reference selection to the chosen, unique QoSOption of this unit if one. (QoSSession contains the optionId of a specific serviceComponent.)
- The getAccountingInformation() operation to explicitly ask for the last accounting status. Note, that the accounting data are automatically requested and stored when the reservation is released.
- The enable() operation to establish an already activated session also in the edge router reservation.



The interface **EventObserver** should be implemented by a client that wants to be informed when something happens with the reservation. For example, a reservation request that relies on the support of a Proxy results in a session which is still *provisional* until the Proxy notifies the EAT that the reservation can really be activated:

• The notity() operation in this case informs the requesting client about this event, which is of the type **RequestEvent**. And due to the fact that the reservation request towards the *network* can fail even if it is provisionally established within the EAT, the requester is informed about the success of the request (Accepted or Rejected). Another important event occurs, when an already established reservation is automatically Released if the connection to the network fails. For that reason, RequestEvent contains one of these three kinds of events as well as the id of the belonging QoSSession and an optional string for more details on the reason.

The following second part of the API model depicts other supporting classes and interfaces:



Figure 2-4: The EAT API (2)



Description:

The interface **ServiceDistributor** implemented by a singleton object provides access to the existing network services:

- The getNetworkServices() operation returns an array of information about the available network services including their ids and full names.
- The getNetworkService() operation returns one specific network service, including the information about its QoSSpec as well as the possible reservation styles.

The interface **ApplicationManager** also implemented by a singleton object is for the retrieval of the existing Application Profiles and the installed Proxies:

- The getAvailableApps() operation returns an array of ApplicationInformation, namely the identifiers of the profiles as well as the names, the versions, and optionally the build numbers of the applications for which profiles exist. It is for the regular reservation mode.
- The getAvailableSCs() operation returns an array of the ServiceComponentInformation of one app profile. Included are information about the available QoS options (SCOption), their SessionCharacteristics, and their Semantical descriptions. It is also for the regular reservation mode.
- The getApplicationProfile() operation returns the reference to a specific, entire **Ex-tApplicationProfile** object, which represents the whole XML data of an app profile.
- The getProfileStream() operation returns the XML data of a specific app profile as byte stream. By using this function, a client can internally parse the XML data in order to retrieve specific profile information.
- The getApplicationProxies() operation returns an array of the installed application Proxies containing in **ProxyDescription** their ids, names, etc. It is mainly for the advanced reservation mode (in order to select a Proxy) but also for the regular mode (in order to check the availability of the Proxy specified in the Application Profile).

2.2.2 Usage Scenario

A. How to access the CORBA API

The EAT API is a CORBA one specified in IDL and using the JDK 1.3 ORB. In order to get access to it, you have to do the following first:

1. If available, read the property file (e.g. aquila.rc) including the basic ORB parameters: "ORBInitialHost" and "ORBInitialPort". Otherwise these parameters are required at the command prompt when your start your client.



- 2. Initialise the ORB with these parameters.
- 3. Narrow the naming service called "NameService" and get the reference to it.
- 4. Create the initial name context "aquila.rcl" and retrieve the reference to it.
- 5. Get the name of the EAT from the client's command line.
- 6. Narrow the following singleton objects and get references to them:
 - Login
 - ServiceDistributor
 - ApplicationManager

B. How to use the API

After getting the reference to the Login object, a typical scenario is the following:

Step)	Operation
1	Login.	Login.loginClient()
1a	Get the reference to your QoSSession- Request agent either directly or via	Login.getQSRequestMeansSessionId()
2	Retrieve information on the existing network services,	ServiceDistributor.getNetworkServices() ServiceDistributor.getNetworkService()
	on the installed Proxies,	ApplicationManager. getApplicationProxies()
	and on the available apps.	ApplicationManager.getAvailableApps() ApplicationManager.getAvailableSCs()
3	Get the SLAs	QoSSessionRequest.contracts()



4a	Request in the advanced reservation mode for a single reservation (unit),	QoSSessionRequest.advancedRequest()
	for a multiple reservation unit,	QoSSessionRequest. advancedMultipleRequest()
	or for a reservation group.	QoSSessionRequest.advancedGroupRequest()
4b	Prepare the options for the regular res- ervation mode.	QoSSessionRequest. prepareSessionCharacteristicsOptions()
	Request for a single reservation for <i>one</i> service component of the app,	QoSSessionRequest.regularRequest()
	for a multiple reservation unit,	QoSSessionRequest. regularMultipleRequest()
	or for a reservation group.	QoSSessionRequest.regularGroupRequest()
4c	Get the reference to the established reservation session(s) either directly or via	QoSSessionRequest.getActiveQoSSessions()
5	If a Proxy is required for the above res- ervation request, be prepared to <i>receive</i> an "accepted" or "rejected" event.	← EventObserver.notify()
6	Create an empty reservation group.	QoSSessionGroup.creatyEmptyGroup()
7	Perhaps join an already established ses-	QoSSessionGroup.join()
	sion to a group,	
	or leave from it.	QoSSessionGroup.leave()
8	 or leave from it.Perhaps retrieve the accounting data of a single reservation (unit).	QoSSessionGroup.leave() QoSSessionUnit. getAccountingInformation()
8 9	 or leave from it. Perhaps retrieve the accounting data of a single reservation (unit). Release a reservation group <i>without</i> releasing its members. 	<pre>QoSSessionGroup.leave() QoSSessionUnit. getAccountingInformation() QoSSessionGroup.leaveAll(); QoSSessionGroup.release()</pre>
8 9 10a	 or leave from it. Perhaps retrieve the accounting data of a single reservation (unit). Release a reservation group <i>without</i> releasing its members. Release a reservation unit or group. 	<pre>QoSSessionGroup.leave() QoSSessionUnit. getAccountingInformation() QoSSessionGroup.leaveAll(); QoSSessionGroup.release() QoSSession.release()</pre>
8 9 10a 10b	 or leave from it. Perhaps retrieve the accounting data of a single reservation (unit). Release a reservation group <i>without</i> releasing its members. Release a reservation unit or group. Or just suspend (cancel) it. 	<pre>QoSSessionGroup.leave() QoSSessionUnit. getAccountingInformation() QoSSessionGroup.leaveAll(); QoSSessionGroup.release() QoSSession.release() QoSSession.suspend()</pre>
8 9 10a 10b 10a	 or leave from it. Perhaps retrieve the accounting data of a single reservation (unit). Release a reservation group <i>without</i> releasing its members. Release a reservation unit or group. Or just suspend (cancel) it. Close the client's session (without releasing any reservations). 	<pre>QoSSessionGroup.leave() QoSSessionUnit. getAccountingInformation() QoSSessionGroup.leaveAll(); QoSSessionGroup.release() QoSSession.release() QoSSession.suspend() QoSSessionRequest.close()</pre>



Table 2-1: Typical scenario for the usage of the EAT API Image: Comparison of the text of the text of te

Note that many of the operations above can raise exceptions of the type APIException. You have to catch them. For more details, please, see the example in the Appendix of this document.

2.3 Graphical User Interfaces – The AQUILA Portal

Taking into account the classification of the applications supported by the EAT (see chapter 2.1), the AQUILA Portal (portal) provides a set of graphical user interfaces (GUI) to allow the end-users to interact with the EAT, in order to ask for QoS reservations on behalf of legacy applications. In other words, the end-user is responsible to manually set-up and release reservations for such an application, asynchronously to the application.

The GUI has the form of Web pages, so the only software program the user has to install is one of the standard Web browsers. The user has also to be provided with the URL of the portal's first page, which will be something like: http://<portal-host>/AQUILA.jsp. Navigation among the portal's GUI pages is performed automatically, so the user does not have to know any other URLs.

In a few words, the following scenario is foreseen: the user first performs a login operation, so that the EAT can authenticate the user. If the login operation is successful, the user can interact with the portal to perform reservations and releases of established reservations, or to manipulate the active reservations into groups. At the end, the user can perform a logout operation. The actual intended application could be launched just after (or before) the user has placed a reservation.

The portal is intended for people that are "regular" users (AQUILA inexperienced users) without knowledge of technical QoS issues, as well as for computer or network professionals (AQUILA experienced users) that may have deep knowledge of the QoS requirements of the application they use, develop and test, as well as of the corresponding network mechanisms. So, the portal offers two basic reservation modes: a Regular one for the former kind of users, and an Advanced one for the latter.

2.3.1 Login

The first operation to be performed before a user can use the portal is the "login" operation. This operation performs user authentication with parameters the user's login-name and the password. So the portal's first page offers two fields that the user has to fill in: the 'Login' field and the 'Password' field.

After successful authentication, the user can perform all the other operations offered by the EAT. Moreover, in order to forbid the direct loading of a GUI page without the user to be authenticated, the EAT always checks whether the user is logged in or not. In case the user has not logged in, the portal notifies the user and proposes to load the login page.



If the authentication fails, the portal loads a similar page with the Login and Password fields, notifying the user that the authentication has failed.

The login page is the first page to be displayed when a user connects to the AQUILA Portal and is shown in Figure 2-5.

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Figure 2-5 The Login GUI

2.3.2 Advanced and Regular Reservation Requests

It was mentioned before that the portal supports both regular users as well as advanced ones, by providing the reservation GUI in two modes: a regular one and an advanced one. These modes are discussed below.

2.3.2.1 Regular Reservation GUI

The Regular Reservation mode facilitates the placement of a reservation request, by exploiting the existence of some technical developments within the EAT, that are the Application Profiles and the Converter². The fundamental point is that the Regular Reservation has the *knowledge* about specific session characteristics that are comprehensible by a regular user.

 $^{^2}$ The Converter is a logical component of the EAT that calculates QoS reservation parameters by using the Application Profiles.



The EAT has defined these technical mechanisms in such a way that an Application Profile can be constructed and stored in the persistence layer of the EAT. The stored Application Profiles give a clue to the EAT about which applications are currently *available* in this mode. So, the first operation to be performed when the user selects the Regular Reservation GUI is to display the menu of the available applications (see Figure 2-6).

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Figure 2-6: The menu of the available applications

After the user has selected the desired application, the specific GUI is constructed and displayed, presenting to the user the available *Options* for the selected application (see Figure 2-7).

The application may consist of more than one *component*, e.g. a multimedia application usually has an audio session, a video session, and (more than one) data sessions. The GUI page will contain all the available options for each component separately. This enables the users to perform reservations only for one, some or all the components, according to their requirements. presents an example page for the NetMeeting application, which gives options for two components: Audio and Video. There are actually three QoS options for both the Audio component and the Video component.



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Figure 2-7: The Regular Reservation GUI

All options are constructed of *session characteristics* that are comprehensible to the "regular" user. As an example, the session characteristics for Video are 'Video Quality', 'Window Size', and 'Network Speed'. Each session characteristic is described by a *qualifier* that identifies the actual offering of this session characteristic for each option. The qualifiers for the 'Video Quality' session description are 'very low', 'medium', and 'high'.

The potential combinations of session characteristics and the defined qualifiers could form an arbitrary large number of options. However, the EAT supports only the options that are defined within the Application Profile, and only these options are actually presented in the Regular Reservation GUI page.



The user has also to fill in two important sets of information about the application, which are the 'Source' parameters and the 'Destination' parameters. These connection parameters refer to the networking parameters of the application, such as the IP addresses and ports that are going to be used for the sessions (more details in the next section about the Advanced GUI). The EAT may know a priori these parameters (specified explicitly within the Application Profile) or may depend on the use of a Proxy (see section 2.5 for details). So, most probably, the user will not have to manually provide these parameters. Otherwise, the user has to be aware or able to find them out.

The user after selecting the desired options and filling in the necessary parameters submits the reservation to the EAT. The result of the reservation is presented in the user. In case of an unsuccessful reservation, the EAT notifies the user about the error, saying explicitly which is(are) the false parameter(s).

The GUI also contains some fields and selections that correspond to the Reservation Groups. These are described later in the Active Reservations GUI section.

2.3.2.2 Advanced Reservation GUI

The Advanced Reservation GUI displays a full list of the reservation request parameters that have to be filled in directly by the "advanced" user (see Figure 2-8). The displayed form essentially presents all the contents of the reservation request message to be sent from the EAT to the ACA [D1201]. The construction of the Web page therefore directly depends on the AQUILA implementation (e.g. the specific parameters of the Traffic Spec).



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C Point-to-Any			
C Point-to-Man	r		
C Any-to-Point			
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		Address 0.0.0.0	
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Port -		Upper -1	
		Port 1	
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		DR Proxy: NONE	
Diffserv Co	de Point -1		
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	Peak Rate (bit/s) 2000		
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Susta	inable Rate (bib/s)		

Figure 2-8: The Advanced Reservation GUI

The user has to fill in the following info:

- **Application Identifiers**: the application identifiers are not used internally by the EAT, so they have only meaning for the user. They are used at the Release GUI to inform the user about the active reservations that can be released. The application identifiers are:
 - Application Name: The indicative name of the application. The user can choose whatever name for the reservation; even this does not correspond to the real one.
 - Service Component: The user has to select one of the choices in the provided list-box. This parameter is used to identify different components within the same application, again for illustration purposes only.



- Network Service: This part of the page is constructed dynamically according to the service offered by the network. The figure shows the currently defined network services, which are Premium CBR, Premium VBR, Premium Multimedia, and Premium Mission Critical. The user is allowed to select only one of them.
- The **Service Level Specification**: this is defined in [D1201] and consists of the following parameters:
 - **Scope** (Point-to-point, point-to-any, point-to-many, any-to-point). The selected Scope has to match with the selected Network Service (checked upon submission of the request).
 - **Connection identifiers**: These are the network connection parameters (similar to the Regular reservation case) and consist of the fields for: the 'IP Address', the 'NetMask', the 'Lower Port' and 'Upper Port' numbers for both the Source and Destination sides. The Lower Port is mandatory to be specified. If the user specifies also the Upper Port, the EAT will make the reservation for all ports greater than or equal to the lower port up to the upper port (included). Alternatively to specifying the port numbers, the user can select one of the available Proxies (from the 'Proxy' list-box) to let the system detect these parameters. There is also a "bi-directional" reservation check-box, which has the meaning that when ticked (selected), the EAT will perform the reservation in both directions from source to destination as well from destination to source (with the same reservation parameters).
 - Traffic Specification: It consists of the traffic conditioning parameters like Peak Rate (PR), Bucket Size for PR, Sustainable Rate (SR), Bucket Size for SR, Minimum policed unit, Maximum Packet size, Expected average rate, 1st threshold for Bilevel, 2nd threshold for Bilevel³. The units for each parameter are also presented, to facilitate the user to fill in the field with the correct value.
 - Service Schedule: the schedule has to do with the timing schedule for this reservation and is included in the GUI mainly to facilitate the placement of a reservation much before the actual service time. It consists of the 'Start Time', 'Duration', 'Idle' and 'Cycles' fields. These fields are only optionally filled-in, and in case they are empty, the reservation is accomplished with the notion 'from now on until explicitly released'.

The user after filling in all the appropriate parameters can submit the reservation. The parameters are going to be validated at two levels (the EAT and the ACA) and if the reservation is successful the portal will indicate it to the user. In case of false validation, the portal will display the same Reservation page with the system-provided error message on the top of the page, as well as some specific error messages on top of each field, where the error(s) is(are) located. The previously entered pa-

³ Some of these parameters are not really used within the EAT, but are left in the GUI for illustration purposes.



rameters are not lost, but displayed again in order for the user to be able to correct or delete them, or add new ones according to the error message.

2.3.3 Active Reservations

The Active Reservations GUI provides the opportunity to the user to see and manipulate the active reservations. In a few words, the user can release reservations, or organise them in groups. The EAT supports the concept of Reservation Units and Reservation Groups. Reservation units refer to single reservations or to a set of reservations that will be treated as a single reservation (e.g. a bi-directional reservation). The reservation groups are used to collect a set of units or groups under one logical group.

The Active Reservations GUI presents in two parallel panels the active reservation units and groups. In the left panel, all the units which do not belong to a group are shown. In the right panel the internal units/groups of all reservation groups are presented. The GUI provides functionality for a user to:

- Release a reservation unit or a reservation group: The user can select one, more or all units/groups and release them. Releasing a group means that all aggregated members (i.e. the reservation elements of the units, and the units and groups of the groups, resp.) are released.
- Create a group: The user can create a new group to later join units or other groups into it.
- Join reservation units or groups into a group: The user can select a unit or a group and join it into another group. A group can be a sub-group of only one group.
- Leave a group: The user can select a group member (either a unit or a group) and cancel its membership. Leaving a group means that the former member is not longer member of any group.

