



## **SemTalk – Modelling Platform based on Microsoft Visio and Microsoft SharePoint**

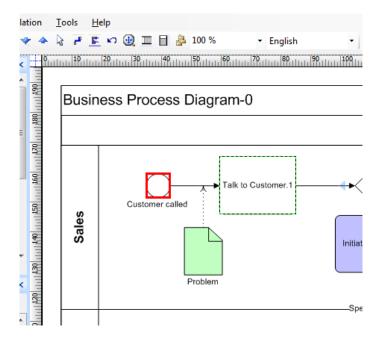
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#### What is SemTalk?

- SemTalk extends Visio by an integrated XML database
- Business Process Modeling with SemTalk
  - As easy to use as Visio, but supporting additional logic
  - Many modeling methods (BPMN, EPC, PROMET, Flow Chart, CSA ...)
  - Import of Visio diagrams
  - HTML Generator, MS Office Export, MS Project, simulator, reporting, multilingual models
  - Easy to customize to specific needs
  - Compatible, Microsoft-based alternative
- Knowledge Modeling/Ontology Editing with Visio
  - Glossaries and ontologies following W3C's recommendations (OWL, "Semantic Web")
  - Used for EAI, Portals, Knowledge Management, Product Modeling, MS-Office Documents,
    Data Warehouse Metadata Modeling
  - Integration with Business Process Modeling

#### SemTalk and Visio

- Modeling processes with SemTalk is as simple as drawing a Flow Chart with Visio:
  - Drag a shape on the drawing area, rename it and connect it. No complicated dialogs at all.
  - SemTalk maintains consistency in the background:
    - The same objects on multiple shapes or pages
    - Deletion and renaming
    - Use of the connector tool for every link
    - Navigation to different pages
    - IDEF Numbering of process steps
    - Search
  - All sophisticated features of Visio can still be used



- Modeling processes with SemTalk is even simpler than using plain Visio:
  - SemTalk optimizes Visio for Business Process Modeling:
    - Only those menu entries are visible, which are needed for this task
    - User-defined attributes are specified on objects instead of shapes
  - Model-Explorer and Property Window

## **Typical Customer Scenario**

#### International Company

- Cross-border standardization of processes, e.g. Sales
- Implementation of a common IT solution, e.g. SAP

#### Business Process Modeling

- Concept for an x-tier modeling architecture
- Up to now PowerPoint, Visio and Word or non-Microsoft BPM-Tool
- Existing guidelines for modeling and models, e.g. compliance
- about 50 High-End Modelers, 500 Low-End Modelers, 1000+ Viewers on a global scale

#### Challenges

- Reducing modeling efforts
  - · With better communication
  - reuse
  - Using SAP reference models, if available
  - · Automatic translation
- Better acceptance of models in operating departments
- Reports in order to support the implementation of the IT solution
- Acceptable invest in Tool infrastructure and training



## **Customer Scenario Hamburg Port Authority (HPA)**

 Hamburg port among the 20 biggest ports of the world (container, passenger and general cargo)

#### HPA:

- Infrastructure, financing and organizational tasks for Hamburg port
- 1900 employees
- Process Modeling at HPA:
  - Process Management Group (3 people) in Service Department acting as in-house coach for process management topics
  - Process modeling as one central subject in process management
  - Definition of several seminars where departments are taught how to do process management using SemTalk
  - Departments model themselves, Process Management Group acts as coach and quality assurance
  - Visio 2010/SemTalk as process editor (BPMN subset), SharePoint 2010 as model DMS and modeling repository
  - Tool decision in May 2010 after selection process of 20 tools
  - Project start in July 2010, productive after 10 days
  - First modeling results in August/September 2010 (30 modelers this year, more to come next year)



#### **Necessary components of the Microsoft Office System**

#### Microsoft Visio

- Development of FlowCharts, OrgCharts and other kinds of drawings
- Easy to use
- Notation can be adapted to customer's needs
- Visualization of data (e.g. from SAP) inside the process drawing

