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USAGE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY IN REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCING: ITALIAN EXPERIENCE

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Civil law systems has two main features in the real estate sector

- ✓ Real estate publicity based on Public Register, reliable and accessible to all
- ✓ Mandatory involvement of a notary in real estate conveyancing

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Notaries are representatives of the State to ensure the public service of effectiveness and authenticity of contracts and evidence.

This independent activity is exercised under the form of a profession, but subject to the oversight of the State.

In the field of real estate, notary's consulting role extends to all aspects of the transaction and includes full liability for any errors that compromise client's purchase

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Notarial duty satisfies the double purpose of

- **providing secure agreements** and effective deeds that comply with legal provisions
- **granting legal reliability to the data entries** in Public Register: reliability of the informations in registers depend entirely on adequate verification prior to entry

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Regarding first purpose, there's no convenience using electronic documents: parties have to appear before the notary to sign the deed

electronic instruments don't make it faster
thus
the deed is printed and signed on paper

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Regarding second purpose, electronic technology provides a huge improvement in efficiency of Public Register

Electronic Public Register can be

- easily accessed to retrieve informations on property titles and mortgages
- easily and fast updated by notaries maintaining a high level of legal security and reliability

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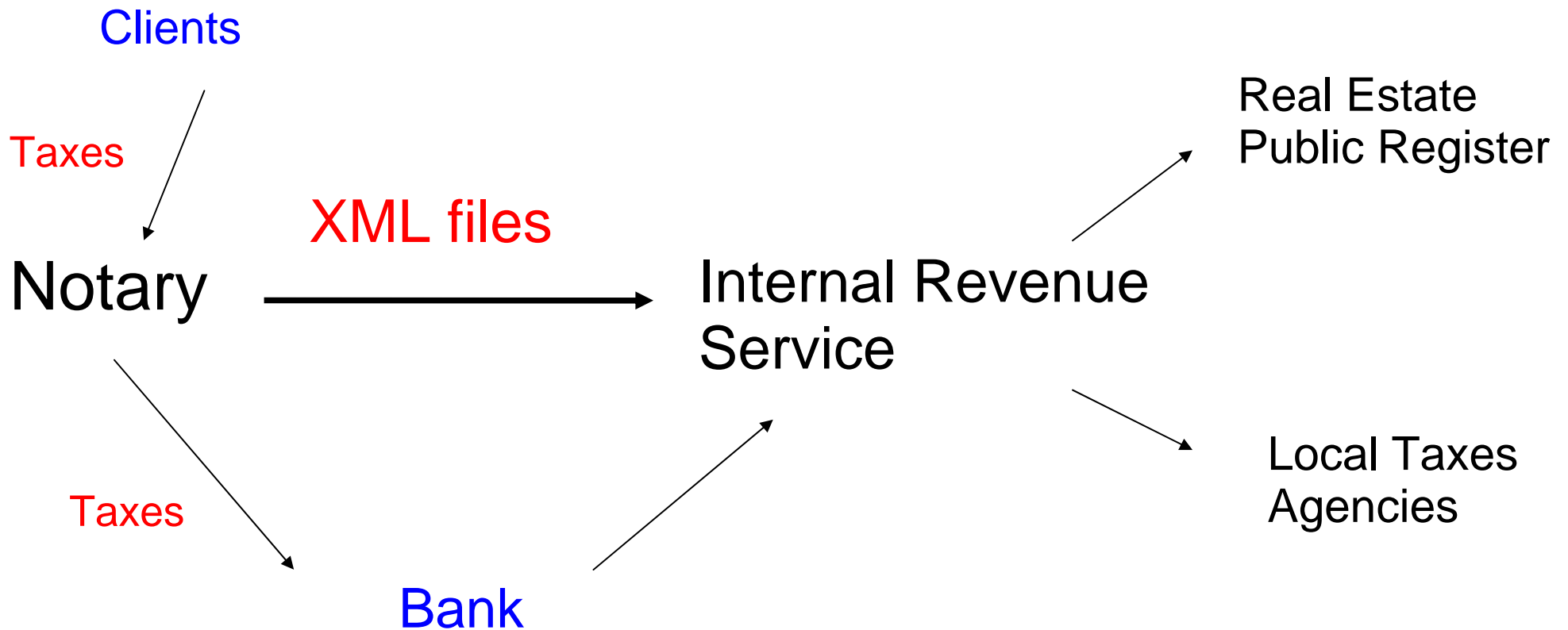
Italian notaries don't create electronic deeds but
electronic copies of deeds
that allow rapid and secure transmission of related
data to Public Registers:
Real Estate Register and Companies Register

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Administrations and Agencies pick up just the
data they need



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XML files are digitally signed, but verification of signer's identity is not enough: to enter data in Real Estate Public Register, the sender must be a notary

Attribute certification is needed: our solution is a Flat Certification Authority

The Consiglio Nazionale del Notariato is a CA whose policy specifies that digital certificates are issued only to notaries currently in office

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With our Certification Authority, digital verification confirms, at the same time:

- the document's integrity
- the signer's identity
- the signer's office as a Notary

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At the site <http://ca.notariato.it> you can verify every file signed by an Italian notary or even only check if a digital certificate is valid and, so far, not revoked

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Benefits of the e-conveyancing system

the State Administrations

- do not need to enter the data in their systems (huge spending cut)
- have no responsibility for the data entered and their legal qualification (the task is entirely up to the Civil Law Notaries)

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