Having in mind the two reservation request modes of the portal (regular and advanced), the Regular Reservation mode inherently support reservation units and groups, because the user selects the desired QoS for all sessions of this application. The Regular Reservation GUI will automatically create a group joining the single reservation units for the different service components of one application, and submit the grouped reservation to the ACA. Considering the NetMeeting example of Figure 2-7, the result of this request is a 'NetMeeting' group with two reservation units (Video and Audio). In the Regular Reservation GUI there is also a 'bi-directional' check-box which will make both reservations from the source to the destination and from the destination to the source, with the same QoS parameters. In this case, both above mentioned reservation units contain two reservation elements for each direction.

In the Advanced Reservation mode, the scenario is somehow different, because the user is not able to specify all reservations at once, but one at a time. So, reservations created in the Advanced Reservation mode are always submitted as individual reservations (units). The user can however later create a new group and join any of those reservations into it. The Advanced Reservation GUI how-



ever contains also a 'bi-directional' check-box, which has the same usage and effect as that of the Regular Reservation GUI.

As an example, an instance of the Active Reservation GUI could be that of Figure 2-9. We can see that the user has created two groups with names 'Download' (empty) and 'NetMeeting'. 'Net-Meeting' has two reservation units ('Audio' and 'Video'). Finally, there are two reservation units with the name 'VoIP' and 'FTP', which are not member of any group. (The 'VoIP' unit could be a bundle of two bi-directional reservations also.)

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Figure 2-9: The Active Reservations GUI

The operations that can be performed having this instance of the Active Reservations GUI in mind are the following:

- Select the 'VoIP' or 'FTP' reservation unit and 'Join' it to any of the two groups.
- Select the 'Download' group and 'Join' it to the 'NetMeeting' group (or vice versa).
- Select any of the group members (units or groups) and let them 'Leave' from its group.



- Select any of the single reservations (units) or reservation groups and 'Release' them. Releasing the 'NetMeeting' group would result in the release of the 'NetMeeting Video' and 'NetMeeting Audio' units.
- Create a new (empty) group, by filling in the 'Group Name' edit box with the wanted name for the new group, and then pressing 'Create'.

2.3.4 Logout

The user may perform the "logout" operation at any time. The Logout GUI contains two buttons. The user can logout either with or without releasing all its reservations.

The concept of logging out without releasing the active reservations can be understood in the following scenarios. Suppose that the reservation is placed from a third-person (an administrator) on behalf of the actual users for a videoconference. The third-person, after making the reservation, can logout from the portal, but still enable the participants to continue with the QoS provisioned session. Another scenario is when a user has made a reservation for a big file download. If the user wants to leave the PC for a while during the download, he/she can logout without releasing to make sure that no other user will release, accidentally or not, the reservation.

2.3.5 Navigation/Appearance

Although the design and development of the portal focus on the functionality and its correct operation, we also followed some basic rules that contribute to the navigability and appearance of the portal. Navigation is supported by the existence of two frames, one for the menu and the other for the actual GUIs. The upper frame contains the main menu, from which the user can navigate through the various GUIs, which open in the lower frame.

2.4 Application Profiles

2.4.1 Definition Application Profiles

As application development is out of the scope of the AQUILA project, we need a mechanism to support existing legacy application. Legacy applications are not QoS aware. They are neither able to offer QoS to end-users nor to request for QoS on their own. The EAT and the converter provide mechanisms for offering and requesting QoS for legacy applications and therefore use the Application Profiles. Application Profiles are the mean to QoS enable legacy applications. With Application Profiles and their specifications it is possible in a first step, to offer QoS and to request for QoS from a QoS portal independently from the legacy applications. In the future it is conceivable to use Application Profiles to specify new QoS aware applications (where the QoS offer and request are integrated in the application itself).





Figure 2-10 : Example of the architecture in the complex Internet service scenario showing the combination of non-QoS aware Basic Internet Applications and Application Profiles

The Application Profiles provide the whole necessary data about legacy application for these mechanisms to work properly.

The aim of the Application Profile is to specify as much as possible an application at network, application and end-user level. An Application Profile should provide a universal description of applications at these three levels independently from network operations. An Application Profile should provide a general description of the QoS request toward a network at application level (how does the produced traffic looks like – traffic specification, how are the QoS requirements – QoS Specification, what can an end-user sets up that have an implication on the QoS request – Session characteristic specification, NS Specification).

The converter is able to convert a neutral application QoS request based on the profile into a proprietary (AQUILA for example) QoS request. The EAT provides a neutral QoS API for Internet services or future application developers based on the Application Profiles.

Application Profiles provide:

- Specification at application level (in term of a DTD) of
 - ? End-user oriented information: session characteristics
 - ? QoS requirements
- Specification of legacy application at network level (in term of a DTD) of



- ? Network and technical oriented information: *technical characteristics*
- ? Codecs
- Concrete legacy application information (in term of XML files)
 - ? Predefinition of *session characteristics* sets in order to keep the offer at end-user level consistent. Each application component is only described once.
 - ? Predefinition of *QoS requirement* sets. All applications of a same type have the same QoS requirements.
 - ? Technical characteristic sets

2.4.2 Specification of Application Profiles at Application Level

At application level it is possible to find common descriptors that can be specified. Concrete applications (for example NetMeeting from Microsoft) at high level can be assigned to an *application type* (for example video conferencing tool). As suggested by the *accountability knowledge level* pattern it is possible for the description of applications to differentiate between a *knowledge level* – the specification level, and an *operational level* – concrete application. An application type itself can be as well described at high level by so called *service component types* (for example video, voice, data etc.). Each service component type has common *QoS requirements* toward the network function of throughput, delay, jitter, loss and error that can be specified. In the same way a service component has common user friendly descriptions the *session characteristics*.





Figure 2-11: Application analysis diagram and the accountability knowledge level pattern

2.4.3 Specification of Application Profiles at Network Level

The description and specification of application features is at network level not a trivial task, and cannot be systematically achieved.

The following UML diagram opposes the systematic description of application (in white) to the unsystematic (in grey) one.





Figure 2-12: Analysis UML class diagram of the application at application and network level

The produced complex traffic flows do not depend on general application types but on the concrete implementation issues and strategies. The implementation of the codecs used is relevant for the description of the traffic produced. Table 2-2 depicts parameters at different levels (like traffic type, connection rate, living time, bit rate, micro-flows, and packet size) that can vary from stream traffic to elastic traffic, or from bursty traffic to constant traffic, and describe traffic flows.



Factor	Alternative 1	Alternative 2
Traffic type	Stream: time integrity preservation	Elastic: loose time requirements
Burstiness	Bursty	constant
Connection rate	High rate	Low rate
Living time	Long	Short
Bit rate	Constant bit rate	Variable bit rate
Microflows	Multiple	Single
Packet size	large	small

Table 2-2: Traffic descriptor and possible values

To be competitive and usable codecs have to cope with the actual best effort network, and respect as much as they can the QoS requirements (like delay / latency control, bandwidth minimisation) of application types. Therefore they implement different mechanisms. For example, for bandwidth minimisation [Codecs] a solution in employing a variable bit rate transmission corresponding to a non-constant representation of the data (in the case of voice this can be silence suppression, or optimisation of the compression bit stream). These solutions are an obstacle when it comes to describe or specify the out coming traffic.

The Application Profiles concentrate in a first step on non-adaptive codecs.

The Application Profiles refer to Service Component Profiles, mainly because many applications have several service components (e.g. for video, audio, and data) with different QoS requirements.

2.4.4 Utilisation

The Application Profiles are specified with DTDs / XML Schemas (see Appendix). In a first step the developer creating the Application Profile has to collect the information concerning the application itself, namely name, version, build, type, and scope. In a second step he/she has to collect the information concerning the implementation, namely: the service components involved, the transport protocol, and the other protocols. (It is also necessary to create a profile for each service component.) Concerning the implemented protocols the developer has to find out information concerning the port used (upper port number, lower port number, control port, etc.).

The developer has to provide the information marked in grey.

```
<!ELEMENT ApplicationProfile (Implementation+, protocol*)>
<!ATTLIST ApplicationProfile
name CDATA #REQUIRED
version CDATA #REQUIRED
build CDATA #IMPLIED
type (VoIP | MULTIMEDIA | STREAMINGVIDEO | STREAMINGAUDIO | STREAMING
| GAME | OTHER) #REQUIRED
scope (unidirectional | bidirectional | p2p |
xdirectional) #REQUIRED
>
```





Concerning the preparation of the Service Component Profiles. Some parts can be reused from already defined profile templates for codecs (like session characteristics, QoS requirements), other have to be manually investigated and filled in (like traffic information) carefully.

2.5 Proxies

Applications, especially multimedia ones, usually open data connections with the use of connection setup protocols. Example protocols are the Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) [SIP] and the H.323 protocol suite [H.323] for the establishment of IP telephony calls. For the Multi-Field (MF) classification and marking of those user flows at the edge router, the source and destination IP addresses and TCP/UDP port numbers of the connection are required. However, the port numbers are always not well-known and are usually negotiated during the call setup.

2.5.1 Use of the Proxies

The main goal of the Proxies or Protocol Gateways is to interfere in the connection setup protocol exchange. In this way, they are able to intercept and translate the exchanged messages. They can extract their content, find the required parameters and to pass them to the EAT.

The Proxy Framework of the EAT provides a set of Application-level Proxies or Protocol Gateways. There is one Proxy for each popular connection setup protocol. The Proxies are administered



by an entity called the Proxy Manager. The Proxy Manager has the following roles: To locate the available Proxies and to mediate between them and the EAT.

There are two modes of reservation requests and respectively, two modes of Proxy operation.

2.5.1.1 GUI-initiated Reservation

In the first case, the user initiates a reservation request through one of the GUIs (Advanced or Usual Reservation GUI). In the case that the port numbers of the legacy application are not known beforehand and a Proxy is available for this application, the Proxy Manager is contacted by the EAT. The Proxy Manager should then find the appropriate Proxy, communicate with it (with CORBA) and request for the port numbers.

When this information is retrieved by the Proxy, it asynchronously notifies the Proxy Manager, who in turn notifies the EAT. The Proxy may forward as much information as it can retrieve, such as information about the required bandwidth or the codecs used for the session. The GUI-initiated approach was used during the 1st trial.

2.5.1.2 Proxy-initiated Reservation

On the Proxy-initiated reservation, the Proxy detects the start of a new connection by inspecting the messages that pass through it. It then initiates the resource reservation request by notifying the Proxy Manager. This notification contains all the information that the specific Proxy can supply and consists of some or all of the following parameters:

- source and destination IP addresses
- destination TCP/UDP port number (also the source port number, if available)
- the type of the service component (audio, video)
- codec (if one is used for media encoding)
- expected bandwidth
- name or SIP address of the requester

The EAT Manager decides whether to continue with this resource request or not, depending on whether the supplied information is sufficient in terms of user authentication and requested resources. This means that the information furnished by the Proxy is sufficient for the calculation of the reservation request parameters by the Converter module. It also means that the requesting user should be registered in the EAT and that his/her preferences allow for automatic reservation setup by the EAT. A user may prefer that all her SIP calls be automatically accepted by the EAT and that a reservation request be sent to the RCL. Another one may define a limited set of destinations for SIP calls that should be accepted, while the rest should be (silently) not given QoS.



2.5.2 Implementation of a new Proxy

Although the Proxies are part of the End-User Application Toolkit, they do not run in the same process as the rest of the EAT, but in their own processes. This is due to the distributed nature of the EAT and the need for the Proxies to be flexible and located in various sites (for example a Packet Filter should be placed in the border of the access network). Therefore, a new Proxy must be implemented as an independent program.

The Proxies communicate with the Proxy Manager through a well-defined CORBA interface: A new Proxy can be created (or an existing Proxy may be modified) to use the **ProxyManager** interface in order to signal to the Proxy Manager that a new connection was detected and to provide the corresponding parameters.

```
Package aquila.rcl.eat.proxy
    File proxy.idl
    Version 3.8, 28.02.2002
   National Technical University of Athens (NTU)
   Dresden University of Technology (TUD)
   This file contains the interface of the Application Proxies
    IMPORTANT: The ProxyManager within the proxy package also uses/implements
    entities defined in eatManager.idl.
* /
#ifndef proxy_idl
#define proxy_idl
#include "aca.idl"
#include "eatManager.idl"
module proxy {
    struct ProxyDescription {
       long proxyId;
       string proxyName;
       string proxyDescription; // mandatory protocol (H323, SIP, see app profiles)
       long controlPort;
    };
    typedef sequence <ProxyDescription> ProxyDescriptionSeq;
    exception ProxyException {
        string reason;
    };
    interface ApplicationProxy {
        readonly attribute ProxyDescription proxyDescr;
        void registerApplication (
            in long
                            sessionId,
```


```
in long
                          proxyId,
           in string
                          sCompName,
           in aca::Address sourceAddress,
           in aca::Address destinationAddress,
           in boolean isBidirectional)
           raises (ProxyException);
   };
   interface ProxyManager : ApplicationProxy, eatManager::SessionStarter {
       const string SERVER_PREFIX = "rcl.directory/eat.directory/proxy.directory/";
       const string SERVER_SUFFIX = ".ProxyManager";
        /**
        * To register an app proxy at the Proxy Manager.
        */
       void registerProxy (in ApplicationProxy appProxy);
        /**
        * To provide the information only for the EAT Manager and the GUIS.
        */
       ProxyDescriptionSeq getApplicationProxies ();
   };
};
#endif // proxy_idl
```

When a new connection is detected, the establishQoS() function is called, notifying the Proxy Manager. The Proxy should wait for the outcome of the reservation process (success or failure) that is given by the function return code. In the same way, a reservation may be released if the Proxy detects that the call was released too.

So far, the Proxy-initiated reservation scenario has been dealt with. A Proxy however, should also be prepared to answer questions from the EAT about a reservation (GUI-initiated scenario). For this purpose, it must implement the **ApplicationProxy** interface, also presented in the previous listing. The Proxy Manager calls the registerApplication() function in order to ask the specific Proxy for the port numbers of a connection, providing its IP addresses (source and destination). When this information is detected, the Proxy will reply asynchronously, using again the establishQoS() call of the ProxyManager interface.

Please note that the ProxyManager interface is an extension of two interfaces: Application-Proxy and **SessionStarter**. The latter is presented in the following listing.

```
/*
   Package aquila.rcl.eat.eatManager
   File eatManager.idl
   Version 3.7, 28.02.2002
   Dresden University of Technology (TUD)
   National Technical University of Athens (NTU)
   This file contains the specification of the internal interface of the EAT
   Manager towards the Proxy, and the Converter.
```



*/

```
#ifndef eatManager_idl
#define eatManager_idl
#include "aca.idl"
#include "service.idl"
module eatManager {
    /**
    * ManagerException containing a message string.
    */
    exception ManagerException {
       string reason;
    };
    /**
    * The session information consits of data detected by the Proxy in order to
    * allow a correct reservation request.
    */
    struct Session {
       long
                      sessionId;
                    proxyId;
       long
       aca::Address sourceAddress;
       aca::Address destinationAddress;
       aca::ProtocolID protocol;
                  serviceComponent; // audio or video
       string
       string
                     payloadType;
                    payloadNumber;
       long
       long
                     bandwidth;
       string
                     requesterName;
    };
    /* --- Session Starter -----*/
    /**
     * The SessionStarter interface is implemented by the EAT in order to be
     * informed when the network/session information for an application is
     * available and the reservation request at the ACA can be startet.
     */
    interface SessionStarter {
                                                     SERVER_PREFIX
       const
                             string
                                                                                   =
"rcl.directory/eat.directory/eatManager.directory/";
       const string SERVER_SUFFIX = ".SessionStarter";
        /**
        * A proxy or the ProxyManager calls this function to send/return the
        * session information to the Proxy/EAT Manager in order to allow a
        * reservation request.
        * 'Send' means that the request is initiated by the Proxy itself.
        \ast 'Return' means that the request is initiated by the end-user, but
        \ast without knowledge of the session details. So the Proxy helps by
        * responding the registerApplication() message from the EAT Manager.
```



```
@param sessionId
                                 The Id of the session. In the case of an user
         *
                                 initiated request, the id is choosen by the
                                 EATManager as index. In the case of an proxy
                                 initiated request it is -1. The EAT Manager
                                 then returns the newly created session id.
        *
          @param sessionInfo
                                 The identified session information for this
                                 Session.
        *
          @param isBirectional Indicates whether a reservation has to be
        *
                                 requested for both directions or not.
        * @return
                                 Is true if the reservation has been
        *
                                 successfully established.
        */
       boolean establishQoS (
           inout long sessionId,
           in Session sessionInfo,
           in boolean isBidirectional)
           raises (ManagerException);
       void releaseQoS (
           in long sessionId)
           raises (ManagerException);
   };
   /* --- Persistence Layer Mediator ----- */
    * The PersistenceLayerMediator interface is used to hide the actual used
    * Persistence Layer from the other modules of EAT. In the second trial,
    * the LDAP will be used to store the Application Profiles and the
    * Network Servives (implemented in xml).
    */
   interface PersistenceLayerMediator {
                                                      SERVER_PREFIX
       const
                              string
                                                                                    =
"rcl.directory/eat.directory/eatManager.directory/";
       const string SERVER_SUFFIX = ".PersistenceLayerMediator";
        /**
         * This function may be called by the Converter to retrieve ALL the
         * existing Network Services in order to get their profiles.
        * @return The sequence of the IDs of the Network Services.
        */
       service::ServiceIDSeq getAllNetworkServices ()
           raises (ManagerException);
   };
};
#endif // eatManager_idl
```

During start-up, the Proxy should register with the Proxy Manager, provide a reference to itself as well as its description to the PM, using the registerProxy() call.



