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D-Grid and the Integration of New Communities

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D-Grid at a Glance



Building a National e-Infrastructure for Research and Industry

- 01/2003: Pre-D-Grid Working Groups → Recommendation to Government
- 09/2005: D-Grid-1: early adopters, 'Services for Science'
- 01/2007: D-Grid-2: new communities, 'Service Grids'
- 01/2008: D-Grid-3: Service Grids for research and industry
- D-Grid-1: 25 MEuro > 100 Orgs > 200 researchers
- D-Grid-2: 25 MEuro > 50 addl Orgs > 200 addl researchers
- D-Grid-3: Call in May 2007

> Important:

- Sustainable production grid infrastructure after the end of the funding
- Integration of <u>new communities</u>
- Evaluating <u>business models</u> for grid services









Virtual Competence Centers for Middleware, Resources, Support, Knowledge

Core D-Grid Infrastructure



Objective:

- establishment and operation of a <u>scalable</u> Core D-Grid infrastructure by the D-Grid integration project (DGI)
- evaluation of *interoperability* and performance of resources
- Build a grid infrastructure so <u>everybody</u> can join → integration of new communities

The Core D-Grid comprises:

- Acquisition and integration of compute and storage resources
- Implementation and provision of middleware (Globus, gLite, UNICORE)
- Attachment of storage robots to the storage element of the D-Grid software (dCache, SRM/SRB)
- Admission of users to resources and applications (AA)
- Operation of a virtual Grid Operating Center (GOC)

D-Grid Middleware



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Attract New Communities by Providing:



- Continuity: Grid infrastructure should be modified and improved in large cycles only: applications depend on infrastructure !
- Sustainability: Funding should be available after end of project, to guarantee services, support and continuous improvement.
- Interoperability: Use open-source software and standards especially in the infrastructure and application middleware layer.
- Collaboration: between infrastructure developers and the applications, to best utilize grid services and to avoid application silos.
- User-Friendliness: for easy adoption for new communities. Infrastructure group should offer installation, operation and support services.
- Grid Services: Centers of Excellence should specialize on specific services, e.g. integration of new communities, grid operation, utility services, training, support, etc.
- Attract Industry: has to be industry-driven. Push from outside, even with govmnt funding, is not promising. Success comes only from real needs e.g. through already existing collaborations between research and industry
 - ➔ Evangelisation

D-Grid-2 Projects



- Grid-based platform for VOs in the Construction industry
- Financial Business Grid: A service grid architecture for the financial service industry
- Grid-based collaboration among <u>Aerospace</u> research and industry
- Automotive: Cooperative product design and development in simulation and production data management
- Grid-based Enterprise Information Systems, integration & orchestration in commercial IT systems
- Geographical Data infrastructure for providing and processing data and simulation for catastrophes, noise, and navigation
- Distributed analysis + exploration of <u>Multimedia</u> archives
- Grid-based IT services for research and education
- Horizontal integration of resource and service Monitoring
- Grid support for small institutions and <u>SMEs</u>



- Govt is changing <u>policies</u> for resource acquisition (HBFG !) to enable (enforce) a service model
- > 2nd Call: Focus on Service <u>Provisioning</u> for Sciences & Industry
- > D-Grid is application and <u>user-driven</u>, not infrastructure-driven
- Focus on implementation and <u>production</u>, not grid research, in a multi-technology environment (Globus, Unicore, gLite, etc)
- > D-Grid is THE <u>Core</u> of the German e-Science Initiative

Summary



Steps towards Integration of New Communities

- Procedure so far: First, send proposal to D-Grid-2/3/4 Call
- If approved, join D-Grid Welcome Workshops/Trainings
- Download D-Grid software stack on your system and connect
- > Your choice: Globus, gLite, Unicore
- Get support from our D-Grid Operation Centre (coming soon)
- Share (part of) your resources with D-Grid
- Port your application/s on D-Grid infrastructure
- Develop/port/integrate app-specific middleware and tools
- Become a member of the D-Grid Steering Committee
- > Develop your core community first, but then scale out
- ➤ What else ?

➔ I am her to learn more from how You do it ☺

Last but not least: D-Grid itself is Part of the International Grid Community





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The Grid Engine



The Steam Engine

Thank You !

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