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Title:	* [WFS/FES SWG] WFS 2.0, GetFeatureById, exception codes and HTTP status cod
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Category:	* C (Functional modification of feature)
Reason for change:	* There are a few surprising things in the WFS 2.0 spec regarding the exception codes and HTTP status codes. When a GetFeatureById request fails to retrieve a feature because the provided ID has no match, the invokeGetFeatureByIdWithUnknownID() test of the CITE WFS suite expects a OperationProcessingFailed exception to be returned, and currently tests that the the HTTP status code is 403 (following Table D.2 of the WFS spec) or 404. In that case, OperationProcessingFailed doesn't seem to be an appropriate exception code. There's technically no processing error (if the request is translated to a SQL request, then it is just an empty result). Should not it be introduced a NotFound exception code that would map to "404 Not Found" ? An alternative would be to return an empty <FeatureCollection> document and no error. It is indeed a bit strange that a GetFeatureById returns an exception while a GetFeature request with a RESOURCEID returns an empty <FeatureCollection> In other cases where OperationProcessingFailed would be emitted, should not it be mapped to "500 Internal Server Error". For 2 reasons :

	- In http://www.w3.org/Protocols/rfc2616/rfc2616-sec10.html the phrase for 403 is "Forbidden", but an <code>OperationProcessingFailed</code> has little to do with Forbidden - The HTTP reason phrase in Table D.2 for <code>OperationProcessingFailed</code> is "Server processing failed". But server errors in HTTP should be in the 5XX range, not 4XX. There are a few other oddities : - <code>OperationNotSupported</code> is currently mapped to "400 Not Implemented". Shouldn't it be mapped to "501 Not Implemented" ? - Same for <code>OptionNotSupported</code> - <code>LockHasExpired</code> is mapped to 403, which is also surprising. Shouldn't it be mapped to 400 like done for <code>InvalidLockId</code> ?
Summary of change: ⓘ	* Review codes to make sure that they are appropriate for the exception being raised as per the HTTP standard.
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