



## Enabling Grids for E-sciencE

# **EGEE-II and Business**Review Recommendations

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## **Current Status**

#### Since Review

- 3 Industry Days organised
- Positive responses from EGEE'07 Business Track
  - General comment for both, right audience is always the most challenging
- EBAs doubled (from 3 to 6)
- Industry Committee
  - Slow start to feedback for Draft "White Paper"
  - Excellent with technical questions posed by a potential new Grid adopter (Telecom Slovenia)
- Industry Day Application Form
  - Excellent way to interact with Local Organizers
- 137 Industry Forum Members (over 500 C.M.)
- Numerous articles written
  - Industry Days, IF newsletter
- Recent telephone interview with iSGTW for article on EGEE and Business



- No Major Issues
- gLite Business Case Studies
  - Readily made information or updates



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### In dealing with industry

- emphasise that the EGEE-II project is following an exemplary path towards the standardisation issue
- gLite
  - implements a service-oriented architecture that virtualises resources
  - adheres to recommendations on web service interoperability
  - is intended to be compliant with accepted standards for the web service foundation stack as they become available
    - The reviewers felt this is potentially a fundamental strength of the gLite middleware

#### Actions

- Standardization features at EGEE'07
  - OGF/GIN Status and perspectives was presented
  - NESSI had two presentations (NESSI and Nokia Siemens)
- Synergies to be created through OGF-Europe for increased dissemination
  - talks are underway to organise OGF25 with EGEE-III user forum in spring 2009
- EGEE in OGF Standards Working Group survey accomplished
- Listed gLite benefits
  - Highlighted in EGEE and Business presentation template
  - Presented at EGEE'07, Industry Days in Greece (Sept), Bratislava (Sept) (whole day was gLite focused), Paris (Nov)) Innovation First on Computing for Finance at CERN (Nov) and BELIEF-EELA Conference, Brazil (June)
- Included in gLite re-marketing strategy/analysis (ITF SC)



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- Organise Industry Days in locations where there is a critical mass of the targeted industry sector
  - Finance in London UK, Pharmaceutical in Basel, CH
- Actions
  - Industry Day Application Form created
    - Organisations or private enterprises to target
    - Types of topics for presentation and potential speakers
    - Possible end-users (pilot applications)
    - Define expected outcomes
  - A-Z Guide to Organise an Industry Day created
  - Currently organising an Industry Day in London
    - In Collaboration with Science and Technology Facilities Council
    - 20 May 2008
    - Target Participants (100) = cross industry
      - London offers many opportunities



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- Plan to introduce live demonstrations into the Industry Days, focusing on relevance to the target audience and concentrating on the business value rather than the technology
- Action
  - EGEE demo currently under discussion
    - Brought video camera for interviews
  - Demos shown at Bratislava Industry Day (Sept)
    - Health-e-Child
    - Wisdom
  - Business Value
    - gLite case study collation
      - Understood as best way to market
    - Potential "White Paper" on Grid and Industry through IC
      - Not a white paper but a marketing report highlighting case studies and use of Grid in Industry written journalistically



- Target additional grid ISVs in the EGEE Business
   Associates programme, particularly those who support vertical industry sectors
- Actions
  - 3 New EBAs
    - Avanade support gLite on Windows machines
      - Monte dei Paschi di Siena, with headway being made
    - Excelian Financial and Grid consultancy
      - provided key information on the opportunities for gLite in Finance
    - Hitachi integrating data grid solution with the EGEE framework
    - 5 of 6 EBAs gave a presentation at EGEE'07 Business Track
  - ISVs attending EGEE'07
    - Around 30 private enterprises
  - IC and its focus groups
    - Identify new potential EBAs



## **Future Actions**

- Design and produce a new Information sheet on gLite with a business focus.
  - Working Group will comprise internal members of the IC selected external experts
  - Activities will focus on how best to highlight and promote the key features of gLite to the business community.
- Create a template for reporting and disseminating gLite adoption case studies
  - Include key information on application areas, benefits of using gLite, technical challenges and areas for improvement
- Analysis of other Grid middleware available
  - Indicate strengths and weaknesses
  - Develop synergies with developers of middleware, e.g. GRIA
  - Joint event and dissemination work with Innovation-IT (SIMDAT) and the BRIDGE project.
- Explore areas of further collaboration with BEinGRID
  - Further to the presentations (Business Track and Industry Day Paris)
    - On current and future applications and business experiments.
- Report on the actions and outcomes of the Industry Committee Focus Group on Support for the Commercial Adoption of gLite.
- DNA2.5.2 Annual Report of the Industry Forum ToC done