2.6 EAT Script

The following chapter contains a short description of the "EAT Script", useful for a batch processing of automatic logins, reservation requests, reservation releases, and logouts. A command line tool has been realised that is able to parse the script and to perform the related actions at the EAT.

The aim of such a mechanism is to support automatic test scenarios. Also the measurement people may use it for their purposes.

2.6.1 Script Specification

XML is used for the specification of the script due to the following reasons:

- XML is a well established, flexible, easy to understand language for structuring data and documents [XML, Harold98, Jelliffe98].
- There are some free tools existing for the creation and modification of XML files:
 - ? XML and Web Services DE: <u>http://www.alphaworks.ibm.com/tech/wsde</u>
 - ? XML Notepad: <u>http://msdn.microsoft.com/xml/notepad/intro.asp</u>
 - ? Visual XML: <u>http://www.pierlou.com/visxml/</u>
 - ? xmloperator: <u>http://www.xmloperator.org/</u>
 - ? See also: <u>http://www.garshol.priv.no/download/xmltools/</u>
- Java APIs exist for the parsing of XML documents, e.g. [JAXP].
- The Application Profiles are also based on XML.

2.6.1.1 Document Type Definition

The DTD (EATScript.dtd, see Appendix) specifies the permissible elements and their structure within each EAT script. It has to be installed in the same directory as the XML scripts themselves. It is not useful to modify it but only to use it for syntax and semantic checks.



The root element is called EATScript. The script can optionally start with an Import element in order to "import" identifiers (LoginName, RequestId) of previous scripts. But generally, the EATScript consists of Login, Request, Release, and Logout elements. Their order and the number is free in terms of the syntax. (However, it makes no sense to release a reservation before requesting it. Note also that a logout also releases all reservations of the belonging user.)

A Login requires two attributes: an identifier LoginName and a Password. Request and Logout elements have to refer to the above LoginName.

A Request requires its own identifier RequestId that is referred by Release. Moreover, Request consists of one or more RequestSpec elements that require a list of elements (NetworkService, SLS) that is related to the actual advanced request interface as it is specified in api.idl. If more than one RequestSpec elements are defined in a Request, a multiple reservation unit is automatically built. However, reservation groups are not supported.

For the TrafficSpec elements, the units of the values are given as attributes. However, these units are at the moment fixed, because they mainly support the script editors by specifying the values.

2.6.1.2 XML Examples

In the Appendix, two sample XML files are given: The first script (Example.xml) includes one login, two requests, and the release of the first request. The requests are for two different network services and are filled by some "reasonable" values. The second request consists of two reservation (RequestSpec) elements that form a bi-directional reservation. The second script (Example1.xml) then contains the release for the second of the above mentioned reservations.

2.6.2 Command Line Tool

A command line tool has been realised that allows the parsing and execution of an XML file's content. This tool is implemented by the Java class EATScript.java. To parse an EAT script file⁴ type:

java aquila.rcl.eat.script. EATScript [-v] <eat_name>
<xml_filename>

(The optional parameter -v switches the verbose mode on so that additional parsing messages are printed.)

For example:

java aquila.rcl.eat.script.EATScript eat_dresden Example.xml

⁴ Note that EATScript.java uses a validating parser. Therefore, the XML script should fulfil the DTD grammar.



The EAT script parser is based on the Sun's Java API for XML Parsing [JAXP], version 1.1. Download this API, install it, and add jaxp.jar as well as crimson.jar and xalan.jar to the CLASS-PATH.

The parser communicates with the EAT via CORBA; the EAT must be running when the script starts.

EATScript.java itself is stateless, but the EAT Manager keeps all information about active end-users and reservations. So it is possible to refer to previous executed scripts by using the import elements. For example, a request that has been executed by the first script can be released by the second one:

java aquila.rcl.eat.script.EATScript eat_dresden Example1.xml



3 Application Scenarios

3.1 Basic Internet Application Support

This section discusses about the way the EAT supports Basic Internet Applications. The latter are often legacy applications that cannot directly use the EAT (the EAT-provided API). We can think of the following classification of Basic Internet Applications, according to their QoS awareness:

- QoS-unaware applications. Such applications have no means to express their QoS requirements. The user is responsible to set-up reservations for such applications in two modes: advanced and regular. So, the support offered by the EAT is *user-initiated*.
- QoS-aware applications. Such applications can express their QoS requirements through signalling protocols, like SIP and RSVP, but they cannot be modified to use the EAT API. These applications are supported transparently for the user through the internal EAT modules and the use of the concept of User Profiles. So the support offered by the EAT is *EAT-initiated*. However, the user may select (by defining the User Profile appropriately) to not let the EAT make the reservations transparently. So, even for such applications the user-initiated approach may be used.

Apart from the QoS-awareness, the Basic Internet Applications can have single or multiple sessions. In the former case, the user or the EAT has to make one reservation for the single session of the application, while in the latter case the user or the EAT may perform more than one reservation, one for each session. The EAT therefore introduces the concept of the *reservation units* and *reservation groups*.

Reservation Units refer to single reservations or even multiple reservations that are treated by the EAT like a single one. Reservation units cannot be separated after creation and they can be deleted all at once. As an example, consider an IP telephony (VoIP) application. Usually, for such applications, a bi-directional reservation has to be established, both from the source to the destination and back from the destination to the source. These two reservations will form a single reservation unit.

Reservation Groups refer to multiple reservations that are logically gathered under one group. Groups are structures that give the possibility to the user to treat a set of reservations together. The difference from the reservations units is that in the groups the individual reservations can be de-associated from the group or released one by one. Considering a multimedia application, with one audio and one video session, the reservation group concept provides the user with the capability to treat these reservations as one logical entity. This facilitates the reservation and release of the grouped reservations in one movement, and adds user-friendliness to the approach; it is easier than having to reserve and release each one separately. However, it also provides the possibility to perform for example the release in one movement.



3.1.1 User-initiated Approach

The user can take advantage of the EAT capabilities through the use of the AQUILA Portal (see section 2.3). In order to start using the portal, the user must first login, providing his/her username and password. After successful authentication, the user can mainly perform reservations, release of active reservations, manipulation of the reservation groups, and finally to logout.

There are two main modes of reservation requests: the advanced mode and the regular one. The main difference is that for the former the user is supposed to know the general Internet QoS concept, some more specific AQUILA issues, as well as the exact QoS requirements of the application that is going to be used. On the other hand, the usual mode implies that all this knowledge is inherently provided by the EAT through the use of some technical developments like the Application Profiles and the Converter. In both cases, the user after specifying the required QoS (by filling in the actual reservation parameters or by selecting the desired prepared options respectively) will have to manually tune the application options, in order to be consistent with the requested QoS.

Independently of the reservation mode, the EAT may need to make use of the Proxy Framework to find out network connection parameters. In a few words, in order for the Proxy Framework to be able to identify these parameters, the application must be already launched and its sessions should be established. This fact implies that the reservations will actually be performed only after the user has established all application's sessions. Anyway, the duration of an active reservation (incl. accounting, charging, etc.) is always determined by the EAT and not by the application.

The release of the active reservations can be performed independently of the continuation of the application. The release can be performed either by explicitly using the Release GUI or implicitly by performing a logout.

3.1.2 EAT-initiated Support

The EAT takes advantage of the Proxy Framework to make reservations and releases on behalf of the user, based on the User Profile. The Proxy Framework is actually responsible for detecting new QoS-aware sessions and providing the EAT with all the necessary information to actually perform the reservations or releases. For this purpose, internal intelligent mechanisms are used to map the QoS requirements expressed in some formation (e.g. in RSVP Flowspec, or SDP session info) to the AQUILA-based reservation formation, within the Converter.

The users are however able to see the EAT-initiated active reservations through the normal use of the portal. Again, after a successful login, they can go to the Active Reservations GUI page and have a look at the performed reservations or choose to release them.

3.1.3 Reservation Units and Groups

The support of reservation units and groups provide the user with the following functionality:



- Make two or more reservations to be treated as one reservation unit, implying always simultaneous establishment or release of the reservation unit.
- Group together session's reservations that *physically* belong to the same application.
- Group together session's reservations that *logically* belong to the same type of applications. This also implies that groups of reservation may be grouped together to form a higher-level group.

The existence of reservation groups provides easier manipulation of a bundle of reservations that physically or logically belong to the same group. Moreover it provides a more efficient support towards applications. Taking as an example an application with two (or more) reservations, the user is able to specify all of them and submit them as a group for the actual reservation to take place. This ensures that the reservations will be performed almost at the same time, preventing the user from being charged for a reservation for one session before the rest reservations are actually accomplished.

(More details about the actual use of reservation units and groups can be found in Section 2.3)

3.2 Complex Internet Service Support

A Complex Internet Service (CIS) consists of several Basic Internet Applications services like email, chat, video/audio streaming etc. The quality requirements on the Basic Internet Applications are different from user to user, depending on their technical knowledge, on their know-how of broadband media services and on their subjective impressions. To guarantee these very individual requirements, a corresponding QoS support must be set-up: The CIS may use the interfaces of the EAT (e.g. the API and the Application Profiles) to provide user-friendly QoS options at different levels towards its users.

First of all, a lot of technical preferences have to be selected in order to create a Complex Internet Service. These are for example the choice of the Basic Internet Applications, the interaction of the required components and the specifications of layout (e.g. screen size of a video). They have a direct or an indirect influence on the possible QoS parameters (e.g. the screen size of a video defines how much data has to be transferred in order to show the video in the selected quality).

The following sub chapters make recommendations for the QoS support of a Complex Internet Service. AQUILA Mediazine will be used as an example of CIS.

3.2.1 Recommendations for the Creation of QoS Level

Creating three categories of Internet connections is appropriate for Mediazine. This is a manageable number for the user, if he/she wants to specify his/her Internet connection in a more detailed way and it mirrors the up to date technical possibilities. Of course there are other possibilities of classification. The consequences of a classification modification are stated in chapter 3.2.3.

The three categories to classify today's existing Internet connections are:



1.	Low bandwidth connection	up to 128 kBit	e.g. modem/ISDN connection
2.	Medium bandwidth connection	128 kBit-2 MBit	e.g. DSL/cable modem connection
3.	High bandwidth connection	more than 2 MBit	e.g. LAN connection

The kind of connection influences quality features which are dependent on the limitation of the amount of transferred data per time interval, e.g. the size of the pictures of a video stream at a certain compression. To each connection category corresponds a category of services (QoS category), where a specific quality can be guaranteed:

Bronze - time critical applications with a small amount of transferred data, e.g. action games

- services with speech input and output, e.g. Internet telephony
- audio streams, e.g. Internet radio
- Silver same applications as under Bronze
 - video/live streams with small or medium size of the pictures, e.g. Internet TV by a resolution of 320x240 pixels
- Gold same applications as under Silver
 - video/live streams in TV quality (720x576 pixels)

The exact allocation of the Basic Internet Application to one of the above mentioned categories should result from the technical features in combination with the respective Application Profiles of the services (see also chapter 2.4). The correlation between the QoS categories and the Application Profiles will be described in chapter 3.2.3.

In each category, the user encounters the following restrictions, depending on the bandwidth of his/her connection:

- At a low bandwidth, only Bronze QoS support can be guaranteed.
- At a medium bandwidth, the user can choose the warrantee of the Bronze or Silver category.
- At a high bandwidth, the user has free choice of all categories.

The user should be clearly informed that the higher the category is, the higher the costs will be. Indeed, the costs increase with the growth of offered and guaranteed bandwidth. The user will have to bear the additional costs, either directly (higher fee) or indirectly (more advertisement, release of personal information, etc.). The nomenclature of the categories was selected to make them easily recognisable and to help the user to create relations between them and the emerging costs.



3.2.2 Recommendations for the Creation of a Set-up Menu for the QoS Service

The users of Internet services can be divided into two groups according to their knowledge and experience in the use of computers and the Internet:

- A. Technically experienced user
- B. Novice

Both users correspond to "regular" user, which is described in chapter 2.3. As far as the example of a Complex Internet Service – AQUILA Mediazine – is concerned, the technical experienced user will be referred to as "Mediazine expert" and the novice will be referred to as "Mediazine novice".

The Mediazine expert can be asked for detailed information and technical terms such as the kind of connection, the bandwidth, etc. He/she can also deal with the corresponding information like latency, packet loss, etc. On the other hand, for the inexperienced user, such information should be described in general terms like "fast", "big", "CD quality", etc.

The afore descriptions result in particular specification criteria for the QoS support of a Complex Internet Service necessary for a set-up menu aiming at helping the user configure QoS based applications. The CIS set-up menu should start by testing the user's knowledge of computers and Internet (example see Figure 3-1). You will find notes to the following figures at the end of this sub chapter.



Figure 3-1: Settings: user selection

Thereafter, the following proceedings can be recommended:

a) Ask about the connection:

Mediazine expert

Mediazine novice



On the inquiry on the connection, additional details (28.8 kBit modem, 10 MBit LAN) can be asked for, in order to generate a better profile for the QoS support.

Settings					
Э	Mediazine <u>n</u>	ovice			
•	Mediazine e <u>x</u> pert				
	Connection	DSL / Cable / LAN ≤ 2 MBit ▼			
0	QoS Suppor	Mobile / Modern / ISDN			
0	Bronze	DSL / Cable / LAN ≤ 2 MBit			
0	Silver	LAN > 2 MBIT			
0	Gold	A)			
-	Detgils				

Figure 3-2: Settings: connection expert

It is recommended to detect the kind of connection automatically. Should it not be possible, it is advisable to use general descriptive terms like e.g.:

- slow connection (modem/ISDN)
- medium fast connection (DSL/cable modem)
- fast connection (LAN)

-	11					
Se	ttings		F			
۲	Mediazine <u>n</u>	ovice				
0	Mediazine e <u>x</u> pert					
	Connection	slow	.			
0	QoS Suppor	slow				
0	Bronze	medium	4			
0	Silver	fast	Use "slow", if you have a			
0	Gold		connection.			
	Details		17			

Figure 3-3: Settings: connection novice

Table 3-1:	Mediazine	connection	settings
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b) Ask about the QoS category:

Mediazine expert	Mediazine novice
The user has the possibility to adjust the QoS support settings, based on the present profiles of the various Basic Internet Applications or to use the standard user settings (see right side).	 Depending on the connection, different levels of QoS support should be available, for example: QoS support on/off Bronze on/off by low bandwidth Bronze/Silver on/off by medium bandwidth Bronze/Silver/Gold on/off by high bandwidth





Figure 3-4: Settings: QoS category expert

Depending on the selected category, the QoS settings should be adjusted with the help of the Basic Internet Applications profiles.

