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## Discovering services

Discovering services is a feature of **AwareIM** that automatically downloads into a [business space](#) the definition of [services](#) provided by an [intelligent business object](#). This works only for business objects that communicate via the [SOAP channel](#), a standard web communication protocol. Discovering services is much easier than having to enter the definitions by hand. Besides, it eliminates potential errors related to manual data entry.

This feature is particularly useful when establishing communication between two business spaces maintained by the same or different **Aware IM** installations. One of these business spaces will include an intelligent business object that represents the other business space and communicates via the [SOAP channel](#). Discovering the services of the intelligent object will automatically add the definitions of the services, [service input](#) and [service replies](#) into the business space.

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