



★ Interconnection & Interoperability of Grids between Europe & China ★

PRESS RELEASE

Rome, 18th September 2006 - EUChinaGRID 1st Conference: Interconnecting European and Chinese Grids for eScience

The first EUChinaGRID Project Conference has just begun: another step towards the creation of a human network in e-Science between Europe and China, thus promoting the existing and creating new international collaborations around this emerging technology.

Rome, 18th September 2006 - The **first EUChinaGRID Project Conference** has just begun. The event will present the vision of cross-national eInfrastructures as a driving force towards widening the European Research Area and creating a global, virtual space for Research through the adoption of new powerful grid tools and services; it will also provide a picture of the current status of Grid infrastructures and applications in Europe and China, with a special stress on the e-Science applications.

The scientific field is of course a preferential ground to create a true collaborative environment, ultimately promoting scientific and technological development: the EUChinaGRID conference will discuss how grids can become a major instrument for international cooperation in eScience and beyond, also thanks to the presentation of real, operating application, case histories and similar experiences in China and the rest of the continent. For details, please visit the conference website (<http://www.euchinagrid.org/Conf-Roma06/>) and agenda (<http://agenda.euchinagrid.org/fullAgenda.php?id=a0666>).

Funded by European Union within the framework of the Sixth Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development (FP6), EUChinaGRID Project officially started on 1st January 2006 with the aim to interconnect the existing European and Chinese Grid Infrastructures and enable their interoperability, thus creating a network of collaboration between Europe and China.

The main objective of the Project is to facilitate exchange and processing of scientific data supporting a pilot interoperable usage of the most relevant Grid Infrastructures in Europe (developed within the EU EGEE Project) and in China (managed by the CNGrid Project).

The EUChinaGRID Project is coordinated by INFN and involves several partners from China (Beihang University, CNIC, IHEP, and Peking University), Greece (GRnet), Italy (Consortium GARR, Department of Biology - Università di Roma Tre), Poland (Jagiellonian University) and international organization (CERN), while the Department of Physics – Università di Roma Tre and Academia Sinica Grid Computing Centre (ASGC) of Taipei are third parties.

The Conference is organized also with the contribution of the General Directorate for the Culture Promotion and Cooperation of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



★ Interconnection & Interoperability of Grids between Europe & China ★

1. For further information about the EUChinaGRID project please visit: <http://www.euchinagrid.org> or contact the Project Office (po@euchinagrid.org)
2. More information about INFN can be found at: <http://www.infn.it>
3. More information about the Enabling Grids for E-science project (EGEE) can be found at: <http://public.eu-egee.org>
4. More information about the GEANT2 Pan-European Backbone can be found at: <http://www.geant.net/>
5. More information about TEIN2 can be found at: <http://www.tein2.net/>
6. More information about CNGRID can be found at: http://www.cngRID.org/en_index.htm