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PRESS RELEASE

Can Grid technology give your company a competitive advantage? The Grid Solutions Track organized by the Enabling Grids for E-science (EGEE) Business Forum, 5 June 2009, during LinuxDays 2009 (<http://2009.linuxdays.ch>) is designed to illustrate how IT strategists from a broad spectrum of businesses and public administration can benefit by adopting Grid computing.

"EGEE is now in a position to take a variety of solutions to the market through several commercial companies offering gLite based solutions," says Steven Newhouse, Technical Director of EGEE. "This 'Grid Solutions' track during the LinuxDays conference is a prime opportunity to showcase what EGEE and gLite has to offer."

Experts and developers will offer their insights into how businesses and public administrators can benefit most from this technology. Experts will explain the options that are available for implementation and advise on how to avoid pitfalls. The company Constellation Technologies will offer a snapshot of their higher level, value-added services that harness the power of Cloud Computing. Maat Gknowledge, a consulting company, will show how it is looking to transfer and optimize the use of new cutting-edge ICT, formerly designed for high energy physics, such as the EGEE computing grid. Participants will also see an example of designing a business model around both open source and Grid computing, as well as how businesses and public administration can take advantage of the expert training programme offered by Linalis, sponsor and organiser of LinuxDays.

"As a newly appointed EGEE Business Associate, Linalis has been able to use its experience in open source consulting, services and training to provide training to companies and individuals looking to leverage the power of Grid by using gLite in their business," says Steve Adams, Managing Director of Linalis.

Interactive discussions will offer the floor to the audience, providing an opportunity for participants to engage directly with the speakers. The extended networking lunch will also enable attendants to pose specific questions to experts in attendance and make plans for further collaboration.

Participants attending the track will receive:

- Straightforward, no-nonsense explanations of Grid computing.
- Expert insight into benefits across a spectrum of sectors, demonstrated through a portfolio of use cases.
- An understanding of the challenges and opportunities for Grid adoption in their organization.
- An inside look at how the Grid works.
- Focused discussions on specific requirements.
- Networking and peer-to-peer interaction.

On-line registration: <http://2009.linuxdays.ch/content/register-online>

EGEE Business Forum: <http://www.eu-egee.org/index.php?id=120>

Notes for Editors

The Enabling Grids for E-science (EGEE) project is co-funded by the European Commission. The project aims to provide researchers in both academia and industry with access to major computing resources, independent of their geographic location.

EGEE's main aims are:

1. To build a secure, reliable and robust grid infrastructure
2. To supply a computing service for many scientific disciplines
3. To attract, engage and support a wide range of users from science and industry, and provide them with extensive technical and training support.

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