



Navigation APIs: From native to Web with Franca and CommonAPI

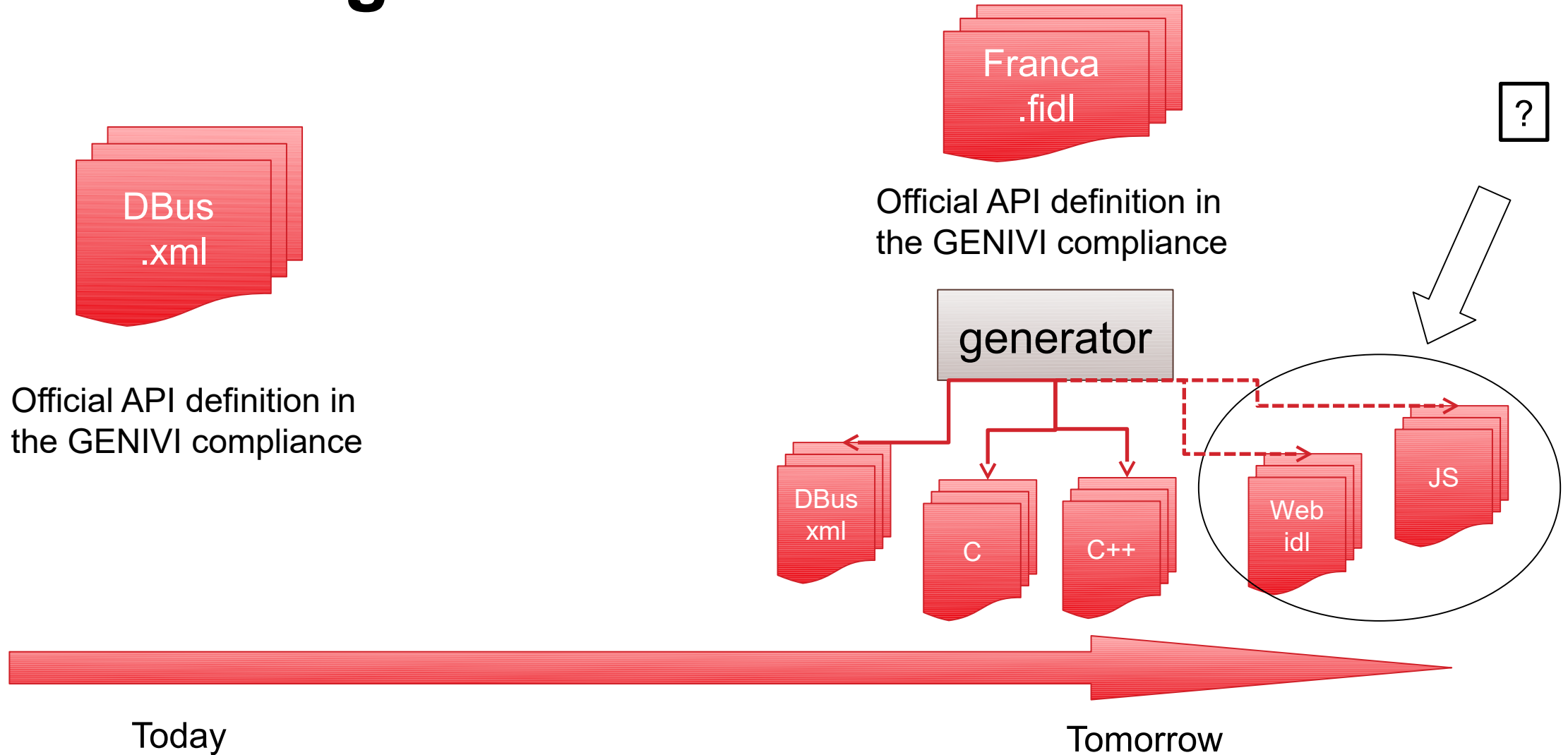
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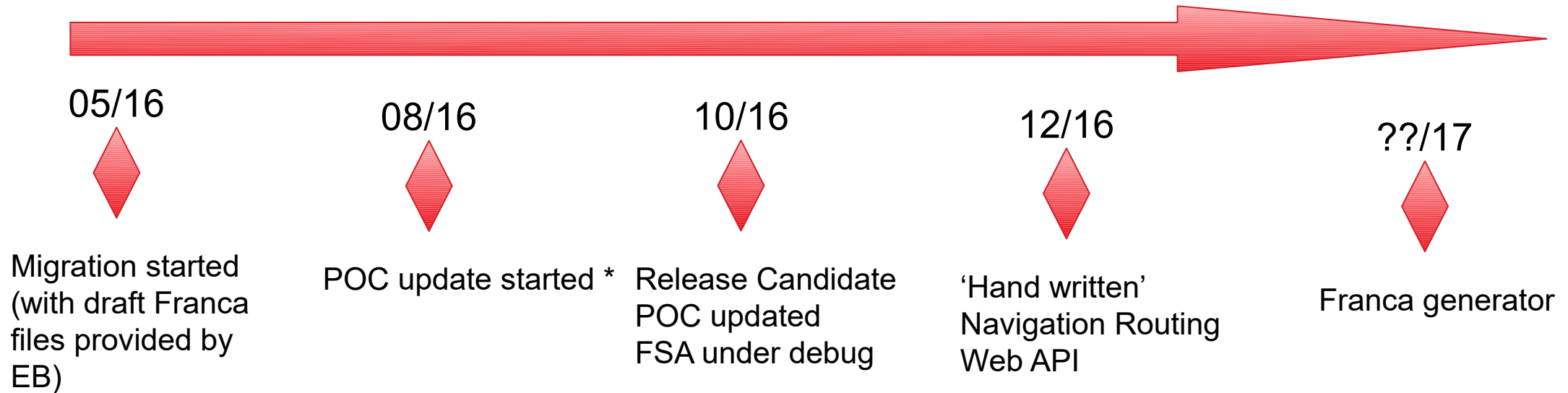
Purpose of the presentation

