

Enabling Grids for E-sciencE

Future Directions

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After EGEE-III...

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- Transitioning to a sustainable infrastructure
 - Always part of the EGEE-III objectives
 - EGI model defined during EGEE-III Y1 in EGI_DS project
 - EGEE-III Y2 workplan transitions to this model
- Thanks to the work done in EGEE-III...
 - The gLite middleware teams are working as product teams
 - New software releases are using a staged rollout model
 - Modular operational tools architecture deployed
 - Use of open source products (e.g, ActiveMQ,, Nagios)
 - Some operation tools have been refactored to national models
 - Not complete and the work will continue
 - Move to national based operational models
 - Being adopted and will be completed after EGEE-III



Envisaged EGI Ecosystem

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Activity within EGEE-III would carry on in EC projects:

- EGI-InSPIRE: Operation of the infrastructure
- EMI: Maintenance and development of gLite and others
- ROSCOE & SAFE: Continuation of application community
- CUE: Provide business outreach and training
- TAPAS: Application porting support centre

However...

- Only EGI-InSPIRE and EMI funded
- Other projects not retained for funding
 - How will the gLite user communities be supported...?



The EGI-InSPIRE Project

Integrated Sustainable Pan-European Infrastructure for Researchers in Europe

A 4 year project with €25M EC contribution

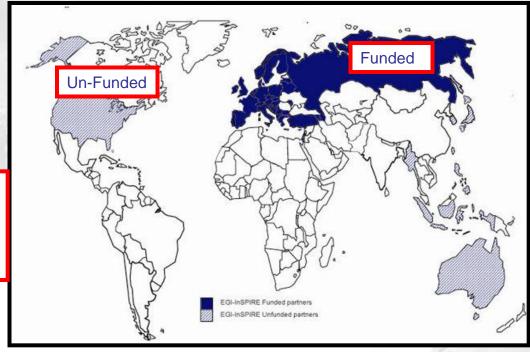
Project cost €72M

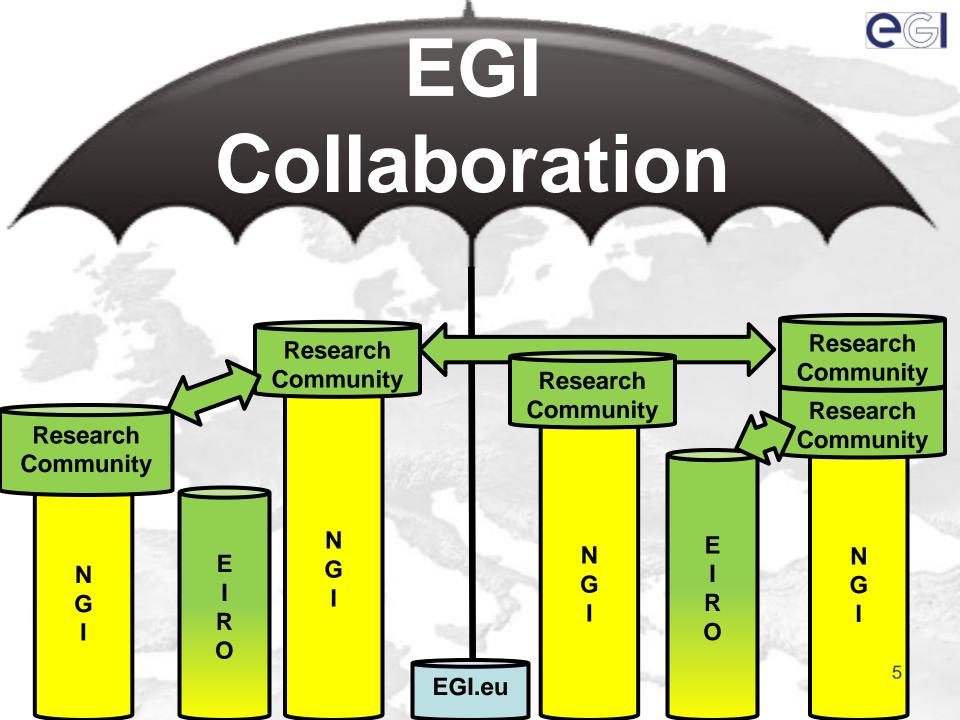
- Total Effort ~€330M

- Effort: 9261

Project Partners (51)

- EGI.eu, 40 NGIs, 2 EIROs
- Asia Pacific (8 partners)







EGI.eu

- Coordination for European Grid resources
 - Established February 8th 2010
 - Roadmap to integrate HTC, HPC, Data, Instruments, ...
 - Policy & services needed to run a grid
- Governance & ownership by its stakeholders
 - EGI Council votes proportional to GDP
 - EGI Council fees proportional to votes
 - Sustainable small coordinating organisation (EGI.eu)
 - Builds on resources from within its stakeholders
- Location selected to be Amsterdam
 - Distributed staff with a core (~50%) in Amsterdam
 - Approximately 40 staff, €3.5M/year



EGI means Innovation

- Deploy Technology Innovation
 - Distributed Computing continues to evolve
 - Grids → Desktops → Virtualisation → Clouds →?
- Enable Software Innovation
 - Provide reliable persistent technology platform
 - Today: Tools built on gLite/UNICORE/ARC
- Support Research Innovation
 - Infrastructure for data driven research
 - Support for international research (e.g. ESFRI)



User Support & Services

- Support User Communities
 - Researchers in International Collaborations
 - Scale up from the single VO to a community
- Provide a federated Helpdesk linking:
 - Discipline specific support (e.g. Bio Apps)
 - National infrastructure support (e.g. NGS)
 - Generic services (e.g. Training)
- Provide core services to support users
 - Manage VOs, Application DB, Training DB



