



# NA3 Training and induction

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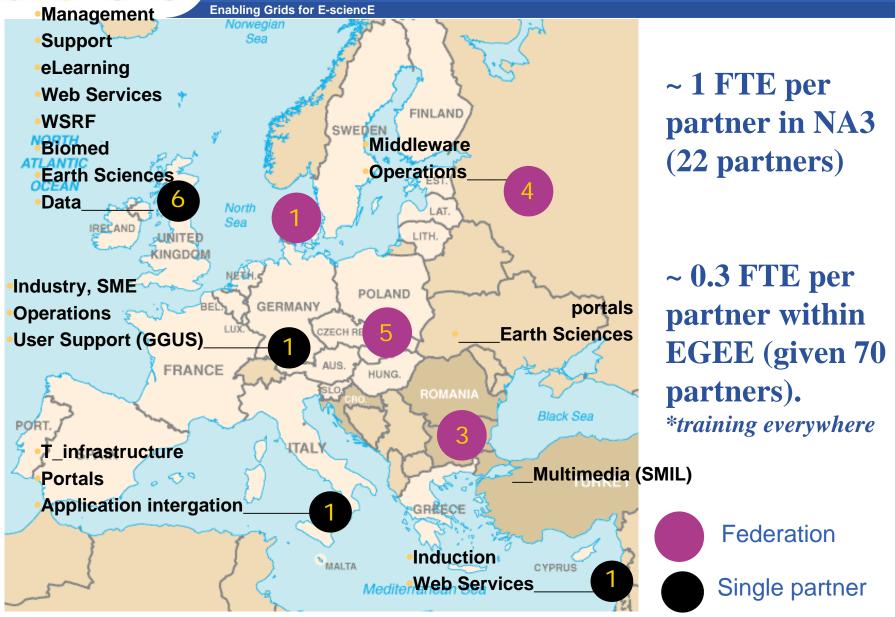
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## Distribution of NA3 effort





## Geographical distribution of courses

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## **External projects and VOs courses**

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- Diligent
  - Athens, 18/4/05
  - Pisa, 23/10/05
- Magic
  - Tenerife, 16/10/05
- EMBRACE
  - Clermont-Ferrand, 25-27/5/05
- TERENA/NRENS
  - Cambridge, 6/5/04
  - Cambridge, 8/9/05
  - Estonia, 29-30/9/05
- Industry attendees at:
  - International Summer School on grid Computing '05
  - Grids@Work tutorial
  - SME course FZK
  - PRISM Forum UK (Pharma)

#### Biomed courses

- Madrid 7-8/10/04
- •GATE, Julich 9/3/05
- Clermont-Ferrand, 22-23/3/05
- •PRISM workshop, UK, 26 28/4/05
- Lyon, 30/5/05
- •Clermont-Ferrand, 25 -27/6/05

#### Physics courses

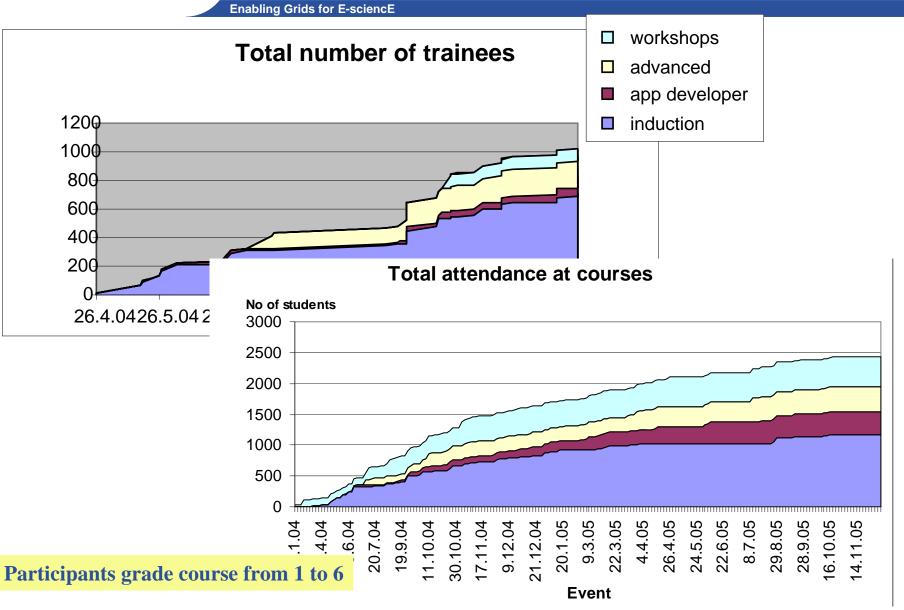
- GridKa Summer Schools
- PPARC Summer Schools
- CERN Summer Schools

