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EGEE Review – 9-11 February 2005

The first EGEE EU Review was held at CERN, Geneva, and attended by more than 90 participants. The activity leaders presented their work and the progress made over the first nine months of the project to the five EU-appointed international reviewers, the EU project officer, Kyriakos Baxevanidis, and the EU administrator, Christophe Kowalski. The question and answer sessions were very productive, and at the end of the three day agenda, the reviewers announced their great satisfaction with the project praising its efforts and results to-date. The project management and activity leaders are now following-up on the constructive recommendations made by the reviewers and will meet during an All Activity (AA) Meeting this week at CERN to discuss plans for the next 15 months of the project.

The agenda for the AA meeting can be found at <http://agenda.cern.ch/fullAgenda.php?ida=a045526>.

The Project Director would like to congratulate all EGEE members for their hard work to achieve such a good result, of which we should be proud. The details of review agenda and material presented can be found on the EGEE technical web pages.

New Proposals and spin off projects

The EGEE project has been approached by a number of project initiatives to profit from forthcoming EU calls. One of these calls closes on 17 March 2005, with projects intending to cover the following extensions to EGEE:

- ▶ Extensions in geographical coverage: e.g. Baltic countries, Latin and South America, Mediterranean countries, as well as Asian countries such as China.
- ▶ Extensions in functionality and applications: accounting technology, documentation, training, and biomedical.

Second Contract Amendment

As a result of the recommendations made by the reviewers, the Project Office is now coordinating the second contract amendment to fulfil obligations of the EU review feedback report. This amendment will require a change in the contract to have one remaining reporting period of 12 months instead of two periods of nine and six months. This will mean the next official project review will be the final review at the end of the project. To monitor the technical progress of the programme of work in interim, focussed technical review will be held at CERN in December 2005. The contract amendment will also include an updated detailed implementation plan reflecting each activity's plans for the next 15 months of the project. Further details can be obtained from the EGEE Project Office.

EGEE Phase II Proposal

The taskforce established in October to prepare the proposal for the second phase of EGEE (call opening in May and closing on 7 September 2005) is pursuing its activities with the aim of giving ideas and directions for the third EGEE conference in Athens. Further details can be obtained from the Project Office.

3rd EGEE Conference: Athens, 18-22/04/05

Registration is open for the third EGEE conference to be held in Athens in April. Full programme and conference details can be found on the web: http://public.eu-egee.org/conferences/details.php?item_id=29

EGEE in Numbers

The total number of physical lines of source code in **gLite** Code is 602,769. You can view details on the following webpage: <http://glite.web.cern.ch/glite/project/sloc.aspx>.

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