- To report on the Franca and Common API migration of the LBS-EG interfaces
- To give a status of the Navigation Web APIs
- To discuss about how to achieve the goal and to concretely complete the Web API

Reminder: goals



Statement of work



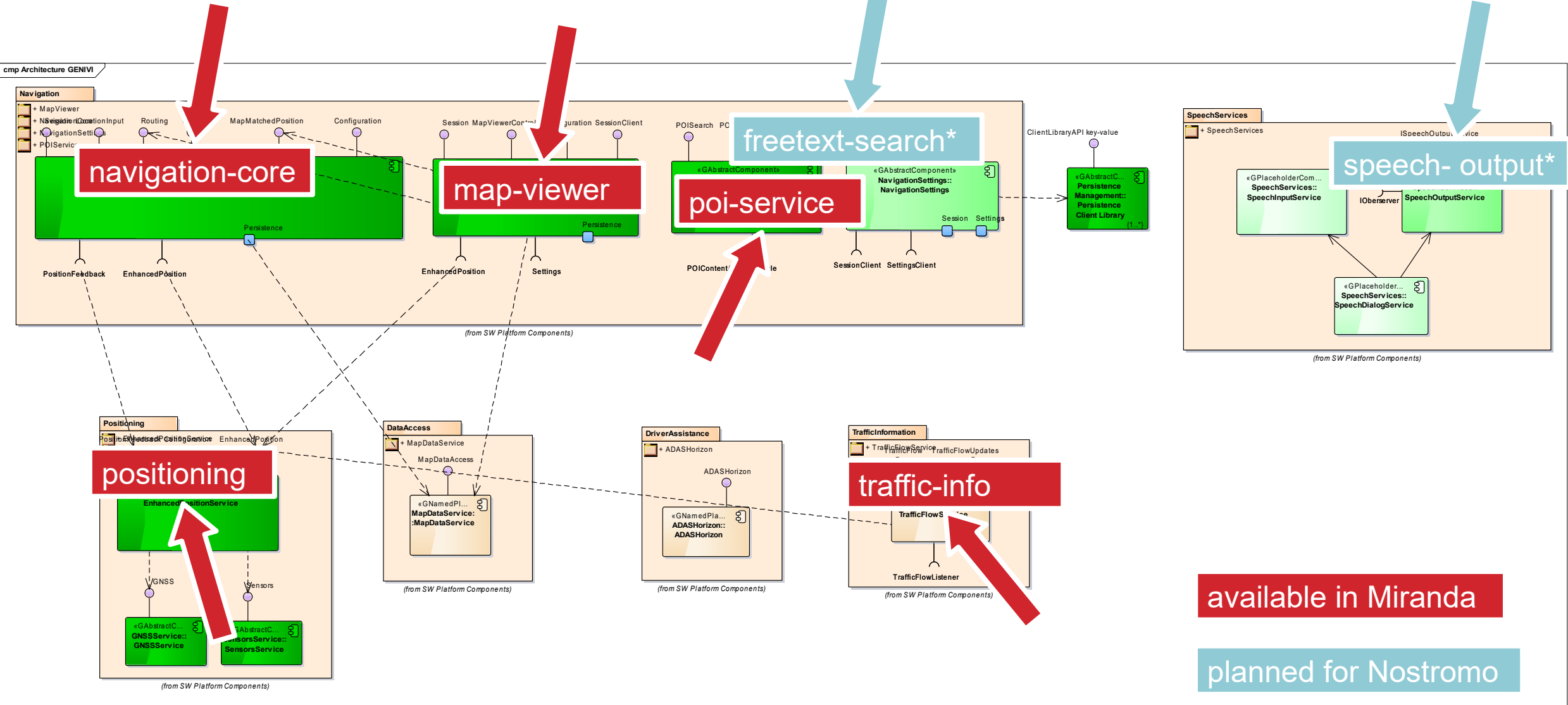
* As much as possible, the former DBus definition is aligned and the POC updated accordingly