#### Earth Sciences

- •Slovakia 14/4/04
- Slovakia 27-30/6/05



## **Training: Quantity & Quality**

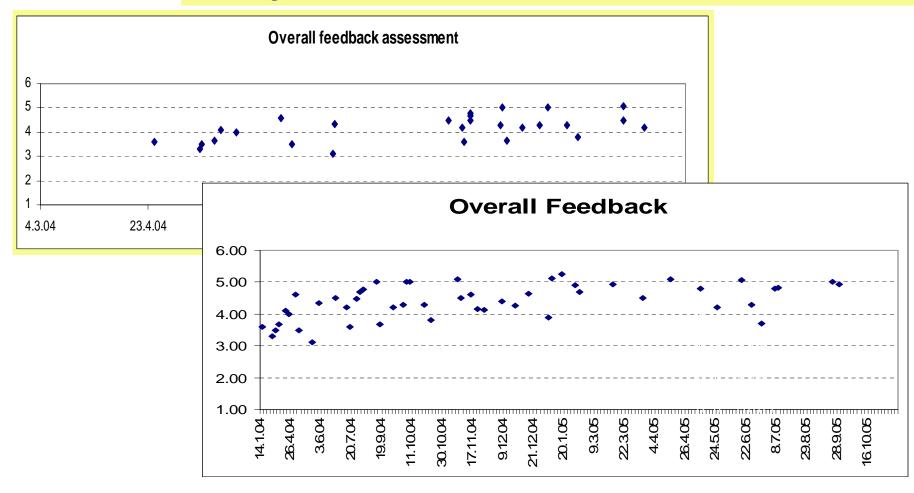




## **Training: Quantity & Quality**

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Participants grade course from 1 to 6, each point – average for a course overall score (workshops not included – see TA)



Trainers review grades and revise course material and training plans

# 'Follow-on' Survey results -up to 12 months after course

- Longer term feedback
- Match of course to expectations 72%
- Generally considered themselves inexperienced before course
- Gaining experience through the course ~ 81%
- Improvement in work ~ 57%

$$(n = 23)$$

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- GILDA/GENIUS has been central in installing new middleware versions, making these available and sharing experience
- UEDIN cluster also used for early gLite installation in conjunction with GILDA to gather experience and developing new application developer courses.
- Cluster at FZK used to support application developer and installation courses for gLite



## **Materials archive**

- Improving the interface
  - De-centralized metadata input
  - Improved version control full metadata histories
  - Better content control
  - Personalisation services
  - authorisation
- Using "of the shelf" components, minimal development
- Demonstrated at Pisa
- Migrating to production server for user evaluation (NA3, other projects)
  - Run in parallel with existing system to end of project.
  - Commitment to sustaining already built into other projects.
- Editorial Task Force to identify "exemplar" courses.
- Supporting training activities in NA3, new VOs, related projects, externally.
- Already cooperating with DILIGENT



#### **EGEE Learning**

#### **ABOUT**

EGEE Learning

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#### DIGITAL LIBRARY

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**Technical Details** 

#### **EVENTS**

**Training Events** 

Related Events

**EGEE Conferences** 

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#### Welcome to EGEE Learning

This website contains information and prototype services for an initiative, EGEE Learning, to pilot e-learning for the Enabling Grids for E-science (EGEE) project which aims to develop production grid infrastructure for scientific purposes. The e-learning pilot is part of EGEE Networking Activity (NA3) to provide user training and induction.

#### News:

 The EGEE NA3 e-Learning initiative has been announced at the 3rd EGEE Conference. See "e-Learning: Requirements, Service Options and Plan" presentation. 20/04/05

**Grid in General**: What is grid computing? How does grid relate to e-science? What is *EGEE*, *CrossGrid*, *LCG*, *OSGA*, *Globus*, *GGF*? What are the toolkits available for developing grid applications? Learn more..



is a middleware produced jointly by different academic and industrial research centres from the EGEE Project to underpin grid applications. Learn more..



