# Welcome to the e-Infrastructure Workshop

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# 2. Purpose of e-IRG workshop

- To collect as much input and information as possible for two purposes:
  - Luxembourg e-IRG white paper
  - Science Grid Roadmap (one time effort)





#### 3. What is e-IRG

- Founded in 2003 in Athens
- Consists of official government delegates
- Mission of the eIRG
  - The main objective of the eIRG is to support on the political, advisory and monitoring level, the creation of a policy and administrative framework for the easy and cost-effective shared use of electronic resources in Europe (focusing on Grid-computing, data storage, and networking resources) across technological, administrative and national domains.





## 4. e-IRG operational process

- Twice a year:
  - an open e-infrastructure workshop to gather broad input from experts and stakeholders
  - Compilation of draft White Paper, formulate endorsements
  - Review and adoption by delegates at delegates meeting
  - White paper brought to attention of ministries, Brussels etc.





# 5. Scope of the White Paper

- Overview of current state of affairs
- Identify hurdles
- Provide Best Practices
- Endorsements for further development
- Look forward to important new developments







# 6. Some recent subjects

AuthenticationAuthorisationAccounting

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- General purpose vs. disciplinary grids
- Usage policy development





# 7. New subjects for today

- Legal issues in e-infrastructures
- Building the European Science Grid
  - Advanced computing facilities
  - Storage and data services
  - International connectivity
- Network developments & grid requirements
- User requirements





## 8. e-Infrastructures Roadmap

- In 2004 the Commission proposed to have a strategic roadmap for Research Infrastructures developed to cover the next 10 to 20 years
- Four complementary infrastructure roadmaps for four discrete areas are currently on their way:
  - Physical Sciences/Engineering (ESFRI)
  - Life Sciences (ESFRI)
  - Social Sciences/Humanities (ESFRI)
  - e-Infrastructures (e-IRG)





### 9. Where are we now?

- First step taken in March this year: e-IRG produced an Opportunities List
- This document will be the skeleton for the first version of the Roadmap which is due to appear next month
- Efforts are applauded by commissioners Reding and Potocnik





## 10. European Science Grid

- Introduced first in the Opportunities List
- Four base components:
  - hybrid networking
  - highly advanced computing
  - non-compute research facilities (e.g. sensor grids)
  - data storage and servicing
  - All together in a seamless grid environment!
- User support, help desk

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## 11. What will today look like?

10.15–11.30 Plenary presentations

11.30-11.45 Break

11.45-12.30 Parallel session (White Paper)

12.30-13.30 Break for lunch

13.30-14.15 Parallel session (White Paper)

14.15-14.30 Break

14:30-15:15 Parallel session (Roadmap)

15:15-15:30 Break

15:30-16:15 Parallel session (Roadmap)

16:15-17:00: Plenary presentations of sessions outcomes

17:00-18:00: Drinks courtesy of Luxembourg EU Chair

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#### 12. Parallel sessions

- Each session features:
  - a chairman
  - a secretary
  - Max. 18 participants (approx.)
- Chairman leads the discussion
- Secretary makes notes
- Chairman presents summary at the end of day in final plenary