Overview of the LBS APIs

Portfolio, available documentation...



Portfolio of interfaces



available in Miranda

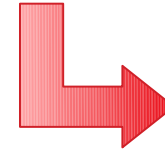
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Available documentation

IVI Navigation Web portal
<https://at.projects.genivi.org/wiki/display/NAV/IVI+Navigation+Home>



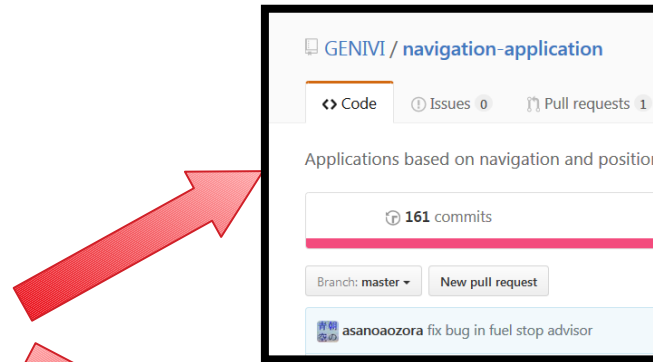
APIs, documentation and code of proof of concepts in GitHub



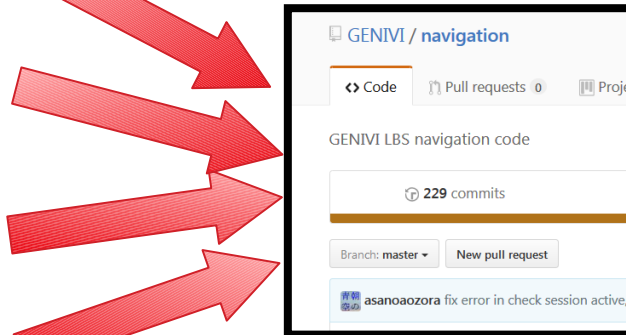
Change request management by Jira issues

Use cases and requirements into an UML model

Interface release and proof of concept



<https://github.com/GENIVI/navigation-application>
POC for navigation: client
Fuel Stop Advisor application



<https://github.com/GENIVI/navigation>
POC for navigation: server & test script
POC for POI search: server & client
POC for Traffic Incident: server & client
POC for Speech Output: server & client



<https://github.com/GENIVI/positioning>
POC for positioning: server & test script

Migration to Franca and CommonAPI, a feedback

Naming constraints, reserved keywords ...

