



Enabling Grids for E-sciencE

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



NA5 comments from review

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- Encouragement to "fullfill and take advantages of its responsabilities" 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.
- Detail comment about a picture in the document
 - 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.



Milestones, deliverables

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- 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: June 13-14. 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.



Concertation activities, NA5 +

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- 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 the 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-4, 5,..?
- Success criteria: less and less NA5-driven, more and more NA5 reported!



eIRG developments

- New aspects
 - ESFRI
 - List of opportunities
 - 10 year Roadmap
- Successful events increased expectations?
- Broader production use of the elnfrastructures 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



15 month plan, evolution

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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.