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INTER-IoT aim is to design, implement and test interoperability tools, a framework and a methodology that will allow interoperability among different Internet of Things (IoT) platforms.

Most current existing IoT developments are based on "closed-loop" concepts, focusing on a specific purpose and being isolated from the rest of the world. Integration between heterogeneous elements is usually done at device or network level, and is just limited to data gathering. Our belief is that a multi-layer approach to the integration of different IoT devices, networks, platforms, services and applications will allow a global continuum of data, infrastructures and services. Additionally, a reuse and integration of existing and future IoT systems will be facilitated, enabling the creation of a de facto global ecosystem of interoperable IoT platforms.

In the absence of global IoT standards, INTER-IoT results will allow any company to design and develop new IoT devices or services, leveraging on the existing ecosystem, and bringing them to market quickly.

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Executive Summary

The aim of Deliverable 4.5, entitled "Interoperable IoT Framework API and Tools v1", is to describe the Initial specification and development of INTER-API and associated tools. The deliverable is the first in the line of two deliverables, as D4.5 will be followed by D4.6 in M30. Thus, it can be considered as the first version of the latter deliverable.

The deliverable reports the relation with INTER-LAYER components and with analysis and design of INTER-FW and INTER-API provided in D4.3 (Interoperable IoT Framework Model and Engine v1). It further provides references to source code repositories and software deployments of INTER-FW and INTER-API. These developments represent technical work carried on in two tasks: T4.4 (Implementation of the IoT Interoperable Framework Engine, M13 – M30) and T4.5 (Design and Implementation of the IoT Interoperable Framework APIs and Tools for Programming and Managing Interoperable IoT Platforms, M13 – M30).

In this version of the deliverable, T4.4 work concentrates on basic functionalities of INTER-FW in order to support the needs of the Pilots and demonstrate the usage of INTER-FW. In the date of the publication of this document, there is a version of INTER-FW Web Console with the fully functional implementation of the following features: FIWARE, universAAL and SEAMS2-WSO2 platforms configuration and management, basic virtual gateway management, topology of the virtual network, functional semantics view and access to API Management.

T4.5 efforts provide deployment of a customised INTER-IoT API Manager. In this first phase, INTER-API provides basic user management and authentication mechanisms, API publish/API store/API usage functionalities and an integrated REST access to INTER-LAYER components. The following deliverable will provide configuration and management APIs for INTER-FW and further extensibility mechanisms for INTER-LAYER.

The provided software has been developed in accordance to the initial description of the layered architecture provided in the Description of the Action. It has considered the requirements gathered in D2.3 (INTER-IoT Requirements and Business Analysis), D4.1 (Initial Reference IoT Platform Meta-Architecture and Meta Data Model), D4.2 (Final Reference IoT Platform Meta-Architecture and Meta Data Model - internal draft) and D4.3 (Interoperable IoT Framework Model and Engine v1).

It is important to note that GIT source code repositories and deployments of INTER-FW and INTER-API represent an integral part of this deliverable. Although the final aim is to publish the source code under Apache 2.0 license, at the time of submission the repositories still have restricted access until all formalities related to the license have been solved. Regarding credentials to access the INTER-FW and INTER-API cloud deployment, they have been made available to the European Commission through the submission portal.



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Acronyms

API Application Programming Interface

AS2AS Application Service Layer Interoperability

D2D Device Layer Interoperability

D3.1 Deliverable 3.1: Methods for Interoperability and Integration v.1

D3.2 Deliverable 3.2: Methods for Interoperability and Integration v.2

D4.3 Deliverable 4.3: Interoperable IoT Framework Model and Engine v1

D4.5 Deliverable 4.5: Interoperable IoT Framework API and Tools v1
D4.6 Deliverable 4.6: Interoperable IoT Framework API and Tools v2

DS2DS Data and Semantics Layer Interoperability

GUI Graphical User Interface

INTER-API INTER-FW and INTER-LAYER exposed as software APIs

INTER-FW INTER-IoT Interoperable IoT Framework

INTER-LAYER INTER-IoT Layer integration tools
INTERMW Middleware Layer Interoperability

IoT Internet of Things

N2N Network Layer Interoperability

QoS Quality of Service

REST Representational state transfer

URL Uniform Resource Locator

WP3 INTER-IoT Work Package 3: Layer Interoperability

WP4 INTER-IoT Work Package 4: Interoperability Framework API

WSO2 is an open source technology provider



1 Introduction

This deliverable describes the available source code repositories and deployed applications that are a result of implementation of initial versions of INTER-FW and INTER-API. The first section describes the relation with other parts of the INTER-IoT project, namely WP3 that provides INTER-LAYER components and D4.3, which provides the analysis and design of components provided in this deliverable.