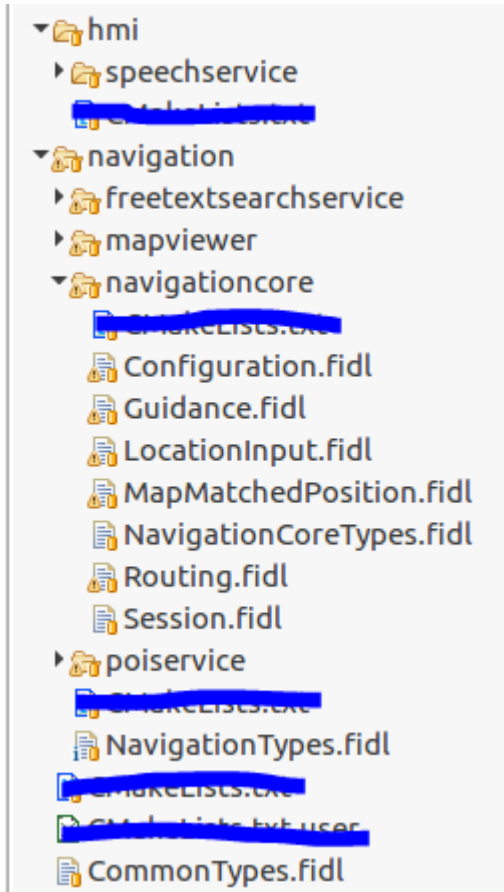
Versions

- Current versions used are:
 - Franca 0.9.1
 - Common API C++ and C++ DBus 3.1.5 v2
 - DBus patched 1.8.14
- Plan to move to the latest ones after the AMM

Overview of faced issues

- At API definition level:
 - Differences in naming conventions (camel case with capital letter first vs small letter first)
 - Propagation of comments
- At Common API implementation level (for DBus generation):
 - Refinement of the directory tree
 - One interface per file
 - Reserved names for Common API default methods

Directory tree



```
package org.genivi.navigation.navigationcore

import org.genivi.CommonTypes.* from "../CommonTypes.fidl"
import org.genivi.navigation.NavigationTypes.* from "../NavigationTypes.fidl"
import org.genivi.navigation.navigationcore.NavigationCoreTypes.* from "NavigationCoreTypes.fidl"

<*>
<@description : LocationInput = This interface offers functions that implement the location-input
*>

interface LocationInput {
    version {
        major 4
        minor 0
    }
}
```

Example of LocationInput.fidl

Reserved names

- In Common API:
 - ‘client’ is a reserved word, so it's not possible to use it for parameters, you got an error because of a conflicting declaration
 - For method names, the following ones are not allowed:
 - getAddress, isAvailable, isAvailableBlocking, getProxyStatusEvent, getInterfaceVersionAttribute
- Franca has also reserved names (see documentation)
- 'attributes' is a keyword in c++ --> result of Xtext check

Variant management in Common API DBus

```
enumeration WaypointElementType {
    LATITUDE           = 160
    LONGITUDE          = 161
    ALTITUDE           = 162
    LOCATION_INPUT     = 17
    WAYPOINT_TYPE      = 289
}

union WayPointItem {
    Double coordinateValue
    WayPointType waypointValue
    UInt8[] metaData
}

map WayPoint {
    WaypointElementType to WayPointItem
}
```

Franca

```
struct WaypointElementType : CommonAPI::Enumeration<int32_t> {
    enum Literal : int32_t {
        LATITUDE = 160,
        LONGITUDE = 161,
        ALTITUDE = 162,
        LOCATION_INPUT = 17,
        WAYPOINT_TYPE = 289
    };
};
```

```
typedef CommonAPI::Variant<double, WayPointType, std::vector<uint8_t>> WayPointItem;
```

