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Terms and abbreviations

ACSml	Advanced Cloud Service meta Intermediator
API	Application Programming Interface
CRUD	Create, Read, Update and Delete
CSP	Cloud Service Provider
DB	Database
EC	European Commission
NFR	Non-Functional Requirement
SLA	Service Level Agreement
UI	User Interface

Executive Summary

This document describes the M12 prototype of ACSmI. The general objective of this M12 prototype is to discover services based on a set of requirements, to select the metrics to be measured based on the NFR and SLAs and to contract the services selected. This is realized by two main components: ACSmI discovery and ACSmI contracting and complemented with the first design of ACSmI monitoring.

The objective of ACSmI discovery is to discover services and also to allow the endorsement of cloud services to the service registry by CSPs. The objective of ACSmI contracting is the execution and management of the core functions with respect to the service contracts. In addition to these two main components, the first design (Functional and Technical) of the ACSmI monitoring component is detailed.

The document presents the mission, scope, functional description, technical approach, download and installation instructions as well as user manuals of the components comprising the prototype.

This document will be updated in each release of ACSmI, which are due in M24 and M30, including the new functionalities implemented in each case.

1 Introduction

1.1 About this deliverable

This document is the complement to the delivered software as prototype in the specified date and deliverable name at the head of the document.

1.2 Document structure

This document describes the prototypes D5.2 addressing the implementation and usage details of the ACSmI Discovery, ACSmI contracting and ACSmI monitoring prototypes. It is divided into four main sections describing the general purpose of ACSmI and the three components of the prototype. Architectural and implementation details of the components and how to use and download them are described in detail in the following sections.

The structure of the document is as follows.

Section 2 Implementation

This section provides the general aspects of ACSmI and how this tool fits into the overall DECIDE architecture.

Section 3 ACSmI Discovery

This section introduces the functional (section 3.2) and technical (section 3.3) description of the ACSmI discovery prototype while sub-section 3.4 provides a description of the delivery and usage of the prototype, including installation and downloading instructions.

Section 4 ACSmI Contracting

This section introduces the functional (section 4.2) and technical (section 4.3) description of the ACSmI Contracting prototype while sub-section 4.4 provides a description of the delivery and usage of the prototype, including installation and downloading instructions.

Section 5 ACSmI Monitoring

The sub-section 5.1 details the metrics and parameters associated to each service type to measure the availability. In sub-section 5.2 a vision on how to implement this prototype is defined.

To finalize the deliverable, the conclusions are presented and an appendix is included. This appendix shows a table with the definition of the cloud service attributes considered.

2 Implementation

2.1 Functional description

The Advanced Cloud Service (meta-) intermediary (ACSml) aims to provide the means for the discovery, contracting, managing and monitoring of different cloud service offerings. ACSml will provide ways to assess continuously the fulfilment of non-functional properties of cloud service offerings while enforcing the legislation compliance. ACSml will also provide means to allow the endorsement of service offerings from different CSPs.

These are the main functionalities envisioned:

1. **Endorse a cloud service** into the ACSml. ACSml will allow to register services. This can be done either by the CSP itself, by the multi-cloud application operator or by the ACSml Administrator. The register of each service will cover the different terms defined for the modelling of the CSPs and their service offerings. This will allow the discovery of services from the service registry.
2. **Discover and benchmark services.** OPTIMUS will indicate the NFR of the services that shall be delivered to the ACSml as input. ACSml will discover, from the services stored in its registry, the most appropriate ones for that set of NFRs. Then, from the set of discovered services, ACSml will prioritize these services in terms of NFRs fulfilment (including legal aspects) which will be passed onto OPTIMUS as a short list. This short list will include, additionally, the degree of fulfilment of the NFRs requested by the user.
3. **Contract services.** This functionality will allow dealing with all the activities related to the contracts of ACSml. Depending on the type of services and the CSP, ACSml will manage the contract in two different ways: 1) ACSml will facilitate the contracting of services directly to the provider by the user himself and 2) ACSml will manage the contract itself acting as intermediary with the provider and the user. In this case, ACSml will have mainly two types of contracts. The first one is the contract with the CSP while the other one is the contract with the user of the services intermediated by the ACSml.
4. **Manage CSPs.** This functionality will allow the management of the different connectors to facilitate the contracting of the services and to monitor them. This functionality will be the one responsible to inform ADAPT and provide it with the required information for the deployment of the multi-cloud application on the different contracted services.
5. **Monitor NFR CSPs** and manage the violation alerts. This functionality will monitor the SLAs (NFRs) of the services offered by the CSPs to detect any violation of the SLAs. These metrics will be recorded and passed onto ADAPT monitoring during the operation of the services. If a violation is detected, an alert to the CSP will be sent.
6. **Monitor the use and bill the user.** This functionality will allow the calculation of the costs made by the user for the use of ACSml services, and it will provide him with the corresponding receipt. To be able to generate the billing of the contracted services, the ACSml shall monitor the use of the different cloud services.

ACSml will be implemented following an incremental approach adding features in the different releases of the tool (D5.3, D5.4).

This first version of the prototype implements some features and covers some of the requirements identified for ACSml in deliverable D5.1 “ACSml requirements and technical design” [1].

Functionality that this prototype offers:

The delivered prototype is the first version of ACSml contains the following functionality:

- Discovery of services stored in the service registry. The discovery is performed based on the requirements introduced in the UI. In next versions, the discovery will be carried out based on the requirements provided by OPTIMUS.
- Endorsement of services in the service registry. The fields to be completed are adapted depending on the type of service to be endorsed. This will be executed according to the cloud services modelling approach detailed in the deliverable D3.4 [2]
- Allowing the contracting of the selected cloud services. This contracting could be done either through the ACSml or by the developer directly with the CSP. In any case, the information regarding the service needs to be passed to ACSml for its monitoring at operation time.
- Definition of the metrics and parameters for each type of services.

Detailed information about which requirements exactly have been implemented for this prototype can be found in subsequent sections of this deliverable (cf.3.1, 4,1 and 5.1)

2.1.1 Fitting into overall DECIDE Architecture

ACSml is one of the components of the DECIDE architecture. It is present in almost all steps of the operation of a service and it supports mainly two phases (Figure 1):

- Multi-cloud application (pre-)deployment, providing means for discovery and contracting the cloud services.
- Multi-cloud application operation, providing means for monitoring at run-time the cloud services where the multi-cloud application is deployed.

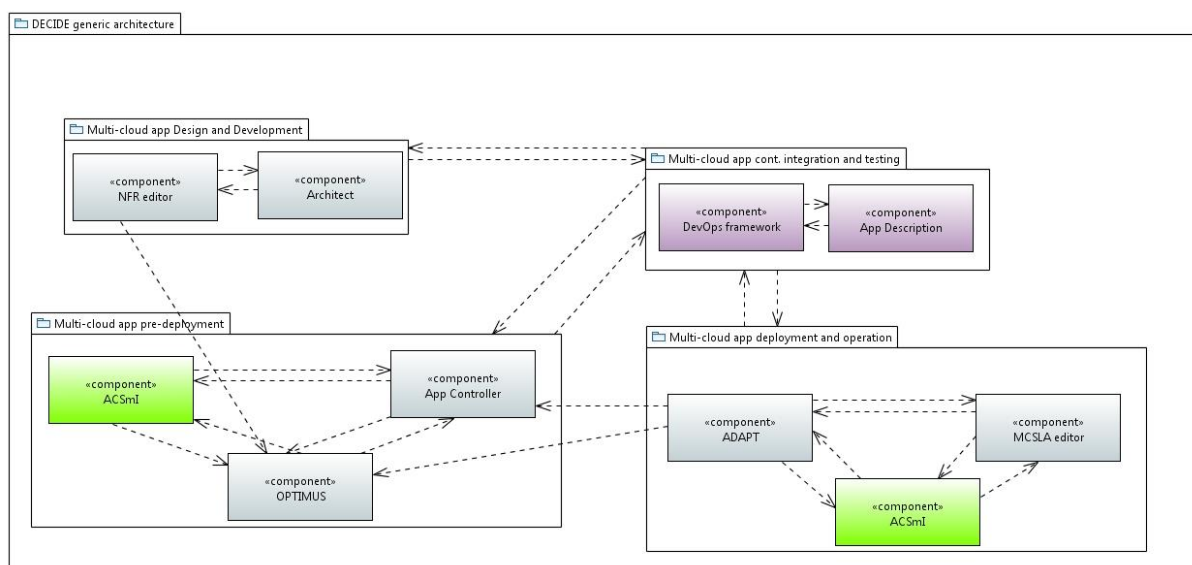


Figure 1. ACSml in DECIDE architecture

ACSml interacts with other tools in the DECIDE ecosystem (see Figure 2). To this respect, ACSml will communicate with OPTIMUS to gather the non-functional requirements that the services that need to be discovered have to fulfil. ACSml will return OPTIMUS the list of services available in the service registry fulfilling the entered requirements. ACSml receive information from the Application Controller regarding the services that will have to be contracted and will return the Application Controller the final information about the contracted cloud services. Finally, ACSml will interact with ADAPT with three main objectives:

1. to provide the information of the cloud services to allow ADAPT deploying the multi-cloud application,

2. to interchange information regarding the violation of the SLAs, and
3. to inform to ADAPT that a service is not available in the service registry due to a withdrawal process.

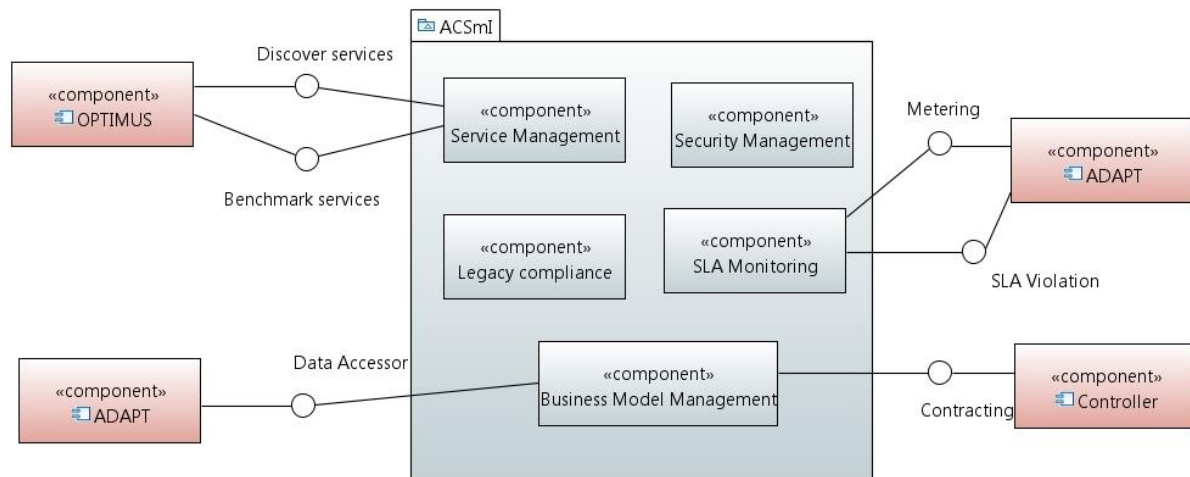


Figure 2. ACSmI Interfaces with other DECIDE tools

3 ACSmI Discovery

3.1 Functional description

ACSmI Discovery component, described in this section, covers the discovery and endorse functionalities, as well as, the modification and deletion of the services endorsed in the service registry.

