Collaboration Agreement / Memorandum of Understanding concerning the NorduGrid Collaboration



Article 1

The following Agreement / MoU is established between Danish Instrument Center for CERN Experiments (ICE), Helsinki Institute of Physics, Lund University, Oslo University and Uppsala University, expressing parties' firm commitment to the continuous support of the NorduGrid collaboration, a Grid Research and Development collaboration that aims at development, maintenance and support of the Grid middleware, known as the Advance Resource Connector (ARC).

Article 2

The NorduGrid collaborative activity is based on the success of the original NorduGrid project (May 2001-March 2003), that came up with an original grid architecture and middleware implementation, as well as its continuation that resulted in a production grid used by scientists from different fields.

Article 3

The initiators of this MoU are the members of the steering committee: Prof. Paula Eerola for Lund University, Prof. Tord Ekelöf for Uppsala University, Prof. John Renner Hansen for ICE, Prof. Farid Ould-Saada (chair) for Oslo University and Dr. Miika Tuisku for Helsinki Institute of Physics.

Article 4

The NorduGrid collaboration's steering committee consists of representatives of the member organisations. Chairperson of the committee (the *Spokesperson*) is appointed by consensus of the collaboration. The Steering committee represents the collaboration outside, coordinates personnel available for the collaboration, manages any future funds granted to the

collaboration, and negotiates new membership requests. The Steering Committee shall not be entitled to act or to make legally binding declarations on behalf of any member organisation.

Article 5

A member organisation of the NorduGrid collaboration (i) commits to contribute to the NoruGrid/ARC tools and services development, support and maintenance or extends the area of applicability of such by introducing and supporting new application areas, and (ii) participates in day-to-day activities of the collaboration. The NorduGrid collaboration welcomes new members.

Article 6

The official address of the NorduGrid collaboration follows the chair of the steering committee.

The general entry point for the collaboration is its Web site, http://www.nordugrid.org, which lists all the contact information.

Article 7

The NorduGrid Collaboration is part of the proposal for a Nordic Data Grid Facility (NDGF).

Article 8

This agreement/MoU is subject to revisions, renewal or cancellation by mutual written consent.

Any member organization is free to leave the collaboration with 6 month notice.

Article 9

This agreement / MoU becomes effective upon the date of the signatures.

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