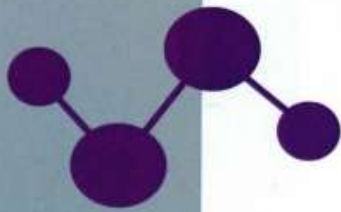




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THE LOUSTIC PLATFORM

PROJECT

ORGANISATION

RESEARCH LABORATORY

END USER

STAFF

2 full-time employees,
1 part-time employee

LEGAL STATUS

An academic laboratory

ACTIVITY

■ LOUSTIC is a multidisciplinary research platform that monitors the usage of information and communication technologies. It was created as part of the Region-State planning contract for 2007-2013.

The main objective is to reinforce monitoring of ICT usage in Brittany and promote research collaborations between academic labs. The combination of expertise in the engineering sciences (computer science and home automation) and the human & social sciences (sociology, psychology, ergonomics, economics, marketing, education science and law) means that the platform can deal with all aspects of ICT usage (technical feasibility, personal, social & legal acceptability, social utility, economic feasibility/viability, etc.). LOUSTIC complements the infrastructure and skills already present within the GIS M@souin science group and is operated under the auspices of the Brittany Human Sciences Centre.

SOLUTIONS THAT ADDRESS NEEDS IN HOME CARE

■ Involvement in the IDA project: analysis of the usage of technology for home care of the elderly, as a function of the identified needs and handicaps. The service co-design approach has been initiated by taking account of the elderly person's environment, such professional and/or family careers.

STRENGTHS

■ Creation of a usage analysis process as part of a service co-design approach for home care of older people with reduced levels of independence. These analyses take account not only of the elderly person but also of professional and family carers. LOUSTIC's activities form part of a multidisciplinary approach involving ergonomics specialists, psychologists, experts in home automation and economists.



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