1.1 Relation to INTER-LAYER (WP3)

Implementation of INTER-FW and INTER-API is closely related to the outputs of WP3. All WP3 components provide a REST API: Device Layer Interoperability (D2D), Network Layer Interoperability, Middleware Layer Interoperability (INTERMW), Application Service Layer Interoperability (AS2AS) and the Data and Semantics Layer Interoperability (DS2DS). The REST API interface of INTER-LAYER components is provided in the OpenAPI (Swagger) format.

A detailed description of INTER-LAYER and relations with INTER-FW and INTER-API (WP4) can be found in the following documentation:

- **D3.1 Methods for Interoperability and Integration v.1**, which describes the initial approach and architecture of INTER-LAYER.
- D3.2 Methods for Interoperability and Integration v.2 (forthcoming), which describes more in detail design and technical choices of the implementation of INTER-LAYER components and the interfaces they provide.
- INTER-LAYER REST API definitions git repository: https://git.INTER-loT.eu/INTER-loT/layer apis 1
- Deliverable D4.3 Interoperable IoT Framework Model and Engine v1, which describes:
 - the relation between WP3 and WP4 in the section 3.6 INTER-FW relation with INTER-LAYER;
 - A summary of INTER-LAYER REST APIs in the section 4.3.1. INTER-LAYER REST API Endpoints.

¹ Access to the different applications may need a password that may be provided upon request



1.2 Relation to Deliverable D4.3 Interoperable IoT Framework Model and Engine v1

This deliverable is closely related to D4.3 in the sense that it provides the implementation of the first phase (v1) of INTER-FW and INTER-API components specified there.

The following components have been implemented according to the analysis and design provided in D4.3:

- INTER-FW Web application that consists of the following
 - Back-end: D4.3 chapter 2.3 Back-end analysis and chapter 3.3 INTER-FW Components.
 - Front-end: D4.3 chapter 2.4 Front-end analysis and chapter 3.5 INTER-FW GUI design.
- INTER-API, which provides an unified REST API access to INTER-LAYER:
 - Analysis is provided in the D4.3 chapter 2.5 API analysis and the design in chapter 4
 INTER-API.

2 Source code repositories

2.1 INTER-FW Web Console

The repository of INTER-FW is in https://git.INTER-loT.eu/Inter-loT/framework.git. This repository contains the following folders:

- Global INTER-FW design. It contains mock-up designs, source code engineering diagrams (reported in D4.3) and some additional resources useful for the application development. A detailed description of the main user interfaces in INTER-FW is also provided in the readme.md document.
- 2. **Front-end of the web application.** It provides the graphic user interface and overall navigation of the application
- 3. **Back-end of the web application.** It contains the back-end server, which supports the front end of the INTER-FW web application.

Figure 1 shows the list of commits in the INTER-FW source repository as of the date of submission of this deliverable, while **Figure 2** shows the list of files.



