Gridforum.nl

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History

• GGF participation 2001, GFSG feb 2002
• ISOC NL board since may 2002
• Regional forum discussion in GFSG sep 2002
• Starts rolling, others join initiative group
• Web site online dec 2002
• Service Grids Platform join feb 2003
• Organization of this event held up (BSIK)
• Charter, program, etc. june-sept 2003
• Oct 13th 2003
Why GGF?

• An Open Process for Development of Agreements and Specifications
  • Grid “Recommendations” process
    • modeled after Internet Standards Process (IETF, RFC 2026)
  • Persistent, Reviewed Document Series
    • similar to RFC series; initiated October 2001
  • Intellectual Property policies (RAND) modeled after IETF policies

• A Forum for Information Exchange and Collaboration
  • Comparing notes on experiences, approaches
  • Spanning vertical layers, including people who are
    • Doing Grid Research
    • Designing and Building Grid software
    • Deploying Grids
    • Using Grids
  • Spanning technology areas- from directory services to scheduling to data handling to security to collaboration environments to…
What is GGF?

Specifications and Best Practices

Identify where / what specs are critical

Frameworks / Architectures (how specs fit together)

Research and Technology Directions

Application Requirements

Partnerships

Education

Working Groups

Research Groups and Workshops

Conferences, Tutorials & Partnerships
GGF Structure

**GGF Corp.**

- Secretariat: Operations

**Board of Directors**
(Catlett, Messina)
- Financial, Legal Responsibility
- Appoints GGF Chair

- Conference Mgmt
- Sponsor Programs
- Finance/Legal
- IT (Website, etc.)
- Staffing & Services

Holds *non-exclusive* copyright for document series

**GGF**

- **Steering Group**
  - GGF Management
  - Document Series Review

**GGF Advisory Committee**
- Advise on strategic direction, industry, government
- Advise on governance

**Grid Research Oversight Council**
- RG/WG Workshop series
- Advise on Research Issues

- **Editor**
- **Chair**

- = working group
- = research group

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Internet Analogy

- ISOC
  - INET conferences
  - Society based
  - Chapters
- IETF + IAB + IESG
  - Standards

- GGF ≈ ISOC + IETF
- Gridforum.nl
  - Equivalent to a regional ISOC chapter
  - Gridforum.nl does not do standards!
Gridforum.nl is a society for people interested in grid applications and grid technology in the Netherlands, from e-science to grid services - and beyond.

The mission of Gridforum.nl:

- "To stimulate the use and applications of grid technology in the Netherlands and the participation in the evolution and development of the grid in an international context."
Charter

Gridforum.nl will work towards its mission by:

1. **representing the grid community** in the Netherlands in the broadest sense
2. developing and maintaining formal and informal **relations** with both the national and international grid- and internet communities
3. offering **information, expertise, tutorials** and other facilities with regards to grid technology and grid applications
4. lowering the **threshold** of grid infrastructure to individuals, groups and organisations in the Netherlands
5. offering a **platform for discussion** and dissemination of insights of grid users in the Netherlands
6. to **cooperate with other organisations** active in the field of grids in and outside of the Netherlands for coordination, joint activities and knowledge dissemination.
7. **initiating services** in order to reach an optimal use of grids by individuals, groups and organisations for innovation, communication and cooperation
8. guarding the **public and interoperable character of grids** in the Netherlands
9. **supporting** the development of effective **grid standards** by the GGF and related organisations
10. **stimulating the use** and development of grid technology and grid applications in general.
Activities

• Information exchange
  – One big plenary meeting / year
  – Masterclasses / workshops
  – Special Interest Groups
    • E.g. Business applications, Emerging technologies, Scientific grids, Grids and education, Grid market awareness
  – Expert groups
  – Tutorials
  – Website / Newsletter

• Agenda setting concerning Grids
• Link to International communities
Organization

GGF

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Board

Advisory committee

secretariat

WG

WG

WG

SIG

IETF

ISOC

W3C
Today’s program

- **Grids from different perspectives:**
  - Science: Peter Sloot
  - Business: Ron Tolido
  - SME: Ad Emmen
  - Government-EU: Kyriakos Baxevanidis
  - User perspective: Jacques Joosten

- **Address by Charlie Catlett (via video-link)**
- **FORUM**
- **And as usual a reception**
Goal of this symposium

• Are we a go?
• What activities need to be added/removed?
• Who wants to become active and participate?
• Any suggestions, hints?

Think about these questions for the forum!
Questions?

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