Requirements covered by the prototype:

Table 1. Requirements covered by the M12 ACSmI Discovery prototype.

Req. ID	Req. Description	Requirement coverage by the prototype
WP5-DIS01	CSPs or the ACSmI administrator (for Large CSPs) register(s) one of its services or large CSP's services in the service registry. The registry of each service shall cover the different terms defined in the modelling of the CSPs and their services. This will allow the discovery of the services from the registry.	The M12 prototype will allow endorsing services of four different types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Storage • Database • Virtual Machines • Containers The prototype will request certain information, depending on the service type to the CSP. This information will allow the discovery of these services.
WP5-DIS02	The (non-functional) requirements of the multi-cloud application shall be collected by OPTIMUS and passed to the ACSmI so that services from the service registry fulfilling such requirements can be discovered. The requirements will be specified following the different terms	Requirements are collected from the provided UI instead from OPTIMUS.

Req. ID	Req. Description	Requirement coverage by the prototype
	defined for the modelling of the CSPs and their services. This allows an automatic comparison of the requirements with the services stored in the registry.	
WP5-DIS03	The objective is to provide a list of services from the services registry that fulfil (totally or partially) the requirements specified by the DECIDE operator. These requirements are specified in the DIS02.	The M12 prototype provides a UI that allows to detail the requirements required to the services, and based on these requirements, the list of services available in the service registry is shown.
WP5-DIS07	The objective is to provide means to create, read, update and delete the services registry. This registry shall record not only information provided by the CSPs, but also other information such as which multi-cloud application is using the service, SLAs violations, legal compliance and so on. The service registry management shall be aware of the alerts of potential SLA violations as well as non-legislation compliance (WP5-MON06 & WP5-LEG02) in order to update appropriately the registry.	Together with the requirement WP5-DIS01, this prototype allows changing the values of the attributes and deleting the services. This prototype does not cover the information related to the SLA's violation and the legal compliance. These points will be covered in the next versions of the prototype.

3.2 Technical description

The discovery of the services will be performed based on common attributes for each service type.

Next figure shows the cloud service model that will allow the ACSml service discovery.

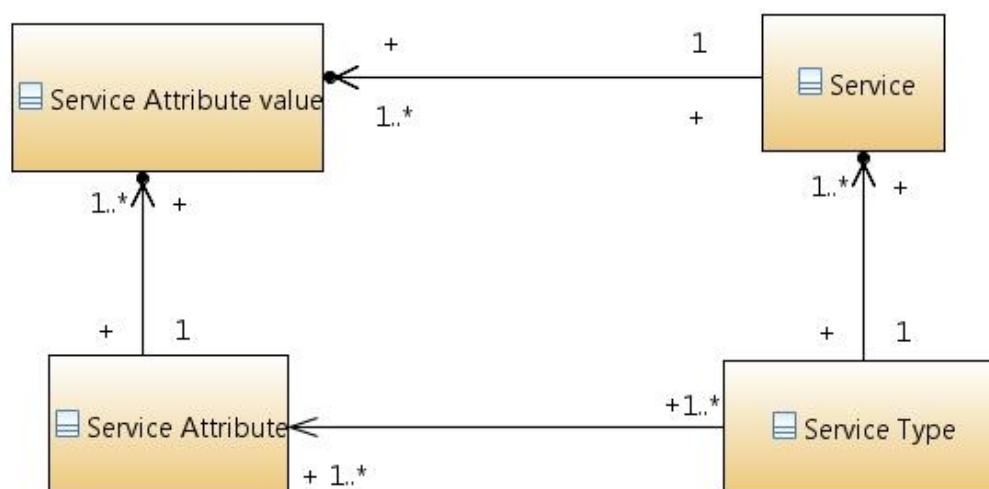


Figure 3. Cloud services model

As shown in the figure above, for this prototype, four service types have been defined with the corresponding service attributes, namely storage, database, virtual machine and container. The table below shows the relationship between the service type and the attributes. Any CSPs that want to endorse their cloud services in the service registry is required to provide this information.

The discovery functionality implemented presents the list of services that are in the registry and that cover all the requirements, which are expressed as attribute – value. The description of each attribute can be found on Appendix 1.

Table 2. Attributes Vs Cloud Service Types

Storage	Database	Virtual Machine	Container
Name	Name	Name	Name
Region	Region	Region	Region
Provider	Provider	Provider	Provider
Type	Type	CPU cores	Storage (GB per month)
Subtype	Subtype	Total Cores	Data transfer out (GB per month)
Capacity	Availability Zone	Hyper-threading	
Access type	Technology	MHz per core	
Data Redundancy	License	Memory	
	Instance Type		
	Size		
	CPU		

3.2.1 Prototype architecture

The current prototype (M12) of the discovery component is structured in four main components, as shown in the next figure.

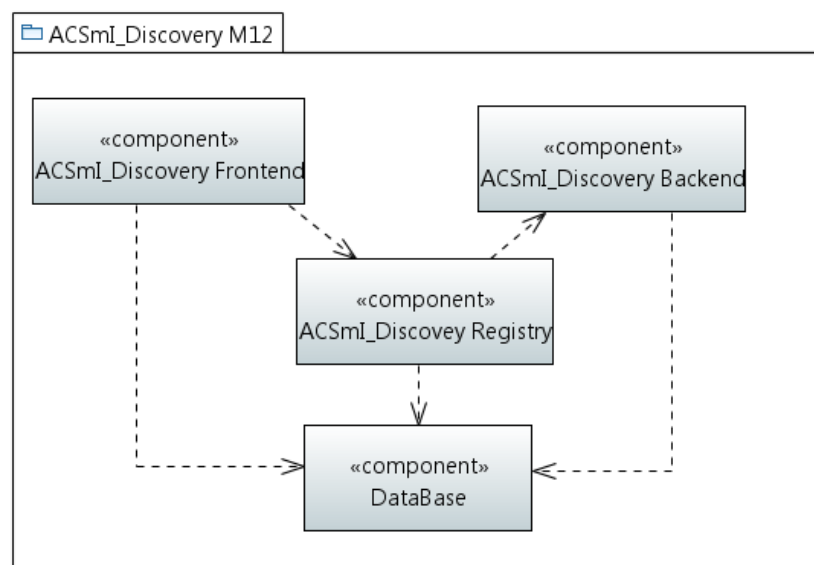


Figure 4. ACSmI Discovery M12 High-Level Architecture

- *Frontend.* This component is in charge of managing all the aspects related to the ACSmI interface as well as to the user management. Five roles have been defined: Admin,

User_Owner, User, CSP_Owner and CSP. Based on the role assigned to the user, different tasks to operate will be shown to him/her.

- *Backend*. This component is in charge of managing the aspects related with the discovery and the endorsement of the services. To carry out these activities, this component will manage the database to create, delete, modify the service types, services, CSPs, and so on.
- *Registry*. This component will coordinate the communication between the frontend and the backend.
- *Database*, which stores the services.

3.2.2 Components description

3.2.2.1 Frontend

This component has two main objectives:

1. To implement the graphical interface to allow introducing the requirements for the discovery of the services as well as to allow CSPs to introduce the information regarding their services.

Figure 5. Discover and Endorse services functionalities – Admin view

2. To manage users. This component will enable to create, read, update and delete users in ACSSmI discovery. At this moment, five different user roles for the user have been identified:
 - Admin. It is the responsible of the management of the ACSSmI.
 - User_Owner. This role is the owner of the account. It is able to create users with the role of users associated to his/her account.
 - User. This role will be able to carry out the discovery of the services.
 - CSP_Owner. This role is the owner of the account. It is able to create users with the role of CSPs associated to his/her account.
 - CSP. This role will be able to carry out the endorsement of the services.

Create or edit a user

ID

Login

This field is required.

First name

Last name

Email

This field is required.

Company

Users group

User type

☐ Cloud Service Provider

☐ Project Administration

Figure 6. Create or edit a user functionality

In addition to the graphical interface, this component offers an API with the REST operations shown in Figure 7 that allows automatizing some functionalities.



Figure 7. Frontend API Information.

3.2.2.2 Backend

This component is in charge of 1) carrying out the discovery of the services based on the information provided by the user and 2) the endorsement of the services based on the information provided by the CSP through the frontend. This backend is composed of one service, which implements the core functionalities of this prototype.

Discovery services

This functionality allows the discovery of the services taking as input the requirements introduced by the developer. In order to be able to access to this functionality the developer should have assigned a “user” role.

The screenshot shows a web interface titled "Discover services". It has two main sections: "REQUIREMENTS" and "DISCOVERY".

REQUIREMENTS section:

- Service Class:** A dropdown menu with "Storage" selected.
- Region:** A text input field with "Europe" and a red minus button.
- Capacity:** A text input field with "Medium" and a red minus button.
- Select filter:** A section with "Attribute type" and "Value" dropdowns, and a green plus button.

DISCOVERY section:

Results (3)

Name	View	Activate
Azure Backup Med North Europe		
Azure Objects Med West Europe		
Azure Files Med North Europe		

Figure 8. Example result of a discovery.

Endorsement of services

This functionality allows to insert all the information required to add a service in the ACSml service registry. The registry will have some mandatory information complemented with additional information, which could be used in a future release to benchmark the different services. The registry follows the model explained previously in this section. In order to be able to access to this functionality, it is required to have a user with the “CSP” role.

The screenshot shows a web form titled "Endorse service". It contains several input fields for service details:

- Name:** Text input field with "DECIDE Service Prueba".
- Service Class:** Dropdown menu with "Database" selected.
- Typical Attributes:**
 - Region:** Dropdown menu with "Europe" selected.
 - Provider:** Dropdown menu with "Amazon DDBB" selected.
 - Type:** Dropdown menu with "Database" selected.
 - Subtype:** Dropdown menu with "Relational" selected.
 - Availability Zone:** Dropdown menu with "Single" selected.
 - Technology:** Dropdown menu with "MySQL" selected.

Figure 9. Example of the endorsement of a service.

3.2.2.3 Registry

This component is totally based on the one provided by JHipster, that it is the baseline technology used to develop this prototype (See details in section 3.2.3).

JHipster Registry [3] is a run-time application, provided by the JHipster team. Like the JHipster generator, it is an Open Source, Apache 2-licensed application. The JHipster Registry has three main purposes:

- It is a Eureka server, which serves as a discovery server for applications. This is how JHipster handles routing, load balancing and scalability for all applications.
- It is a Spring Cloud Config server, which provide runtime configuration to all applications.
- It is an administration server, with dashboards to monitor and manage applications.

All those features are packaged into one convenient application with a modern Angular-based user interface.

