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Prototyping Forecasting e- Learning Platform

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Aim of this study

This study aims to provide forecasting education to a wide range of users taking advantage of new technologies and distance learning.

Way to achieve it

Through a open source learning platform, which is single robust, secure and integrated system, suitable to create personalized learning environments.





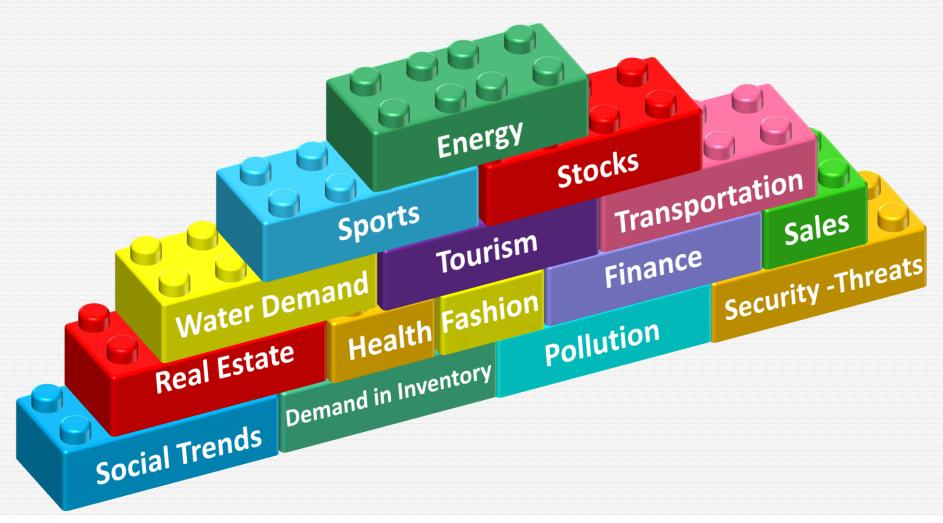
Basic Idea

Forecasting – Educated User **Application Fields of Forecasting Attractive** Information about forecasting





Application Fields of Forecasting







Basic Idea

moodle

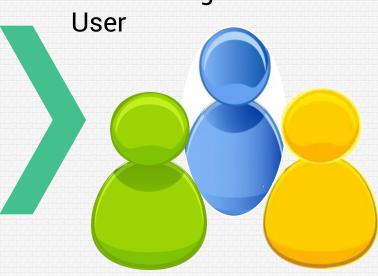
Application Fields of Forecasting



Attractive



Forecasting – Educated



Problem solving – forecast

- Interesting storyline
- Clear mission & guidelines
- Pedagogical criteria

Target Group:

- Internet User
- Mathematical Background
- Interest in Forecasting





About moodle

- Moodle is primarily developed in Linux using Apache, MySQL & PHP
- An Open Source Initiative
- IMS LTI™ Certified
- SCORM-ADL compliant
- Built for learning, globally (68 language)
- Highly flexible and fully customizable, easy to use
- Robust, secure and private, backed by a strong community

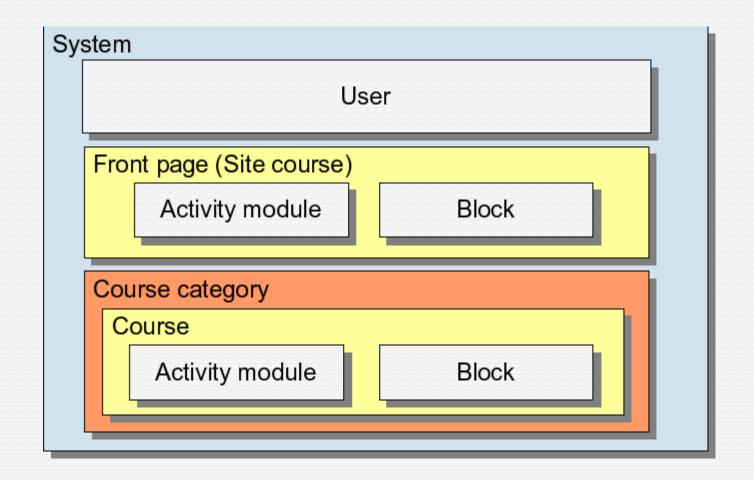
LOW HARDWARE & SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

