

# e-Science grids: where does Europe stand?

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# a new vision for Science



- Global challenges with high societal impact
- Big Science and the role of “empowered” citizens
- Data deluge... born digital material... virtual-labs
- Cross-disciplinarity
- Spread of skills and competences



# ICT infrastructures for e-Science



# a staged approach



Linking the ideas at the speed of the light:  
**GÉANT**



Sharing the best resources:  
**e-Science grid**



Accessing knowledge:  
**scientific data**



Innovating the scientific process:  
**global virtual research communities**



Designing future facilities:  
**novel e-Infrastructures**



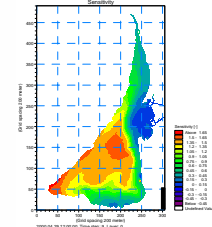
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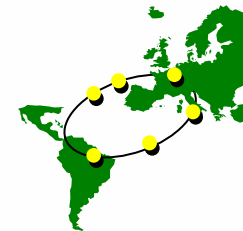
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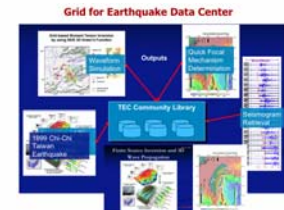
Grid infrastructure in Baltic region, making gLite, UNICORE and ARC resources interoperable



High capacity, production-quality, scalable e-Science grid facility for Europe and Latin American



Disseminate/train EGEE middleware in Asia, support scientific applications and creation of VOs



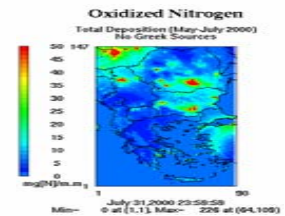
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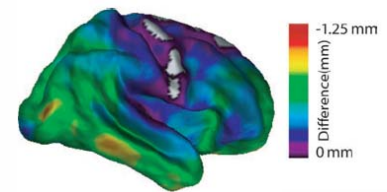
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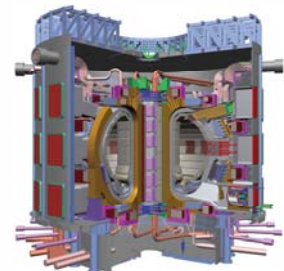
VOs on seismology, meteorology and environment, supported by south-eastern Europe grids



Grid for European neuroscientists working in the field of imaging of Alzheimer's disease



Modelling capabilities for ITER and future fusion devices using parallel Grid computing and HPC



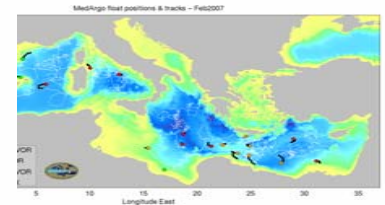
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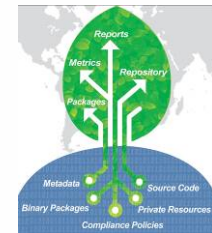
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Remote instrumentation infrastructure for various communities (earthquake, environment,...)



Expand availability, flexibility and efficiency of services for grid and distributed software quality



Integrate Service and Desktop grids, identify new users/resource providers, favour collaborations



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# e-Science grid perspective



Foster Grid adoption (science and enterprise), articulate European requirements towards standards



Report success stories to policy makers in government/business, to scientific community/public



Establish long-term sustainability of grid infrastructures in Europe (new organisational model)





# time to evaluate

- **Achievements...**

  - positioning in the world scene

- **Sustainability...**

  - organisational models and governance

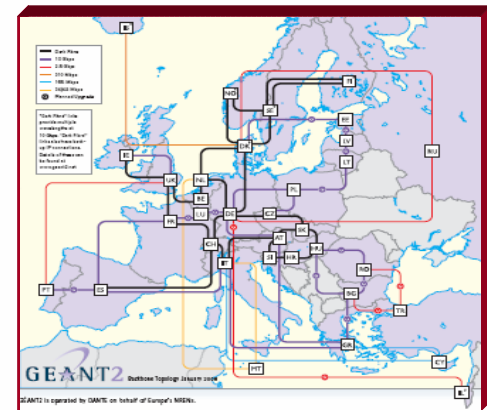
- **Challenges and responses...**

  - European Commission, Member States, sector actors



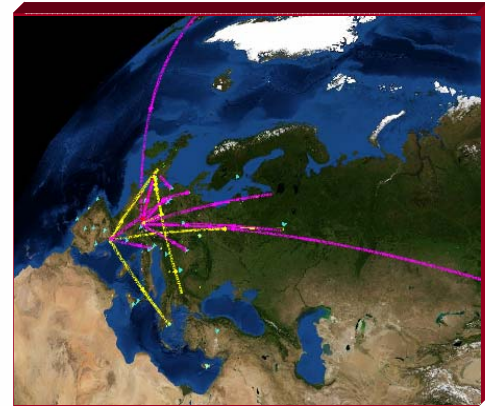
# GÉANT network

- World leading network with global footprint
- Governance model progressively consolidated
  - European approach builds on NRENs
  - Service provided to all communities
- Important to reinforce coordination
- **Consolidate world leadership**



# e-Science grid

- EGEE: world's largest multi-science grid  
Multiple complementary (EU + global) projects
- Need to evolve organisation model
  - Depart from funding e-Infrastructures on a project basis
  - Openness to all communities
  - Build European strategy on top of National ones
- Reinforce National Grid Initiatives, investments and coordination
- **Structure the e-Science grids landscape**



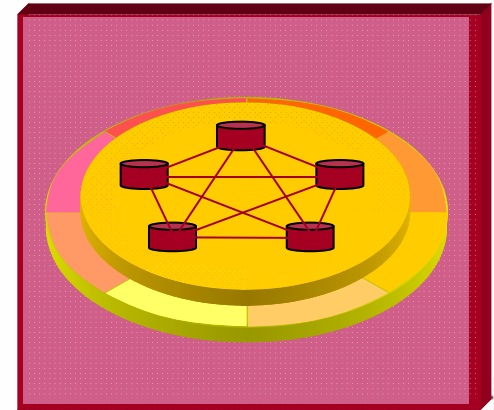
# European HPC service

- **DEISA: grid of 11 supercomputers**
  - PRACE investing in new capabilities
  - User communities very knowledgeable
- Need to develop organisation model at European level
- Scale-up and pool investments, develop a strategic agenda, identify industrial impacts
- **Build the new generation of supercomputing facilities**



# scientific data

- Only 28% of the research output is available in digital repositories
  - several projects providing early results
  - “EU Open Access Pilot” announced
- Need to consolidate organisation models
- Ramp-up investments and share best practices
- **Enhance access to scientific data**



# global virtual research communities

- Europe has to capitalise on the maturity level reached by e-Infrastructures
- Investments in heavy “physical” infrastructures are to be e-Infrastructures aware
- Sector actors need to ensure that Europe embraces the e-Science paradigm
- **Host global virtual research communities**



# consolidating e-Science grid efforts

- EGEE (and complementary projects) was instrumental in federating disciplines and coordinating strategies
- Important to consolidate, deepen and enlarge
- e-Science grid governance model needs to evolve:
  - building upon the emerging National Grid Initiatives
  - towards an inclusive European Grid Initiative



# further information

[www.cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ict/e-infrastructure/](http://www.cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ict/e-infrastructure/)

