

Using ENUM before it establishes critical mass

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user enum requires 2 sides

- * User ENUM works when 2 sides co-operate:
 - Service offerings published in ENUM
 - Service location based on ENUM
- * "The World would be a better place if we'd all. . ."
- * A path is needed towards critical mass
 - Need to exploit ENUM as a one-sided mechanism

offering information in enum

Is it a sign of politeness, or plain visionary?

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* see \Rightarrow scan \Rightarrow click \Rightarrow contact
→ Could it be any simpler?

- * Information is dynamic; it comes from ENUM
- * Excellent for map locations, social media links, photo's, ...
- * Usable on vans, printwork, in ads, ...

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subnumbers for additional contacts

- * ENUM is a DNS *zone*, so...
- * having ENUM for +31534782239 implies having ENUM for +31534782239641
- * ENUM stores dedicated information under a subnumber
 - Direct link to a webpage, phone number, ...
 - Works well on a product brochure
- * A subnumber for your husband
- * A subnumber for your teen daughter
- * A subnumber for your parrot

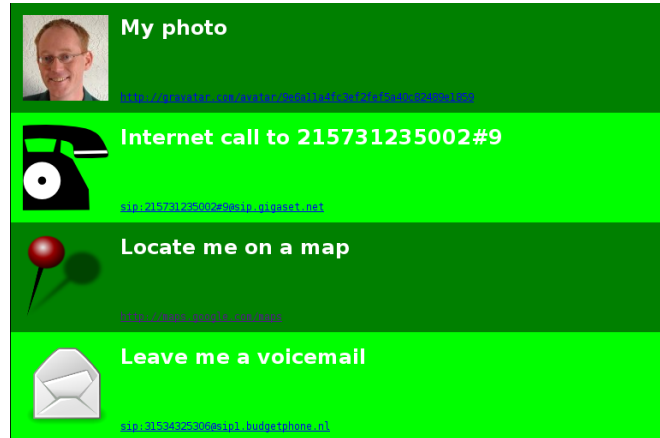
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Something we all need: An IPv6-addressable door bell

the dynqr.nl website

- * Created as ENUM service portal for +31
- * Could easily be adapted to serve more countries
- * Hosted connectivity services: SIP, XMPP, webwrap
- * Includes support for FreeNUM, e.g. 7425*880
→ dynQR offers *880 numbers to individuals



locating services in enum

If it stares at you, why not say hello?

the internet dialtone

- * Dial a nearby number to access the Internet
- * Enter a number on the presented dialtone:
 - from ENUM
 - from NRENUM
 - from FreeNUM
 - from peering small telco's
 - *in fact, any validated dialstring!*
- * In the Netherlands, dial 05-37113617
- * Call your homebase at local call rates
- * It's not about free calls. . . well, not *just* about that

public enum relay

- * Resolve [A-Z]*ENUM in a public SIP relay
- * Connect over the Internet if at all possible
- * Upon failure, forward to original destination

- * Works as outbound proxy in *any SIP phone or PBX*

- * One requirement: NAT Traversal
 - Use ICE, STUN, port forwarding. . .
- * Or take the easy way out. . . and use IPv6 :-)

- * The address of this service is sip.0cpm.net
 - β -testers can request the UDP port
- * Intended to be a public service soon
 - Will launch on <http://0cpm.net/>

how easy it is for countries to get on board

If it's plain sailing, why not dive in?

the choice of each country

- * Conventional governmental wisdom stipulates:
 - Delegate control to a new body
 - Have it guard an open market of resellers
 - Thus creating a 'private government' branch
 - Procedures, policies, business views. . .
 - Even though the technology is fairly simple
- * This makes ENUM fairly expensive
 - Users end up paying 'protection money'
 - They will weigh pros/cons before purchasing
 - Effectively, critical mass is needed

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* A light-weight alternative could be:

- Hire a technical company to run an ENUM registry
- Require support of multiple registrars
- Only pay for development, hosting, and maintenance
- Stay in full control of the technology
- Re-use an existing telco watchdog to handle disputes
- Simplify validation → Relay number revocations
- Integrate ENUM into POTS

* Try to keep ENUM registrations free. . .

- . . . and save a *lot* of extra administrative work
- . . . and see it pop up in hosting packages!

summary

- * ENUM is already useful just to broadcast information
- * ENUM is already useful just to find information
- * ENUM adoption needn't be difficult or expensive to countries

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