#### Microsoft SharePoint

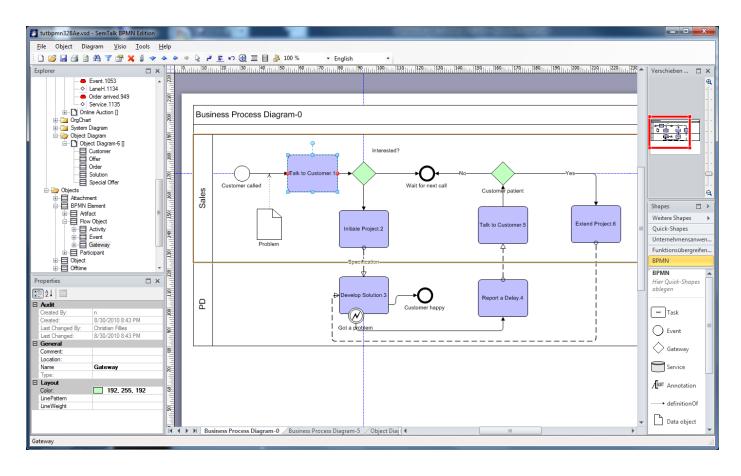
- Collaboration platform for development of documents and process models
- Document Management with user rights, versioning, Check-In, Check-Out, approval workflows etc.
- Management of Meta-Data, e.g. Process Owner, validity and others
- Repository for modeling elements using SharePoint lists
- => management of structured and unstructured data
- Portal infrastructure for an intranet presentation adequate to the target audience

#### SemTalk

- Consistency of model elements in Visio, complying to modeling guidelines
- Consistency and reuse of applied concepts and terms (Repository)
- Model elements can be managed in SharePoint (e.g. roles, positions)
- Interfaces to e.g. SAP content, MS Word, MS Excel
- Connections to detail models and documents also in SharePoint
- Reports, Variants, multi-language models