3.2.2.4 Database

This component is a MySQL database, following the data model shown in the Figure 3.

3.2.3 Technical specifications

As mentioned previously, this prototype has been developed using JHipster.

JHipster [4] is not a development framework, it is more a frontend and backend generator based on different technologies.

The main objective of JHipster is to generate a modern and complete web application or micro-service architecture, unifying:

- A high-performance and robust Java stack on the server side with Spring Boot [5]
- A sleek, modern, mobile-first frontend with Angular [6] and Bootstrap [7]
- A robust micro service architecture with JHipster Registry [3], Netflix OSS [8], ELK stack [9] and Docker [10]
- A powerful workflow to build your application with Yeoman [11], Webpack [12]/Gulp [13] and Maven [14]/Gradle [15]

In addition, JHipster allows the use of Swagger to define the communication between the frontend and backend. Each functional component communicates with the other through API rest, although these components are in the same service of the backend.

3.3 Delivery and usage

3.3.1 Package information

The delivered package consists of three projects, as shown in Figure 10.

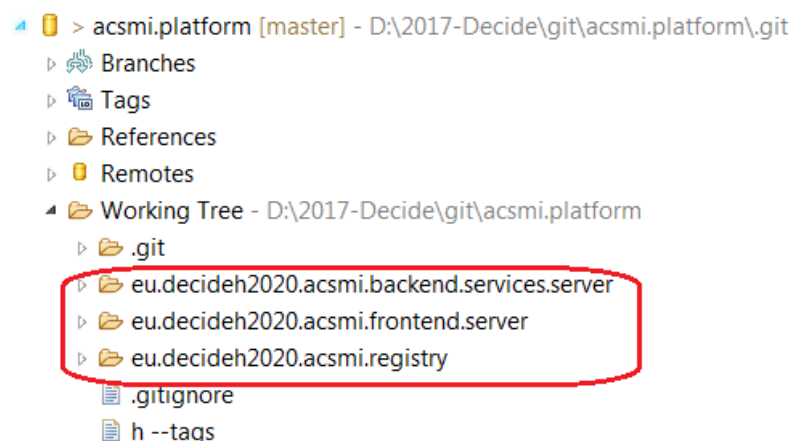
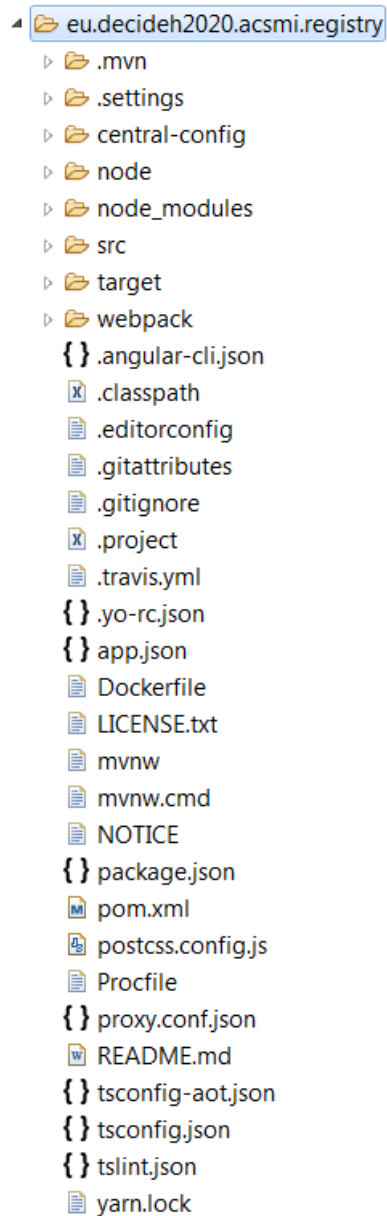


Figure 10. Package Structure

These projects correspond to the components explained in previous sections. The inside structure of these projects is shown in the following figures.

- *eu.decideh2020.acsmi.registry*. This project is a generic one provided by JHipster.

**Figure 11.** Registry component packages structure

- *eu.decideh2020.acsmi.frontend.server*. In this component, as it is the one controlling the graphical interface, it can be seen that in addition to the java source code, the folder Webapp is composed of files with .js extension (Angular).

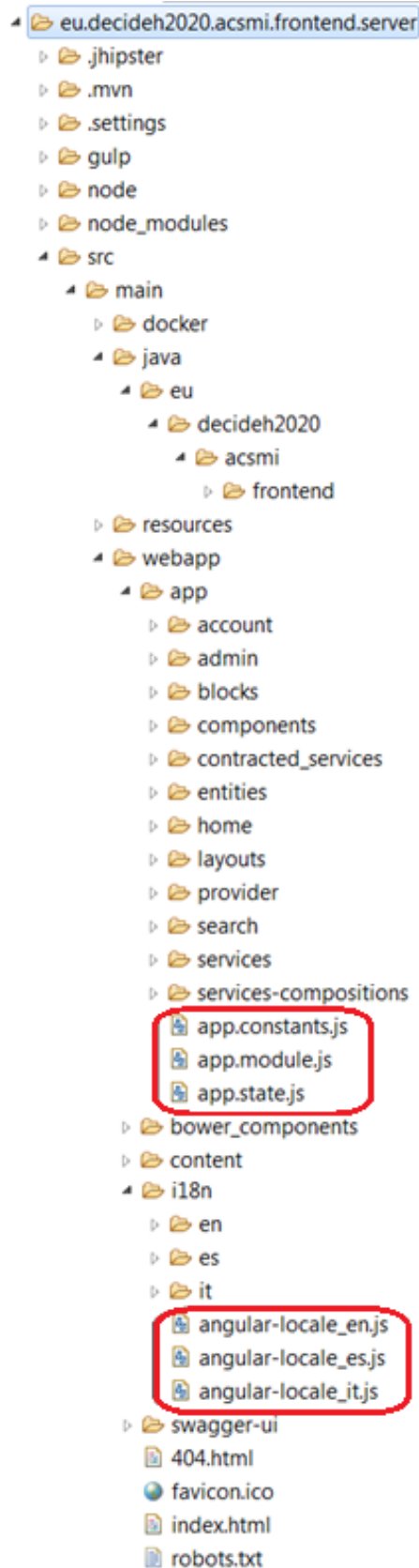


Figure 12. Frontend component packages structure

The backend component is composed of one project.

- *eu.decideh2020.acsmi.backend.services.server*. This project is in charge of the core functionalities of the prototype. This project contains the source code for the implementation of these functionalities.

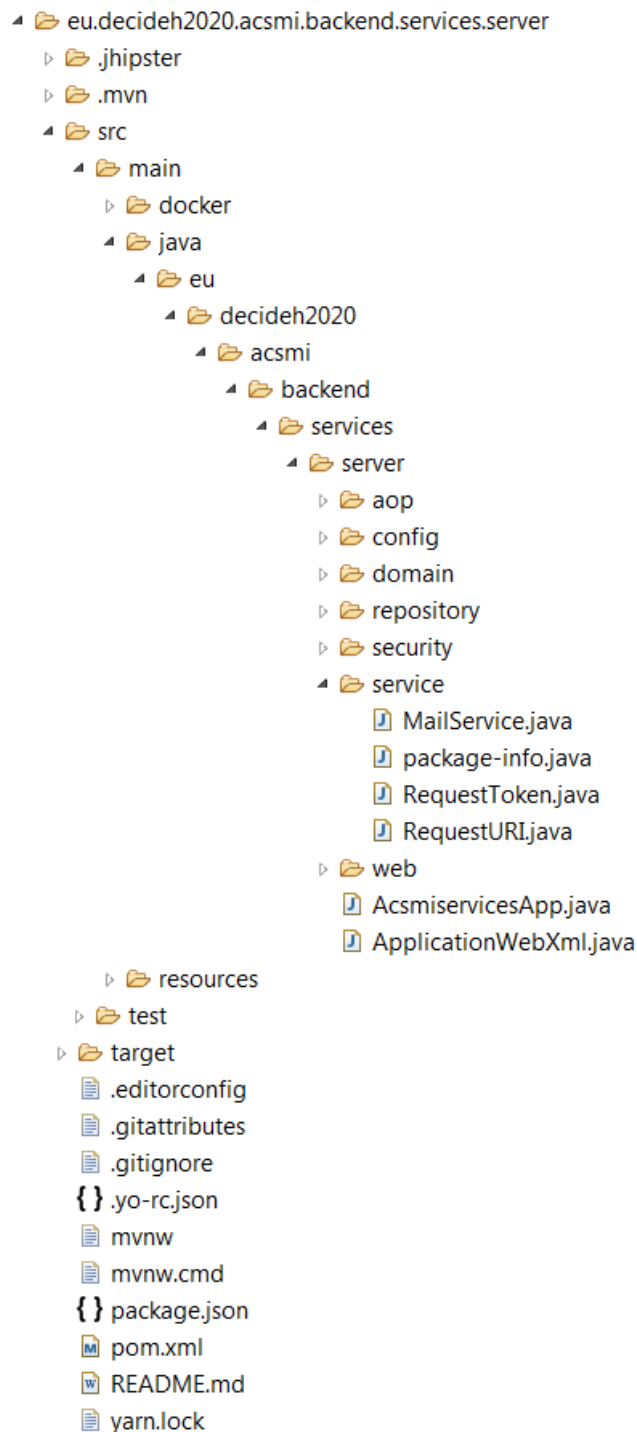


Figure 13. Back-end component packages structure

These packages are accomplished with a database server, detailed in Figure 14.