 Table 3-2: Mediazine QoS category settings

The relationship between the Complex Internet Service and the EAT (i.e. the Application Profiles) regarding the choice of the different QoS categories will be explained in a more detailed way in chapter 3.2.3.

For a better understanding of the selection possibilities in the set-up menu a help menu with extensive commentary should be available in addition to the "MouseOver" functions shown in the above figures. Especially the selection of the QoS category by the standard user requires further information. This will enhance the usability of the Complex Internet Service.

Furthermore it is recommended to allow the user to change the settings of the QoS service and his/her Internet connection on his/her own. This enables him to define his/her standard settings but also to have fast and uncomplicated access to special settings for special services. One of these services could be an Internet-Live-Concert, that he/she wishes to see in category "Gold" whilst his/her normal category is only "Bronze".



3.2.3 Recommendations for the Interaction of the CIS and the EAT

During the phase of conception and development of a Complex Internet Service, basic conditions will have to be made, e.g. functions of the service, used Basic Internet Applications, layout etc. These conditions will influence the parameters that are necessary for the QoS support, e.g. the choice of the QoS category. In this context the following questions have to be answered: Which and how many categories are needed? In which way can a surplus value for the service provider be created by the usage of these categories? And in which way can this surplus value be quantified?

It is not the subject of this report to deal with billing systems or accounting systems or with questions of security and warranty that always occur in the usage of such a system. The business models will be dealt with in AQUILA document D3302. But the above mentioned questions are crucial for the assignment of the Basic Internet Applications and their relationship to the QoS categories (for further information see chapter 3.2.1).

The Basic Internet Applications can only be assigned by the development of a Complex Internet Service, because the conditions can only be defined there. It is recommended to use appropriate correlation profiles to allow better usage and easy modification. These profiles will be referred to as "QoS Category Profiles".

Example of QoS Profile						
QoS Category : Bronze						
Application Name	Service Component	Options	Default Option			
RealPlayer	AUDIO	Option 2	Option 2			
		Option 3				
	VIDEO		No Support			
NetMeeting	AUDIO	Option 2	Option 2			
		Option 3				
	VIDEO		No Support			
Ultima Online	GAME	Option 1	Option 1			
		Option 2				

Example of a "QoS Category Profile" for AQUILA Mediazine:

Figure 3-6: QoS Profile Mediazine

This profile describes the correlation between a special QoS category and the options of a Basic Internet Application Profile by using the "Application Name" and the "Service Component". For each Basic Internet Application and its service components, one of the options will be used as default option (see also Figure 3-6).



The Mediazine expert has to have the possibility to change the QoS parameters within the CIS setup menu in detail.

Settings		
🔘 Mediazine <u>n</u>	ovice	
Mediazine e	⊻pert	
Connection	LAN > 2 MBIT	
QoS Suppor	t Off	
○ Bronze		
⊖ <u>S</u> ilver		
O Gold		

Figure 3-7: Settings: all QoS cat. exp. user

Example: Typical values of such QoS parameters used for the service WinAmp, an application to play audio and video files.

ApplicationName = WinAmp

Version = 2.77

Location = C:\Programme\Winamp\Winamp.exe

SupportedMediaTypes = mp3, mp2, wav

QoS Category = Bronze

Quality = medium quality

Bandwidth [KB/s] = 64

Sampling rate [KHz] = 44

QoS Category = Silver

Quality = CD quality

Bandwidth [KB/s] = 256

Sampling rate [KHz] = 44



As can easily be seen, a part of the data depends on the characteristics of the service used by WinAmp or of WinAmp itself, e.g. the programme version, the location of the application and the assignment of the categories. This data should be available within the Complex Internet Service. Other parts are QoS specific, containing the bandwidth and quality of the transmission. This data can be set in the profiles of the Basic Internet Applications, as they are provided and used by the EAT.

In case of the EAT the necessary QoS parameters of the Basic Internet Applications can be extracted from the respective Application Profiles (see also chapter 2.4 and Figure 3-8). For it the EAT API offers an interface named ApplicationManager with the function getAvailableApps():ApplicationInformation[] (look at chapter 2.2). To explore the usage of the EAT API for the creation of a QoS session see chapter 2.2 (there you will find a usage scenario in section 2.2.2).

Application Application Service Co	Name : RealPlay Type : MULTIM mponent : AUDIO	ver IEDIA D			
	Audio Quality Transfer Rate Sampling Rate				
Option 1	"CD quality"	256 kBit	44 kHz		
Option 2	"low quality"	64 kBit	44 kHz		
Option 3	No Reservation (Best Effort)				
ervice Co	mponent : VIDE C Video Quality) VVindow Size	e X (pixel)	Y [pixel]	
Ontion 1	"TV quality"	"large"	720	576	
Option i		"medium"	320	240	
Option 2	"medium quality"	modiam			
Option 2 Option 3	"medium quality" "low quality"	"small"	160	120	

Figure 3-8: Application Profile RealPlayer

The relationships between the QoS profiles and the Application Profiles are defined by the parameter "Option" with the "OptionID". For the description of this parameter see also the Service Component Specification DTD (Service Component Profile) in the Appendix. Figure 3-9 illustrates a relationship between the Mediazine QoS profile and an EAT Application Profile for the Basic Internet Application RealPlayer.



Example of QoS Profile						Example	e of Applica	tion Profile		
QoS Category : Silv	ver		8. 	5		Application	n Name : RealPlay	yer		
Application Name	Service Component	Options	Default Option			Application Service Co	n Type : MULTIN mponent : AUDI	IEDIA 0		
RealPlayer	AUDIO	Option 1 -	Option 1		1		Audio Quality	Transfer Rate	Sampling Rat	te
		Option 2 -	2	<u>.</u>	ղ Լ	Option 1	"CD quality"	256 kBit	44 kHz	
		Option 3 -			L	Option 2	"low quality"	64 kBit	44 kHz	
	VIDEO	Option 2 -	— Option 2 —	⊢_ l	_,	Option 3	No Reservation	(Best Effort)		
		Option 3 -	<u>.</u>					<u></u>		
		Option 4 -	2	-11	Service Component : VIDEO					
NetMeeting	AUDIO	Option 1	Option 1				Video Quality	Window Size	X [pixel]	Y [pixel]
		Option 2	5			Option 1	"TV quality"	"large"	720	576
		Option 3	2 		•	Option 2	"medium quality	" "medium"	320	240
	VIDEO	Option 2	Option 2		•	Option 3	"low quality"	"small"	160	120
		Option 3	in transmission S			Option 4	No Reservation	(Best Effort)		
		Option 4	8							
Ultima Online	GAME	Option 1	Option 1							
		Option 2								

Figure 3-9: Correlation between QoS Profile and Application Profile

It is not possible to define exactly which data will have to be saved in which way and in which profile. Whether for the development of a Complex Internet Service or for the creation of Application Profiles with the EAT, the developer can imagine and design the way the service can be used in the future by the end-user. It is important that the design of the service enable the user to easily grasp how to handle the settings of the QoS parameters.

3.2.4 Recommendations for the Feedback on the Status of the Connection of the QoS Categories

Another essential aspect of the availability of a QoS supported Complex Internet Service is the feedback on the status of the connection of the QoS categories chosen by the user. The user will not be willing to bear the additional costs for QoS support, if there is no obvious service in return. It is crucial to visualise the effects of the QoS support, because the difference between an enabled and a disabled QoS service is not always easy to seize for the user.

The format of the feedback should be adapted to the needs of the user, that is to say to his/her profile.



Mediazine expert	Mediazine novice
To verify whether the user settings work prop- erly, the user should be given the possibility to inquire on detailed information on the connec- tion such as e.g. currently transferred amount of data, packet loss, hency etc or to use the feedback of the standard user.	The user should be informed of the correct functioning of the settings by an obvious symbol showing the selected QoS category.

Table 3-3: Recommendations for Mediazine users

The feedback on the status of the connection for the selected QoS category should be delivered by the necessary measurement tools. However, as this part is not a feature of the EAT, the application itself has to care of it.



4 Configuration Guide for EAT

The configuration of the EAT is based on XML files which are stored in a central LDAP database. Due to the fact that the EAT and the application Proxies run in different processes, there are two kinds of settings to be taken.

4.1 EAT Settings

The EAT Settings are mainly for the configuration of the Application Profiles the EAT *refers*. The Application Profiles themselves, however, are *separately* stored within the LDAP database. The EAT configuration file just contains the path to the profiles as well as a list of their unique names (see Appendix, **eat_dresden**.xml as an example).

The following scenario gives a guideline on how to store an Application Profile as well its Service Component Profiles within the database, and how to configure it for the EAT:

- 1. Write a new XML file, i.e. the Application Profile for a new application (e.g. **NetMeeting_3.01_AppProfile**.xml). Make sure that it is based on the grammar, which is specified in ApplicationProfile.dtd (see Appendix).
- Write new XML file(s), i.e. the Service Component Profile for *all* service components of the above-mentioned application (e.g. NetMeeting_3.01_Video.xml and NetMeeting_3.01_Audio.xml). Make sure that they are based on the grammar, which is specified in ServiceComponentProfile.dtd (see Appendix). Make also sure that the above-mentioned app profile contains references to these new files.
- 3. Store these profile files within the LDAP database:

```
java -cp <aquila classes>;<jaxb-rt-1.0-ea.jar> aquila.uil.main.StoreXml
    "cn=NetMeeting_3.01_AppProfile.cn=appProfile.cn=eat,cn=rcl"
    NetMeeting_3.01_AppProfile.xml
    aquila.rcl.eat.appProfile.ApplicationProfile
java -cp <aquila classes>;<jaxb-rt-1.0-ea.jar> aquila.uil.main.StoreXml
    "cn=NetMeeting_3.01_Video,cn=appProfile,cn=eat,cn=rcl"
    NetMeeting_3.01_Video.xml
    aquila.rcl.eat.appProfile.ServiceComponentProfile
java -cp <aquila classes>;<jaxb-rt-1.0-ea.jar> aquila.uil.main.StoreXml
    "cn=NetMeeting_3.01_Audio,cn=appProfile,cn=eat,cn=rcl"
    NetMeeting_3.01_Audio.xml
    aquila.rcl.eat.appProfile.ServiceComponentProfile
```

4. Add the entry

```
<Profile>NetMeeting_3.01_AppProfile.xml</Profile>
```



to the EAT configuration file of your EAT (within the ApplicationProfiles tag, see Appendix).

- 5. Make sure that the Path attribute of ApplicationProfiles corresponds to the *basic* path in 3., e.g. "cn=appProfile,cn=eat,cn=rcl".
- 6. Make sure that the ACAName attribute of EATSettings contains the correct name of the ACA that belongs to this EAT, e.g. "aca_dresden".
- 7. Store the EAT settings in the LDAP database as well:

```
java -cp <aquila classes>;<jaxb-rt-1.0-ea.jar> aquila.uil.main.StoreXml
    "cn=eat_dresden,cn=eat,cn=rcl" eat_dresden.xml
    aquila.rcl.eat.eatManager.EATSettings
```

8. Start the EAT:

java -cp <aquila classes> aquila.rcl.eat.eatManager.EAT **eat_dresden**

4.2 Proxy Settings

Each application Proxy has to have its own configuration file which contains some basic information for the Proxy such as its id, and optionally its full name (or description) and the control port it uses (see Appendix, **sip_dresden**xml).

Guideline for configuration:

- 1. Create a new Proxy configuration file, based on proxy.dtd. Make sure that the EATName attribute of ProxySettings contains the correct name of the EAT that belongs to this Proxy, e.g. "eat_dresden".
- 2. Store the Proxy settings in the LDAP database:

```
java -cp <aquila classes>;<jaxb-rt-1.0-ea.jar> aquila.uil.main.StoreXml
    "cn=sip_dresden,cn=proxy,cn=eat,cn=rcl" sip_dresden.xml
    aquila.rcl.eat.proxy.ProxySettings
```

3. Run the Proxy:

java -cp <aquila classes> aquila.rcl.eat.proxy.SIPProxy **sip_dresden**

4. The Proxy registers itself at the *already running* EAT.



5 Abbreviations

Α	
ACA	Admission Control Agent
API	Application Programming Interface
AQUILA	Adaptive Resource Control for QoS Using an IP-based Layered Architecture
В	
BIA	Basic Internet Application (Legacy Application)
С	
CBR	Constant Bit Rate
CIS	Complex Internet Service
Codec	COmpression/DECompression
CORBA	Common Object Request Broker Architecture (see ORB)
D	
DSL	Digital Subscriber Line
DTD	Document Type Definition
E	
EAT	End-user Application Toolkit
F	
FTP	File Transfer Protocol
G	
GUI	Graphical User Interface
Ι	
IDL	Interface Definition Language
IP	Internet Protocol
ISDN	Integrated Services Digital Network



J JDK Java Development Kit L LAN Local Area Network LDAP Lightweight Directory Access Protocol Μ MF Multi-Field Ν NS Network Service 0 Object Request Broker (see CORBA) ORB Р PR Peak Rate Q QoS Quality of Service R RCL **Resource Control Layer** RSVP **Resource Reservation Protocol** S SDP Session Description Protocol SIP Session Initiation Protocol SLA Service Level Agreement SLS Service Level Specification SR Sustainable Rate Т TCP Transmission Control Protocol



U

UDP	User Datagram Protocol
UML	Unified Modelling Language
URL	Uniform Resource Locator
V	
VBR	Variable Bit Rate
VoIP	Voice over IP
X	
XML	eXtensible Markup Language