Common API

index

```
template<class Visitor_, class Variant_>
struct ApplyVoidVisitor<Visitor_, Variant_> {
    static const uint8_t index = 0;

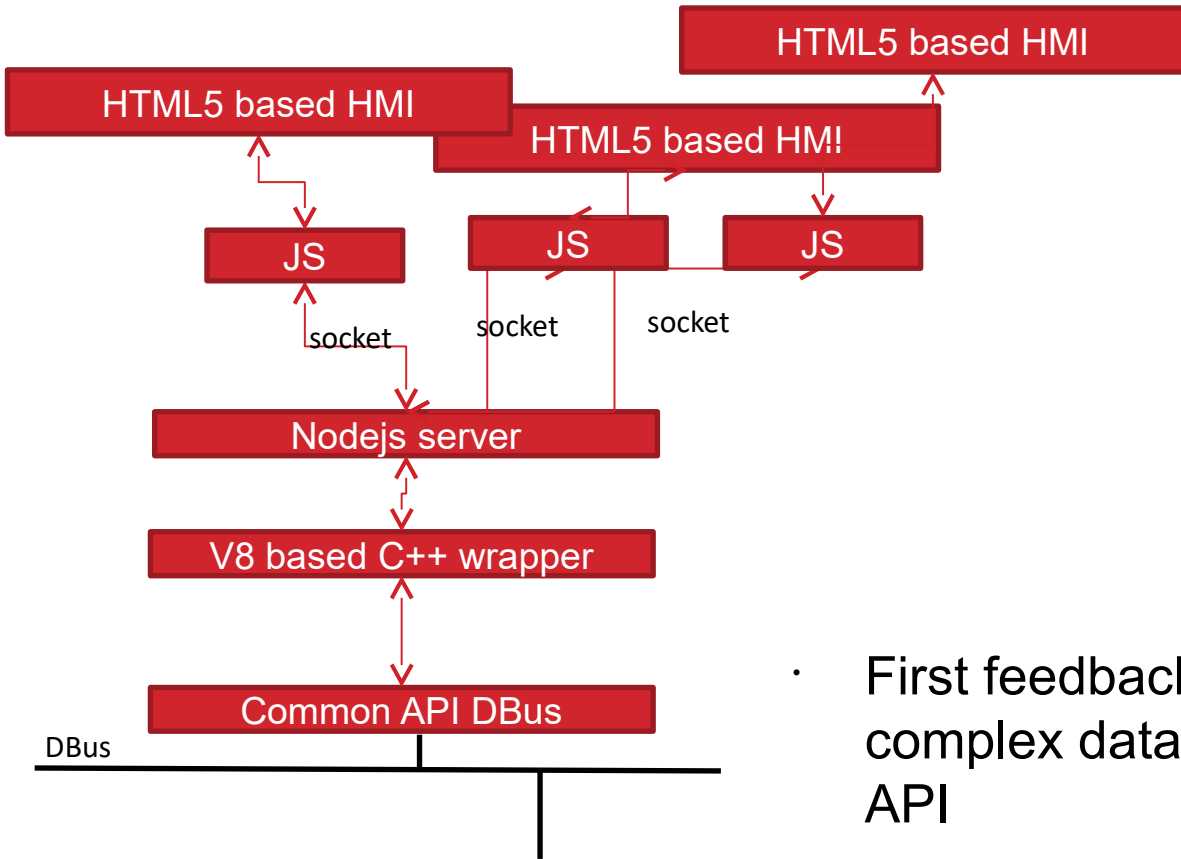
    static
    void visit(Visitor_ &, Variant_ &) {
        assert(false);
    }

    static
    void visit(Visitor_ &, const Variant_ &) {
        assert(false);
    }
};
```

Web APIs, expected deliveries

Data types limitations, method call, Web IDL ...

First investigation: node.js based POC



```

<method name="GetCategoriesDetails">
<doc>
<line>GetCategoriesDetails = This method retrieves the details associated to one or more POI
categories.</line>
<line>It contains the name, the parent categories, the top level attribute, the list of attributes, the
icons, ... .</line>
</doc>
<arg name="categories" type="au" direction="in">
<doc>
<line>list of categories =
enum(INVALID,ALL_CATEGORIES,AIRPORT,RESTAURANT,HOTEL,GAZ_STATION,CAR_PARK,
..)</line>
<line>Note: A POI category is a unique ID. It could be a predefined category or a custom one defined
by a POI plug-in.</line>
</doc>
</arg>
<arg name="results" type="a((uau(yv)sbs(yv))a(usia(is(yv)))a(us))" direction="out">
<doc>
<line>results = array[details, attributeList, sortOptions]</line>

```

Example of complex data type:
Dbus signature extract

- First feedback: key point is to manage complex data types of the GENIVI API
- JSON encapsulation to serialize data could be a good solution

Franca to generate Web stuff

