

**Local Authority Portal** 

## e-Government reaches all Spanish municipalities

**15 June 2012**. The Ministry of Finance and Public Administrations, through the State Secretariat for Public Administrations, is helping to ensure that e-Government is available to all Spanish municipalities according to the Director General of Administrative Modernisation, Procedures and the Promotion of e-Government, Ester Aritmendi, during the *Working Conference on Opportunities for Modernisation and Efficiency*, held today at the Spanish Federation of Municipalities and Provinces (FEMP).

The Directorate General of Administrative Modernisation, Procedures and the Promotion of e-Government has launched the <u>Local Authority Portal</u> (<a href="https://ssweb.mpt.es/ayuda/consulta/eell">https://ssweb.mpt.es/ayuda/consulta/eell</a>), which will enable the General State Administration to communicate electronically with the 8,116 municipalities, 49 provincial and island councils, and other authorities that form part of the local administration, registered in the Register of Local Authorities.

It is a free and comprehensive portal through which each entity can manage the integrated applications and services offered to them through 'cloud computing' via the SARA network. Its launch means that the General State Administration will be able to communicate with local authorities and vice versa using applications and services specifically designed for local authorities, both for use between administrations and for services with citizens.

Making the General State Administration's electronic administration services (websites, virtual offices, e-mail, digital signature service and electronic processing, digital signature, etc...) available to local authorities

in a collective manner via the Cloud will put an end to discrimination at a local level, with local authorities sometimes unable to offer these services, while at the same time improving services available to citizens, saving costs and increasing the efficiency of the administration