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Appendix

The Application Programming Interface

api.idl

```
/*
    Package aquila.rcl.eat.api
    File
          api.idl
    Version 4.4, 07.08.2002
    Dresden University of Technology (TUD),
    National Technical University of Athens (NTUA)
    This file contains the specification of the (internal) api
    of the End-user Application Toolkit (EAT) for the 2nd trial.
    It is intended for the use by the applications as well as the
    Reservation GUI, etc.
* /
#ifndef
        api_idl
#define
        api_idl
#include "service.idl"
#include "subscriber.idl"
#include "aca.idl"
#include "appProfile.idl"
#include "converter.idl"
#include "eatPersistence.idl"
#include "proxy.idl"
#include "event.idl"
module api {
    /* --- Forward declarations --- */
    interface QoSSessionRequest;
    interface QoSSession;
    interface QoSSessionGroup;
    interface QoSSessionUnit;
    typedef sequence<QoSSession> QoSSessionSeq;
    typedef sequence<QoSSessionUnit> QoSSessionUnitSeq;
    /**
     * The QoSRequester interface should be implemented by the QoS requesting
     * client in or der to have the chance to inform it about some events
     * concerning the requested reservation, e.g. when a provisional reservation
     * has been accepted/rejected by the ACA, or when a reservation brokes, etc.
     * /
    typedef event::EventObserver QoSRequester;
```



```
/**
* APIException containing a message string.
*/
exception APIException {
   string reason;
};
/* --- Common --- */
typedef service::ServiceIDSeq ServiceIDSeq;
typedef sequence<aca::SLS> slsSeq;
typedef sequence<aca::Scope> ScopeSeq;
typedef sequence<aca::Flow>
                           FlowSeq;
typedef sequence<octet> XMLStream;
/* --- Login ----- */
/**
* The Login interface allows the authentication of an end-user against
* the EAT (Manager). It is implemented by the EAT.
* The login information is also forwarded to the ACA.
*/
interface Login {
   const string SERVER_PREFIX = "rcl.directory/eat.directory/api.directory/";
   const string SERVER_SUFFIX = ".Login";
    /**
    * Login at the EAT Manager's API.
    *
    * @param loginInfo
                              Account name and password.
    * @param clientSessionId Created by a Web server providing the
                               Login GUI.
    * @return
                               Reference to a new QoSSessionRequest
    *
                               object.
    */
   QoSSessionRequest loginClient (
       in subscriber::LoginInfo logInfo,
                               clientSessionId)
       in string
       raises (APIException);
    /**
    * Gets the reference to the QoSSessionRequest object created at the
    * login.
    * Called by the Reservation GUI, the Regular Reservation GUI, etc.
    * @param clientSessionId Web servers' session id, included in the
                               URL.
    * @return
                               Reference to the existing QoSSessionRequest
                               object.
    * /
   QoSSessionRequest getQSRequestMeansSessionId (
       in string clientSessionId);
};
```



```
/* --- QoS Session Request ----- */
typedef sequence<string> ClientSessionIdSeq;
/**
* The QoSSessionRequest interface is the user agent for QoS session
* requests and SLA retrieval.
* Requests can be made on an advanced and on a regular level.
*/
interface QoSSessionRequest {
   /**
    * The subscriber.
    */
   readonly attribute string accountName;
   /**
    * All current client session ids.
    */
   readonly attribute ClientSessionIdSeg clientSessionIds;
   /* --- SLAs --- */
    /**
    * The SLAs.
    */
   readonly attribute converter::SLASeq contracts;
   /* --- Advanced Request --- */
    /**
    * For the specification of a (single) advanced request.
    * applicationId
                       Name that the end-user uses to identify the
                       application.
    * serviceComponent Service component that this reservation corresponds
                       to.
    * networkService
                       Network service id.
    * reqSLS
                       Requested SLS incl, scope, flow, traffic spec, QoS
                       spec, and schedule.
    * proxyId
                       Id of the proxy to be used (see ApplicationProxy),
                       0 for none.
    * enabled
                       Indicates whether the reservation shall be
                       immediately established in the edge router or not.
    */
   struct AdvancedSpec {
       string
                        applicationId;
                                           // One application
       string
                         serviceComponent; // One service component
       service::ServiceID networkService; // One service
       aca::SLS reqSLS;
                                           // One SLSpec
                        proxyId;
       long
                                           // One proxy
       boolean
                        enabled;
   };
```



```
/** * Requests for a (single) QoSSession on advanced level.
\ast It is foreseen for reservation requests that are based
 * on the content of the ACA's reservation request interface,
 * the so-called Advanced Reservation Mode.
* @param requestSpec The requested parameters.
 * @param requester
                       The requester object that has to be notified
                       when something happens with the reservation.
                       Can be null.
* @return
                       Reference to a new QoSSessionUnit object with
 *
                       one single element.
 */
QoSSessionUnit advancedRequest (
   in AdvancedSpec requestSpec,
   in QoSRequester requester)
   raises (APIException);
/* --- Advanced Multiple Request --- */
/**
 * For the specification of a multiple (e.g. bi-directional)
 * advanced request.
 *
 * applicationId
                    Name that the end-user uses to identify the
 *
                    application.
* serviceComponent Service component that this reservation corresponds
                    to.
 * networkServices
                    Network service ids.
 * reqSLSs
                    Requested SLSs incl. scoped, flows, traffic specs,
                    QoS specs, and schedules.
 * proxyId
                    Id of the proxy to be used (see ApplicationProxy),
                    0 for none.
 * enabled
                    Indicates whether the reservation shall be
 *
                    immediately established in the edge router or not.
 */
struct AdvancedMultipleSpec {
           applicationId;
   string
                                         // One application
   string
                      serviceComponent; // One service component
   ServiceIDSeq
                    networkServices; // Several services !
   slsSeq
                     reqSLSs;
                                        // Several SLSpecs !
                     proxyId;
   long
                                         // One proxy
   boolean
                      enabled;
};
/**
 * Advanced request for a multiple (e.g. a bi-directional) reservation,
 * building an inseperable unit of session elements, the session unit.
* @param requestSpec The requested parameters.
 * @param requester
                       The requester object that has to be notified
                       when something happens with the reservation.
                       Can be null.
 * @return
                       Reference to a new QoSSessionUnit object with
                       as many elements as requested. In the case of a
                       bi-directional session, there are two request
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*
*/
                        elements.
QoSSessionUnit advancedMultipleRequest (
    in AdvancedMultipleSpec requestSpec,
   in QoSRequester
                           requester)
   raises (APIException);
/* --- Advanced Group Request --- */
/**
 * For the specification of a group request.
*/
typedef sequence<AdvancedMultipleSpec> AdvancedSpecSeq;
/**
 * Advanced request for a group of QoS sessions.
 *
 * @param groupName
                         The optional name of the new group (can be "").
 * @param requestSpecs An array of (multiple) request specifications.
                         The requester object that has to be notified
 * @param requester
 *
                         when something happens with the reservation.
 *
                         Can be null.
 * @return
                         An new QoSSessionGroup object, containing
 *
                         one QoSSessionUnit object for each (multiple)
 *
                         request.
 */
QoSSessionGroup advancedGroupRequest (
   in string
                     groupName,
   in AdvancedSpecSeq requestSpecs,
   in QoSRequester requester)
   raises (APIException);
/* --- Regular Request --- */
/**
 * Prepares the Regular App GUI with the options from the profile,
 * gets the ids for the session characteristics options to be displayed.
 * @param applicationProfile ID of the associated application
                               profile.
 * @return
                               An array of options of the profiles.
 */
converter::QoSOptionSeq prepareSessionCharacteristicsOptions (
   in appProfile::ProfileID applicationProfile)
   raises (APIException);
/**
 * For the specification of a (single) regular request.
 * Note that for each service component one request is needed.
 * applicationProfile ID of the associated application profile.
 * applicationId
                      The application name within the application
                       profile.
 * selection
                       Selected session characteristic option from the
                      profile incl. the service component.
```



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Scope: reservation style.
Source and dest. addresses, ports, protocol,
 * reqScope
* reqFlow
 *
                       DSCP.
 * schedule
                       Service schedule: reservation time.
 * proxyName
                       Name of the proxy to be used (see application
                       profile), the EAT Manager can look into the *.rc
 *
                       file in order to get the id of the proxy;
 *
                       "" if no proxy is needed.
 * enabled
                       Indicates whether the reservation shall be
 *
                       immediately established in the edge router or
 *
                       not.
 */
struct RegularSpec {
   appProfile::ProfileID applicationProfile; // One
   string
                        applicationId; // application
                                              // One service component
   converter::QoSOption selection;
                                              // One scope
   aca::Scope
                        reqScope;
   aca::Flow
                         reqFlow;
                                              // One flow spec
   aca::ServiceSchedule schedule;
                                              // One schedule
   string
                        proxyName;
                                              // One proxy
   boolean
                          enabled;
};
/**
 * Requests for a QoSSession on regular level.
* It is foreseen for applications which are not QoS-aware
* but are supported by application profiles for manual,
 * non-professional reservations. The end-user has to ask for the
 * preparation of suitable Session Charactersitics options and requests
 * then for such as QoS session.
 * @param requestSpec The requested parameters.
                        The requester object that has to be notified
 * @param requester
 *
                        when something happens with the reservation.
 *
                        Can be null.
 * @return
                        Reference to a new QoSSessionUnit object
 *
                        containing one element for the reservation of
 *
                        the specified service component. (For several
 *
                        service components, use regularGroupRequest().)
 */
QoSSessionUnit regularRequest (
   in RegularSpec
                    requestSpec,
   in QoSRequester requester)
   raises (APIException);
/* --- Regular Multiple Request --- */
/**
 * For the specification of a multiple (e.g. bi-directional) regular
 * request.
 * applicationProfile ID of the associated application profile.
 * applicationId
                       The application name within the application
                       profile.
 * selection
                       Selected session characteristic option from the
                       profile incl. the service component.
```



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Scopes: reservation styles.
Source and dest. addresses, ports, protocol,
 * reqScopes
* reqFlows
 *
                       DSCP.
 * schedule
                       Service schedule: reservation time.
 * proxyName
                       Name of the proxy to be used (see application
                       profile), the EAT Manager can look into the *.rc
 *
                       file in order to get the id of the proxy;
 *
                       "" if no proxy is needed.
 * enabled
                       Indicates whether the reservation shall be
 *
                       immediately established in the edge router or
 *
                       not.
 */
struct RegularMultipleSpec {
   appProfile::ProfileID applicationProfile; // One
   string
                         applicationId; // application
   converter::QoSOption selection;
                                               // One service component
                         reqScopes;
                                              // Several scopes !
   ScopeSeq
                                              // Several flow specs !
                         reqFlows;
   FlowSeq
   aca::ServiceSchedule schedule;
                                              // One schedule
   string
                        proxyName;
                                              // One proxy
   boolean
                          enabled;
};
/**
 * Regular request for a multiple (e.g. a bi-directional) reservation,
 * building an inseperable unit of session elements, the session unit.
 * @param requestSpec The requested parameters.
                        The requester object that has to be notified
 * @param requester
 *
                        when something happens with the reservation.
 *
                        Can be null.
 * @return
                        Reference to a new QoSSessionUnit object with
 *
                        as many elements as requested. In the case of a
 *
                        bi-directional session, there are two request
 *
                        elements.
 */
QoSSessionUnit regularMultipleRequest (
   in RegularMultipleSpec requestSpec,
   in QoSRequester
                           requester)
   raises (APIException);
/* --- Regular Group Reguest --- */
typedef sequence<RegularMultipleSpec> RegularSpecSeg;
/**
 * Regular request for a group of QoS sessions,
 * e.g. for different service components per application.
 *
 * @param groupName
                         The optional name of the new group (can be "").
 * @param requestSpecs An array of (multiple) request specifications.
 * @param requester
                         The requester object that has to be notified
 *
                         when something happens with the reservation.
 *
                         Can be null.
 * @return
                         An new QoSSessionGroup object, containing
 *
                         one QoSSessionUnit object for each (multiple)
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*
                         request.
 */
QoSSessionGroup regularGroupRequest (
               groupName,
    in string
    in RegularSpecSeq requestSpecs,
    in QoSRequester requester)
    raises (APIException);
/* --- Common --- */
/**
 * Creates an empty QoSSessionGroup.
* @param groupName The optional name of the new group (can be "").
 * @param requester The requester object that has to be notified
                      when something happens with the reservation.
 *
 *
                      Can be null.
 * @return
                      An new, empty QoSSessionGroup object.
 */
QoSSessionGroup createEmptyGroup (
    in string groupName,
    in QoSRequester requester)
   raises (APIException);
/**
* Returns all active reservations.
 *
* @return Sequence of QoSSession objects, both groups and units.
*/
QoSSessionSeq getActiveQoSSessions ();
/**
* Returns all active session units, also those which are in goups.
*
* @return Sequence of QoSSessionUnit objects (no groups).
*/
QoSSessionUnitSeq getQoSSessionUnits ();
/**
* Retrives the list of all former and actual reservations of this user.
 *
\ast @return % \left( {{\mathbb{F}}_{{\mathbb{F}}}} \right) Sequence of ReservationData incl. reservation parameters and
*
            accounting data.
* /
eatPersistence::ReservationDataSeq retrieveReservationHistory ();
/**
* Closes explicitely a client session without logout;
 * removes the client session id from the list.
 *
 * @param clientSessionId Web servers' session id, included in the
 *
                              URT.
*/
void close (
   in string clientSessionId)
   raises (APIException);
```



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/**
    * Logs the end-user out, releases all reservations.
    */
   void logout ()
       raises (APIException);
};
/* --- QoS Session ----- */
/**
* SessionStatus indicates whether a requested (and by the EAT accepted)
* reservation is still provisional (waiting for Proxy response) or already
* accepted by the ACA and therefore active.
 * (Rejected reservations are immediately released, and the client is
 * informed.)
*/
enum SessionStatus {
   Provisional,
                    // Waiting for the answer from the Proxy
   Active,
                    // Requested and admitted by the ACA
   Enabled
                     // Enabled at the edge router
};
/**
* A QoSSession can be session group or unit.
*/
interface QoSSession {
   /**
    * The unique session id of this session group or unit.
    */
   readonly attribute long sessionId;
    /**
    * Is this a session group or unit?
    */
   readonly attribute boolean isGroup;
    /**
    * The aggregating group. Can be null.
    */
   readonly attribute QoSSessionGroup group;
    /**
    * The requester of this session, can be null.
    */
   readonly attribute QoSRequester requester;
    /**
    * Releases the associated reservation unit (and all of its elements) or
    * the whole group (all aggregated units and groups are also released).
    * Automatically retrieves and stores the accounting data from the ACA
    * for each unit and all of its elements.
    */
   void release ()
       raises (APIException);
```



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/**
    * Suspends the associated reservation unit or the whole group,
    * i.e. all reservation units are released but without retrieving
    * any accounting information.
    */
   void suspend ()
       raises (APIException);
};
/**
* The QoSSessionGroup interface belongs to a reservation group,
* e.g. reservations (units) for several service components per application.
*/
interface QoSSessionGroup : QoSSession {
    /**
    * The optional name of this group.
    */
    attribute string groupName;
    /**
    * The QoS sessions. Can be either other essions groups or units or
    * even both.
    */
   readonly attribute QoSSessionSeq sessions;
    /**
    * Returns one specific QoSSession object of this group.
    *
    \ast @param sessionId The session id of the reservation.
    * @return
                          The QoSSession object with the specified id.
    *
                         Null if none.
    */
    QoSSession getSession (in long sessionId);
    /**
    * Adds/joins an already established QoSSession to this group.
     * Unlinks it from the former group/container.
    * @param sessionId The session to be added to this group.
    */
    void join (in QoSSession session)
       raises (APIException);
    /**
    * Removes a QoSSession object from this group without releasing it.
     * Links it directly to the QoSSessionRequest.
    * @param sessionId The session to be removed from this group.
    */
    void leave (in QoSSession session)
       raises (APIException);
    /**
     * Reamoves all QoSSession objects from this group without releasing
     * them.
```



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void leaveAll ()
       raises (APIException);
};
/**
* The QoSSessionUnit interface belongs to an actual reservation unit
* (in terms of the ACA: a reservation bundle). While such a unit may
 * consist of more than one reservation element, it must be handled as only
 * one (multiple) reservation, for example a bi-directional one.
*/
interface QoSSessionUnit : QoSSession {
   readonly attribute short numberOfElements; // e.g. 1 for an uni-
                                             // directional reservation,
                                              // 2 for a bidirectional one
   readonly attribute SessionStatus status;
    // Content of the advanced/regular request:
    readonly attribute appProfile::ProfileID applicationProfile;//"" if none
    readonly attribute string
                                    applicationId;
    readonly attribute converter::QoSOption selection;
                                                            //null if none
    readonly attribute ServiceIDSeq
                                          networkServices;
    readonly attribute slsSeq
                                           reqSLSs;
    readonly attribute long
                                            proxyId;
    /**
     * Gets the accounting data of this session.
     *
    * @return Accounting information array of this session unit,
     *
               containing one entry per requested reservation element.
    */
    aca::AccountingSeq getAccountingInformation ();
    /**
     * Enables an already active but not in the edge router installed
     * reservation.
    * /
   void enable ()
       raises (APIException);
};
/* --- RequestEvent (for QoSRequester) ----- */
/**
 * RequestKind describes what with a reservation (request) ca be happen:
 * A provisional reservation can be accepted or rejected.
 * An already established reservation can be released, e.g. when it brokes
 * or when the schedule finishes.
 */
enum RequestKind {
   Accepted,
   Rejected,
   Released
};
```



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^{\prime \star \star} ^{\star} RequestEvent contains the QoSSession id, the kind of the occuring event,
* and a optional reason.
*/
valuetype RequestEvent : event::GeneralEvent {
   #pragma ID RequestEvent "IDL:aquila/rcl/eat/api/RequestEvent:1.0"
   public long
                  sessionId;
   public RequestKind kind;
   public string reason;
};
/* --- Application Manager ----- */
/**
 * ApplicationInformation contains the ID of the associated app profile,
* the app's name, the version, and the build no.
*/
struct ApplicationInformation {
   appProfile::ProfileID applicationProfileID;
   string
                         applicationName;
   string
                         versionNo;
   string
                         buildNo;
   string
                         type;
   string
                         scope;
};
typedef sequence<ApplicationInformation> ApplicationInformationSeq;
/**
* Semantical Group
*/
struct Semantical {
                    description;
   string
   string
                    type;
                    language;
   string
   sequence<string> qualifiers;
};
typedef sequence<Semantical> SemanticalSeq;
/**
* Session Characteristics
*/
struct SessionCharacteristics {
   string
                name;
   SemanticalSeq semantics;
};
typedef sequence<SessionCharacteristics> SessionCharacteristicsSeq;
/**
* Service Component Option
*/
struct SCOption {
   string
                             optionId;
   string
                             description;
   string
                             networkSpeed;
   string
                             transportProtocol;
   SessionCharacteristicsSeq sessionCharacteristics;
```


```
};
typedef sequence<SCOption> SCOptionSeq;
/**
 * ServiercComponentInformation contains the ID of the associated sc profile,
 \ast the type and the options incl. the session characteristics.
*/
struct ServiceComponentInformation {
   appProfile::ProfileID serviceComponentProfileID;
    string
                         componentName;
    string
                         type;
   SCOptionSeq
                          options;
};
typedef sequence<ServiceComponentInformation> ServiceComponentInformationSeq;
/**
 * The ApplicationManager interface provides information about installed
 * available application (profiles), application proxies, etc.
 */
interface ApplicationManager {
    const string SERVER_PREFIX = "rcl.directory/eat.directory/api.directory/";
    const string SERVER_SUFFIX = ".ApplicationManager";
    /**
    * Gets all available apps for the Legacy App GUI.
    *
    * @return Sequence of ApplicationInformation objects.
    */
    ApplicationInformationSeq getAvailableApps ();
    /**
     * Gets all available service components of one app profile.
     *
    * @return Sequence of ServiceComponentInformation objects.
     */
    ServiceComponentInformationSeq getAvailableSCs (
        in appProfile::ProfileID applicationProfileID);
    /**
     * Any client, e.g. the servlets that construct the Regular Reservation
     * GUI may call this function to retrieve the OBJECTS representing the
     * xml profile. (See also appProfile::ProfileManager.)
    * IMPORTANT NOTE: Does not work well with CORBA.
     *
     * @param applicationProfileID The id of the application profile
     * @return
                                      The reference to the profile object
     */
    appProfile::ExtApplicationProfile getApplicationProfile (
        in appProfile::ProfileID applicationProfileID)
        raises (APIException);
    /**
     * Any client, e.g. the servlets that construct the Regular Reservation
     * GUI may call this function to retrieve the STREAM representing the
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* xml profile. The servlets are responsible to internally parse the * profiles in order to retrieve the required information.
     \ast Due to the fact that the Application Profiles only refers to separate
     * Service Component Profiles, this operation has to be called several
     * times in order to get all data.
    * @param profile The id of the application profile
    *
    * @return
                         The (byte) stream of the xml profile
    */
    XMLStream getProfileStream (
       in appProfile::ProfileID profile)
        raises (APIException);
    /**
     * Gets all installed proxies for the Reservation GUI.
     *
    * @return Sequence of ApplicationProxy objects.
    */
   proxy::ProxyDescriptionSeq getApplicationProxies ();
};
/* --- Network Service Distributor ----- */
/**
 * NetworkService is an "mirror" of the Network Service Profile, accessible
* via CORBA. (An Application does not have access to the LDAP DB.)
*/
struct NetworkServiceInformation {
   service::ServiceID
                                 servId;
   string
                                 fullName;
};
typedef sequence<NetworkServiceInformation> NetworkServiceInformationSeq;
/**
 * The ServiceDistributor interface provides information about available
 * network services, and which ones are included in the current SLA.
*/
interface ServiceDistributor {
    const string SERVER_PREFIX = "rcl.directory/eat.directory/api.directory/";
    const string SERVER_SUFFIX = ".ServiceDistributor";
    /**
    * Gets all available network services.
    *
    * @return Sequence of NetworkService objects.
    */
   NetworkServiceInformationSeg getNetworkServices ();
    /**
    * Any client, e.g. the servlets that construct the Regular Reservation
    * GUI may call this function to retrieve the OBJECTS representing the
    * xml data. (See also service::ServiceManager, and service.dtd.)
     *
    * @param netService The id of the network service
```



