



Enabling Grids for E-science

# What is required of a trainer?

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- **A personal viewpoint on attitude**
  - How I try to prepare to train.
- **Then an invitation to discussion**

# Attitude: Reminders I find helpful

- **Training is a service to participants**
  - participants are giving a LOT of time (and money) to attend
  - I must commit to participants
- **Note to me, en route a training room:  
“When you leave the office leave your ego behind”**
- **Each time I run a course seek to improve it**
- **Don't delay scheduling a course until I can aim for perfection**
  - I would never start!
  - participants will always have different expectations and backgrounds
    - same thing done equally well twice can have different impact
  - 3 effective courses serve more people than 1 perfect course
  - 80% is perfection (Zen proverb)

- **Sufficient technical competence**
  - “Sufficient”:
    - Can participants’ routine problems with practical exercises be resolved?
    - Will you help find information / contacts for questions you can’t answer?
- **Organisational and communication skills**
- **Remember NA3 and EGEE context**
  - Follow NA3 procedures and styles (ppt and practicals)
  - Material can easily be re-used
  - Save effort on new material for where its really needed – many places!!
- **“Right Attitudes”: can these be defined?!**
- **What do you think??**