

NA3 – USER TRAINING AND INDUCTION

Vital to the success of the Enabling Grids for E-science (EGEE) project is up-to-date accessible training that is delivered by an experienced team, who are willing to travel and modify training material to suit local needs.

Led by the UK National e-Science Centre based in Edinburgh, no fewer than 22 of the 70 partners taking part in the EGEE project are directly involved in User Training and Induction.

To date, the User Training and Induction team has provided a full programme of induction and training events across Europe.

Induction courses range from “What is a Grid?” and “Grid Evolution” to “The Future of Grids” and “What is e-Science”. They normally include practical work on “How to use EGEE” using the easily used portal and training facilities GENIUS & GILDA.

Training courses also cover Application Development for the EGEE platforms, LCG2 Installation, Web Services and Globus Tool Kit.

Courses giving hands-on installation and management training for EGEE middleware have also been given.

The training modules that have been developed are made available to all the EGEE training partners, who can modify, develop and use them in their own local context – all the while sharing the results of their specific expertise.

The modules are available to view and download on line from the User Training and Induction website. Some training modules have been translated into different European languages.

The User Training and Induction team maintains close contact with the software development and integration teams, with the team responsible for dissemination to industry partners and of course, with the end users.

The challenges for the User Training and Induction team include:

- Keeping the training programme up-to-date as the project infrastructure develops to encompass gLite and supporting new application domains;
- Ensuring a full programme of accurate and relevant tutorials with real world examples is provided;
- Ensuring the material is presented in such a way that it meets the needs of the diverse community – from new staff on the project, to academics well versed in Grid technology.

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