DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WEBSERVICE AND API

- All webservices are API
- It supports xml
- You need a soap protocol to send and receive the network so therefore it does not have a lightweight architecture
- It can be used by client who understand xml
- Webservices uses 3 styles : rest , soap and xml-rpc for communication
- http protocol (it provide support)

API

- All Api are not web service
- Api has lightweight architecture
- It can be used by client who understand both json and xml
- Api can use any style of communication
- https protocol : url request and response etc