

DCA WP5 kickoff meeting – 30/11-01/12 2006



Grid Working Group

OV France

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WG information location

■ Working Group pages :

- <http://www.france-ov.org/twiki/bin/view/GROUPEStravail/Grids>
- Programme, participants and report for each meeting
- Publications, seminars, ...
- Links



We have noted that...

- Computing grids are more clearly identified in the VO context among our foreign colleagues (AstroGrid, INAF, NAOJ, ...)
 - Cf. Grid day organised at CDS in June 2005, http://cdsweb.u-strasbg.fr/meeting5/planning_en.htm
- Concerning the « theory » we can notice the interest about Grids of our italian colleagues participating to the IVOA « Theory IG » and of our german colleagues of GAVO, who participate to the D-Grid project.



Existing working groups

■ IVOA WG : Grid and Web Services

- Security aspects, asynchronous tasks, standard interfaces, etc..

■ IVOA IG : Astro RG

- Created in 2003 in the frame of OGF (Open Grid Forum, ex GGF). It is presided by Masatoshi Ohishi and Nicholas Walton and meets during the semestrial conferences (500 to 800 participants). Its aim is to explore Grid use possibilities in the astronomical domain. French participation is limited to a partial follow-up of the meetings.

■ EuroVO DCA

- Objectives

■ ...



Action

- **The pooling of OV France people interested by Grids and a closer collaboration with IT french community would be a major asset in the frame of the participation to the european DCA project, wich is managed by the italian partner**

- **Creation of a Grid Working Group to gather all the interested people in France**
 - **Objectives :**
 - Count the existing use cases of Grid in the french astronomical community
 - Discussion forum creation
 - Improve et promote the collaborations with IT community colleagues
 - Active participation to the international working groups (DCA, OGF (Astro-RG), ...)



Kickoff – 9 January 2007

■ Organised at ENS Lyon

- Registration open
- Programme draft available (see OV France TWiki)

■ Main objective of the first meeting

- Count the concerned french laboratories involved in Grid activities and their collaborations with IT people, discuss with our IT Grid community colleagues



Working Group

- Collaboration with EuroVO DCA (mainly WP5)
- Referenced on the MDA poster at « Journées PariSTIC » (Nancy, 22-24 November 2006) (important yearly meeting of IT projects (~ 150 to 200) funded by the the french ministry)
- Active participation to Astro-RG ?

