



Dear grid and NREN security contacts,

Experience from the recent years showed that a close collaboration between NREN and grid CSIRTs is very valuable. With the upcoming transition to EGI (<http://web.eu-egi.eu/>), such cooperation has become essential.

NGIs (and current EGEE ROCs) as well as NREN CSIRTs are well established in many European countries. They both share similar objectives and both have limited resources. Yet, both have a very complementary approach:

- NGIs (and current EGEE ROCs) operate around users, end-to-end services and sites
- NREN CSIRTs operate around IP address-ranges, network flows and sites

As a result, an improved collaboration between members of TERENAs TF-CSIRT group and EGEE VOs has been identified as a key step to improve security in the European research and higher education community. The collaboration between EGEE and TF-CSIRT security activities has been significantly reinforced in 2009. All participating CSIRTs are strongly encouraged to support local collaboration between NREN-CSIRTs and grid CSIRTs. In particular stake holders are encouraged to organise and promote:

- A forum containing the appropriate contact points
- Localized, joint security training events aimed at the sites
- Security drills within the local constituency
- A common incident response procedure whenever possible

One additional benefit would be to provide as many sites as possible with a unique incident reporting point (per constituency) for both grid and non-grid security incidents, and to assign the issue to the appropriate experts transparently to the reporting site.

Detailed contact information about each NREN and grid CSIRT is maintained and is available to

all participating CSIRTs by contacting either:

- project-egEE-security-support@cern.ch
- tf-csirt@terena.org and <http://www.trusted-introducer.nl/>

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