Palveluväylä is Finnish version of X-road. Kansallinen palveluväylä, Finnish data exchange layer is part of a bigger entity that is called the National Architecture for Digital Services (Kansallinen palveluarkkitehtuuri).

**National Architecture for Digital Services including:**

- ✔ data exchange layer
- ✔ digital identity (eID and authorization)
- ✔ service views for citizens, companies and civil servants.

Finland is taking its first steps with the National Architecture for Digital Services and X-road will be a big part of that. At the moment Finland has not had too much experiences with the X-road but the co-operation with Estonia has started with open and frank dialogue and the first steps has been promising.

The year 2014 is very important for the National Architecture for Digital Services program and during this year big concrete steps towards the implementation will be taken.

The aim is to make data exchange between organizations as easy as possible and provide infrastructure for new digital services and solutions.

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**PALVELUVÄYLÄ**

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**STEPS TO PALVELUVÄYLÄ**

- **JANUARY 2013**
  - Report “21 paths to Frictionless Finland” was published by Ministry of Employment and the Economy. This report categorized the building of the National Architecture for Digital Services as critical.
  - Finland and Estonia had ongoing discussions on political and civil servant levels, which resulted Estonia granting Finnish Ministry of Finance rights to X-road solution.
  - A project, based on the report, for the architecture plan of the Finnish data exchange layer by Ministry of Finance was finished.

- **OCTOBER 2013**
  - The Finnish government agreed on a structural reform programme where the National Architecture for Digital Services was included.
  - Cabinet Committee on Economic Policy decided that the data exchange layer will be implemented based on Estonian X-road solution without delay in a cost effective manner and in full co-operation with Estonia.

- **FALL 2013**
  - Preparations by Ministry of Finance lead to opening of development as a test bed for Finnish organizations as a part of the data exchange layer implementation.

- **NOVEMBER 2013**

- **21 MARCH 2014**

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