

# What is the EGEE project?

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This presentation includes slides and information from many colleagues in EGEE.

### Goals of talk



- To give an orientation to the next 2 days
- To explain why EGEE exists
- To give a brief overview (expanded upon tomorrow)

### **Outline**



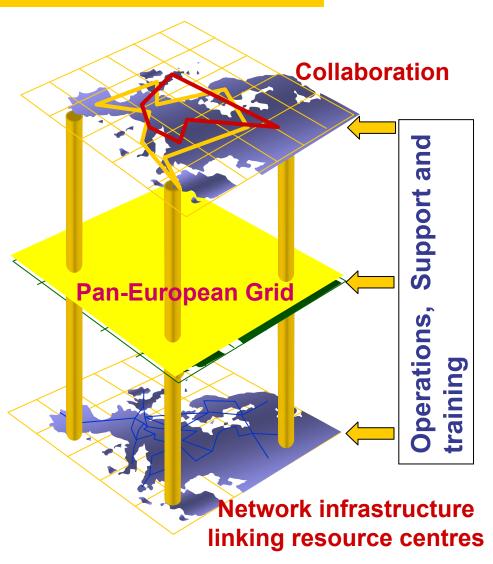
- An overview of EGEE
- Current status of EGEE



### **Towards a European e-Infrastructure**



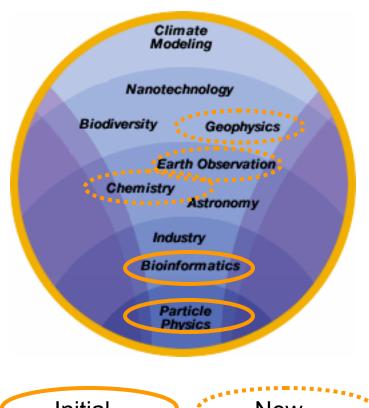
- To underpin European science and technology in the service of society
- To link with and build on
  - National, regional and international initiatives
  - Emerging technologies (e.g. fibre optic networks)
- To foster international cooperation
  - both in the creation and the use of the e-infrastructure



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  - 3000 users from at least 5 disciplines
  - over 20,000 CPU's, 50 sites
  - over 5 Petabytes (10<sup>15</sup>) storage
- Demonstrate a viable general process to bring other scientific communities on board
- Spend 32 Million Euros started April 2004
  - 70 institutions in 27 countries
- Propose a second phase in mid 2005 to take over EGEE in early 2006





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### **EGEE Overview (I)**



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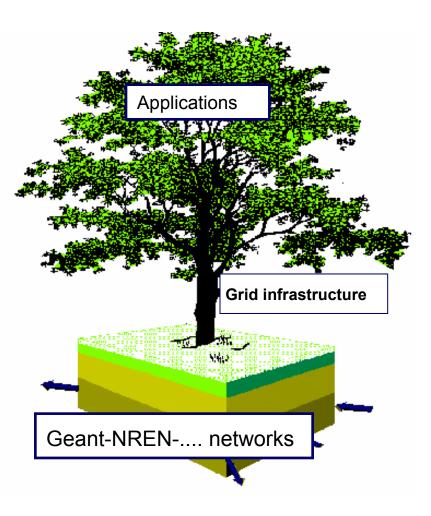
Create a Europe-wide production-quality Grid infrastructure for e-Science on top of present and future EU Research Networking infrastructure

#### **Build on:**

- EU and EU member states major investments in Grid Technology
- International connections (US and AP)
- Several pioneering prototype results
- Large Grid development teams in EU require major EU funding effort

#### **Approach**

- Leverage current and planned national ar regional Grid initiatives and infrastructure:
- Work closely with relevant industrial Grid developers, NRENs and US-AP projects

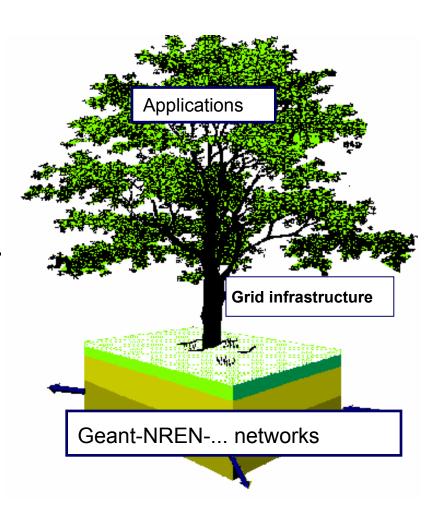


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## **EGEE Overview (II)**



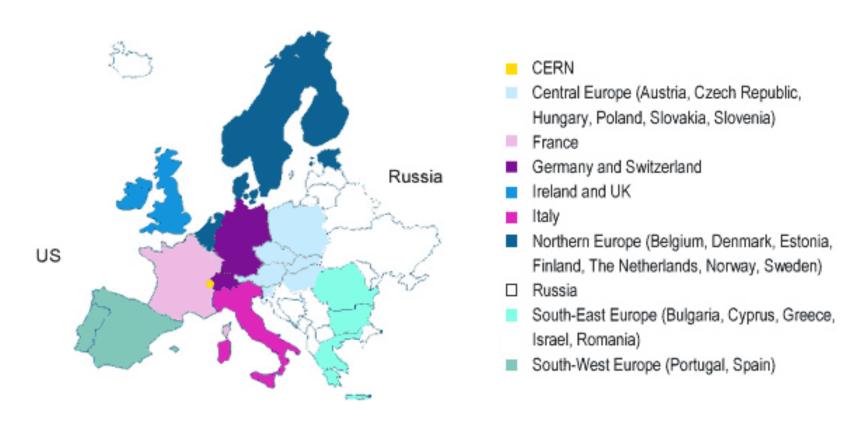
- EU does not fund creation of resource centres (CPUs, Storage, etc.). These will be funded by National Projects
- Resource Centres' (RCs) integration is eligible for EU funding support
- EU supports mainly labour e.g. middleware, operations, training teams
- GEANT + NREN +... networks will be used to interconnect the Resource Centres



