

ESA DataGrid Review

1. Welcome and Introduction

Frascati, 10 June 2002





Agenda



- 1. Welcome and introduction (15m)
 - Introduction and EU review report actions (LF)
- WP9 Earth Observation Applications (50m)
 - DataGrid EO requirements (LF, 15m)
 - DataGrid WP9 tasks, WP9 Plan, ESA activities (JL, 15m)
- 3. ESA and WP9 part 1 (50m)
 - DataGrid ESA infrastructure (AT, 7.5m)
 - ESA GOME application (SC, 7.5m)
 - ESA experience in using DataGrid testbed 0 and testbed 1 (JL, 15m)
- Demonstration of EO applications (JL, MF, SM 45m)
- ESA and WP9 part 2 (50m)
 - DataGrid EO Scaling up vision (JL, MM, 10m)
 - DataGrid ESA initial committed effort, present situation and recovery plan (LF, 20m)
- 6. Side ESA actions related to GRID (30m)

Lunch break

- PO and reviewer separate meeting (60m),
- 8. Conclusions (30m)







DataGrid EO partners

Key partners (as in Techn Annex):

- Funded: ESA-ESRIN (I), KNMI (NL),
- Unfunded: IPSL (F)

Associated partners (not funded):

- . ENEA (I) active
- BADC (UK) only initially active (possible new cooperation)
- University of Lecce (I) still planned to contribute

EO VO Distributed in 4 countries:

- no single central focus
- CE, SE elements in EO community (first just installed at ESRIN)





Attendees



- Project Officer: Kyriakos Baxevanidis
- Reviewers: Karsten Decker, Salvatore Filippone, George Samaras
- DataGrid Project Manager: Fabrizio Gagliardi
- ESA team: Luigi Fusco, Julian Linford, Stefano Casadio, Marco Fulcoli, Pedro Gonzalvez, Marcello Mariucci, Fabrizio Rossi, Annalisa Terracina
- WP9 partners representatives: ENEA: Silivio Migliori;
 KNMI: Sylvia Barlag; IPSL: Monique Petitdidier
- SpaceGrid: Stefano Beco, Pier Giorgio Marchetti





Introduction



- Objectives of the ESA dedicated review
- ♦ Issues identified at the 1st year Review







Objectives of ESA dedicated review (1)

- ♦ Seen from EC Reviewers (cover letter of 1st review)
 - "... to draw safer and more concrete conclusions about the next steps that are required to be decided to ensure that the project will reach all its objectives ...", "... to more closely review the ESA activities with regards to DataGrid ..." "ESA to present and demonstrates in more details their work in the project..."
 - ... review at Frascati will focus on the ESA activities... and only a representative team of this part of the project work... will need to participate ...

which translates in:

Verify that ESA role in DataGrid is coherent with initial plans (from the technical content and funded resources) as stated in the Contract Technical Annex







Issues identified at the 1st Review (1)

- In the cover letter
 - ... the concern about the integration of the ESA work into the project and the contribution ... to the project objectives...
- ◆ In review report executive summary pag 3
- The integration of ESA into the projects needs to be significantly improved. The contributions of ESA to the overall objectives of the project need to be clearly demonstrated, as this was not sufficiently clear from the presentation of the Earth Observation package at the project review meeting.
 - ===>>> Hopefully there will be demonstrated during the day
- The gap between the planned and the spent resources in the first project year should be expained in much more details, and a financial plan for the remainder of the project needs to be provided in writing and submitted to the attention of the project officer
 - ===>>> ESA provided a formal written response just after the Cost Statement of year 1 and has proposed a recovery plan
 - This will be discussed in agenda point 5







Issues identified at the 1st Review (2)

- ◆ In review report conformity of work ... EO Applications -Recommendations: pag. 5 / 6
- The use of the grid infrastructure appears to be restricted to parallel execution of a single application...
 - ===>>> responded in the DataGrid formal reply to EU review; many opportunity to discuss this issue during the day
- The partners should very much involve other potential EO users with a strong publicity effort.
 - The EO application users should investigate additional exploitations of the grid infrastructure which go beyond using the grid as a parallel computing resource to bring computing time down
 - ===>>> responded in the DataGrid formal reply to EU review; part of the dedicated scale-up tasks in WP9; discussed in various points in agenda







Issues identified at the 1st Review (3)

- ♦ In review report Project Management ... -Recommendations: pag. 7
 - The main standing issues from a management point of view is the recovery plan for those partners, most notably ESA, who have significantly overspent and/or under performed during the first project year.
 - ===>>> ESA has used "some" more resources than planned for believed justified reasons and has not under-performed. This will be discussed in agenda point 5
 - For ESA, we suggest a supplementary review, to address the issues raised during the review meeting in Geneva.

===>>> here we are.

EO and ESA input to DataGrid Response to 1st EU review report includes:

- ESA Specific funding issues and proposed recovery plan
- WP9 deliverables status for 2002
- WP9 and ESA comments to review report (integrated in DataGrid response)







Objectives of ESA dedicated review (2)

♦ Seen from ESA

- Ensure EC and reviewers that ESA was, is and will continue to contribute "substantially" to the success of DataGrid
- Illustrate plans to complete the initially agreed DataGrid activities

Which translates in:

Demonstrate that ESA investments in GRID technologies development and utilisation are far beyond anticipated commitments for participation to DataGrid