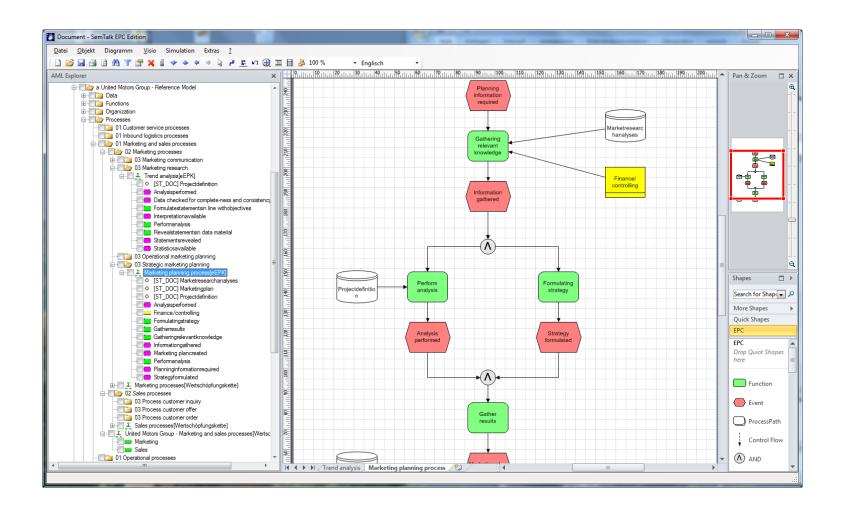


## **BPMN Modelling**

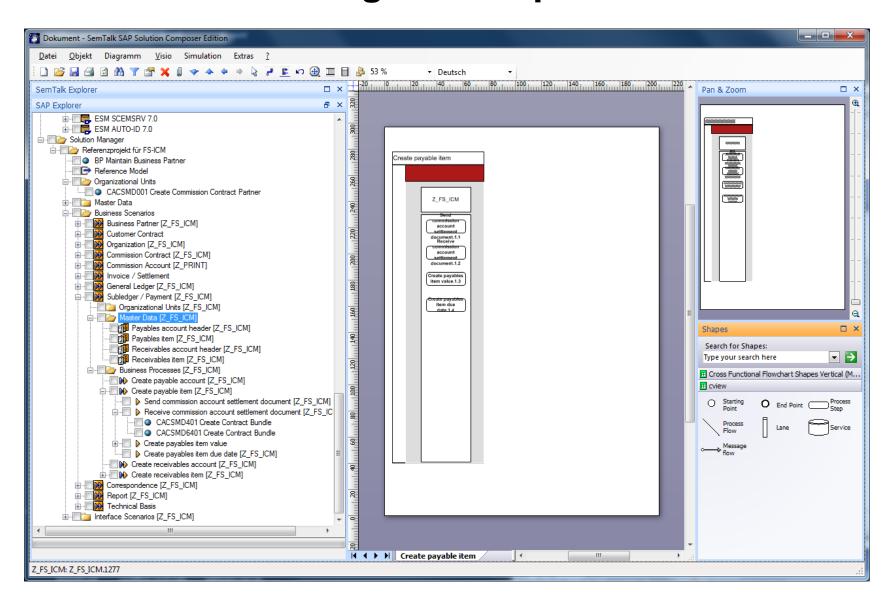


- BPEL for BizTalk
- XAML for Sharepoint

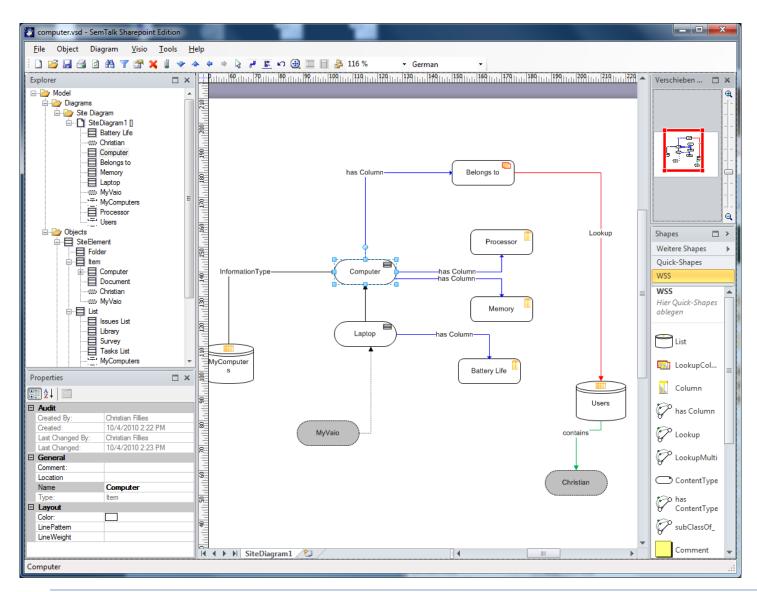
#### **EPC** with ARIS Interface



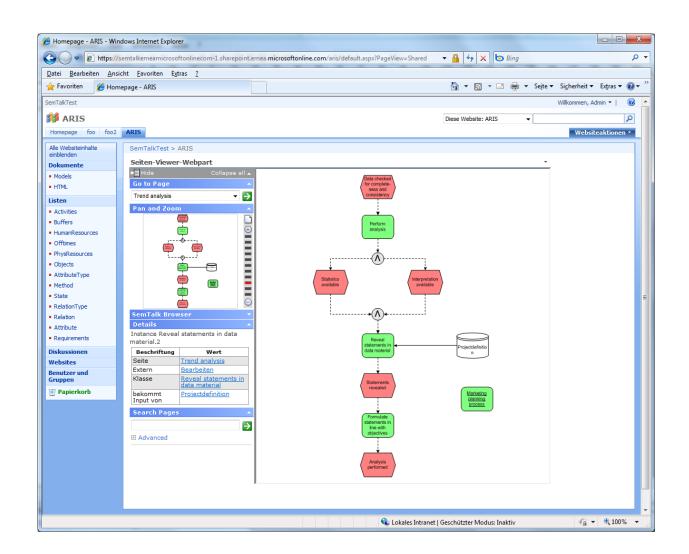
## **SAP Solution Manager / Composer / ESR**