- An operating system
- Web server
- PHP min 5.3.2
- A database (MySQL, MSSQL, etc)
- Browser for accessing Moodle

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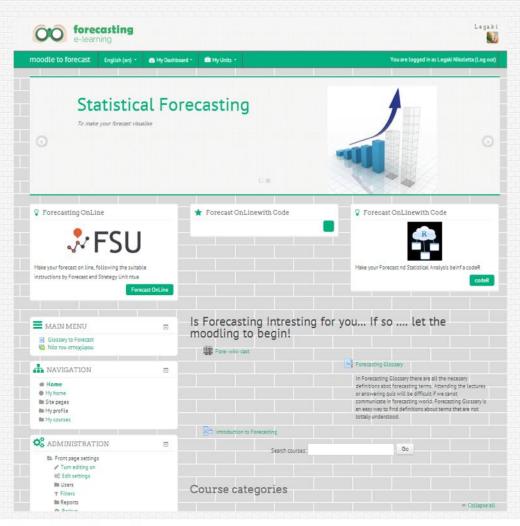
Moodle-contexts







Moodle - forecasting contexts FRONT PAGE



Front Page

- Fields of Application
- Connection with R
- Connection with webbased forecast of FSU
- About initiative
- Personal Dashboards

Front Page Blocks

- Forecasting Glossary
- Forecasting Wiki
- Forecasting Forum
- Forecasting News
- Calendar





Moodle - forecasting contexts

Categories

Field of application of forecasting

Courses

- Get informed
- Get trained
- Get involved

Blocks

- Chat
- Forum
- Quiz

Roles

- Administrator
- Expert
- Forecaster per Application Field of Forecasting
- Junior Forecaster per Application Field of Forecasting
- Student per Application Field of Forecasting
- Guest

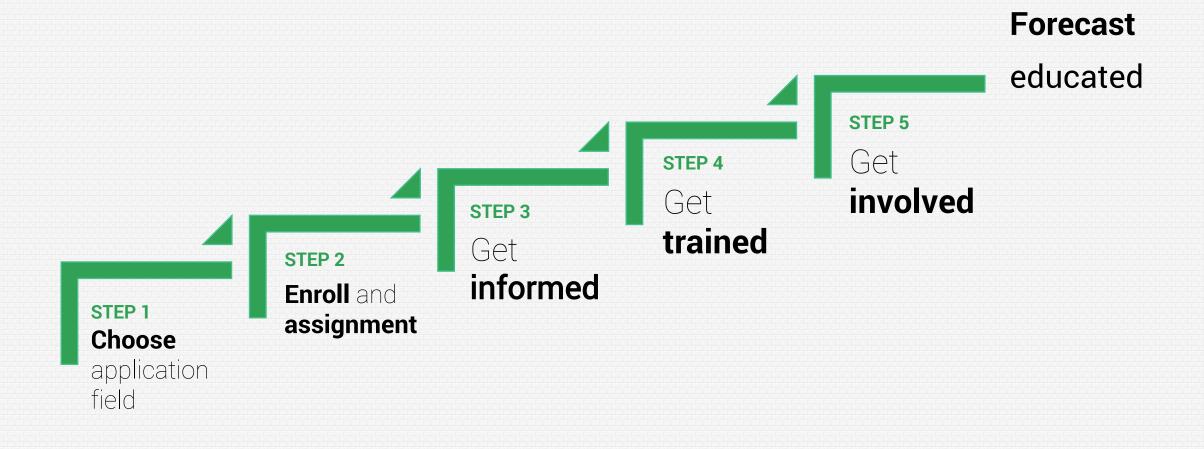
Education – STEPS TO FORECAST

- STEP 1: Problem definition.
- STEP 2: Gathering information.
- STEP 3: Preliminary (exploratory) analysis.
- STEP 4: Choosing and fitting models.
- STEP 5: Using and evaluating a forecasting model.





