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(57) Abstract

A computer system (10) for offering property for exchange over a computer network (i.e. such as the Internet), the property being offered for exchange by Exchangers to Exchangees using web browsers (20, 22) or WAP phone (24). The system including a Master database (12) for storage of information pertaining to the property, the Master database (12) being located on at least one Master server which can be accessed by one of the browsers of an Exchangee. The system further including an agent databases (14, 16 and 18) which store information pertaining to property offered for exchange by a particular Exchanger. The Agent server accesses the Master server so as to transfer information stored on the Agent database, to the Master database. The computer system also includes an exchange management program adapted to record in the Master and/or Agent database, information relating to the stages of exchange of property between the Exchanger and the Exchangees, lower case wherein the Exchangees access the Master server and request particular information from the Master database pertaining to the property and in which information relating to the stages of exchange of property between the Exchanger and the Exchangee is recorded in the Master and/or Agent databases so as to facilitate the exchange.

