1 Overview

The Organizational Unit Manager is used to handle Organizational Units and their relations. There are two types of relations between the Organizational Units:

1. Organizational Unit structure

Organizational Units are hierarchically organized:

- Each Organizational Unit may have one or more subunits.
- An Organizational Unit may be subordinated to only one Organizational Unit.

2. Organizational Unit history

There is no limitation in the depth of the organizational Structure.

Every Organizational Unit is identified in the eSciDoc system by an internal system identifier (ID) and optionally by a persistent identifier (PID). Every Organizational Unit will be described in the system with a set of properties.

In the area Organizational Unit structure there will be services, which support creation, persistent identification, updating, retrieval of Organizational Units and their structures, changing of the status of an Organizational Unit, creating and storage of external Organizational Units.

In the area Organizational Units History there will be services, which support creation of relations between Organizational Units which give information on the organizational structure changes in the past.

The access to all services will be allowed only for authorized user.

For the **first release** the Organizational Unit Manager (OUM) offers some services. There are services, which provide retrieval of Organizational Units via ID, retrieval of a list of Organizational Units, navigation between Organizational Units.