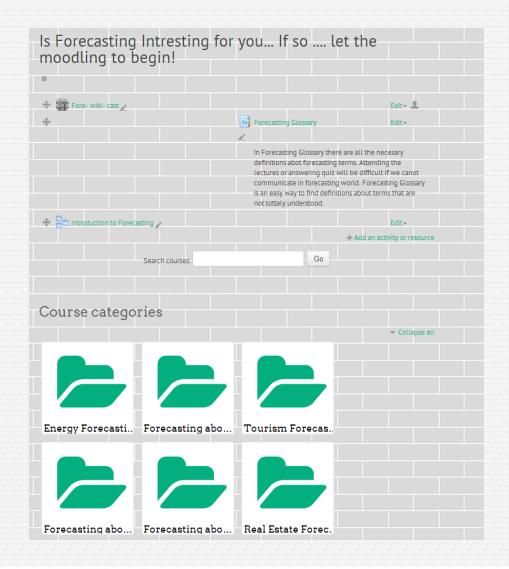
Moodle – ing to forecast step by step

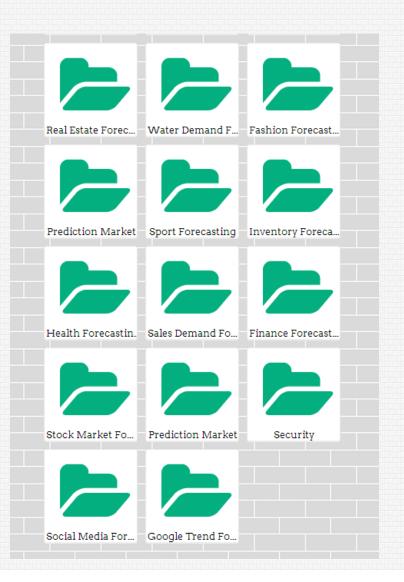






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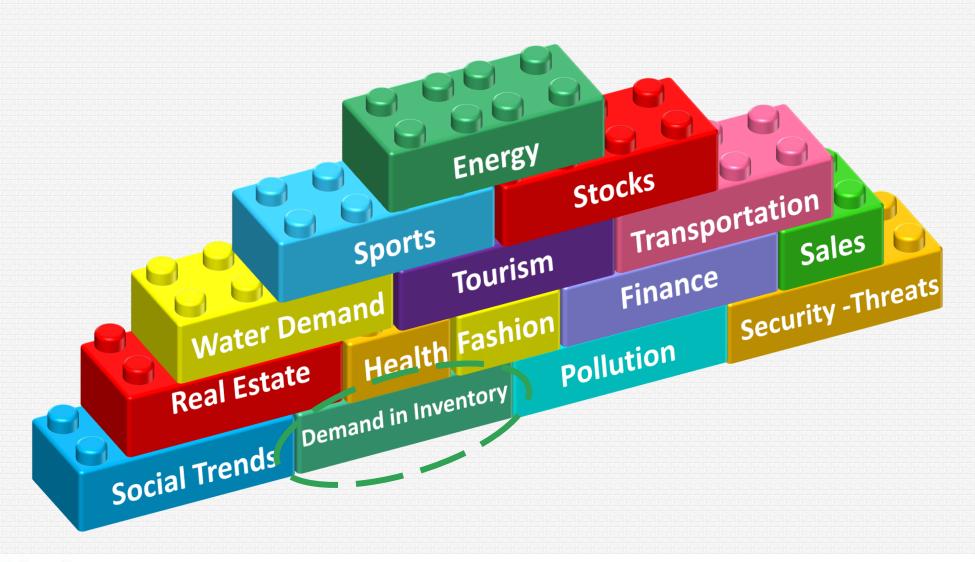