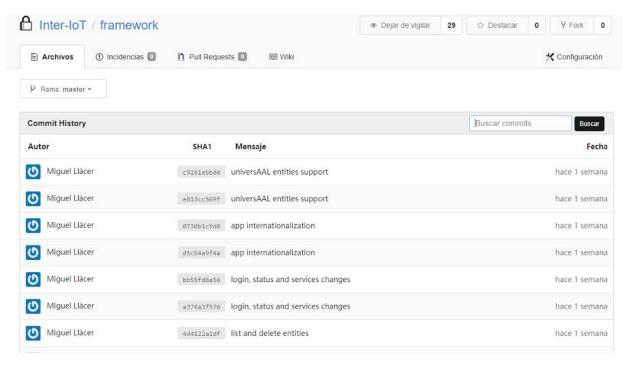


Figure 1. INTER-FW GIT repository, list of commits

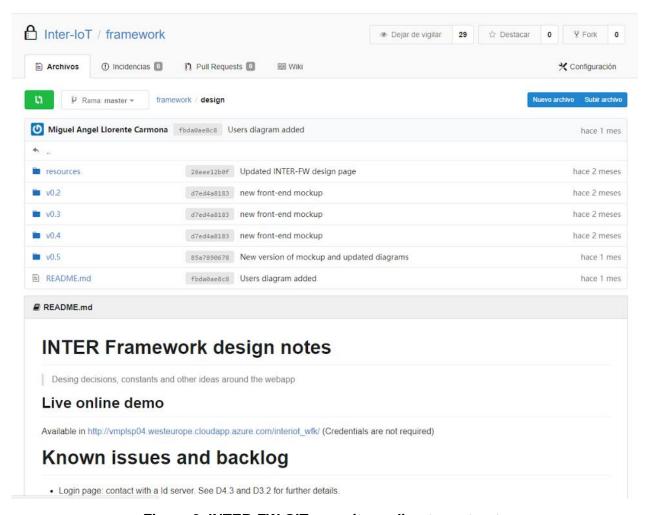


Figure 2. INTER-FW GIT repository, directory structure



2.2 INTER-FW API Manager

The API Manager repository contains all the instructions, scripts and settings to:

- install the API manager for INTER-FW;
- Import/export settings;
- · Import and publish APIs;
- Use the APIs.

In addition to the API Manager repository, an essential part for API definitions is the source repository that defines INTER-LAYER REST APIs, which is one of the outputs of WP3.

The list of INTER-API repositories is provided in Table 1.

Table 1. List of INTER-API related GIT repositories

Public git repositories	
API Manager	https://git.INTER-loT.eu/INTER-loT/api_manager
INTER-LAYER REST API definitions	https://git.INTER-loT.eu/INTER-loT/layer_apis

Figure 3 shows the list of commits in the INTER-API source repository as of the date of submission of this deliverable, while **Figure 4** shows the list of files.

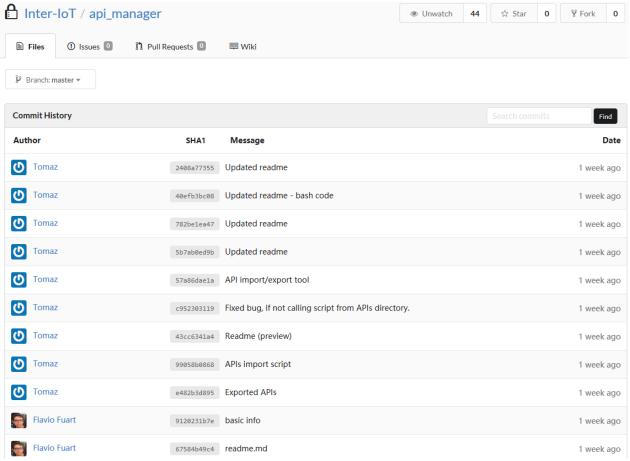


Figure 3. INTER-API GIT repository, list of commits



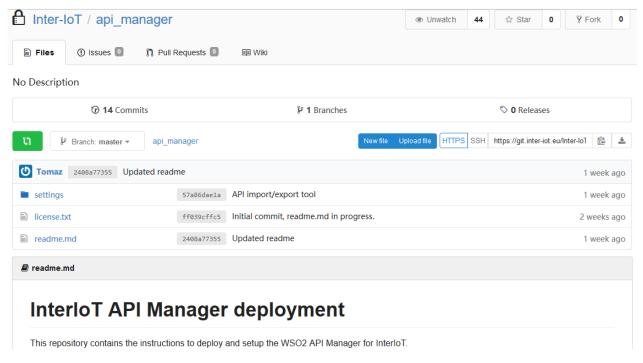


Figure 4. INTER-API GIT repository, directory structure



3 Deployments of demo applications

3.1 INTER-FW Web Console

INTER-FW Web console is a web-based application, which unifies monitoring, configuration and management of different IoT components (sensors, network elements, gateways, platforms...) in a single environment at each interoperability layer. The Web console also includes key cross-layer management functions, such as configuration of authentication and/or authorization. It has eight different tabs providing different features:

- Platforms: instantiation, configuration and management of IoT platforms.
- Gateways: provision of functionalities at the gateway level.
- Network: management of virtual networks, QoS and networking rules.
- Semantics: definition of alignments, consultations with the semantic repository and basic operations upon the supported ontologies.
- API Management: linking to the INTER-API API Manager, managing level of access to the API, managing of the lifecycle, version and monitor statistics, among others.
- User management: a tool to manage the INTER-loT users.
- Configuration: configuration of the INTER-FW tool.

The INTER-FW Web Console is publicly accessible at the following address:

http://vmplsp04.westeurope.cloudapp.azure.com/INTER-IoT wfk/#

As the application implements dynamic rendering of tabs, several users are provided for testing purposes. The list of user names and their roles, as defined at the time of the submission of this deliverable, is provided in Table 2. Access (passwords) for testing purposes can be obtained on request.

Table 2. Web Console user names and roles

Details	User
See all the tabs	admin
Can't delete or modify	view_only
Semantic Engineer user	only_semantics
Network options are hidden	no_network
API management is hidden	no_apimanagement



Some screenshots of the applications are as follows:

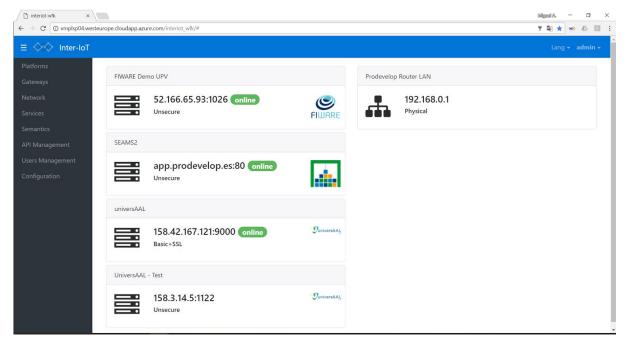


Figure 5. INTER-FW Web Console

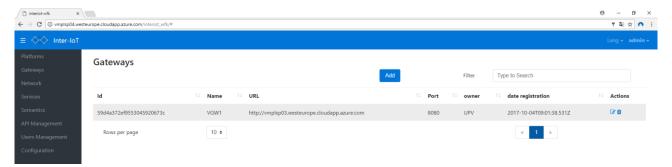


Figure 6 INTER-FW Web Console for Management and Listing of Gateways

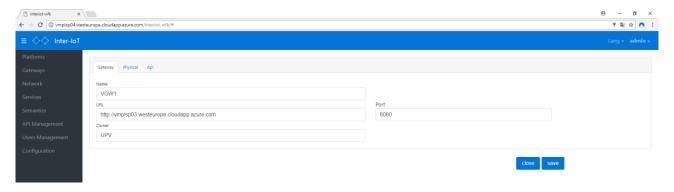


Figure 7 INTER-FW Web Console for access information on a Gateway





Figure 8 INTER-FW Web Console for management and listing of physical devices attached to the Gateway

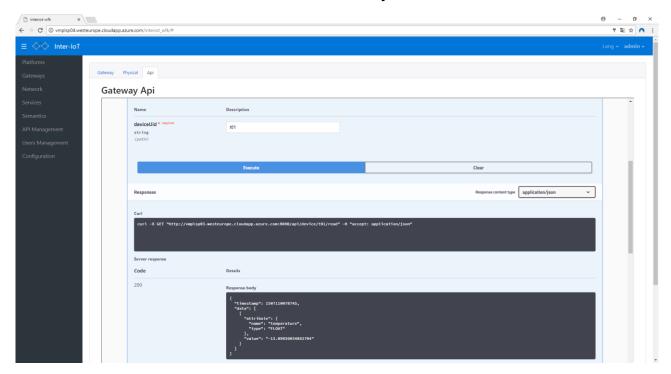


Figure 9 INTER-FW Web Console for accessing the HTTP interface of a Gateway

3.2 INTER-FW API Manager

We have deployed the WSO2 API Manager in the form of a Docker image on the Azure cloud virtual machine. This we did in order to facilitate the cloud deployment of INTER-FW.

