Dear Sir,

I am writing to seek your support of hosting the March 2003 Grid Deployment Board (GDB) meeting on 10 March in Taiwan. We propose to join the GDB meeting with the TW-Grid Workshop & International Symposium on Grid Computing (ISGC) also hosted by the Academia Sinica on 9-12 March in Taipei, Taiwan.

Since the GGF7 will be held on 4-7 March in Tokyo, Japan, we believe that it is a good idea to have a post satellite symposium as well as a GDB meeting held in Taiwan. Since the concept of Grid is generally not well understood in our part of the World, it would be an excellent opportunity to allow the community in Asia Pacific a better understanding of the vision and progress of the Grid technology. By holding GDB meeting with the ISGC, it could provide a forum for the potential developers, users in AP to meet and to learn from each other. It would also enhance the understanding of Asia regional Grid activities for the GDB members. Moreover, it will provide us all with invaluable insights for future collaboration and also demonstrate the development of Grid technology in Asia Pacific.

The ISGC will focus on Grid technology and its applications on High Energy Physics and Bio-Informatics. It is our intention to invite Grid experts from Europe, USA, Japan, Korea, China, as well as Taiwan to participate. The format of ISGC includes oral presentation, computer demonstration, and discussion. Therefore, we will all benefit through discussions, deliberations, and sharing of knowledge and experience.

Attached please find the proposal of TW-Grid Workshop and ISGC, we welcome your comments and advices. Should you have any concerns, please feel free to contact us.
We look forward to seeing you all in March 2003.

Sincerely yours,

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