Prototype of improved archive & interface demonstrated at Pisa



# Adding to the pool – Training the trainers

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- Two tasks
  - Update the knowledge of existing trainers
  - Train new trainers
    - (Both of these also happen at events not specifically for this purpose)
- 6 specific "Training the Trainer" events in 4 countries
- More than 89 attendees
- Supporting the development and bootstrapping the internal training plans with new VO communities
  - Working with NA4 on MoUs



# International Summer School for Grid Computing 2005



#### **EGEE**

- Organised & Presented
- Created Progressive Exercise
- Integrating Components
- Incremental Introduction of Features & Challenges
- Leading to Integrated
  Grid team challenge
- Generated Significant Interest
- Follow on in Edinburgh
  MSc
- ICEAGE

The event was attended by 65 selected advanced international students



## Improving liaison with Dissemination

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- The International Summer School for Grid Computing was largely organised by EGEE and the event was adevertised in GridToday (<a href="http://news.taborcommunications.com/msgget.jsp?mid=38">http://news.taborcommunications.com/msgget.jsp?mid=38</a>
   9473&xsl=story.xsl
   due to the kind support of GGF.
- Mechanisms have been put in place to ensure that news about training events (both up-coming and reports of past ones) are better represented in the EGEE Newsletters (see recent releases).
  - Appointed A.McCall to provide liaison and improve communication with NA2.
    - Similarly efforts are made at the national level (for example in the NeSC NewsLetter to the UK eScience community).



## **Other Summer Schools**

- Regional EGEE Summer School in Budapest, 11-16 July
  - Induction course, Application Developer Course, Advanced Course gLite
- PPARC Summer School Edinburgh
- CERN Summer Students School CERN
- CERN Summer School St Malo
- GridKA FZK
  - Principles, User Induction, Developer APIs & Installation gLite



# **CGC** GridKa School: Regional EGEE School

**Enabling Grids for E-sciencE** 

- **Event between training and dissemination. In 2005:** 
  - Participants from 10 nations
  - 6 courses
    - gLite introduction (x2)
    - ROOT/PROOF (x2)
    - Grid Appl. Development
    - gLite installation (based on Grid-in-a-box!)
  - 17 talks





- Yearly event (now in its third year
- On the left Picture from GridKa School 2004



# **Covering security**

- Basic security concepts and the necessary technical aspects for users (certification) are included in induction and developer training courses routinely.
- UEDIN has been working closely with National Centre for eSocial Science, UK
  - contributing to the NCeSS event in February.
  - UEDIN is also helping NCeSS create an online Learning
    Object compliant entry relating to Virtual Organisations
  - re-used within the EGEE online training resources.

#### Scale

- Support geographically diverse groups
- Many different knowledge domains
- Breadth of knowledge required

### Quality

Maintain and encourage a 'quality culture'

### Rate of change

- New middleware features
- New VOs
- Changing needs of domains
- New projects
- Changes in national grid provision



### **Achievements**

- Rapid response to introduction of gLite
  - Adoption of gLite
  - Sharing of experience
  - Creating courses
- Moving to more demanding courses
  - Greater proportion of developer courses to aid migration
- Demonstrating new tools to aid alternative modes of training (self-paced).
- Improving communication with dissemination
- Maintaining quality and momentum.
- Supporting related projects and EGEE VOs
  - Encouraging their 'organic' training efforts
- Development of new training models
  - Integrated training models to engage external training groups
    - Eg. Condor & Globus



# Summary

- During the introduction of gLite training effort has been focusing on developer & install courses
  - these have included events specifically targeted at developers (for instance in the biomed community, and physics, eg. at GridKa)
  - and for administrators (eg. installation courses for biomed & physics)
- Follow-on survey shows good levels of long term satisfaction.
  - t-Infrastructure (clusters at UEDIN & FZK) used to support gLite admin courses and new course developments
  - t-Infrastructure (UEDIN & GILDA) provided training with experience of early gLite installations.
  - Prototyping improved archive
- Channels of communication to dissemination being improved and high profile events advertised more widely.
  - Eg. ISSGC'06 in GridToday
- Continuing 'training the trainers' and cooperating with NA4 to help develop new communities' own training plans.
- Security integral to training courses & cooperation in UK with NCeSS