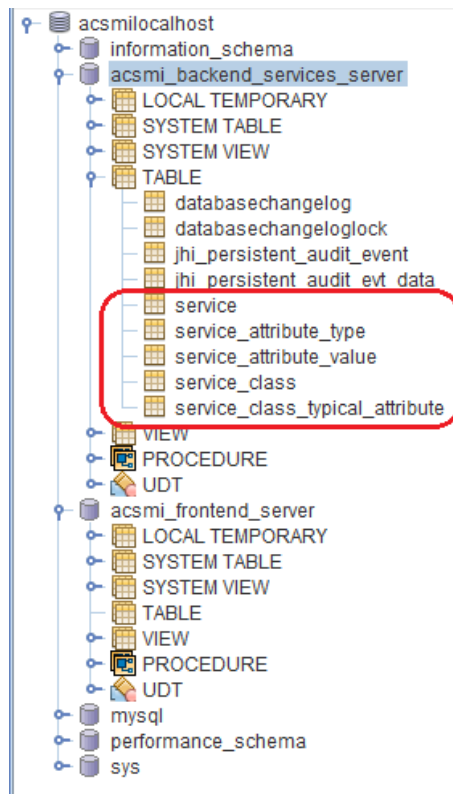


Figure 14. Databases

3.3.2 Installation instructions

The installation process needs to execute four activities:

1. Create the DB.

```
_cmd.bat
mysqlstop.bat
rmdir /s mysql-5.7.19-winx64\data
mysqld --initialize-insecure
mysqlstart.bat
mysql -u root -e "CREATE DATABASE acsmi_backend_services_server"
mysql -u root -e "CREATE DATABASE acsmi_frontend_server"
```

Figure 15. Code to create DB

2. Download the source code for ACSmI Discovery from the DECIDE repository.
3. Download the dependencies.

```
echo Start Frontend
c:\Windows\System32\timeout.exe /t 5
cd %CURRENT_DIR%\git\WP5\ACSmI_discovery\eu.decideh2020.acsmi.frontend.server
start "Frontend" "mvnw" -Pprod

echo Start registry
c:\Windows\System32\timeout.exe /t 5
cd %CURRENT_DIR%\git\WP5\ACSmI_discovery\eu.decideh2020.acsmi.registry.server
start "Registry" "mvnw" -Pprod
```

Figure 16. Code to download dependencies

4. Launch ACSmI.

```

echo Start Database
REM timeout /t 5 does not work due to cygwin
c:\Windows\System32\timeout.exe /t 5
REM pause
call mysqlstart.bat

echo Start Registry
c:\Windows\System32\timeout.exe /t 5
cd %CURRENT_DIR%\git\WP5\ACSMI_discovery\eu.decideh2020.acsmi.registry
start "Registry" "mvnw"

echo Start Contracts Backend
c:\Windows\System32\timeout.exe /t 5
cd %CURRENT_DIR%\git\WP5\ACSMI_discovery\eu.decideh2020.acsmi.backend.services.server
start "Services" "mvnw"

echo Start Frontend
c:\Windows\System32\timeout.exe /t 5
cd %CURRENT_DIR%\git\WP5\ACSMI_discovery\eu.decideh2020.acsmi.frontend.server
start "Frontend" "mvnw"

echo Load database, requires the components to be running
:while1
wget -qO- http://localhost:8083 > nul
if %ERRORLEVEL% NEQ 0 (
    echo services backend down at http://localhost:8083 waiting 10 segs
    c:\Windows\System32\timeout.exe /t 10
    goto :while1
)

mysql -u root -f -D acsmi_backend_services_server <
%CURRENT_DIR%\git\acsmi.devops\eu.decideh2020.acsmi.int.backend.services.server.test.00.
src.dvp\src\main\docker\sql\test.sql

pause

```

Figure 17. Code to launch ACSMI

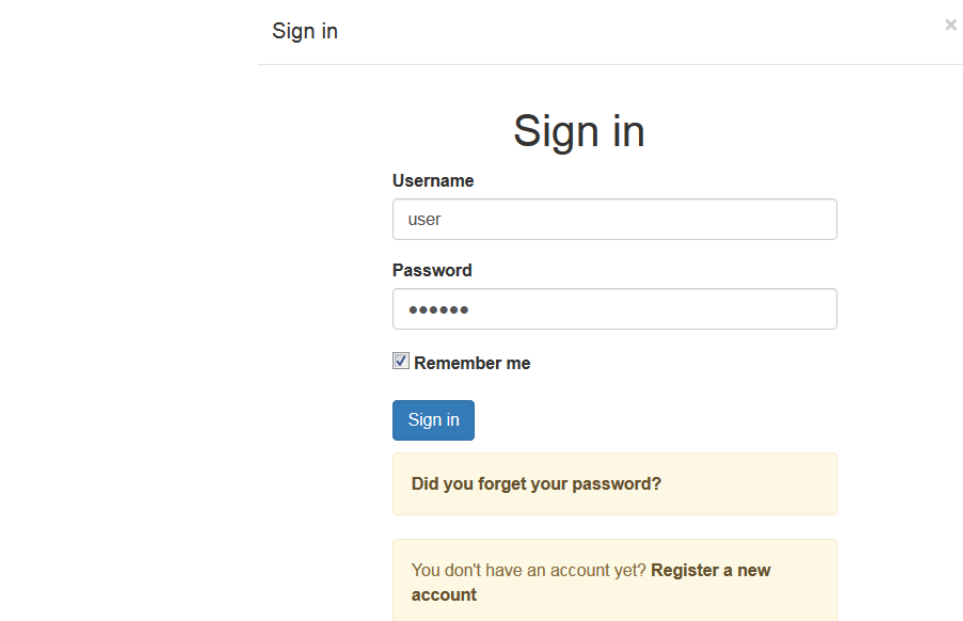
As a prerequisite, it is required to install MySQL database with a “root” user without password. After this, it is required to execute “mvnw” in each of the acsmi.platform folder.

3.3.3 User Manual

The first step to start with ACSMI discovery is to login. Several default users have been set up with different roles for ACSMI discovery.

Table 3. Users and passwords

Role	User	Password
User	user	decide
User_owner	userowner	decide
CSP	csp	decide
CSP_owner	cspowner	decide



Sign in

Sign in

Username

Password

☒ Remember me

[Sign in](#)

[Did you forget your password?](#)

[You don't have an account yet? Register a new account](#)

Figure 18. ACSml login interface

Then depending on the role, it will be allowed to do different tasks.

The administrator will have access to all tasks:

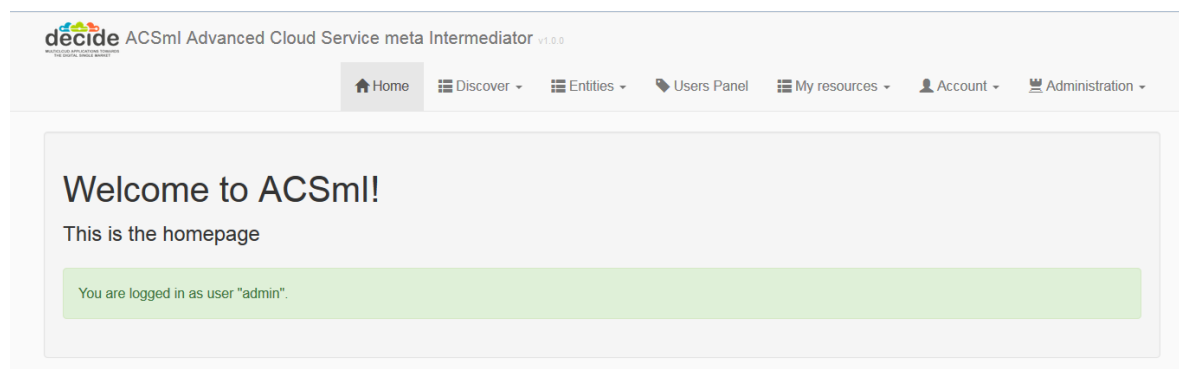


Figure 19. Dashboard for admin

If the access is done as a user or a CSP, the allowed tasks are different.

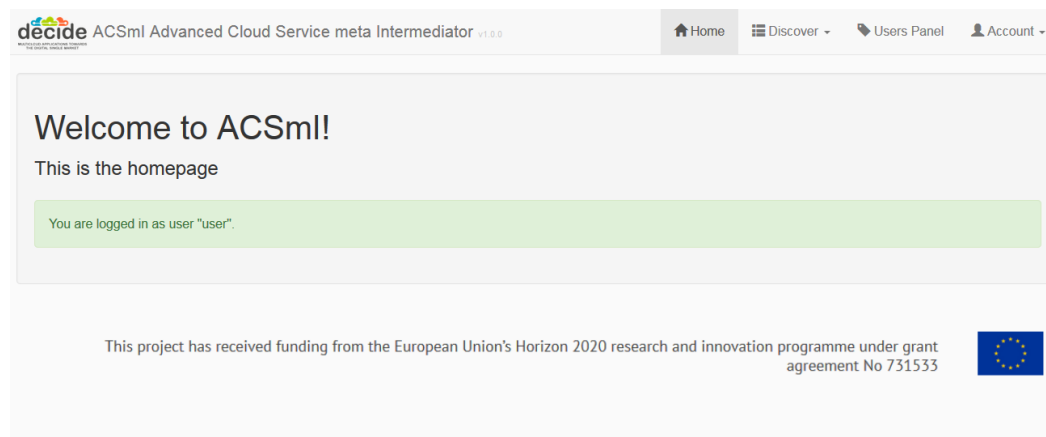


Figure 20. Dashboard for users

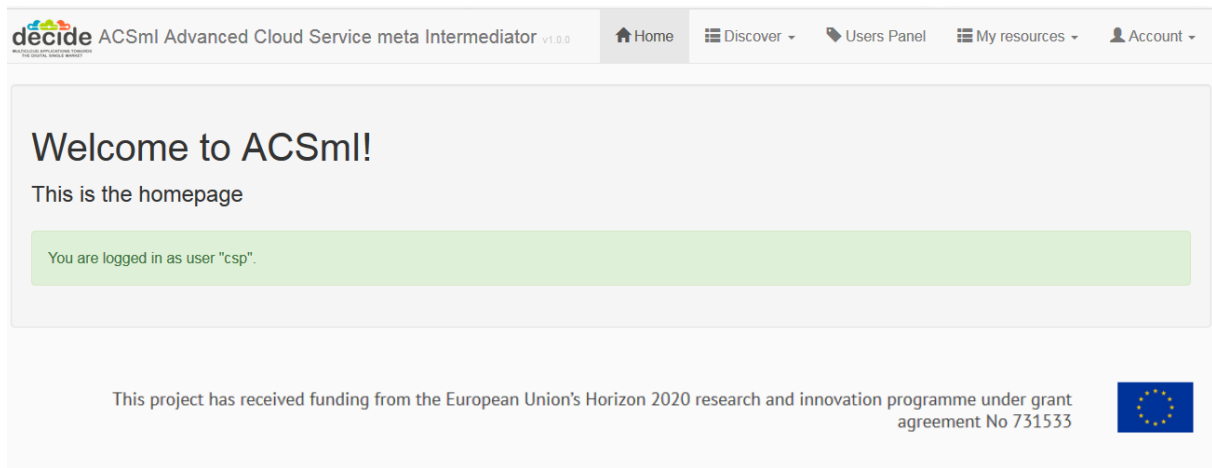
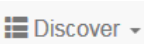


Figure 21. Dashboard for CSPs

The Discovery tab  will access to two different functionalities depending on the role.