## **EGEE Figures & Organization**



- Coordinator: European Organization for Nuclear Research CERN
- 70 leading institutions in 27 countries, federated in regional Grids
- 32 M € EU funding in 2004-2005 (twice from partners)



### To join EGEE



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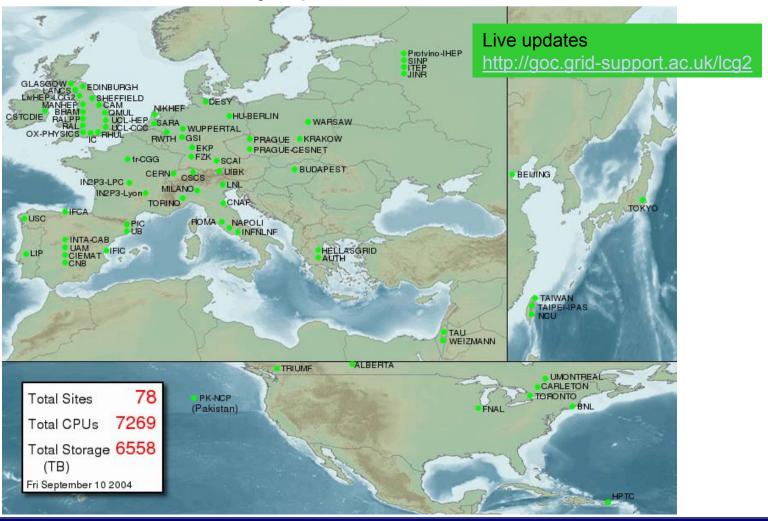
- join an existing VO in EGEE, or
- apply to add a new VO (i.e. user community)
- New VO usually requires:
  - Negotiation with one of the Regional Operations Centres
  - Seek balance between the resources to be contributed by the VO and those expected to be consumed.
  - Many resources need to be available to multiple VOs: shared use
    of resources is fundamental to a Grid

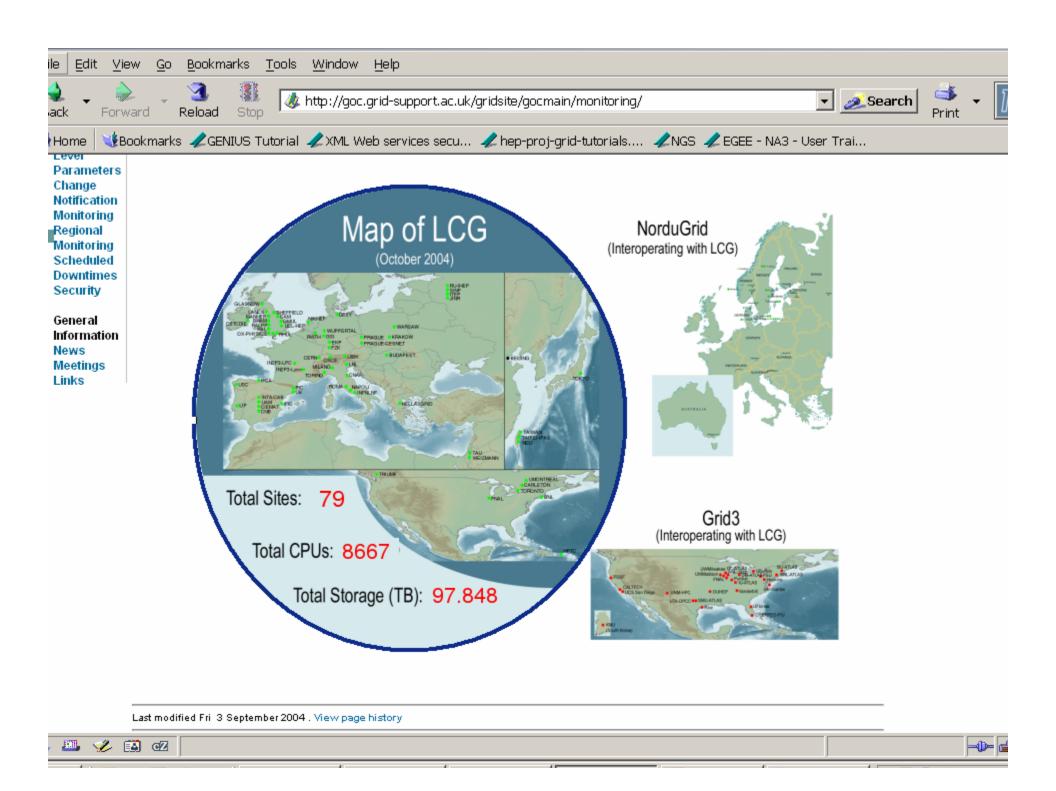
### **Current status**



Production service is fully operational and continues to

grow





### The challenges of today...



- Trainers must explain how:
  - multiple communities of scientists (i.e. many VO's)...
  - ... currently share access to 78 sites
  - ... to discover and use available compute and data resources
  - without prior relationships of trust, without centralised control
  - and without remembering 78 usernames and passwords
- You are invited to consider:
  - How can this evolving e-Infrastucture support your research communities in international collaboration?
  - Suggestion:
    - Ask not what "the Grid" can do for you, but what you can do for a Virtual Organisation.