Global Lambda Integrated Facility Governance Working Group
12th Meeting, 29 September 2014
Rydges Lakeland Resort, Queenstown, New Zealand

Attendees

Name	Organisation	Country
Nancy Carter	CANARIE	Canada
Buseung Cho	KISTI/KRLight	South Korea
Lars Fischer	NORDUnet	-
Jan Gruntorad	CESNET	Czech Republic
Joe Mambretti	StarLight/iCAIR/MREN	United States
Kevin Meynell (Secretary)	GLIF Secretariat	-
Kees Neggers (Chair)	SURF	The Netherlands
Peter Szegedi	TERENA	-
David Wilde	AARNet	Australia

Apologies were received from:

Eric Boyd	Internet2	United States
Maxine Brown	University of Illinois at Chicago	United States
Rob Vietzke	Internet2	United States

1. Welcome

Kees Neggers welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting held on 2 October 2013 were approved. These are available at http://www.glif.is/meetings/2013/gov/minutes.pdf.

3. Actions from last meeting

10.2 Maxine Brown to contact Bob Patterson to see whether he can update the GLIF map.
Done – this work is underway.

10.1 GLIF Secretariat to send out sponsorship requests for 2014.
Done.

11.2 Kevin Meynell to liaise with potential hosts to work out a schedule for GLIF 2015 and 2016.
Done.

4. Update on GLIF Secretariat: January 2013-July 2014

Kevin Meynell reported on the work undertaken by the GLIF Secretariat over the past 18 months (see http://www.glif.is/meetings/2014/gov/secretariat-report.pdf).
The Secretariat continued to undertake the routine tasks listed at http://www.glif.is/sponsors/sponsoring.html, and had organised Annual Global LambdaGrid Workshops in Singapore and Queenstown, as well as the spring meeting of the Technical Working Group in Atlanta. Discussions had also been held with potential hosts for the 15th and 16th Annual Global LambdaGrid Workshops, and with GENI with a view to co-locating the next Technical Working Group meeting with GEC 22 in Washington D.C, USA.

25 organisations had provided sponsorship amounting to €72,123 in 2013, and they were thanked for their support. Expenditure in 2013 had amounted to €54,000, which was €9,300 lower than budgeted for. The result was a surplus of €18,123 that bolstered the reserves to €54,862, which approximately represented a year of operating costs.

The budget agreed for 2014 had been €61,000, which included an amount of €10,000 for the production of a new GLIF map that would now likely be completed in 2015. 22 organisations had so far committed sponsorship amounting to €64,470 for 2014, of which €62,470 had already been collected.

The Mid-Atlantic Crossroads (United States) had become a sponsor in late 2013, but had thus far not made a commitment for 2014. NLR had now been wound-up and so would drop out as a sponsor, whilst the University of Amsterdam unfortunately had to withdraw as a sponsor due to loss of project funding.

On a positive note, DANTE had expressed interest in becoming a sponsor after the creation of the GÉANT Association, although the level and nature of their sponsorship still needed further discussion. The transition of TERENA and DANTE into the GÉANT Association would not affect the support of GLIF.

€30,926 had been expended up until the end of July, with a projection of €49,238 by the end of 2014. This should again create a surplus in the order of €15,232, further boosting the reserves to €70,094.

It was explained that the GLIF financial year runs from 1 January until 31 December in line with that of TERENA, and the figures presented at the meeting were by necessity interim. Audited accounts are published in the TERENA Annual Reports available on their website, but it was important to point out that TERENA books income and expenditure in the year when it occurs, not for the year when it is applicable. For example, some sponsorship for 2014 may be received in 2013 and would therefore booked on the 2013 accounts.

5. Budget for GLIF Secretariat 2015

Kevin Meynell presented the proposed budget for the GLIF Secretariat for 2015 (see http://www.glif.is/meetings/2014/gov/secretariat-report.pdf).

The proposal was for a budget of €59,850 which again represented a slight decrease from the previous year, even though this included an amount of €10,000 for the new GLIF map. Savings were being made by contracting out most of secretariat services, whilst the management costs of TERENA were much lower than originally anticipated.

The proposed sponsorship tiers were also circulated (see Appendix), and if all the current sponsors agreed to stay at the same levels for 2014, this would amount to 68 units. This would yield a total revenue of €68,000 if the unit fee was kept at €1,000, resulting in a projected surplus of €8,150.

It was agreed to accept the budget as proposed and to keep the unit fee at €1,000. The GLIF Secretariat was asked to send out sponsorship requests for 2015 on this basis.

Action 12.1 – GLIF Secretariat to send out sponsorship requests for 2015.

6.   Global LambdaGrid Workshop 2015

Kevin Meynell reported that an offer had been received from CESNET to host the 15th Global LambdaGrid Workshop. No other offer had been received, and Europe was due for hosting the workshop in the rota, so it was recommended this be accepted.

Jan Gruntorad then presented some details about the event they proposed to hold on 28-30 September 2015 in Prague, Czech Republic.

It was agreed that the proposal looked good, and that Prague should be confirmed as the host for GLIF 2015. CESNET were thanked for their offer.

Kevin Meynell said there were currently discussions between GLIF, Florida International University and Internet2 to host the following Annual Global LambdaGrid Workshop in conjunction with the Internet2 Technology Week in October/November 2016. This would be in Miami, USA.

There was some concern expressed about the potential proximity to Supercomputing, which could be problematic for those undertaking demos. Arrangements should therefore take this into account, and if necessary alternative dates and venues considered. It was mentioned that CANARIE had also expressed interest in hosting in 2016, so this may be another option.

Action 12.2 – GLIF Secretariat to liaise with potential hosts to find suitable dates and venue for GLIF 2016.

7.   Any other business

Kees Neggers said that he would like to extend his thanks to REANNZ for hosting the 14th Global LambdaGrid Workshop, as well as to the sponsors and supporting organisations.

Open Actions

12.1 GLIF Secretariat to send out sponsorship requests for 2015.

12.2 GLIF Secretariat to liaise with potential hosts to find suitable dates and venue for GLIF 2016.

Global Lambda Integrated Facility
Proposed Sponsor Tiers 2015

Sponsor	Tier	Units	Contributions (EUR) 2014	2015
AARNet	2	4	4,000	4,000
AMPATH	1*	2	2,000	2,000
ANSP	1*	2	2,000	2,000
CANARIE	2	4	4,000	4,000
CENIC	3	2	2,000	2,000
CERN	2	4	4,000	4,000
CESNET	2	4	4,000	4,000
CPqD	3	2	2,000	2,000
e-ARENA	2	4	2,000	4,000
i2CAT	4	1	1,000	1,000
iCAIR	4	1	1,000	1,000
Internet2	1	6	6,000	6,000
KAUST	3	2	2,000	2,000
KISTI	1	6	6,000	6,000
NORDUnet	1	6	6,000	6,000
PNWGP	3	2	2,000	2,000
PSNC	2	4	4,000	4,000
RNP	1*	2	2,000	4,000
SURFnet	1	6	6,000	6,000
TWAREN	3	2	4,000	4,000
UCSD	4	1	1,000	1,000
UIC	4	1	1,000	1,000
Total (unit fee = EUR 1,000)		**68**	**68,000**	**68,000**

* AMPATH, ANSP and RNP share a Tier 1 contribution