- Role User: This tab will guide to the discovery functionality

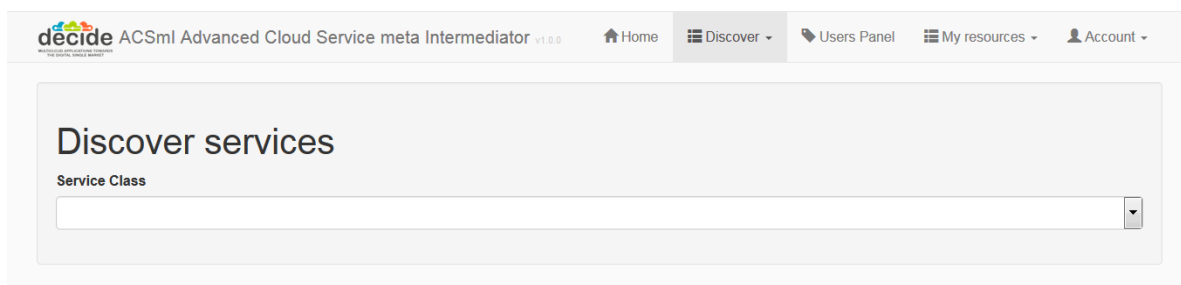


Figure 22. Discovery functionality

- Role CSP: This tab will guide to the endorse functionality

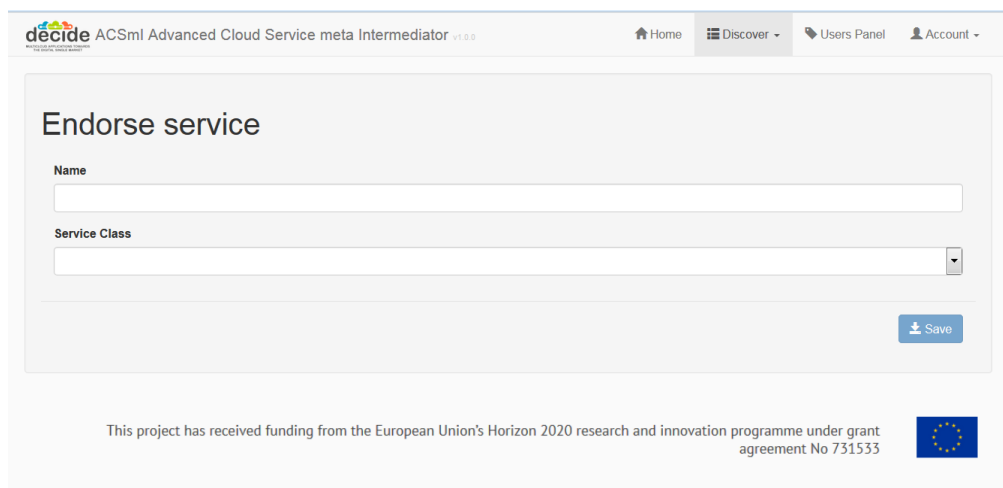


Figure 23. Endorse functionality

The ACSmI administrator role is defined in the entity Service Types. At this point of the DECIDE project, four service types are defined.

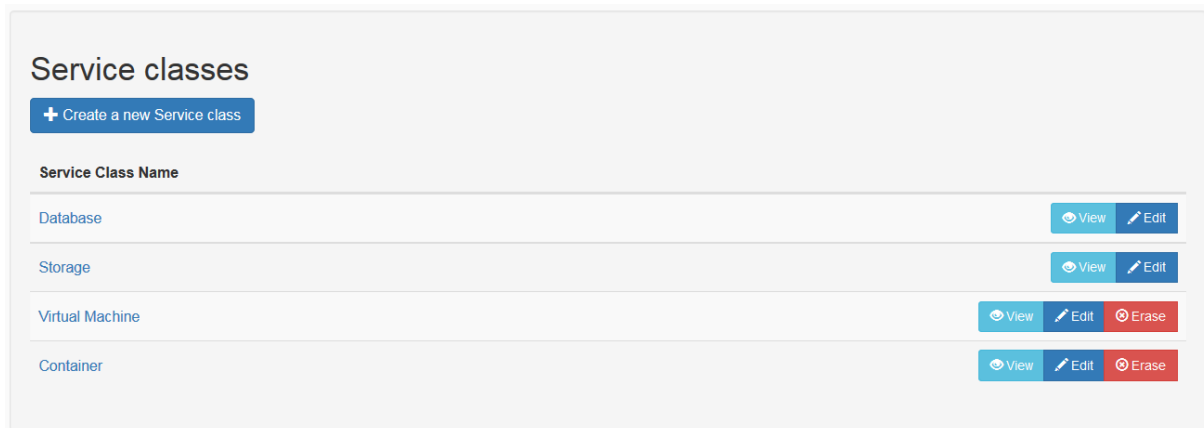
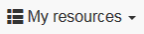


Figure 24. Service type creation

From the My resources tab  the functionalities related to create, read, update or delete services can be accessed.

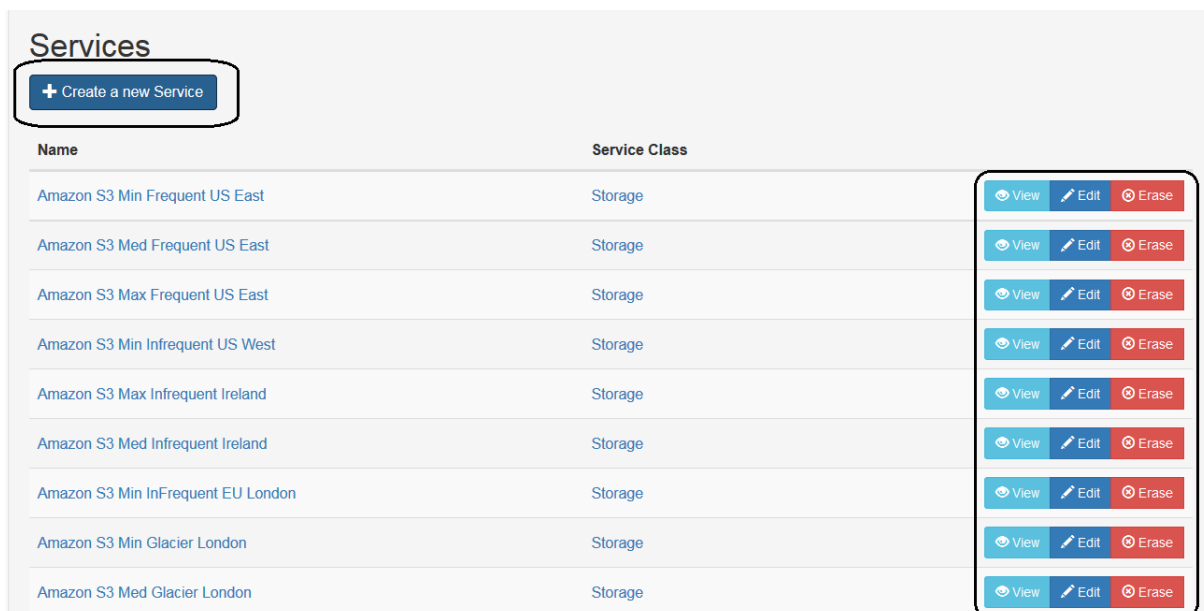


Figure 25. CRUD of services

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3.3.5 Download

The source code is available in the EC portal for deliverables, included in the zip file for D5.2.

The first release is available in the DECIDE open git repository, more precisely at the following address:

https://git.code.tecnalia.com/DECIDE_Public/DECIDE_Components/tree/M12/ACSml/Discovery

4 ACSmI Contract management

4.1 Functional description

ACSmI contract management shall be performed via the ACSmI contracting component that is to be designed and developed by the CloudBroker team. The Contract Management module is in charge of the execution and management of the core functions with respect to the service contracts. It manages mainly two different types of contracts: The contracts between the user and the ACSmI and the contracts between the CSPs (service providers) and the ACSmI.

The component is meant to be used by final solution users who would like to get an access to the cloud resources in order to deploy their software.

Requirements covered by the prototype:

Table 4. Requirements covered by the M12 ACSmI Contract management prototype.

Req. ID	Req. Description	Requirement coverage by the prototype
WP5-BUS07	This requirement shall allow contracting a service or services in the ACSmI for a certain multi-cloud application owner. After making a contract with the multi-cloud application owner, ACSmI handles the appropriate contracting with required SCP.	In this release, a multi-cloud application owner will be able to contract services available in the ACSmI by providing to the ACSmI Contract Management module his or her data needed to get a service contract through UI Interaction Controller component. In this way ACSmI will handle ACSmI-User contracting procedure.
WP5-BUS08	This requirement shall allow developer to contract a service or services directly with the CSP. ACSmI will require the information for the contracted services (SLAs) to be included in the registry and to be monitored.	<p>In this release, it will be possible to contract services available for ACSmI users from the Contract Management UI interaction controller. The users having no credentials required for the service usage will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get such credentials by autoregistration • Get the cloud account from the pool provided by ACSmI • If the above options are not possible – will be able to use ACSmI account for service usage. <p>If a user already has cloud credentials, he or she will be able to use the credentials via ACSmI to get access to the service.</p> <p>ACSmI will collect the required contracted services information in the Contract Registry so that it could be retrieved by other DECIDE and monitored accordingly.</p>

4.2 Technical description

The ACSml Contract management module will handle two use-case scenarios to access the cloud resources by the user. First scenario provides that the user has his/her own credentials for the cloud resource he/she is willing to use. The second scenario provides that the user has no such credentials and in such a case all the further contracting is to be done in 2 stages: ACSml to User contracting and ACSml to Resource contracting.

Both scenarios are to be described in more detail in section 4.2.2. “Components description”.

4.2.1 Prototype architecture

Below is the diagram showing the Contract management module’s internal structure and its outer interactions.

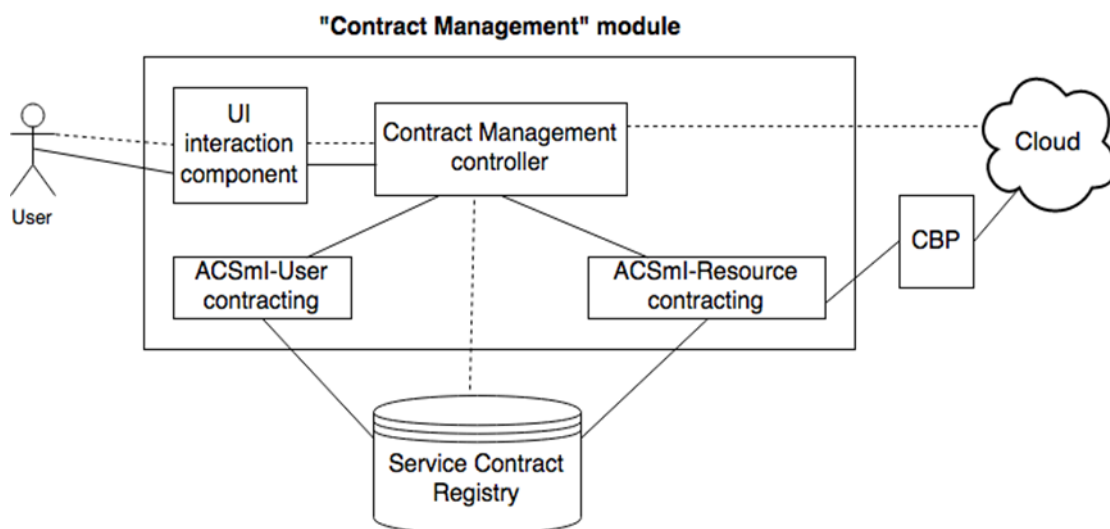


Figure 27. Contract management module

The major internal components of the Contract management module are:

- *UI interaction component*, that is responsible for interaction between user and the module itself.
- *Contract Management controller*, which is responsible for contracting depending on the presence or absence of user’s cloud resource credentials: scenario 1 (dashed-line path) is performed in case the cloud credentials are available and scenario 2 (solid-line path) is performed in case the user does not have them.
- *ACSml-User contracting* and *ACSml-Resource contracting* components are involved in scenario 2.
- Module’s outer interactions include storing all contracts within the *Service Contract Registry* and accessing the Resource through the CloudBroker Platform that acts as a proxy in scenario 2.

