



Press Release

Enterprise Issues Workshops, 9 May 2007

*OGF20/EGEE 2nd User Forum - Accelerating Grid Adoption in Science & Industry
7-11 May 2007, Manchester, UK*

Manchester (UK) is in the spotlight as the world's preeminent Grid standards body and the leading international grid project join forces at OGF20 & EGEE 2ND User Forum. This event brings together a large group of like-minded individuals, OGF thought leadership, users and developers of EGEE's Grid infrastructure to discuss open and high-performance Grid computing from a global perspective. The programme features seminars and workshops targeted at scientists and businesses with a special focus on enterprise needs, which are growing in importance as large-scale, interoperable Grid computing moves to its next step.

Against this backdrop, four Enterprise Issues Workshops are co-hosted by the Enterprise Grid Requirements (EGR) Working Group, the Enterprise Area of Open Grid Forum, and EGEE Industry Forum. These workshops are dedicated to issues common to a number of industry groups: autos & aerospace, financial services and pharmaceuticals. They provide an important opportunity for firms to understand and discuss these issues in a forum that includes experts on Grids and cluster computing, data management and storage.

The workshops are scheduled on 9 May as follows:

- **Pharma, Biotech & Life Science Use of Grids, 10.30am-12.00pm;**
- **Auto & Aerospace Firms' Use of Grids, 2.00-3.30pm;**
- **Financial Services Requirements, 4.00-5.30pm**

Well known experts from a number of fields will be part of the workshops.

- In pharma, Peter Maccallum, PhD, CancerGrid Project Manager, CRUK Cambridge Research Institute, Rich Sinnott of the National e-Science Center in Edinburgh, as well as Steve Litster, Senior Systems Engineer, Novartis Institutes of BioMedical Research, and Pawel Plaszczak, President of GridwiseTech, an EGEE Business Associate, will present.
- In autos and aerospace, Walter Wirch from MSC Software, Nick Tzannetakis from LMS/Noesis, and Philip Spiby from Eurostep will present and Jamil Appa of BAE and Clemens-August Thole of Fraunhofer will be hosts.
- In financial services, Shawn Findlan, Executive Director, Strategic Engineering & Architecture, MorganStanley, Dr Adam Vile, Head of Grid, HPC and Technical Computing, Excelian LTD, and a technical expert from Chris Allison's firm, Citihub, Ltd., will be the hosts. Andrew Dolan of Citigroup, Chris Swan from Credit-Suisse will participate in the discussion



One of the main results of each workshop will be a **White Paper** on the issues addressed in each session.

The **Cross-Industry Requirement Discussion** takes place at **6.00-7.30pm** and offers firms the chance to review the findings in the specific workshops and discuss common issues, solutions or best practices across industries. This workshop will contribute to a more detailed discussion of the priorities that the Open Grid Forum should take in its work on standards for Grid computing.

From an EGEE Industry perspective a key contribution is offered by Pawel Plaszczak, President of GridwiseTech, an EGEE Business Associate. The session hosted by Gridwisetech, 'How Business and Industry can profit on Using the EGEE Grid', takes place at 2.45pm on 10 May.

For more details on the OGF20/EGEE User Forum, please see www.ogf.org or www.eu-egee.org/.