SampleClient.java

```
/**
 * Title:
                 AQUILA, RCL, EAT
 * Description: Sample API Client
 * Copyright: Copyright (c) Falk Fünfstück
 * Company:
                 TUD
 * @author
                 Falk Fünfstück
 * @version
                1.0
 * /
package aquila.rcl.eat.gui;
import aquila.rcl.aca.*;
import aquila.rcl.eat.api.*;
import aquila.rcl.eat.api.QoSSessionRequestPackage.*;
import aquila.rcl.eat.appProfile.ExtApplicationProfile;
import aquila.rcl.eat.appProfile.SerializableApplicationProfile;
import aquila.rcl.eat.appProfile.ExtServiceComponent;
import aquila.rcl.eat.appProfile.SerializableServiceComponentProfile;
import aquila.rcl.eat.appProfile.ServiceComponentProfile;
import aquila.rcl.eat.converter.*;
import aquila.rcl.eat.eatPersistence.ReservationData;
import aquila.rcl.eat.proxy.ProxyDescription;
import aquila.rcl.service.QoSSpec;
import aquila.rcl.service.TrafficSpec;
import aquila.rcl.subscriber.LoginInfo;
import java.io.File;
import java.io.FileInputStream;
import java.io.ByteArrayInputStream;
import java.util.Properties;
import java.util.Hashtable;
import org.omg.CORBA.ORB;
import org.omg.CORBA.SystemException;
import org.omg.CORBA.UserException;
import org.omg.CORBA.BAD_OPERATION;
import java.util.Properties;
import javax.naming.Context;
import javax.naming.directory.DirContext;
import javax.naming.directory.InitialDirContext;
import javax.naming.Name;
import javax.naming.NameAlreadyBoundException;
```



```
import javax.naming.NameParser;
import javax.naming.NamingException;
/**
 * This class provides a very simple sample scenario on how to use the EAT API.
 * /
public class SampleClient {
    private static SampleClient sc;
    private ORB
                       orb = null;
    private Context
                       nctx = null;
    private DirContext dctx = null;
    public SampleClient(String[] args) {
        Properties props = new Properties(System.getProperties());
        trv
             {
            String filename;
            filename = props.getProperty("aquila.util.main.propertyfile",
                       props.getProperty("aquila.util.main.propertyfile",
"aquila.rc"));
            filename = new File(filename).getAbsolutePath();
            props.load(new FileInputStream(filename));
        }
        catch (java.io.IOException ioex) {
            // just ignore
        };
        orb = ORB.init(args, props);
        if (orb == null) {
            System.err.println("Could not get the ORB");
            System.exit(1);
        };
        Hashtable env = new Hashtable();
        env.put ("java.naming.corba.orb", orb);
                                         (javax.naming.Context.INITIAL_CONTEXT_FACTORY,
        env.put
"com.sun.jndi.cosnaming.CNCtxFactory");
        DirContext initialContext;
        try {
            initialContext = new InitialDirContext(env);
            try {
                initialContext.createSubcontext("aquila.directory");
            }
            catch (NameAlreadyBoundException nabe) {
                // does not matter
            };
            nctx = (Context)initialContext.lookup("aquila.directory");
        }
        catch (NamingException ne) {
            System.out.println(
                "SampleClient(): NamingException: " +
                "could not retrieve context aquila.directory: " + ne);
            System.exit (1);
        };
```



```
try {
       dctx = new InitialDirContext (props);
   }
   catch (NamingException ne) {
       System.out.println(
           "SampleClient.SampleClient(): Could not create DirContext: " +
           ne.getExplanation());
       System.exit (1);
   };
};
protected void start(String eatName) {
   try {
       Login theLogin = null;
       ApplicationManager theAM = null;
       ServiceDistributor theSD = null;
       try {
           String path = Login.SERVER_PREFIX + eatName +
                        Login.SERVER_SUFFIX;
           theLogin = LoginHelper.narrow(
                (org.omg.CORBA.Object) getNamingContext().lookup(path));
           System.out.println("Got the login object");
           path = ApplicationManager.SERVER_PREFIX + eatName +
                 ApplicationManager.SERVER_SUFFIX;
           theAM = ApplicationManagerHelper.narrow(
                (org.omg.CORBA.Object) getNamingContext().lookup(path));
           System.out.println("Got the app manager");
           path = ServiceDistributor.SERVER_PREFIX + eatName +
                 ServiceDistributor.SERVER_SUFFIX;
           theSD = ServiceDistributorHelper.narrow(
               (org.omg.CORBA.Object) getNamingContext().lookup(path));
           System.out.println("Got the service distributor");
       }
       catch (NamingException ne) {
           System.err.println("Could not resolve " + eatName);
           System.exit(1);
       };
       // --- Tests ------
       // Network services:
       NetworkServiceInformation[] services = new NetworkServiceInformation[0];
       System.out.println("Available network services:");
       services = theSD.getNetworkServices();
       for (int i = 0; i < services.length; i++) {</pre>
           System.out.println(services[i].servId);
       };
```



```
// Available Apps:
            ExtApplicationProfile extAP = null;
            SerializableApplicationProfile serAP = null;
            //ExtServiceComponent extSC = null;
            //SerializableServiceComponentProfile serSCP = null;
            //Option opt;
            ApplicationInformation[] apps = new ApplicationInformation[0];
            System.out.println("Available application profiles:");
            apps = theAM.getAvailableApps();
            for (int i = 0; i < apps.length; i++) {</pre>
                System.out.println(apps[i].applicationProfileID);
                ServiceComponentProfile scp;
                ServiceComponentInformation[]
                                                          SCS
                                                                                     new
ServiceComponentInformation[0];
                System.out.println("Available service component profiles:");
                scs = theAM.getAvailableSCs(apps[i].applicationProfileID);
                for (int j = 0; j < scs.length; j++) {</pre>
                    System.out.println(scs[j].serviceComponentProfileID);
                    bvte[]
                                                       xml
theAM.getProfileStream(scs[j].serviceComponentProfileID);
                                                  ServiceComponentProfile.unmarshal(new
                    scp
                                    =
ByteArrayInputStream(xml));
                                                                                      ";
                    System.out.println(scp.getServiceComponent().toString()
Delay: " + scp.getQoSRequirement().getMaxDelay().getContent());
                };
            };
            // Login:
            System.out.println("Try to login 'wi' ...");
            QoSSessionRequest request = theLogin.loginClient(
                new LoginInfo("wi", "geheim"), "0815");
            request = theLogin.loginClient(
                new LoginInfo("wi", "geheim"), "0816");
            request = theLogin.loginClient(
                new LoginInfo("wi", "geheim"), "0816");
            request = theLogin.loginClient(
               new LoginInfo("wi", "geheim"), "0816");
            request = theLogin.loginClient(
               new LoginInfo("wi", "geheim"), "0816");
            request = theLogin.loginClient(
                new LoginInfo("wi", "geheim"), "0816");
            */
            // Request:
            if (request != null) {
                System.out.println("Got the request object");
                // 1. try: PMC
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0);

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// Structs which contains object references have to be
// initialized, because their default constructor is empty!
String app = "app1";
String com = "component1";
String ns = "PMC";
Scope s = new Scope("p2a");
Flow f = new Flow(
   new Address("10.0.5.2", "255.255.255.0", 0, 0),
    new Address("-1", "-1", 0, 0), (short) 0, (short) 0);
TrafficSpec ts = new TrafficSpec(
// PR
         BSP SR BSS m M
    10000, 2048, 8500, 2048, 40, 512);
QoSSpec qos = new QoSSpec(100, 10, 0, 50, false);
ServiceSchedule ss = new ServiceSchedule("", 0, 0, 0);
SLS slspec = new SLS(s, f, ts, qos, ss);
AdvancedSpec as = new AdvancedSpec(
    app, com, ns, slspec, 0, true);
System.out.println("Try to request ...");
QoSSession session = null;
session = request.advancedRequest(as, null);
if (session != null) {
    System.out.println("Got session unit: " + session.sessionId());
}
else {
    System.out.println("Couldn't get session");
};
// 2. try: PCBR, bidirectional
// Structs which contains object references have to be
// initialized, because their default constructor is empty!
app = "app2";
com = "component2";
String[] nss = { "PCBR", "PCBR" };
s = new Scope("p2p");
Flow f1 = new Flow(
   new Address("10.0.5.2", "255.255.255.0", 0, 0),
    new Address("10.0.5.3", "255.255.255.0", 0, 0), (short) 0, (short)
Flow f2 = new Flow(
   new Address("10.0.5.3", "255.255.255.0", 0, 0),
    new Address("10.0.5.2", "255.255.255.0", 0, 0), (short) 0, (short)
ts = new TrafficSpec(
         BSP SR
                       BSS m
// PR
                                 М
    10000, 2048, 8500, 2048, 40, 512);
qos = new QoSSpec(100, 10, 0, 50, false);
ss = new ServiceSchedule("", 0, 0, 0);
```



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SLS[] slspecs = { new SLS(s, f1, ts, qos, ss), new SLS(s, f2, ts, qos,
ss) };
                AdvancedMultipleSpec ams = new AdvancedMultipleSpec(
                    app, com, nss, slspecs, 0, true);
                System.out.println("Try to request ...");
                session = request.advancedMultipleRequest(ams, null);
                if (session != null) {
                    System.out.println("Got session unit: " + session.sessionId());
                }
                else {
                    System.out.println("Couldn't get session");
                };
                System.out.println("Try to create group ...");
                QoSSessionGroup group = request.createEmptyGroup("Group #A", null);
                if (group != null) {
                    System.out.println("Got session group: " + group.sessionId());
                    QoSSession[] sessions = request.getActiveQoSSessions();
                    System.out.println("Active sessions of user:");
                    for (int i = 0; i < sessions.length; i++) {</pre>
                        System.out.println(sessions[i].sessionId());
                    };
                      System.out.println("Try to join unit " + session.sessionId() + "
to group ...");
                    group.join(session);
                    sessions = group.sessions();
                    System.out.println("Active
                                                    sessions
                                                                 of
                                                                       group:
                                                                                        +
group.groupName());
                    for (int i = 0; i < sessions.length; i++) {</pre>
                        System.out.println(sessions[i].sessionId());
                    };
                     System.out.println("Try to leave unit " + session.sessionId() + "
from group ...");
                    group.leave(session);
                    sessions = request.getActiveQoSSessions();
                    System.out.println("Active sessions of user:");
                    for (int i = 0; i < sessions.length; i++) {</pre>
                        System.out.println(sessions[i].sessionId());
                    };
                else {
                    System.out.println("Couldn't get session");
                };
```



```
System.out.println("Try to request for a group ...");
                AdvancedMultipleSpec[] amss = { ams, ams };
                group = request.advancedGroupRequest("Group #B", amss, null);
                if (group != null) {
                    System.out.println("Got session group: " + group.sessionId());
                    QoSSession[] sessions = group.sessions();
                    System.out.println("Active
                                                   sessions
                                                                of
                                                                       aroup:
                                                                                        +
group.groupName());
                    for (int i = 0; i < sessions.length; i++) {</pre>
                        System.out.println(sessions[i].sessionId());
                    };
                    System.out.println("Try to leave all from group ...");
                    group.leaveAll();
                    //group.release();
                    sessions = group.sessions();
                    System.out.println("Active
                                                                of
                                                    sessions
                                                                       group:
group.groupName());
                    for (int i = 0; i < sessions.length; i++) {</pre>
                        System.out.println(sessions[i].sessionId());
                    };
                    sessions = request.getActiveQoSSessions();
                    System.out.println("Active sessions of user:");
                    for (int i = 0; i < sessions.length; i++) {</pre>
                        System.out.println(sessions[i].sessionId());
                    };
                }
                else {
                    System.out.println("Couldn't get session");
                };
                System.out.println("Try to retrieve QoS options ...");
                QoSOption[]
                                                      options
request.prepareSessionCharacteristicsOptions(apps[1].applicationProfileID);
                System.out.println("Available
                                                      options
                                                                     in:
apps[1].applicationProfileID);
                for (int i = 0; i < options.length; i++) {</pre>
                    System.out.print(options[i].serviceComponent + " ");
                    System.out.println(options[i].optionId);
                };
                RegularSpec rs =
                                             RegularSpec(apps[1].applicationProfileID,
                                       new
"NetMeeting", options[0], s, f, ss, "", true);
                session = request.regularRequest(rs, null);
                if (session != null) {
                    System.out.println("Got session unit: " + session.sessionId());
```



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élse {
                    System.out.println("Couldn't get session");
                };
                Scope[] scs = { s, s };
                Flow[] fs = { f1, f2 };
                RegularMultipleSpec
                                                   rms
                                                                                      new
RegularMultipleSpec(apps[1].applicationProfileID, "NetMeeting", options[0], scs, fs,
ss, "", true);
                System.out.println("Try to request ...");
                session = request.regularMultipleRequest(rms, null);
                if (session != null) {
                    System.out.println("Got session unit: " + session.sessionId());
                }
                else {
                    System.out.println("Couldn't get session");
                };
                RegularMultipleSpec[] rmss = { rms, rms };
                System.out.println("Try to request for a group ...");
                group = request.regularGroupRequest("Group #3", rmss, null);
                if (group != null) {
                    System.out.println("Got session group: " + group.sessionId());
                }
                else {
                    System.out.println("Couldn't get group");
                };
                QoSSession[] sessions = request.getActiveQoSSessions();
                System.out.println("Active sessions of user:");
                for (int i = 0; i < sessions.length; i++) {</pre>
                    System.out.print(sessions[i].sessionId());
                    if (! sessions[i].isGroup()) {
                        QoSSessionUnit
                                                             unit
                                                                                        =
QoSSessionUnitHelper.narrow(sessions[i]);
                        System.out.println(" (" + unit.applicationId() + ")");
                    }
                    else {
                        QoSSessionGroup
                                                               ar
QoSSessionGroupHelper.narrow(sessions[i]);
                        System.out.println(" (" + group.groupName() + ")");
                    };
                };
                session.release();
                sessions = request.getActiveQoSSessions();
                System.out.println("Active sessions of user:");
                for (int i = 0; i < sessions.length; i++) {</pre>
                    System.out.print(sessions[i].sessionId());
```



