



Enabling Grids for E-scienceE

Policy and International cooperation

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- **NA5-related comments from the EU**
- **List of deliverables, milestones, promises**
- **Concertation activities (NA5 + others)**
- **Developments related to the e-IRG**
- **15 month plan, evolution of the NA5 activity**

- **Encouragement to “fulfill and take advantages of its responsibilities” to the Grid community**
 - Higher visibility in scientific conferences!
 - Direct links from EGEE to national initiatives outside EU
- **Recommendation: more standardization work**
 - Encourage people to attend, chair groups, help write standards.
- **Detailed comment about a picture in the DNA5.1.2**
 - Not important in itself - but it was obviously not clear to all reviewers that EGEE didn't produce all of the text in the eIRG White Paper.
- **Analysis:**
 - Most of the above ongoing - reporting issue!
 - NA5 can do very little alone.

- **PM12: Progress report on International Cooperation Activities**
- **April 1st: EGEE view on the eIRG white paper**
- **PM15: eInfrastructure Forum White Papers in conjunction with the EGEE Project Conferences**
 - eIRG meeting: 13-14 June 2005
- **PM18: European Grid project synergy report (in collaboration with DEISA, SEE-GRID and other relevant initiatives and EU projects)**
 - Document forgotten in the EU feedback?
- **PM21: eInfrastructure reflection group White Papers in conjunction with the EGEE Project Conferences**
 - Timing unknown!
- **PM24: Final progress report on International Cooperation Activities**
- **General notes: naming can be misleading, technical annex does not necessarily give sufficient guidelines for the contents.**

- **The concertation event was a source of goodwill for EGEE**
- **Follow-up:**
 - security working group, chaired by Åke Edlund (JRA3).
 - Another group concentrating on the other infrastructure-related issues is being discussed.
- **Next similar event will be organized by GÉANT2**
 - EGEE at least participating - may be asked to contribute more?
- **Benefits and success beyond goodwill are difficult to measure.**
 - Not visible during the project lifetime, most likely.
 - Genuine participation a requirement for the EGEE phases 4, 5, .?.
- **Success criteria: less and less NA5-driven, more and more NA5 reported!**

- **New aspects**
 - ESFRI
 - List of opportunities
 - 10 year Roadmap
- **Successful events - increased expectations?**
- **Broader production use of the eInfrastructures - increased demand for policy work?**
- **New groups getting in contact with eIRG**
 - Size of the community grows in organic fashion - support organization requires conscious effort.
 - eIRG support SSA to be submitted.
- **Inside EGEE: reorganization of roles**
 - Hannelore Hämmerle moving to NA2

- **Uncertainties:**

- Shape the concertation activities will take
 - Grid research, grid and networking infrastructures
 - Links between the above two, links with other initiatives
 - Input: report on concertation efforts, a “new” deliverable.
- The future of the eIRG

- **Certainties:**

- NA5 needs more organic contact with other activities.
 - External structures and contacts are in place, now there is an opportunity to look for synergies.
- NA5 plans need to be flexible also in the future
 - Policy work is unpredictable - time for consensus-forming is measured in years, political crisis can emerge in days

- **Challenges:**

- Division of labor
 - Between NA5 and other activities, inside NA5
- Manpower issues.