The installation included the compulsory product registration (https://wso2.com/user/register), Docker image deployment and authentication with the WSO2 account. Appropriate URLs and API gateway endpoints have been configured as well.

The provision of unified API access through the API manager consists of several steps. First we created a API design document for each INTER-LAYER component, which is, in our case, provided through Swagger definitions. We then imported these definitions through the WSO2 API publisher interface.

The user should then subscribe to the APIs through the API subscription web GUI. In a specific INTER-IoT cloud deployment, we have identified the following types of API users with the corresponding set of access and management privileges:



- INTER-FW core users; users will full access to all INTER-FW features.
- INTER-FW front-end users; users with restricted set of access rights necessary to execute API calls exposed through the front-end interface.
- External users; at this point, there is no unified view of their level of access. This part will be defined in the following project phase with details to be provided in D4.4 and D4.6.

The INTER-API cloud version has been deployed to an Azure cloud instance with access links as defined in

Table 3.

Table 3. API Manager access links

Description	Access	URL
API Store	Public	https://vmplsp02.westeurope.cloudapp.azure.com/store
API Publisher	Restricted	https://vmplsp02.westeurope.cloudapp.azure.com/publisher
Management Console (Carbon)	Restricted	https://vmplsp02.westeurope.cloudapp.azure.com/carbon

The figures below provide screenshots of the API Manager Store and Publisher.

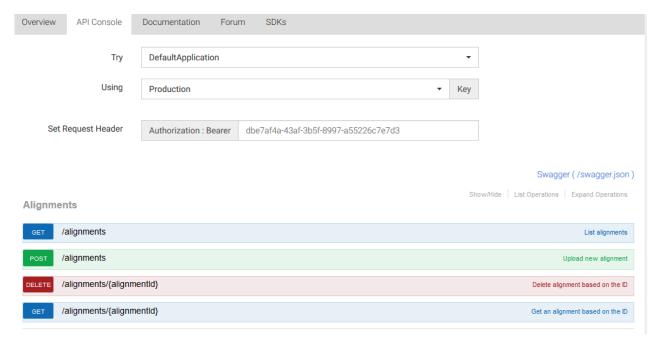


Figure 10. API Manager Store: API Console for testing APIs



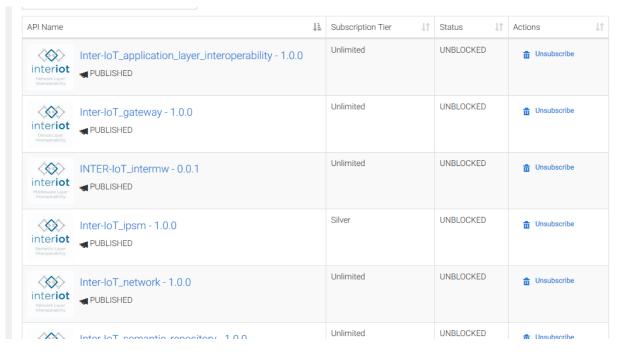


Figure 11. API Manager Store: Active subscriptions for a selected user

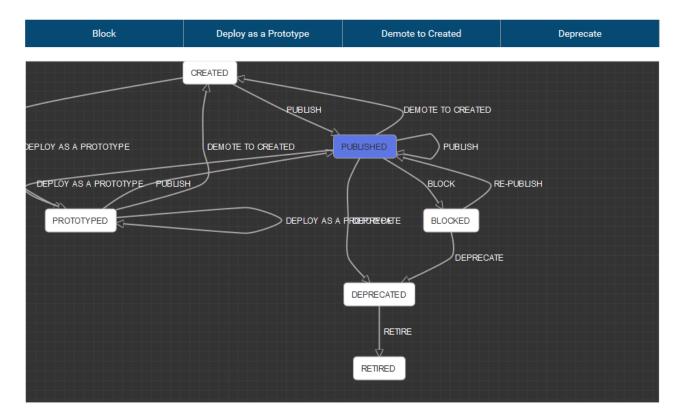


Figure 12. API Manager Publisher: An example of the API lifecycle management