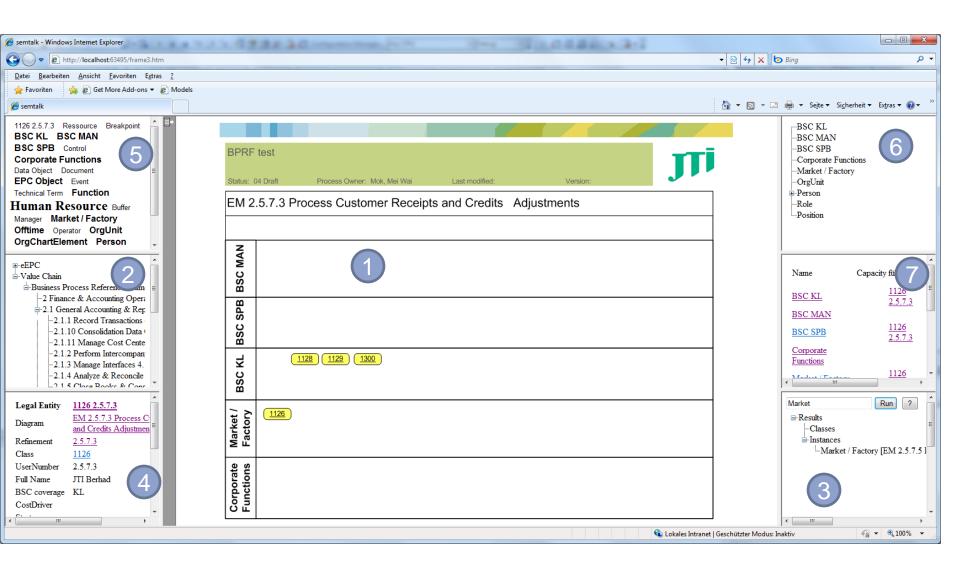
#### SiteBuilder: A Case Tool for SharePoint



