GLIF Research & Applications Working Group

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GLIF RAP: Goals

- Goal: To train a new generation of scientists on the use of supernetworks
- TECH Group is focusing on lambda connectivity to the campus edges. RAP group advocates getting lambdas from the campus edge to the laboratory, to provide an end-to-end solution.
- Focus on three areas
 - User Applications
 - Infrastructure
 - Research







GLIF RAP: User Applications

User Applications – Larry Smarr and Maxine Brown

- Generate more users and applications using the GLIF infrastructure
 - Create taxonomy
 - Archive teaching materials from centers that teach scientific applications using lambdas (e.g., UK e-Science Center teaches "Networks for Non-Networkers")
 - Create liaisons with other groups
- Applications collected by iGrid 2005 are of interest to the RAP Group.
 RAP wants to develop a taxonomy defining classifications of LambdaGrid applications
 - Need to do a post mortem
 - Obtain quantitative measurements (bandwidth, burstiness, size of data files, etc). What would the GLIF TECH Group find useful?
 - What do scientists do with lambdas that they couldn't do with a production network?







GLIF RAP: Infrastructure

Infrastructure – Jason Leigh

- Live the Dream: interconnect GLIF sites with HD video teleconferencing, tiled displays, etc.
 - Create a living (persistent) demonstration; show by doing
 - Global Lambda Visualization Facility is connecting 6-8 OptlPuter sites this year







GLIF RAP: Research

Research – Cees de Laat

- Research coordination and roadmaps on various topics:
 - Devices: Photonic devices, modules
 - Architectures (e.g., Optical burst switching, JIT, WSS, StarPlane, portsite)
 - Integration
- Advocate new research programs by funding agencies
- Advocate new hardware/software development by industry