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unit
                                                                                      =
QoSSessionUnitHelper.narrow(sessions[i]);
                        System.out.println(" (" + unit.applicationId() + ")");
                    }
                    else {
                        QoSSessionGroup
                                                             qr
                                                                                      =
QoSSessionGroupHelper.narrow(sessions[i]);
                        System.out.println(" (" + group.groupName() + ")");
                    };
                };
                sessions = request.getQoSSessionUnits();
                System.out.println("Active session units of user:");
                for (int i = 0; i < sessions.length; i++) {</pre>
                     System.out.println(sessions[i].sessionId());
                };
                System.out.print("Number of reservations in history: ...");
                ReservationData[] rd = request.retrieveReservationHistory();
                System.out.println(rd.length);
                //request.logout();
            }
            else {
                System.out.println("Couldn't get request");
            };
        }
        catch (APIException ae) {
            System.out.println(ae.reason);
        }
        catch (Exception e) {
            System.out.println("Catched exception: " + e);
            e.printStackTrace();
        };
        System.exit(0);
    };
    public Context getNamingContext() {
       Context newContext;
        try {
            newContext = (Context) nctx.lookup("");
        }
        catch (NamingException nExc) {
           newContext = nctx;
        };
        return newContext;
    };
    public static void main (String[] args) {
        if (args.length < 1) {
            System.out.println();
            System.out.println("Usage: SampleClient <eat_name>");
```



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System.exit(1);
};
sc = new SampleClient(args);
sc.start(args[args.length - 1]);
};
};
```

Application Profile

ApplicationProfile.dtd

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* Title:	ApplicationProfile	
* Description:	The ApplicationProfile gives the possibility to describe an application in detail in the scope of QoS mechanisms (QoS offer and request) towards a QoS enabled network. An ApplicationProfile collects protocol information (to know which ports are used, etc.) and implementation information especially codec, and service component information. The implementation information describes the QoSRequirements of the codec/service components, the traffic produced by the codec, and gives user-friendly descriptions of the different possible quality levels. This information enables: 1. the presentation towards the end-user of the application quality levels 2. the request for QoS (QoS requirements and produced traffic behaviour) 3. the connection to the network layer of the QoS enables network	
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* @author:	Anne Thomas	
* @version:	$\frac{V11}{2} = \frac{29}{05} / \frac{2002}{2002}$	
*/	VII 2570572002	
>		
<pre><!--ELEMENT ApplicationProfile (Implementation+, protocol*)--> <!--ATTLIST ApplicationProfile name CDATA #REQUIRED version CDATA #REQUIRED build CDATA #IMPLIED type (VoIP MULTIMEDIA STREAMINGVIDEO STREAMINGAUDIO STREAMING GAME OTHER) #REQUIRED scope (unidirectional bidirectional p2p xdirectional) #REQUIRED --></pre>		
ELEMENT Implementation (ServiceComponent,TransportProtocol*) <br Applications can implement for their service components standard		



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codecs. Nevertheless they interpret the codecs and the produced traffic for example depends directly of the concrete
    implementation. Here it is possible to reference application
    specific ServiceComponentProfiles mostly based on codecs and
    defining quality levels.
    As applications do not allways support all the quality levels of
    the ServiceComponent, a reference to the optionID of the
    ServiceComponent is necessary.
    !Note that if all optionIDs are implemented, no optionID
    references are necessary.
    A transport protocol is associated to each implemented
    ServiceComponent.
 -->
    <!ELEMENT ServiceComponent (name, optionID*)>
    <!ATTLIST ServiceComponent
        file CDATA #REQUIRED
        <!ELEMENT optionID (#PCDATA)>
        <!ELEMENT name (#PCDATA)>
    <!ELEMENT TransportProtocol (lowerPortNo?,upperPortNo?)>
    <!ATTLIST TransportProtocol
         name (UNSPECIFIED | TCP | UDP) "TCP"
    >
<!ELEMENT protocol (lowerPortNo?,upperPortNo?,isControlPort?)>
<!ATTLIST protocol
name (UNSPECIFIED | RTP | RTSP | RSVP | SIP | SDP | H320 | H321 |
H322 | H323 | H324) "H323"
>
    <!ELEMENT isControlPort (#PCDATA)>
    <!ATTLIST isControlPort
    value (true | false) "false"
    >
<!ELEMENT lowerPortNo (#PCDATA)>
<!ATTLIST lowerPortNo
value (fixed | configurable) "fixed"
>
<!ELEMENT upperPortNo (#PCDATA)>
<!ATTLIST upperPortNo
value (fixed | configurable) "fixed"
```

ServiceComponentProfile.dtd

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</th <th></th> <th></th>		
	* Title:	ServiceComponentProfile
	* Description:	The ServiceComponentProfile gives the possibility
		to specify service components in the scope of a
		QoS request towards a QoS enabled transport
		network. The ServiceComponentProfile offers
		different quality levels for single service
		components like voice, video etc. Therefor beside
		the specification the QoS requirement attributes
		in a generic way, it is possible to describe the
		offered quality options in a first step at
		end-user level, in a second step at network level.



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The QoS attributes are extended with weights in order to precise the requirements.
                    Except the AQUILASpecification needed for the
                    project, every other component of the
                    specification is generic.
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                  Anne.Thomas@inf.tu-dresden.de
     * @version: 29/05/2002 V1 - with weights
     */
 -->
<!ELEMENT ServiceComponentProfile (QoSRequirement, Option+)>
<!ATTLIST ServiceComponentProfile
   name CDATA #REQUIRED
    serviceComponent (AUDIO | SPEECH | VIDEO | DATA | OTHER) #REQUIRED
>
<!--
   The QoSRequirement part of the ServiceComponentProfile corresponds
    to the general QoS requirements of the service component under
   whose the service component can work properly.
 -->
<!ELEMENT QoSRequirement (maxDelay, maxJitter, maxLoss, bwGuarantee,
ordering)>
<!--
   maxDelay : "one way latency as unit milliseconds"
   maxJitter : "delay variation as unit milliseconds"
   maxLoss : "packet loss probability as unit percent"
   bwGuarantee : "percentage of bandwidth that is guaranteed"
    ordering
              : "Must the packets be ordered?"
-->
    <!ELEMENT maxDelay (#PCDATA)>
    <!ATTLIST maxDelay
        unit CDATA #FIXED "ms"
       requirement (veryLow | low | medium | high | veryHigh
        | notRelevant) "medium"
        weight (0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10) "5"
    <!ELEMENT maxJitter (#PCDATA)>
    <!ATTLIST maxJitter
       unit CDATA #FIXED "ms"
       requirement (veryLow | low | medium | high | veryHigh
        | notRelevant) "medium"
       weight (0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10) "5"
    <!ELEMENT maxLoss (#PCDATA)>
    <!ATTLIST maxLoss
       unit CDATA #FIXED "percent"
       requirement (veryLow | low | medium | high | veryHigh
        | notRelevant) "medium"
       weight (0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10) "5"
    <!ELEMENT bwGuarantee (#PCDATA)>
    <!ATTLIST bwGuarantee
       unit CDATA #FIXED "percent"
       requirement (veryLow | low | medium | high |
```



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veryHigh | notRelevant) "medium"
weight (0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10) "5"
    <!ELEMENT ordering EMPTY>
    <!ATTLIST ordering
        requirement (true | false) "true"
        weight (0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10) "5"
    >
<!--
   An Option corresponds to a "quality" level that is proposed by
    the implementation of the service compoenent, e.g. picture size,
    sound quality. An Option consists of the generic so called
    SessionCharacteristics (the characteristics in the end-user
    language) and TrafficSpecification (describing the traffic
    produced by the application in qualitative and quantitative
    terms, and the AQUILA dependent AQUILASpecification (technical
    information related to the NSs)
 -->
<!ELEMENT Option (SessionCharacteristic+, TrafficSpecification?,
AQUILASpecification?)>
<!--
                : explicit identifier of an option. In a service
    optionID
                  component profile optionIDs should be unique.
    description : adjective, terms describing the service
                  component (e.g. medium, 4CIF ...)
    NetworkSpeed: explicit identifier of a network speed / end-user
                  equipment reference. This NetworkSpeed attribut is
                  used as an ID that is aimed to be used in
                  correlation with the End-User Profile. Some
                  applications like NetMeeting adapt their traffic to
                  the end-user equipment. Therefore it is necessary in
                  the ServiceComponentProfile to refer to this
                  characteristic of the end-user equipment.
                  The description of the equipment of the end-user
                  profile should be the same as this NetworkSpeed
                  identifier.
-->
<!ATTLIST Option
    optionID CDATA #REQUIRED
    description CDATA #IMPLIED
    NetworkSpeed CDATA #IMPLIED
    TransportProtocol (UNSPECIFIED | TCP | UDP) "TCP"
>
    <!ELEMENT SessionCharacteristic (name, semanticalGroup*)>
    <!--
                        : of the service component (e.g. picture size)
        name
        semanticalGroup : semantical group for the service component
                          (e.g. user friendly description, in english)
        qualifier
                        : adjective, terms describing the service
                          component (e.g. medium, 4CIF ...)
     -->
        <!ELEMENT name (#PCDATA)>
        <!ELEMENT semanticalGroup (description, qualifier*)>
        <!ATTLIST semanticalGroup
            type (Technical | UserFriendly) "UserFriendly"
            language (en | de | po | fr | it | es | fi | gr) "en"
        >
```



```
<!ELEMENT qualifier (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT TrafficSpecification (type+, duration, adaptivity,</pre>
burstiness, packetSize, bitRate, flow)>
<!--
             : "type of the traffic"
    type
    duration : "living time of the traffic"
    adaptivity : "adaptivity of the traffic to the capacity of the
                connection (application level QoS adaptation)"
   burstiness : "burstiness of the traffic"
    packetSize : "size of the packet"
   bitRate : "bit rate"
    flow
             : "greediness of the flow"
-->
    <!ELEMENT type EMPTY>
    <!ATTLIST type
       type (realTime | nonRealTime | stream |
        elastic) "nonRealTime"
    >
    <! ELEMENT duration EMPTY>
    <!ATTLIST duration
        value (shortLiving | longLiving )
        "shortLiving"
    >
    <! ELEMENT adaptivity EMPTY>
    <!ATTLIST adaptivity
        value (true | false) "false"
    >
    <! ELEMENT burstiness EMPTY>
    <!ATTLIST burstiness
        value (true | false) "false"
    >
    <!ELEMENT packetSize (averagePacketSize?, maximumPacketSize?,
    minimumPolicedUnit?)>
    <!ATTLIST packetSize
        variability (constant | variable) "constant"
        qualitatively (verySmall | small | medium | big
        | veryBig) "medium"
    >
        <!ELEMENT averagePacketSize (#PCDATA)>
        <!ATTLIST averagePacketSize
            unit CDATA #FIXED "bytes"
            qualitatively (verySmall | small | medium | big
            | veryBig) "medium"
        <!ELEMENT maximumPacketSize (#PCDATA)>
        <!ATTLIST maximumPacketSize
            unit CDATA #FIXED "bytes"
            qualitatively (verySmall | small | medium | big
            | veryBig) "medium"
        <!ELEMENT minimumPolicedUnit (#PCDATA)>
        <!ATTLIST minimumPolicedUnit
            unit CDATA #FIXED "bytes"
            qualitatively (verySmall | small | medium | big
            | veryBig) "medium"
    <!ELEMENT bitRate (peakRate?, averageRate)>
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<!ATTLIST bitRate
variability (constant | variable) "constant"
       qualitatively (veryLow | low | medium | high |
       veryHigh) "medium"
    >
       <!ELEMENT peakRate (#PCDATA)>
       <!ATTLIST peakRate
           unit CDATA #FIXED "bit/s"
            qualitatively (veryLow | low | medium | high |
            veryHigh) "medium"
       >
       <!ELEMENT averageRate (#PCDATA)>
       <!ATTLIST averageRate
           unit CDATA #FIXED "bit/s"
            qualitatively (veryLow | low | medium | high |
            veryHigh) "medium"
       >
    <!ELEMENT flow EMPTY>
    <!ATTLIST flow
       value (greedy | non-greedy) "non-greedy"
<!ELEMENT AQUILASpecification (serviceID, BSP, BSS, minPU, maxPS,
PR, SR)>
<!--
   serviceID : Name of the AQUILA NS
          : bucket size for PR (bytes)
   BSP
            : bucket size for SR (bytes)
   BSS
   minPU
            : minimum policed unit (bytes)
   maxPS
            : maximum (allowed) packet size (bytes)
   PR
             : peak rate (bit/s)
   SR
             : sustainable rate (bit/s)
            : Expected Average Rate (bit/s) - Not used
   EAR
   PR1
            : first threshold for bilevel (bit/s) - Not used
             : second threshold for bilevel (bit/s) - Not used
   PR2
-->
    <!ELEMENT serviceID EMPTY>
    <!ATTLIST serviceID
       value (PCBR | PVBR | PMM | PMC | STD | CUSTOM) "STD"
   >
    <!ELEMENT BSP (#PCDATA)>
    <!ATTLIST BSP
       unit CDATA #FIXED "bytes"
    >
    <!ELEMENT BSS (#PCDATA)>
    <!ATTLIST BSS
       unit CDATA #FIXED "bytes"
    <!ELEMENT minPU (#PCDATA)>
    <!ATTLIST minPU
       unit CDATA #FIXED "bytes"
   >
    <!ELEMENT maxPS (#PCDATA)>
    <!ATTLIST maxPS
       unit CDATA #FIXED "bytes"
    <!ELEMENT PR (#PCDATA)>
```



```
<!ATTLIST PR
unit CDATA #FIXED "bit/s"
>
<!ELEMENT SR (#PCDATA)>
<!ATTLIST SR
unit CDATA #FIXED "bit/s"
>
<!ELEMENT description (#PCDATA)>
```

Example for Application Profile: NetMeeting_3.01_AppProfile_v01.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!DOCTYPE
                  ApplicationProfile
                                              PUBLIC
                                                              "NetMeeting
                                                                                   3.01"
"../dtd/ApplicationProfileV11.dtd">
<!--
    Application Profile for NetMeeting
    Version: 12/12/2002
    Changes: No proxy but port numbers for TCP
-->
<ApplicationProfile
                          build="4.4.3388"
                                                 type="MULTIMEDIA"
                                                                         version="3.01"
name="NetMeeting" scope="xdirectional">
    <Implementation>
        <ServiceComponent file="NetMeeting_3.01_Video_v01.xml">
            <name>NetMeeting_3.01_Video_v01</name>
        </ServiceComponent>
        <TransportProtocol name="TCP">
            <lowerPortNo>0</lowerPortNo>
            <upperPortNo>65535</upperPortNo>
        </TransportProtocol>
    </Implementation>
    <Implementation>
        <ServiceComponent file="NetMeeting_3.01_Audio_v01.xml">
            <name>NetMeeting_3.01_Audio_v01</name>
        </ServiceComponent>
        <TransportProtocol name="TCP">
            <lowerPortNo>0</lowerPortNo>
            <upperPortNo>65535</upperPortNo>
        </TransportProtocol>
    </Implementation>
    <protocol name="H323">
        <isControlPort value="true"/>
    </protocol>
    <protocol name="RTP">
        <isControlPort value="false"/>
    </protocol>
</ApplicationProfile>
```

