

# Work Package 11

## Dissemination and Exploitation



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# Outline

- ◆ Objectives
- ◆ Achievements
- ◆ Lessons learned
- ◆ Future & Exploitation
- ◆ Questions

# Tasks for the third year



- ◆ **Task 11.2 - maintenance of the dissemination e-environment**
  - Maintenance of the "DataGrid" dissemination portal
  - Design, development and maintenance of the "European Grid Industry and Research Forum" website
  - Deployment and management of the "Dissemination testbed" (GriDis)
- ◆ **Task 11.3 - local dissemination**
  - Live demonstrations and participation to relevant events
- ◆ **Task 11.4 - support of the open software adoption and contribution to international standards**
  - Software and documentation download site
  - Report about contributions to international standards (deliverable 11.9)
- ◆ **Task 11.5 - industrial deployment**
  - Improve the I&R Forum initiative, increasing the number of subscribers
  - Organize dissemination events targeted to Industry
  - Establish a network of DataGrid Point of Contacts

# Maintenance of the dissemination e-environment

# Maintenance of the dissemination web portal



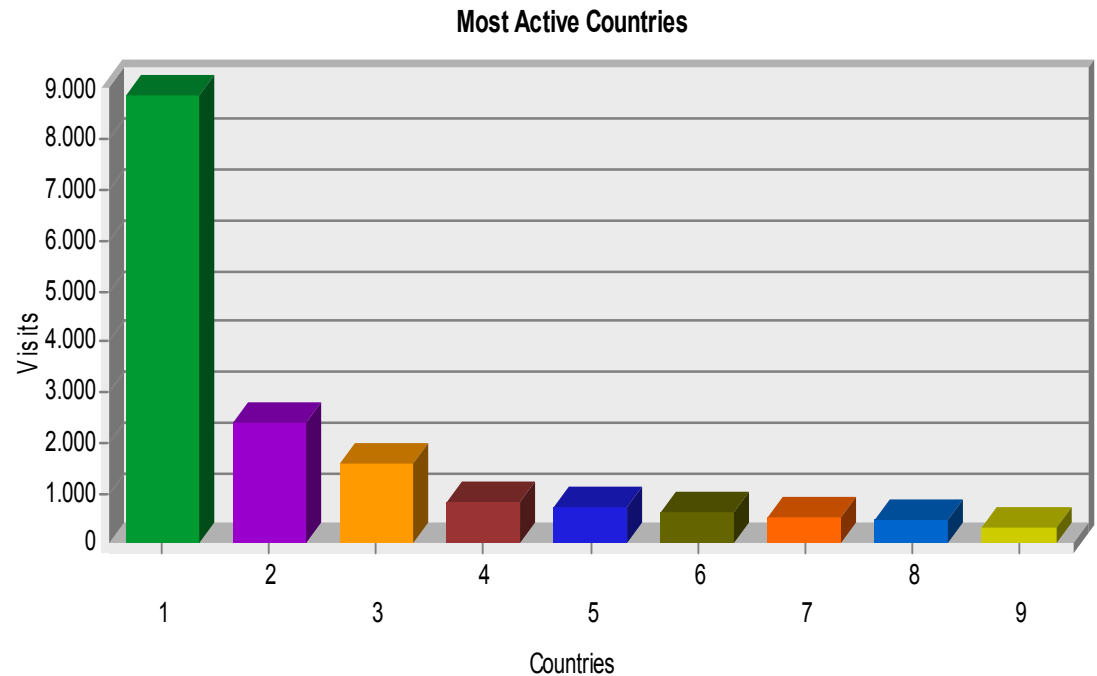
- ◆ Work Package 11 staff has continued to search, collect and publish papers, news, promotional material and multimedia contents on the dissemination portal
- ◆ At the end of 2003 the dissemination web portal contained:
  - 187 events in the calendar
  - 63 technical papers
  - 42 slide presentations
  - 44 news articles
  - 85 press articles
  - 15 FAQs
  - 40 links to related projects

# Dissemination web portal visits



## ◆ Geographical distribution of the visits during the year 2003:

1. United States (8857)
2. Italy (2386)
3. Europe (1577)
4. UK (822)
5. Switzerland (737)
6. China (614)
7. France (521)
8. Germany (489)
9. Netherlands (343)
10. Japan (339)



# Dissemination testbed

- ◆ A dissemination testbed, called GriDis, has been deployed and maintained in order to provide a permanent infrastructure for tutorials and live demos
- ◆ It has been adopted as the official platform for EDG tutorial road show
- ◆ It has also been used by the “Grid Café” initiative to develop and demonstrate some sample grid-enabled applications
- ◆ Grid accounts have been created on the GriDis testbed for some members of the “Grace” project for self-training purposes