4.2.2 Components description

As mentioned above, there shall be **two scenarios** for accessing the cloud resources by the user, depending on the selection made in the form below, which is an entry point for contracting (Figure 28).

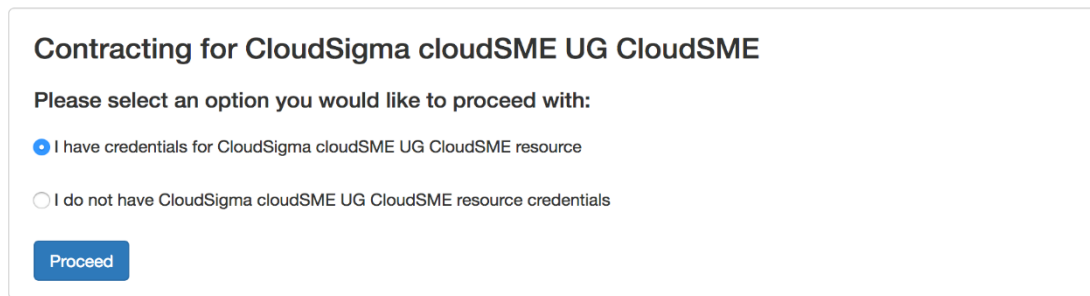


Figure 28. Entry point for contracting

In the **first scenario** (given the user has own credentials for the selected cloud resource) the user is prompted to enter his/her cloud credentials (Figure 29).

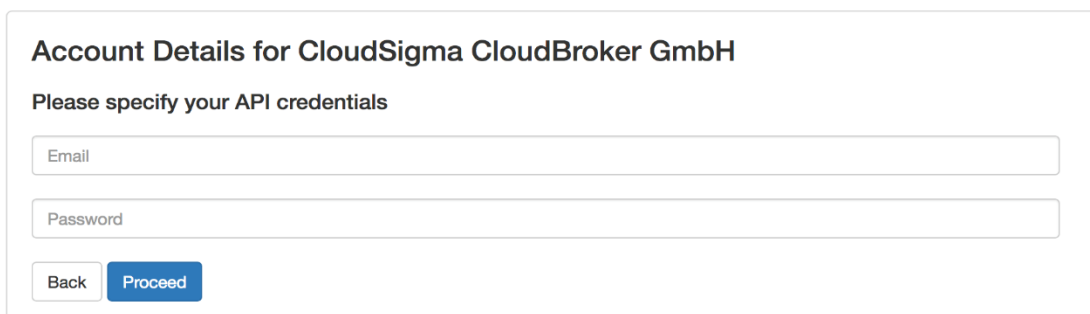


Figure 29. User has his/her own credentials

The credentials entered by the user are then stored within the ACSmI contracting component. The session identifier is returned back to the component requesting this information (either Application Controller, or ADAPT, or any other component if needed).

In the **second scenario** (given the user does not have own credentials for the selected cloud resource) the further contracting is done in 2 stages:

- Stage 1: ACSmI to User contracting.

At this stage user is required to provide necessary information for registering a new ACSmI account (see Figure 30) or (in case he/she already has own ACSmI account) to provide already existing credentials for logging in into ACSmI (see Figure 31):

Figure 30. Register new account within ACSml

Figure 31. Sign in to ACSml with existing credentials

- Stage 2: ACSml to Resource contracting.

Once the contract between user and ACSml is set, the Component is to set up a contract between ACSml and the Resource. Whenever the cloud adapter of the selected resource supports the automatic registration, ACSml is to automatically create an account for the User. Please note that real user email address is not to be used. An internal ACSml email/username and automatically generated password are to be provided as a resource credentials. This way the contracting between ACSml and Resource will remain transparent for the user.

In case it is not technically possible to create an account automatically, the account from the Resource Account Pool is to be assigned to this specific user. If there are no resource accounts left in the pool, the user is to be contracted through the ACSml-owned account.

As a result of the contracting operations above, it is suggested to return a Session ID back to the Application Controller. The Session ID is to be stored within Application Description file. ACSml component is to associate certain session ID with either

- user-specified cloud credentials, or

- ACSml user and resource that was contracted.

If the user has specified his own cloud credentials, they are to be stored within ACSml component. ADAPT (or other DECIDE components) is to be able to retrieve the credentials via API using the Session ID.

If the contracting is done through the ACSml, there is no way foreseen to obtain access to the cloud by other DECIDE components. The credentials obtained during the automatic account registration, credentials of the pooled-account or the ACSml-owned account credentials should not leave the ACSml component for billing and security reasons.

This means the whole communication between ADAPT (and other DECIDE components, if necessary) and the Resource is to be performed through the CloudBroker Platform (CBP). Credentials of the CBP user created for this operation can be obtained via the API call to ACSml.

4.2.3 Technical specifications

The component is suggested to be implemented as a standalone application. It should be possible to easily setup an ACSml Contracting component by external users. The solution is to be open-source. Possible consideration for the later versions: the solution can be “dockerized”.

The following technical solutions are suggested for implementation:

- **Framework.** The component is to be implemented using Ruby on Rails framework [16]. The technology should allow fast prototype implementation, easy connectivity to other components (due to native API support), performance as well as rapid setup.
- **Prototype DB solution.** It is suggested to use sqlite [17] as a Prototype DB solution due to light load expected at initial stages.
- **Server setup.** Nginx [18] plus passenger [19] is the recommended server setup, however the application can be setup within any other rails-supporting server.

In order to be able to perform contracting, an ACSml Component needs to be connected to the CloudBroker Platform instance. It is not needed to setup the Platform separately. The Platform API URL together with user credentials is to be specified.

All users registered on the ACSml are to be created as standard users with limited access permissions within the organization of the user, whose credentials were configured in the step above.

The component database scheme can be found on the figure below:

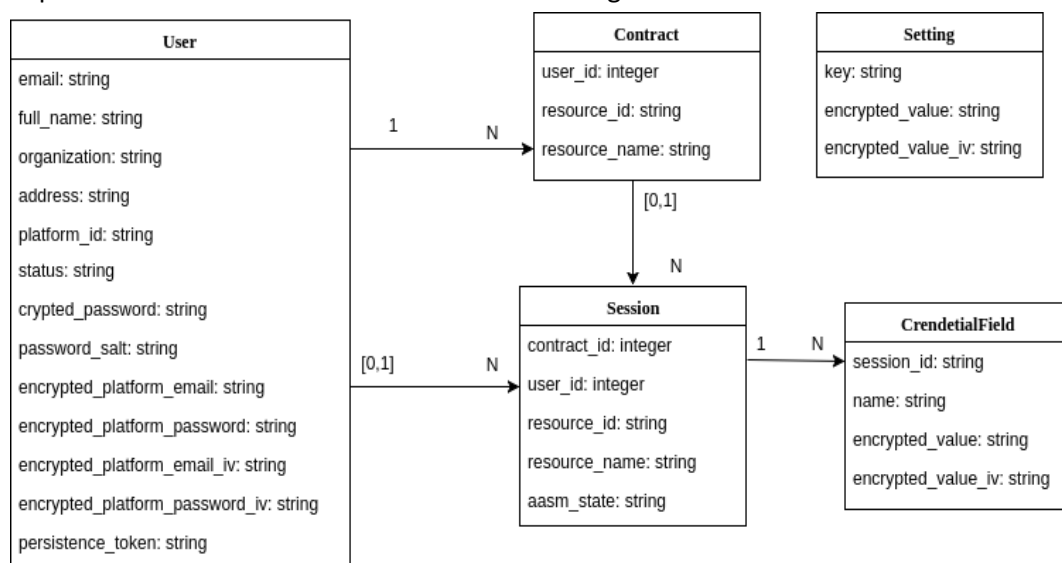


Figure 32. Component database structure

4.3 Delivery and usage

4.3.1 Package information

The delivered archive contains the acsmi-contracting project with the structure as shown on the figure below:

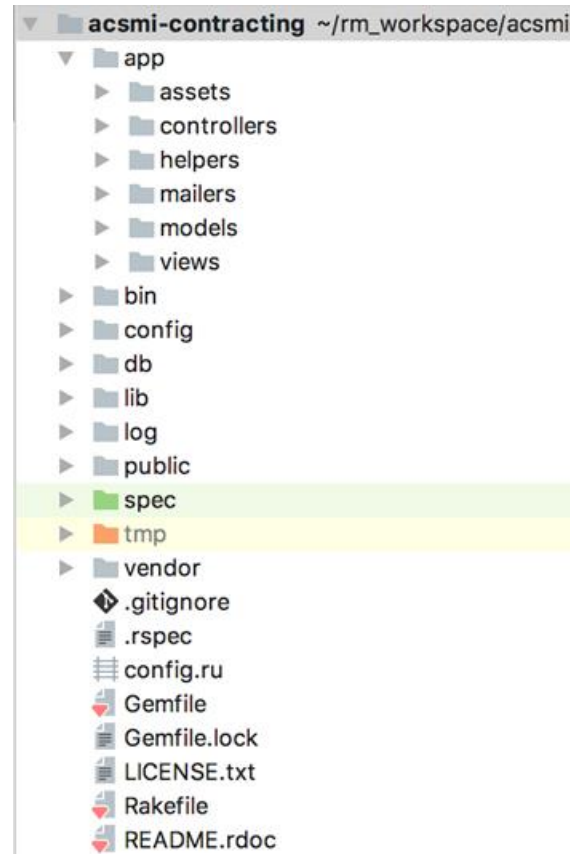


Figure 33. Project structure

The structure of the project corresponds to the generic Ruby on Rails project structure. The app folder contains assets (javascript and stylesheets files), controllers (both UI and API), models and views (haml and erb templates).

Bin folder includes rails framework related files, that are necessary for application execution.

Config folder contains configuration files.

DB folder contains db schema and migrations needed to re-create a database.

Lib folder contains the tool to connect to the CloudBroker Platform via API (created in a scope of the project).

Log tool is a folder to contain server logs.

Public folder contains images and static html pages.

