

Grid and Social Issues (GSI)

A. Administrative:

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B. Description & Objectives:

Focus:

This group aims to address the various social issues involved in deployment and adoption of Grid and come out with a set of possible solutions to overcome these issues. Most of the organizations around the globe are facing more social problems than technical to deploy Grid. This group will provide a platform for people to discuss various issues experienced by them in deploying Grid and possible solutions for those situations. This group would also prepare Best practices guide to resolve the social issues in deploying Grid.

We would address these Social issues at the following 3 levels (or more)-

- Internal issues (Sys Admins not happy with the Grid “open” policy)
 - Policies & Processes
 - Stringent policies
 - Business process not conducive to sharing resources
 - Lack of risk management guidelines
- External issues (Other organizations hesitating to participate,)
 - Infrastructure
 - Lack of confidence in the infrastructure
 - Fear of data leaks
 - Software licensing models
- User issues (User’s not using the Grid)
 - Trust
 - Expectations gap
 - Still very few happy users to share experiences
 - Lack of efforts required, to change the research infrastructure into development.

Goals

1. First meeting (possible June 2004) would begin with “use-cases” based on experience gained by people involved in deploying and using Grid.
2. First version of draft document on Social Grid Issues would be published by the second meeting (by GGF11)
3. Second meeting would start with various possible solutions for each problem outlined. (GGF11)
4. By third Meeting we should have a best practices guide for dealing with social issues in deploying Grid. (GGF12)

AGENDA –BOF GGF10

1. Welcome
2. Introduction
3. Discussion on the charter of the proposed RG
4. Suggestions by the participants
5. Conclusion