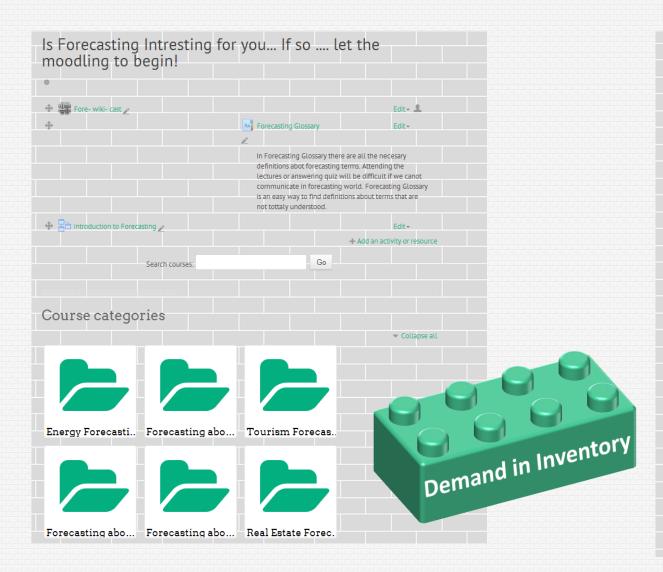
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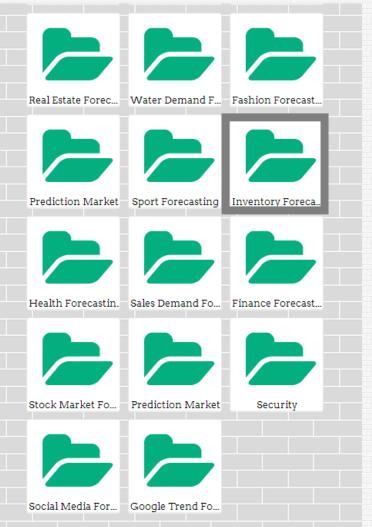






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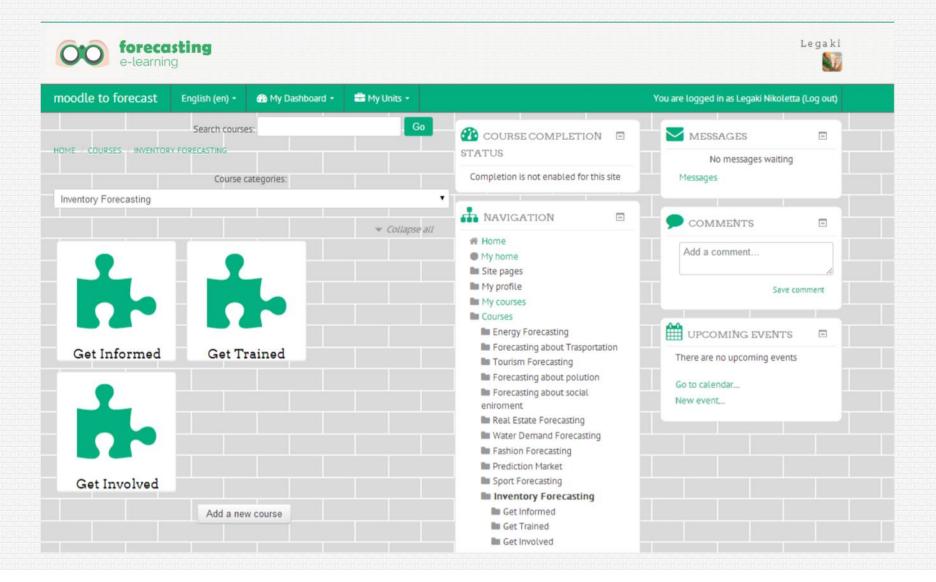