Other Activities

- Dissemination
 - With NGIs, VRCs, SSCs and other projects
- Support for Heavy User Communities
 - General & community specific services
- Events
 - Two Annual meetings: Users & Technology
- Technology
 - Liaison with software providers
 - Definition and verification of requirements
- Provide core services to support users
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European Middleware Initiative

FP7 Capacities Work Programme 2010: Infrastructures

Call FP7-INFRASTRUCTURES-2010-2

Sub-topic: 1.2.1.3 – Middleware and repositories

Develop middleware that strengthens European presence by consolidating or even going beyond existing DCIs (e.g. exploiting emerging developments like virtualisation), while improving their stability, reliability, usability, functionality, interoperability, security, management, monitoring and accounting, measurable quality of service, and energy efficiency

Starting date: May 1st

Duration: 3 years

Total budget: 23M € (12M € from EC + 11M € from partners)

Effort: 64 FTEs/year (88% for technical activities)



Primary Objectives

Consolidate

Consolidate the existing middleware distribution simplifying services and components to make them more sustainable (including use of off-the-shelf and commercial components whenever possible)

Evolve

Evolve the middleware services/functionality following the requirement of infrastructure and communities, mainly focusing on operational, standardization and interoperability aspects

Support

Reactively and proactively maintain the middleware distribution to keep it in line with the growing infrastructure usage



Partners (26)



Towards interoperable Distributed Computing Infrastructures for Europe











The DCI Projects







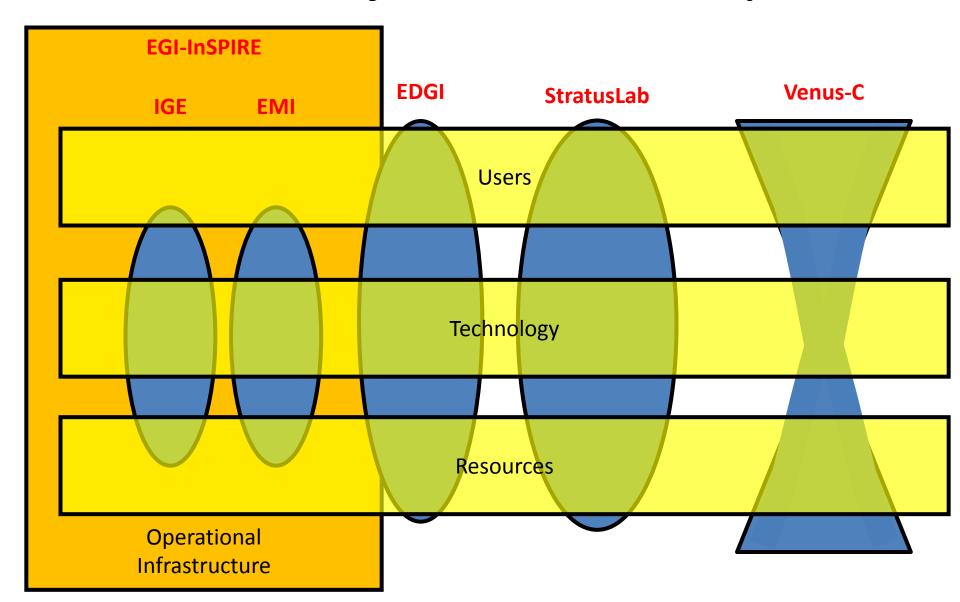






Project	EDGI	EGI-InSPIRE	EMI	IGE	StratusLab	VENUS-C
Start Date	01/06/2010	01/05/2010	01/05/2010	01/10/2010	01/06/2010	01/06/2010
Duration (months)	24	48	36	30	24	24
Total Budget	2,436,000 €	72,000,000 €	23,000,000 €	3,693,000 €	3,137,221 €	8,803,046 €
Funding from the EC	2,150,000 €	25,000,000 €	12,000,000 €	2,350,000 €	2,300,000 €	4,500,000 €
Total effort in person-month	281	9241	1115	277	340	639

DCI Projects - Taxonomy





Funded User Communities

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Virtual Research Communities call

- 10 projects finishing negotiations
- Covering: Medical (x2), Biodiversity (x2), Earth Science, ...
- Two projects providing HPC infrastructure for end-users

ESFRI projects

- EGEE (& EGI) participating in European E-Infrastructure Forum
- Focused engagement with ESFRI projects
- Public report providing analysis of common core functionality
 - Across e-infrastructures (HPC, HTC & networking)
 - Across ESFRI projects



Support for current EGEE users

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- EGI-InSPIRE has some support for specialised services
 - Shared Services:
 - Dashboards
 - Applications & Tools (GANGA & DIANE)
 - Services (GReIC & HYDRA)
 - Workflows & Schedulers
 - MPI
 - Dedicated Support: HEP, LS, A&A, ES
 - Refined following failure of SAFE & ROSCOE
- EMI provides some support for critical software components
- EGI-InSPIRE will support annual 'EGI User Forum'
 - Provide some central community coordination
 - Some limited funds to support continued community building

EGEE-III has come to an end

- Successfully completed a complex programme of work
- Built a European community and is a recognised global leader
- Provided a foundation for EGI to build upon and sustain

EGI.eu: coordination for the production infrastructure

- Established in Amsterdam in February 2010
- Owned' by the signed up NGIs and EIROs
- Coordinator of the EGI-InSPIRE proposal

EGI-InSPIRE project

- Continues the transition towards sustainable national operations
- Migration of operational tools and ROCs → NGIs continues