Example for Service Component Profile: NetMeeting_3.01_Video_v01.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!DOCTYPE ServiceComponentProfile PUBLIC "NetMeeting_3.01_Video_v01"
"../dtd/ServiceComponentProfileV1.dtd">
<ServiceComponentProfile name="NetMeeting_3.01_Video_v01" serviceComponent="VIDEO">
<QoSRequirement>
```



```
<maxDelay unit="ms" requirement="high" weight="1">1200</maxDelay>
<maxJitter unit="ms" requirement="low" weight="3">120</maxJitter>
        <maxLoss unit="percent" requirement="medium" weight="5">10</maxLoss>
        <br/><bwGuarantee unit="percent" requirement="high" weight="8">0</bwGuarantee>
        <ordering weight="8" requirement="true"/>
    </QoSRequirement>
                optionID="1"
    <Option
                                   description="video
                                                           low
                                                                    quality
                                                                                 scenario"
NetworkSpeed="56kBit/s Modem" TransportProtocol="TCP">
        <SessionCharacteristic>
            <name>video guality</name>
            <semanticalGroup type="UserFriendly" language="en">
                 <description>Video quality</description>
                 <qualifier>very low quality (28.8kBit/s)</qualifier>
            </semanticalGroup>
            <semanticalGroup type="UserFriendly" language="de">
                 <description>Video-Qualität</description>
                 <qualifier>sehr niedrige Qualität (28.8kBit/s)</qualifier>
            </semanticalGroup>
        </SessionCharacteristic>
        <TrafficSpecification>
            <type type="elastic"/>
            <duration value="longLiving"/>
            <adaptivity value="false"/>
            <burstiness value="true"/>
            <packetSize qualitatively="medium" variability="variable">
                 <averagePacketSize qualitatively="medium" unit="bytes"/>
                 <maximumPacketSize qualitatively="medium" unit="bytes"/>
                 <minimumPolicedUnit qualitatively="small" unit="bytes"/>
            </packetSize>
            <bitRate qualitatively="high" variability="variable">
                 <peakRate qualitatively="medium" unit="bit/s"/>
                 <averageRate qualitatively="medium" unit="bit/s"/>
            </bitRate>
            <flow value="greedy"/>
        </TrafficSpecification>
        <AQUILASpecification>
            <serviceID value="PVBR"/>
            <BSP unit="bytes">2000</BSP>
            <BSS unit="bytes">2048</BSS>
            <minPU unit="bytes">60</minPU>
            <maxPS unit="bytes">1500</maxPS>
            <PR unit="bit/s">28800</PR>
            <SR unit="bit/s">19200</SR>
        </AQUILASpecification>
    </Option>
    <Option
                optionID="2"
                                 description="video
                                                         medium
                                                                     quality
                                                                                 scenario"
NetworkSpeed="ISDN / Dual ISDN" TransportProtocol="TCP">
        <SessionCharacteristic>
            <name>video guality</name>
            <semanticalGroup type="UserFriendly" language="en">
                 <description>Video quality</description>
                 <qualifier>medium quality (64kBits/s)</qualifier>
            </semanticalGroup>
            <semanticalGroup type="UserFriendly" language="de">
                 <description>Video-Qualität</description>
                 <qualifier>mittlere Qualität (64kBit/s)</qualifier>
            </semanticalGroup>
```



```
</SessionCharacteristic>
<TrafficSpecification>
            <type type="elastic"/>
            <duration value="longLiving"/>
            <adaptivity value="false"/>
            <burstiness value="true"/>
            <packetSize qualitatively="medium" variability="variable">
                <averagePacketSize qualitatively="medium" unit="bytes"/>
                <maximumPacketSize qualitatively="big" unit="bytes"/>
                <minimumPolicedUnit qualitatively="medium" unit="bytes"/>
            </packetSize>
            <bitRate qualitatively="high" variability="variable">
                <peakRate qualitatively="high" unit="bit/s"/>
                <averageRate qualitatively="medium" unit="bit/s"/>
            </bitRate>
            <flow value="greedy"/>
        </TrafficSpecification>
        <AQUILASpecification>
            <serviceID value="PVBR"/>
            <BSP unit="bytes">2000</BSP>
            <BSS unit="bytes">4048</BSS>
            <minPU unit="bytes">60</minPU>
            <maxPS unit="bytes">1500</maxPS>
            <PR unit="bit/s">64000</PR>
            <SR unit="bit/s">48000</SR>
        </AQUILASpecification>
    </Option>
    <Option optionID="3" description="video high quality scenario" NetworkSpeed="Cable
Modem / DSL / LAN" TransportProtocol="TCP">
        <SessionCharacteristic>
            <name>video quality</name>
            <semanticalGroup type="UserFriendly" language="en">
                <description>Video quality</description>
                <qualifier>high quality (160kBits/s)</qualifier>
            </semanticalGroup>
            <semanticalGroup type="UserFriendly" language="de">
                <description>Video-Qualität</description>
                <qualifier>hohe Qualität (160kBit/s)</qualifier>
            </semanticalGroup>
        </SessionCharacteristic>
        <TrafficSpecification>
            <type type="elastic"/>
            <duration value="longLiving"/>
            <adaptivity value="false"/>
            <burstiness value="true"/>
            <packetSize qualitatively="big" variability="variable">
                <averagePacketSize qualitatively="big" unit="bytes"/>
                <maximumPacketSize qualitatively="veryBig" unit="bytes"/>
                <minimumPolicedUnit qualitatively="medium" unit="bytes"/>
            </packetSize>
            <bitRate qualitatively="high" variability="variable">
                <peakRate qualitatively="high" unit="bit/s"/>
                <averageRate qualitatively="high" unit="bit/s"/>
            </bitRate>
            <flow value="greedy"/>
        </TrafficSpecification>
        <AQUILASpecification>
```



```
<serviceID value="PVBR"/>
<BSP unit="bytes">2000</BSP>
<BSS unit="bytes">5120</BSS>
<minPU unit="bytes">50</minPU>
<maxPS unit="bytes">1500</maxPS>
<PR unit="bit/s">1500</PR>
<SR unit="bit/s">>160000</PR>
</RQUILASpecification>
</Option>
</ServiceComponentProfile>
```

EAT Script

EATScript.dtd

```
<!--
    Title:
                 EAT Script DTD
    Description: Script for the EAT
    Copyright: Copyright (c) Falk Fuenfstueck
    Company:
                TUD
    @author
                Falk Fuenfstueck
    @version
                 2nd trial 1.6 08/05/2002
-->
<!ELEMENT EATScript (Import?,(Login|Request|Release|Logout)*)>
<!ELEMENT Import (ImportLogin, ImportRequest*)*>
<!ELEMENT ImportLogin EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST ImportLogin
LoginName ID #REQUIRED
Password CDATA #REQUIRED
>
<!ELEMENT ImportRequest EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST ImportRequest
LoginName IDREF #REQUIRED
RequestId ID #REQUIRED
>
<!ELEMENT Login EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST Login
LoginName ID #REQUIRED
Password CDATA #REQUIRED
>
<!ELEMENT Request (RequestSpec+)>
<!ATTLIST Request
LoginName IDREF #REQUIRED
RequestId ID #REQUIRED
ProxyId CDATA #IMPLIED
>
<!ELEMENT RequestSpec (NetworkService,SLS)>
<!ELEMENT NetworkService EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST NetworkService
 ServiceId (PCBR | PVBR | PMM | PMC | STD | CUSTOM) "STD"
>
<!ELEMENT SLS (Scope,Flow,TrafficSpec,QoSSpec?,Schedule?)>
<!ELEMENT Scope EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST Scope
```



```
ReservationStyle (p2p | p2a | p2m | a2p) "p2p"
<!ELEMENT Flow (Source,Destination,ProtocolId,DSCP)>
<!ELEMENT TrafficSpec (PR,BSP,SR,BSS,m,M)>
<!ELEMENT QoSSpec (MaxDelay,MaxJitter,MaxLoss,BwGuarantee,Ordering)>
<!ELEMENT Schedule (DateTime, Duration, Idle, Cycles)>
<!ELEMENT Source (Address)>
<!ELEMENT Destination (Address)>
<!ELEMENT Protocolid (#PCDATA)>
<! ELEMENT DSCP (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT Address (IPAddress, NetMask, LowerPortNumber, UpperPortNumber)>
<!ELEMENT IPAddress (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT NetMask (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT LowerPortNumber (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT UpperPortNumber (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT PR (#PCDATA)>
<!ATTLIST PR
 Unit CDATA #FIXED "bit/s"
>
<!ELEMENT BSP (#PCDATA)>
<!ATTLIST BSP
 Unit CDATA #FIXED "bytes"
>
<!ELEMENT SR (#PCDATA)>
<!ATTLIST SR
 Unit CDATA #FIXED "bit/s"
>
<!ELEMENT BSS (#PCDATA)>
<!ATTLIST BSS
Unit CDATA #FIXED "bytes"
>
<!ELEMENT m (#PCDATA)>
<!ATTLIST m
Unit CDATA #FIXED "bytes"
>
<!ELEMENT M (#PCDATA)>
<!ATTLIST M
Unit CDATA #FIXED "bytes"
>
<!ELEMENT MaxDelay (#PCDATA)>
<!ATTLIST MaxDelay
Unit CDATA #FIXED "ms"
>
<!ELEMENT MaxJitter (#PCDATA)>
<!ATTLIST MaxJitter
Unit CDATA #FIXED "percent"
>
<!ELEMENT MaxLoss (#PCDATA)>
 <!ATTLIST MaxLoss
 Unit CDATA #FIXED "percent"
>
 <!ELEMENT BwGuarantee (#PCDATA)>
 <!ATTLIST BwGuarantee
 Unit CDATA #FIXED "percent"
 >
 <!ELEMENT Ordering EMPTY>
 <!ATTLIST Ordering
```



```
PacketOrdering (true | false) "true"
>
<!ELEMENT DateTime (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT Duration (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT Idle (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT Cycles (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT Release EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST Release
RequestId IDREF #REQUIRED
>
<!ELEMENT Logout EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST Logout
LoginName IDREF #REQUIRED
>
```

Example.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!DOCTYPE EATScript SYSTEM "../dtd/EATScript.dtd">
<EATScript>
   <!-- Login user wi: -->
   <Login LoginName="wi" Password="geheim"/>
   <!-- First request is for PMC: -->
   <Request LoginName="wi" RequestId="wi01" ProxyId="2">
        <RequestSpec>
            <NetworkService ServiceId="PMC"/>
            <SLS>
                <Scope ReservationStyle="p2a"/>
                <Flow>
                    <Source>
                        <Address>
                            <IPAddress>192.168.94.0</IPAddress>
                            <NetMask>255.255.255.0</NetMask>
                            <LowerPortNumber>0</LowerPortNumber>
                            <UpperPortNumber>0</UpperPortNumber>
                        </Address>
                    </Source>
                    <Destination>
                        <Address>
                            <IPAddress>-1</IPAddress>
                            <NetMask>-1</NetMask>
                            <LowerPortNumber>0</LowerPortNumber>
                            <UpperPortNumber>0</UpperPortNumber>
                        </Address>
                    </Destination>
                    <ProtocolId>0</ProtocolId>
                    <DSCP>0</DSCP>
                </Flow>
                <TrafficSpec>
                    <PR Unit="bit/s">100</PR>
                    <BSP Unit="bytes">1024</BSP>
                    <SR Unit="bit/s">50</SR>
                    <BSS Unit="bytes">1000</BSS>
                    <m Unit="bytes">40</m>
                    <M Unit="bytes">512</M>
                </TrafficSpec>
```



```
<Schedule>
<DateTime>0</DateTime>
                <Duration>0</Duration>
                <Idle>0</Idle>
                <Cycles>0</Cycles>
            </Schedule>
        </SLS>
    </RequestSpec>
</Request>
<!-- Second request is for PMM (bidirectional): -->
<Request LoginName="wi" RequestId="wi02">
    <RequestSpec>
        <NetworkService ServiceId="PMM"/>
        <SLS>
            <Scope ReservationStyle="p2p"/>
            <Flow>
                <Source>
                    <Address>
                         <IPAddress>192.168.94.0</IPAddress>
                         <NetMask>255.255.255.0</NetMask>
                         <LowerPortNumber>0</LowerPortNumber>
                         <UpperPortNumber>0</UpperPortNumber>
                     </Address>
                </Source>
                <Destination>
                    <Address>
                         <IPAddress>192.168.95.0</IPAddress>
                         <NetMask>255.255.255.0</NetMask>
                         <LowerPortNumber>0</LowerPortNumber>
                         <UpperPortNumber>0</UpperPortNumber>
                    </Address>
                </Destination>
                <ProtocolId>0</ProtocolId>
                <DSCP>0</DSCP>
            </Flow>
            <TrafficSpec>
                <PR Unit="bit/s">-1</PR>
                <BSP Unit="bytes">-1</BSP>
                <SR Unit="bit/s">1000</SR>
                <BSS Unit="bytes">-1</BSS>
                <m Unit="bytes">40</m>
                <M Unit="bytes">512</M>
            </TrafficSpec>
            <Schedule>
                <DateTime>0</DateTime>
                <Duration>0</Duration>
                <Idle>0</Idle>
                <Cycles>0</Cycles>
            </Schedule>
        </SLS>
    </RequestSpec>
    <RequestSpec>
        <NetworkService ServiceId="PMM"/>
        <SLS>
            <Scope ReservationStyle="p2p"/>
            <Flow>
                <Source>
```



```
<Address>
<IPAddress>192.168.95.0</IPAddress>
                             <NetMask>255.255.255.0</NetMask>
                             <LowerPortNumber>0</LowerPortNumber>
                             <UpperPortNumber>0</UpperPortNumber>
                        </Address>
                    </Source>
                    <Destination>
                        <Address>
                             <IPAddress>192.168.94.0</IPAddress>
                             <NetMask>255.255.255.0</NetMask>
                             <LowerPortNumber>0</LowerPortNumber>
                             <UpperPortNumber>0</UpperPortNumber>
                        </Address>
                    </Destination>
                    <ProtocolId>0</ProtocolId>
                    <DSCP>0</DSCP>
                </Flow>
                <TrafficSpec>
                    <PR Unit="bit/s">-1</PR>
                    <BSP Unit="bytes">-1</BSP>
                    <SR Unit="bit/s">1000</SR>
                    <BSS Unit="bytes">-1</BSS>
                    <m Unit="bytes">40</m>
                    <M Unit="bytes">512</M>
                </TrafficSpec>
                <Schedule>
                    <DateTime>0</DateTime>
                    <Duration>0</Duration>
                    <Idle>0</Idle>
                    <Cycles>0</Cycles>
                </Schedule>
            </SLS>
        </RequestSpec>
   </Request>
   <!-- Release the first reservation: -->
    <Release RequestId="wi01"/>
</EATScript>
```

Example1.xml



EAT & Proxy configuration

eat.dtd

```
<!--
               EAT settings DTD
    Title:
    Description: Settings for the EAT
    Copyright: Copyright (c) Falk Fuenfstueck
    Company:
                 TUD
              TUD
Falk Fuenfstueck
    @author
               2nd trial 1.1 23/01/02
    @version
-->
<!ELEMENT EATSettings (Database?, ApplicationProfiles)>
<!ATTLIST EATSettings
    ACAName CDATA #REQUIRED
>
<!ELEMENT Database EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST Database
    URL CDATA #REQUIRED
    User CDATA #IMPLIED
    Password CDATA #IMPLIED
>
<!ELEMENT ApplicationProfiles (Profile)*>
<!ATTLIST ApplicationProfiles
    Path CDATA #REQUIRED
>
<!ELEMENT Profile (#PCDATA)>
```

Example: eat_dresden.xml

proxy.dtd

```
<!--
Title: Proxy settings DTD<p>
Description: Settings for App Proxy
Copyright: Copyright (c) Falk Fuenfstueck
Company: TUD
@author Falk Fuenfstueck
@version 2nd trial 1.2 29/05/02
-->
```



```
<!ATTLIST ProxySettings
EATName CDATA #REQUIRED
>
<!ELEMENT ProxyID (#PCDATA)>
<!-- Protocol corresponds to the protocol name in the application profile AND the
protocol description in the proxy.idl -->
<!ELEMENT Protocol (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT FullName (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT ControlPort (#PCDATA)>
```

Example: sip_dresden.xml