Enroll and assignment







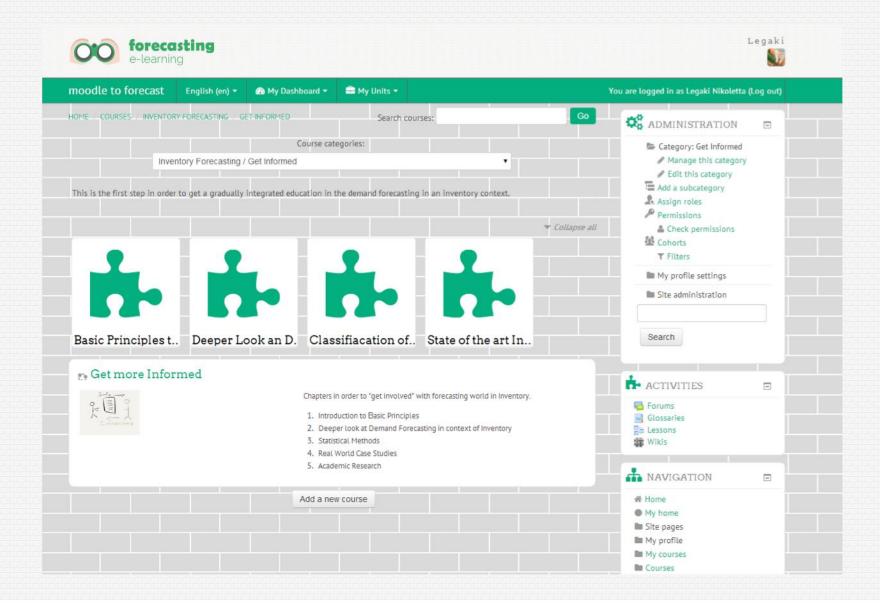


Get informed



Get Informed

- Basic Principles
- Deeper Look at Forecasting
- Classification of SKUs
- State of the art
 - Commercial case studies –
 Software
 - Academic Research