4.3.2 Installation instructions

1. Install ruby version 2.1.0 (<https://www.ruby-lang.org/en/downloads/> for Windows or rvm.io for Unix). Please make sure 'ruby -v' returns the correct version in console.
2. Install dependencies. Go to project folder and run the following: 'gem install bundler; bundle install'. Wait till all the gems are installed

3. Configure the access to the CloudBroker Platform. Go to db/seeds.rb and provide your Platform account details under 'platform_email' and 'platform_password' settings (please change value, not the key)
4. Create and configure the database. Go to project folder and run the following: 'rake db:create; rake db:migrate; rake db:seed'
5. Start the server. Run "bin/rails server -b 0.0.0.0 -p 3000 -e development"
6. Open your browser, navigate to <http://0.0.0.0:3000>

4.3.3 User Manual

4.3.3.1 Logging in

User can sign in into his/her existing ACSml account by clicking on the "Login" link in the navigation menu. The following login form will then be displayed (see Figure 34):



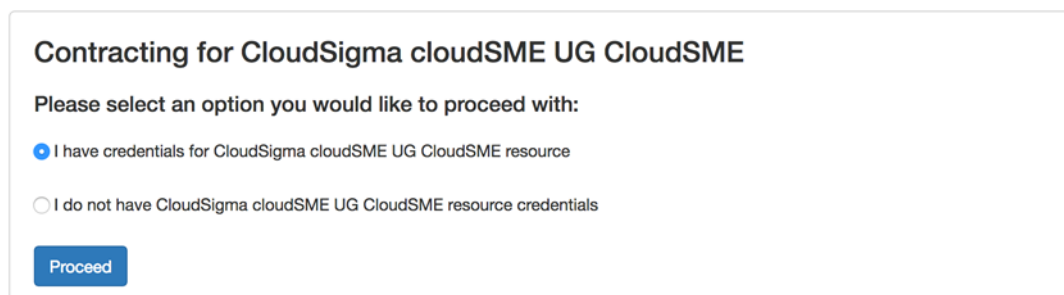
The login form is titled "Please sign in". It contains two input fields: "Email" and "Password". Below the "Password" field, there are two buttons: "Back" and "Sign In". The "Sign In" button is highlighted in blue.

Figure 34. Login form

User has to enter his/her email and password and then, in case the provided credentials are valid and correct, user is logged into ACSml.

4.3.3.2 Resource contracting

In order to communicate with the ACSml Contracting component an API call to /decide/acsmi/contracting/api/v1/sessions with: resource_id as a request parameter should be made. The API response will contain a link. By following this link, user will be redirected to the form that serves as an entry point for contracting. In this form user is prompted to select one of the two options depending on presence or absence of resource credentials. Once user selects the appropriate option, the "Proceed" button is to be clicked (see Figure 35).



The contracting form is titled "Contracting for CloudSigma cloudSME UG CloudSME". It contains the text "Please select an option you would like to proceed with:". Below this text, there are two radio button options: "I have credentials for CloudSigma cloudSME UG CloudSME resource" (which is selected) and "I do not have CloudSigma cloudSME UG CloudSME resource credentials". At the bottom of the form, there is a blue "Proceed" button.

Figure 35. Entry point for contracting

The user's choice in the form above shall define the scenario to be applied.

Scenario 1: User selects the "I have credentials for CloudSigma cloudSME UG CloudSME resource".

Step 1.1: In this scenario, a form is displayed to the user where he/she has to enter already existing resource credentials, i.e. email and password (see Figure 36). User can also go back to the previous page by clicking on the "Back" button.

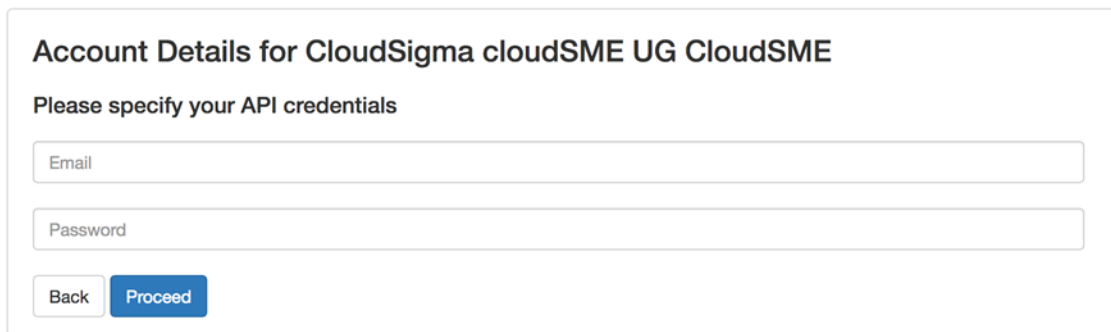
A form titled "Account Details for CloudSigma cloudSME UG CloudSME". Below the title is the instruction "Please specify your API credentials". There are two input fields: "Email" and "Password". At the bottom, there are two buttons: "Back" and "Proceed".

Figure 36. Existing resource account information

Step 1.2: The credentials are then stored within the ACSmI. Please note, that the credentials are not verified for validity at the moment (can be added in later versions). The contracting has been successfully performed, the following page shall be displayed (see Figure 37). The first scenario is then successfully completed.

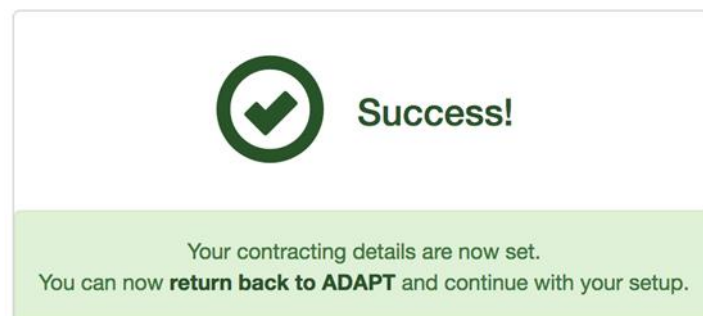


Figure 37. Successful contracting

However, the user can initiate the second scenario if the option "I do not have credentials for CloudSigma cloudSME UG CloudSME resource credentials" is selected on the entry point screen below:

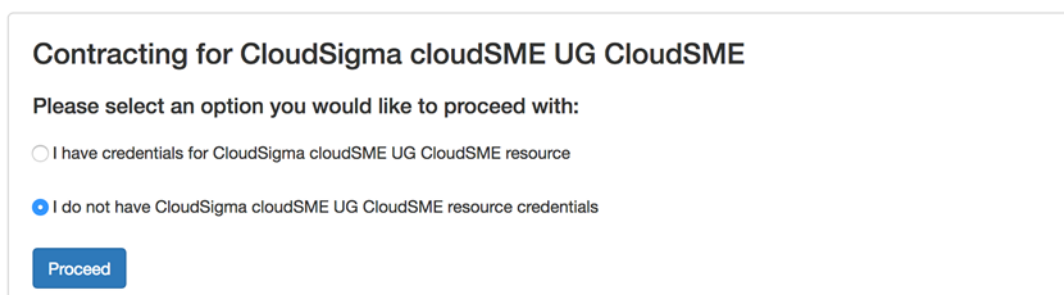
A form titled "Contracting for CloudSigma cloudSME UG CloudSME". Below the title is the instruction "Please select an option you would like to proceed with:". There are two radio button options: "I have credentials for CloudSigma cloudSME UG CloudSME resource" and "I do not have CloudSigma cloudSME UG CloudSME resource credentials". The second option is selected. At the bottom, there is a "Proceed" button.

Figure 38. Entry point for contracting

Scenario 2: User selects the "I do not have credentials for CloudSigma cloudSME UG CloudSME resource credentials".

Following the scenario 2, the first stage of this scenario is ACSml to User contracting. To do this, user has to be signed in into ACSml. In case user is already signed in, he/she is redirected to the credentials validation and contract setup process described under Steps 2.2 and 2.3.

Step 2.1.1: In case user is not signed in, but already has an ACSml account, he/she needs to select the first option “I already have ACSml account” and then provide the existing credentials, i.e. email and password, and click on “Proceed” (see Figure 39).

The form is titled "Login / Register" and contains the instruction "As a next step we need you to be signed into ACSml". It features two radio buttons: "I already have ACSml account" (selected) and "I want to register new ACSml account". Below the selected option are input fields for "Email" and "Password". At the bottom, there are "Back" and "Proceed" buttons.

Figure 39. Form for providing already existing ACSml account credentials

Step 2.1.2: In case user does not have an existing ACSml account, the second option “I want to register new ACSml account” is to be selected and the corresponding fields are to be filled in. After that, the “Proceed” button is to be clicked (see Figure 40).

The form is titled "Login / Register" and contains the instruction "As a next step we need you to be signed into ACSml". It features two radio buttons: "I already have ACSml account" and "I want to register new ACSml account" (selected). Below the selected option are input fields for "Email", "Full name", "Password", "Password confirmation", "Organization", and "Address". At the bottom, there is a checkbox for "I accept terms of usage" and "Back" and "Proceed" buttons.

Figure 40. Form for registering a new ACSml account

Step 2.2: Once the “Proceed” button is clicked, the user’s credentials are being validated or, in case user had no existing ACSml account, a new account is being set up and a contract is being prepared. Meanwhile, the following page is displayed (see Figure 41):

Please wait while we are preparing a contract for you

⌄ Checking for existing contracts..

Figure 41. Loading screen for data validation and contract preparation

Step 2.3: In case the data verification and contract preparation have been successfully performed, the following page shall be displayed (see Figure 42). The second scenario is then successfully completed.

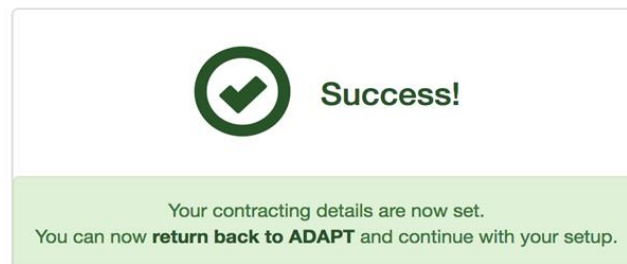


Figure 42. Successful contracting

4.3.3.3 Contracts management

Once logged in, user is able to view and manage his/her existing contracts (see Figure 43).

My Contracts

Resource ID	Resource Name	Actions
c1fb1543-54aa-4247-91ee-3ea9a553f64e	CloudSigma CloudBroker GmbH	 

Figure 43. “My contracts” page

There are 2 actions available for each contract: view and delete. By clicking the “information” icon for a corresponding resource, user shall be able to view all resource sessions and their timeframe and state (see Figure 44). By clicking on “Delete” button user can delete the given resource contract. The “Back” button shall lead back to “My contracts” page.

Resource ID

c1fb1543-54aa-4247-91ee-3ea9a553f64e

Resource Name

CloudSigma CloudBroker GmbH

Sessions

ID	Created At	Updated At	State
b2eb529a-ba6d-4d97-a061-e8e7f0adabc3	2017-11-21 10:49:17 UTC	2017-11-21 10:49:58 UTC	ready
8204e878-8d58-4789-ae7f-31280a45f074	2017-11-21 11:00:40 UTC	2017-11-21 11:05:00 UTC	ready
244d3d76-d384-4c02-be6e-bd1e4b0e1424	2017-11-21 11:33:36 UTC	2017-11-21 11:33:53 UTC	ready
d70da678-57b3-4abb-8233-307dd4b9a062	2017-11-21 11:41:13 UTC	2017-11-21 11:41:19 UTC	ready

Back

Delete

Figure 44. Contract information page

On the “My contracts” page if the “Delete” icon is clicked in front of the corresponding resource contract; the given contract will be deleted. If user no longer has any resource contracts available, the following message will be displayed: “You do not have any active contracts at the moment”.