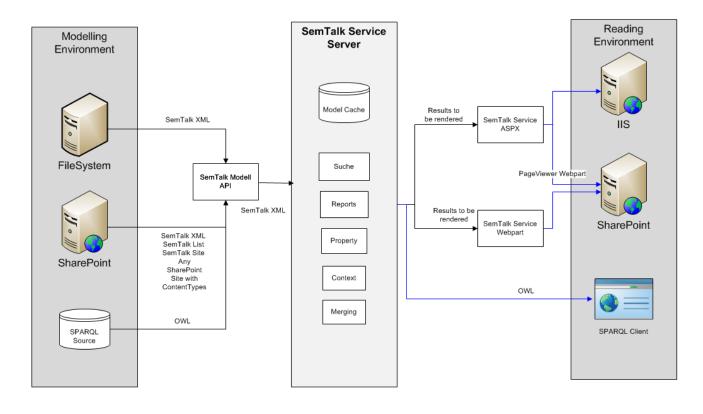
## **Process Portal in Sharepoint**



### **SemTalk Services in HTML-Frameset**

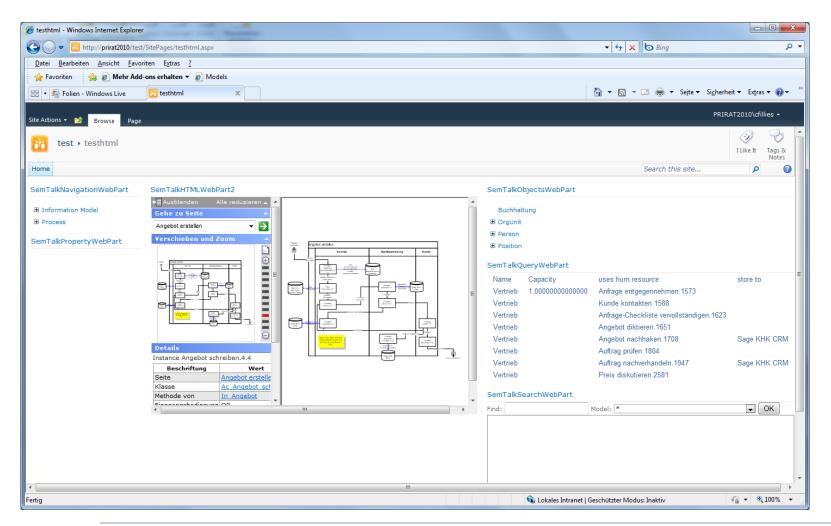


#### **SemTalk Services Architecture**

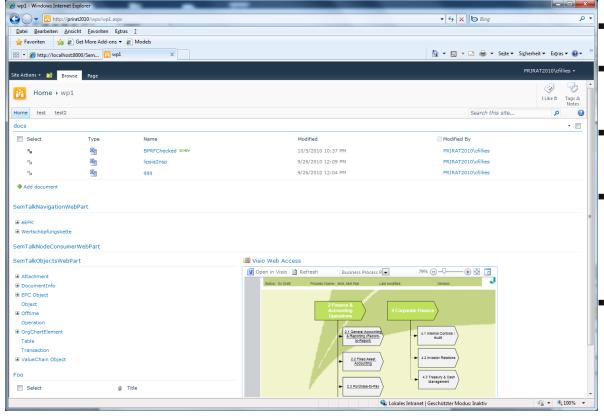


- SemTalk Model API, SemTalk Server and SemTalk Service ASPX can be distributed to separate IIS
- Currently we are running all three components together on a 200€ PC
- Virtual PC is also possible
- Prerequisite: Windows Communication Foundation on the server
- 600 heterogeneous models in the cache require less than 1 GB of RAM

# SemTalk Services using SemTalk HTML in a Webpart

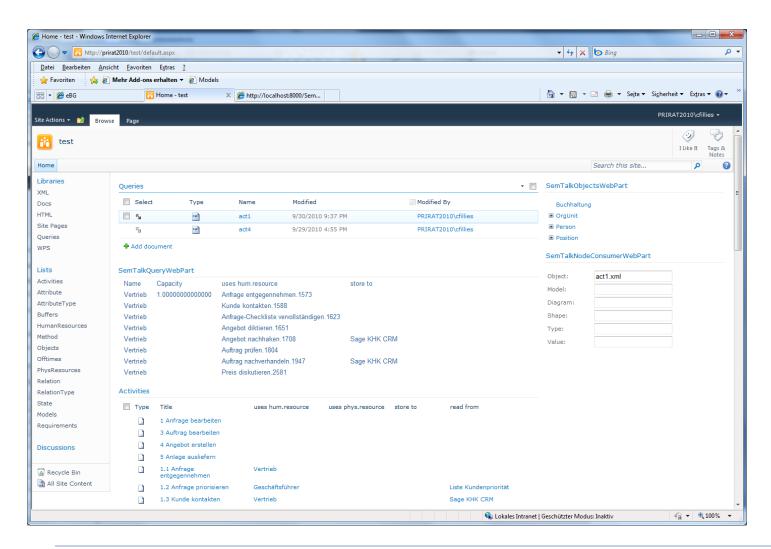


# SemTalk Services in SharePoint Web Parts using Visio Services



- A Web Part for each service
- Users can specify their (personal) UI
- Users can connect Web Parts without frames
- SemTalk Web Parts may be used as filters for SharePoint lists (especially those filled up by SemTalk)
- Visio Services may be used instead of HTML
  - No HTML Generation needed anymore

## Filtering Std-Web Parts



#### **WP7 Clients**





#### **USPs**

- Notations can be customized easily to match the customers requirement
- 10% of TCO compared to other BPM Suites, but very rich functionality
- SemTalk uses Visio Documents as primary document format
  - All features of Visio incl. SharePoint can be used: Visio is in the focus of the customer
  - All other Visio BPM solutions generate just some drawings: Visio is not in the focus of the customer.
- SemTalk uses SharePoint as Collaboration Platform
  - Most global customers already have started deploying SharePoint
  - If the do not have SharePoint, a SemTalk Process Portal will be a good starting point
- SemTalk uses SharePoint as a Repository
  - Every SharePoint list (such s SOX Controls) may be integrated in any model
  - All SemTalk objects may be stored and maintained in SharePoint lists

#### **Semtation GmbH**

- Tool development and sales of Visio based SemTalk since 2001, in the subject since 1989, Microsoft Gold Certified Partner
- Current offerings:
  - Modeling tool SemTalk
  - Training
  - Implementation support
  - Customization of SemTalk
- SemTalk Scenarios of our customers (e.g. Bayer or Vattenfall) or our consulting partners with SharePoint Process Portal can be found at: <u>customer solutions 09</u> or <u>customer solutions 08</u>
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