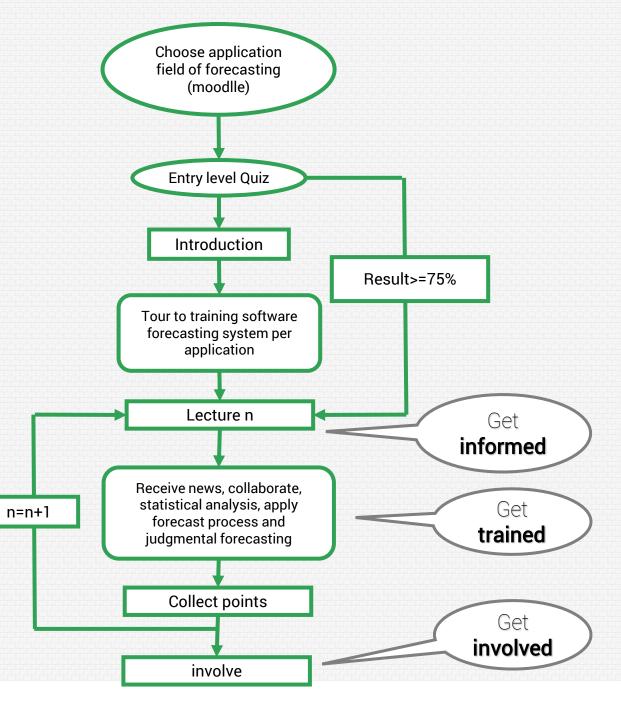






Get trained





Tips

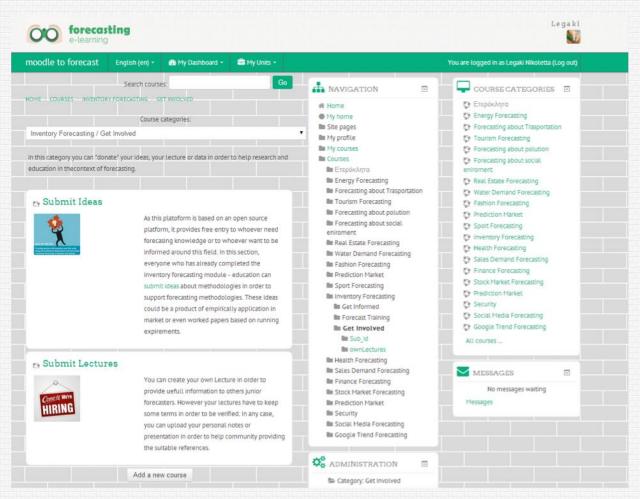
- n=6, six weeks lessons
- Collect points to get involved





Get involved





Get Involved

- Submit Ideas
- Submit Lectures



Depending on the points – credits that a user has





Key points - Conclusions

Education Process Application Fields of forecasting o forecasting e-learning **Gaming**



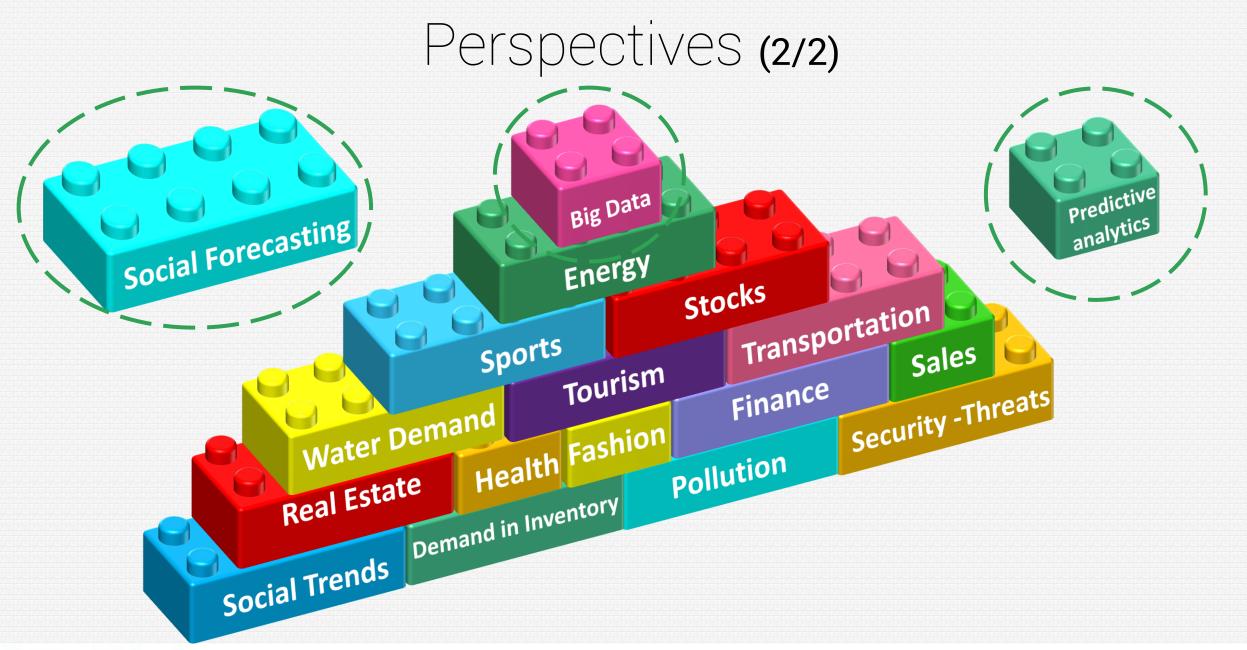


Perspectives (1/2)

- Integration of the platform
- Implementation and evaluation of the game in education
- Participation of post graduate and under graduate students
- Feedback
- Growth of forecasting community
- Evaluation of the study
- Collaboration between universities
- Implementation of all fields with the most "fashionable" ones











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Q&A

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