4.3.3.4 License

The component license can be found under the “License” link in the navigation menu (see Figure 45).

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Figure 45. License page

4.3.3.5 API

List of supported API calls can be found under the “API” link in the navigation menu (see Figure 46).

List of supported API calls

Functionality	Endpoint	Method	Request Parameters	Response Parameters
Initiate a new contracting session	/decide/acsmi/contracting/api/v1/sessions	POST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> resource_id: 'id_of_the_resource_from_acsmi_catalogue' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> session_id: 'id_of_the_started_session' contracting_url: 'URL where the user is to be redirected to'
Get the cloud connect credentials for the session	/decide/acsmi/contracting/api/v1/sessions/{session_id}/credentials	GET	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> session_id: 'id_of_the_session_from_the_step_above' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> session_id: 'id_of_the_requested_session' contracting_type: 'platform own_credentials' platform_credentials['email']: 'email_to_access_the_platform' platform_credentials['password']: 'password_to_access_the_platform' resource_credentials['name']: 'name_of_the_parameter' (e.g. Access Key, Secret Key) resource_credentials['value']: 'value_of_the_parameter'

Figure 46. List of supported API calls

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Figure 47. Component license

4.3.5 Download

The first release is available in the DECIDE open git repository, more precisely at the following address:

https://git.code.tecnalia.com/DECIDE_Public/DECIDE_Components/tree/M12/ACSMi/Contracting

5 ACSmI Monitoring

5.1 Functional description

In order to monitor the SLAs (NFRs) of the service offered by the CSPs so as to detect any violation of the SLAs, it is required to select which are the parameters that need to be measured in the cloud services.

Requirements covered by the prototype:

Table 5. Requirements covered by the M12 ACSmI Monitoring prototype.

Req. ID	Req. Description	Requirement coverage by the prototype
WP5-MON03	The objective of this requirement is to relate the different SLA terms and NFRs, to the parameters to be monitored by ACSmI. This shall generate a generic list of parameters to be monitored for each NFR and SLA term.	In this release, the NFRs taken into account for deriving the associated parameters are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Availability of the Cloud service
WP5-MON04	Based on the SLA contracted and the NFRs, the list of parameters to be monitored shall be selected from the generic list of parameters (WP5-MON03)	In this release, the relationship between the parameters (WP5-MON03) and the service types (WP5-DIS01) will be detailed

During this period, the NFR of Availability has been analysed. This NFR is not measured in the same way in all the services types. The following table summarises the metrics and which parameters are required to measure the NFR of Availability.

Table 6. NFR Availability

Type of services	Metric	Parameters ¹
Storage/Backup	Monthly Uptime Percentage [20] = $\text{Monthly Uptime \%} = \frac{\text{Maximum Available Minutes} - \text{Downtime}}{\text{Maximum Available Minutes}}$	<p>Deployment Minutes: it is the total number of minutes during which an item has been scheduled for Backup.</p> <p>Downtime: it is the total accumulated Deployment Minutes scheduled for Backup during which the Backup Service is unavailable for the item. The Backup Service is considered from the first Failure to Back Up or Restore until the initiation of a successful Backup or Recovery.</p> <p>Maximum Available Minutes: is the sum of all Deployment Minutes during a billing month.</p>
Storage	Monthly Uptime Percentage [21] is calculated by subtracting from 100% the average of the Error Rates from each five-minute period in the monthly billing cycle.	<p>Error Rate: it is the total number of internal server errors returned error status “ServiceUnavailable” divided by the total number of requests for the applicable request type during that five-minute period.</p> <p>For example: $\text{Service Unavailable} = \frac{\text{Database properties State different from ONLINE}}{\text{[22]}}$</p>

¹ When possible parameters from the Telegraf plug-in will be measured, if it is not possible we will extend Telegraf plug-ins.

Type of services	Metric	Parameters ¹
Database	Monthly Uptime Percentage [20] = $\frac{\text{Maximum Available Minutes} - \text{Downtime}}{\text{Maximum Available Minutes}}$	<p>Maximum Available Minutes: it is the total number of minutes that an instance of a Database has been deployed in a billing month.</p> <p>Downtime: it is the total accumulated minutes during a billing month for a Database is unavailable. A minute is considered unavailable for a given Database if all continuous attempts by Customer to establish a connection to the Database within the minute fail.</p> <p>Unavailable = STATE parameter different from ONLINE (From Telegraf plug-in)</p>
Virtual Machine/ Container	Monthly Uptime Percentage [23] is calculated by subtracting from 100% the percentage of minutes during the month in which the virtual machine was in the state of "Region Unavailable."	<p>Region Unavailable: means the region in which an instance is ran is "Unavailable".</p> <p>Unavailable: means all of running instances have no external connectivity.</p> <p>For example: StatusCheckFailed_Instance [24]: Reports whether the instance has passed the instance status check in the last minute. This metric can be either 0 (passed) or 1 (failed).</p>

5.2 Technical description

The implementation of this component is not required for this release of the prototype. In this section, it is explained the vision that we have to implement it.

For the implementation of this component of ACSml, a similar approach that the one followed in ADAPT monitoring [25] will be used.

Figure 48 represents the tentative architecture for this component.

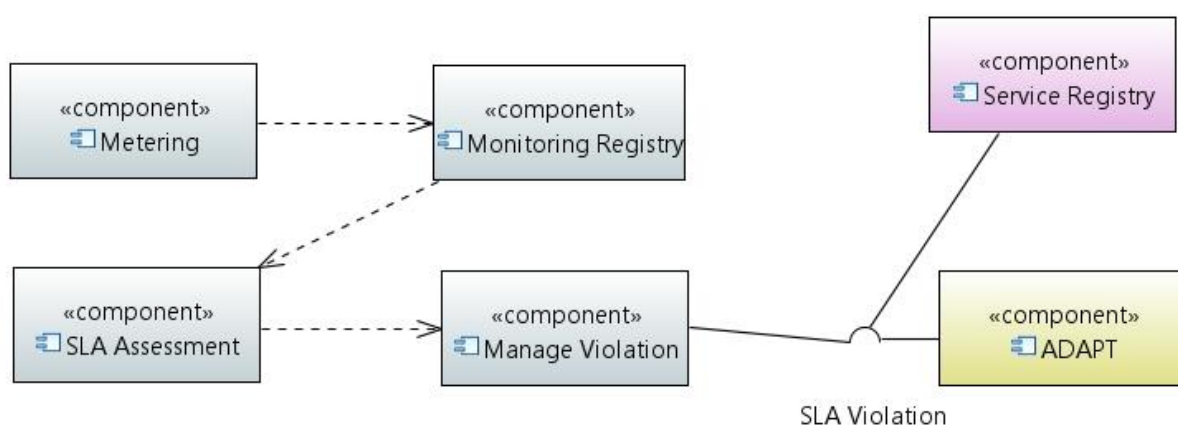


Figure 48. ACSml Monitoring Architecture

This component will be composed of four main subcomponents:

- **Metering** collects the different parameters defined in the Table 6 depending on SLA terms that will be monitored. To collect these parameters, the Telegraf [26] open source technology will be used.
- **Monitoring repository** will be in charge of storing the data collected in a DB. For the storage of the parameters, Influx DB storage technology has been implemented. InfluxDB is used as a data store for cases involving large amounts of timestamped, like monitoring applications or micro-services. The measurements are injected by the Telegraf plugins in the Influx DB database.
- **SLA Assessment** assesses the compliance of the SLA of the contracted services with respect to the values retrieved for the parameters by the Metering sub-component (contracted values vs. real values).
- **Manage Violation** is a sub-component in charge of managing and triggering alerts. This sub-component will alert in two ways, in one hand it will indicate to the service registry subcomponent of ACSmI that a specific cloud service is violated its SLAs, and also this sub-component will alert to ADAPT (Violation handlers) [25].

6 Conclusions

This deliverable presents the first prototype of ACSml. This first prototype is composed of two main components: 1) *ACSml discovery* whose objective is to discover services and also to allow the endorsement of cloud services to the service registry by the CSPs and 2) *ACSml contracting* whose objective is the execution and management of the core functions with respect to the service contracts. In addition to these two main components, the first aspects (Functional and Technical) of the ACSml monitoring component are detailed.

The details regarding the functional and technical aspects of the components comprising ACSml are enumerated in this version of the deliverable. Moreover, the package information and manual for installation and for users are included.

The next version of this deliverable, D5.3, will include new functionalities and improvements for the three subcomponents explained, complemented with new subcomponents to cover the requirements elicited for ACSml.

Future releases will not only focus on the implementation of new functionalities, but it will also be integrated with other DECIDE tools, like OPTIMUS and ADAPT.

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APPENDIX 1: Cloud Services Attributes

Table 7. Explanation on the Services Attribute

Attribute Type	Description or possible Values
Name	Id of the services
Region:	Choose a region of the following list: United States, Canada, Europe, Russian Federation, United Kingdom, Ireland, France and Brazil.
Provider	Organisation who provides the services
Type (Storage)	This attribute could have two values at this moment: General and Backup
Type (DB)	This attribute could have one the DB Value at this moment
Subtype(Storage):	The value of this attribute should be chosen from the following list: Objects, Tables, files, queues and disk
Subtype(DB)	The value of this attribute should be chosen from the following list: Relational, Non-Relational, Elastic cache, Data migration.
Availability Zone	The value of this attribute should be chosen from the following list: Single and Multiple
Technology	The value of this attribute should be chosen from the following list: R-Oracle, R-MSSQLServer, R-PostgreSQL, R-MariaDB, R-MySQL, NR-Amazon Dynamo, NR-TableStorage, EC-AmazonEC, EC-AmazonRD, EC-MicrosoftRC, AmazonMigration, and DataFactory.
License	The value of this attribute should be chosen from the following list: Included and Not included
Instance Type	The value of this attribute should be chosen from the following list: Reserved and On demand
Size	The value of this attribute should be chosen from the following list: Storage Size and Cache size
CPU	This attribute is a number field.
Capacity	The value of this attribute should be chosen from the following list: Minimum, medium and maximum
Access type	The value of this attribute should be chosen from the following list: Frequent and Infrequent
Data Redundancy	The value of this attribute should be chosen from the following list: locally redundant storage (LRS), Zone-redundant storage (ZRS), Geo-redundant storage (GRS) and Read-access geo-redundant storage (RA-GRS)
CPU cores	It is the number of cores that are available in each of the instance type's CPU sockets defined in CPU.
Total Cores	This is the total number of cores that will be used by the platform for this service. It is computed from the number of CPUs times the number of CPU cores times two in case of hyper-threading
Hyper-threading	It specifies if hyper-threading is turned on for this instance type and should be used by the platform for counting the total number of cores. The total number of cores is then doubled compared to the number without hyper-threading in place
MHz per core	This attribute is a number field.
Memory	It specifies the amount of memory (in GB)
Storage (GB per month)	This attribute is a number field.
Data transfer out (GB per month)	This attribute is a number field.