# Local dissemination



# Live demos

- ◆ The dissemination testbed has been effectively used to demonstrate the project results
- ◆ 6 live demos held during 2003:
  - **14 May 2003** web-based live demo during the 6th EDG Conference (Barcelona – Spain)
  - **22 May 2003** Perugia University (Perugia - Italy)
  - **19 June 2003** “Experts Day” of Surfnet GiGaPort (The Netherlands)
  - **July 2003** Demo for Wolfgang Boch, head of unit DG INFSO-F2, “*Grids for Complex Problem Solving*”
  - **1 October 2003** wizard-based job submission at the “German Grid Day” following the 7th EDG Conference, (Heidelberg – Germany)
  - **1 December 2003** live demo for the “Grid Café” one-day event at the Microcosm museum of CERN, (Switzerland/France)

# Tutorials

- ◆ A major dissemination achievement with contributions from the whole project
- ◆ GriDis testbed adopted as the official training facility.
- ◆ Two formats:
  - Two full days with lectures and hands-on exercises
  - One day with only lectures

# The tutorial road show

- ◆ 14 tutorials during 2003 in 12 different countries:
  - Italy (1<sup>st</sup> Internl. Grid school)
  - Switzerland
  - France
  - Greece
  - Spain
  - Austria
  - Portugal
  - UK
  - Pakistan
  - Japan (GGF7)
  - USA (GGF8)
  - Austria (CERN School of Computing 2003)
- ◆ ~600 students trained
- ◆ Tutorial material now included in some university level courses

# **Support of the open software adoption and contribution to international standards**

# Software and documentation download website

- ◆ The EDG software and documentation can be downloaded from the URL  
[http://web.datagrid.cnr.it/pls/portal30/GRID.DYN\\_SOFTWARE.show](http://web.datagrid.cnr.it/pls/portal30/GRID.DYN_SOFTWARE.show).
- ◆ Software and Documentation repositories maintained by WP6
- ◆ The EDG software is also included in the Grid Technology Repository (<http://gtr.globus.org>)

# Contributions to international standards



- ◆ The DataGrid project contributed to the establishment of international standards in the following ways:
  - [Participation to GGF activities](#): EDG members made substantial contributions to 16 GGF working and research groups
  - [Papers](#): ~90 papers have been published in the proceedings of international conferences or in high level scientific journals
  - [Inter-project collaborations](#): EDG established successful collaborations with DataTAG, CrossGrid, Gridstart, iVDGL, PPDG, GriPhyN, Internet2, Dante, UK GridMon and the Storage Resource Manager initiative
- ◆ An exhaustive report about the contributions to international standards can be found in D11.9
- ◆ Special issue of the “Journal of Grid Computing” dedicated to EDG results

# Industrial deployment

# Events organization/participation

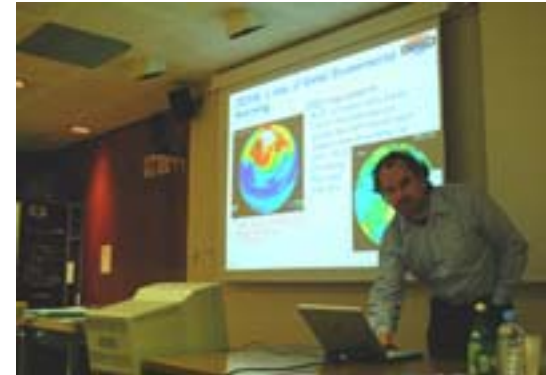


- ◆ WP11 staff contributed to the organization of 13 events during 2003 in one or more of the following forms:
  - attendance
  - provision of dissemination material
  - booth organization
  - public talks
  - live demos
  - logistic organization



# Video material

- ◆ About 50 hours of video material
- ◆ About 980 photos
- ◆ About 370 photos published on the dissemination portal



# European Grid Industry and Research Forum



- ◆ The **European DataGrid Industry and Research Forum** is the result of the merger of the DataGrid and CrossGrid Industry and Research Fora
- ◆ It now counts 283 members coming both from Industry and Research
- ◆ ~40% coming from Industry, mostly from the IT sector
- ◆ The majority of the subscriptions have been collected during events and conferences.
- ◆ Work Package 11 has designed, developed and maintained the new "European Grid Industry and Research forum" website which includes an on line subscription form



# Industry and Research events



- ◆ During 2003 WP11 supported the organization of the following two “**European DataGrid Industry and Research Forum**” events:
  - **February 2003**: Santiago de Compostela, Spain
    - within the framework of the Across Grids Conference
  
  - **June 2003**: Barcelona, Spain
    - within the framework of the 6th EDG project conference

# Lessons learned

- ◆ Tutorials with hands-on practice, live demos and a rich web portal are effective dissemination instruments
- ◆ The deployment of a dedicated training facility (e.g. the dissemination testbed) is the only way to assure the availability of a testbed during tutorials and dissemination events

But ...

- ◆ The resources for dissemination needs to be carefully reviewed in order to keep pace with the interest that an important project like DataGrid can arouse
  - Manpower and computing infrastructure need to be allocated in advance for tutorial activities
  - The establishment of a network of point of contacts can be achieved only with the allocation of dedicated human resources

# Future and exploitation

- ◆ The dissemination website will be archived and turned into a static repository which will be maintained by CNRS
- ◆ EDG results will be still available in the static repository
- ◆ All the dissemination experience acquired during the DataGrid project will be fed into the EGEE project