

“Why, how and when to invest in working with GGF”: Introductory Remarks

Key Issues for Projects

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Grid Projects - some common features*

- Multi-partner collaborative developments, including industry-academia partnerships
- Fixed-term duration (at least w.r.t. funding)
- Major results often developed late in the project life-time



* Apologies for the potential bias from EU project participation !

Challenges for projects

- Choosing the right standards development organisations s ... GGF and...
- Achieving project representation and impact via a standardisation process based on “personal contributions”
- Effective Timing ... from early interaction with “unripe” developments to introduction of project results close to project termination.
- Persistence of contributions (beyond funded project time-frames)... “seeing things through”

For discussion ...

- Are projects using (should projects use) GGF to “standardise” Grid features directly related to research results from their project OR to provide a complementary vehicle for the performance of Grid research ?
- What are the metrics for ROI for a project (as a whole) ?



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Initial Questions

- What have the projects achieved ?
- How does that compare with “reasonable goals”
 - a) for influencing and creating standards
 - b) for obtaining standards that help projects
- How should we undertake standards work in the future ?
- What resources should projects commit to standards development in the next 18 months ?
- What should GGF deliver to projects in the next 18 months ?