

# GÉANT Community Programme and Community Committee



GÉANT Community Committee Meeting  
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- **The Community Programme**

- **is there to “help NRENs become better NRENs”**

by e.g. sharing ideas, best practices, harmonise procedures, picking the best technologies, or jointly tackling an issue

- **The Community Committee**

- **advises** the GÉANT management in matters related to community---driven collaborative initiatives.
- Twice per year the will guide the GÉANT management in the **definition of priorities**.
- **Provides input and feedback** in relation to the GÉANT Community Programme (activities)
  - e.g. by organising a **wider stakeholder consultation meeting**.

## The programme

- Resources
  - Effort by participants (NRENs and others), non funded
  - Secretarial support by GEANT
- Light weight “governance”
  - Selection of activities: where there is enough interest
  - Support of activities
- *Advise the GÉANT Executive & staff*
- *Communicates with Board and GA via its Chair*

## Implementation via Community Committee

- Works with Executive and staff
- Recommends priorities and gives feedback on activities
- Chair/deputy chair:
  - NREN staff, elected by GA
- Composition; 6-8 members
  - subject matter experts/or representing specific communities
  - Appointed by board
  - Relevant staff members ex-officio
- Terms of office: 3 years max/can be renewed once
- Two f2f meetings/year – plus VC as required

## Type of activities



- Task forces
  - Fixed-term, short-lived community based collaboration activities, provided largely by volunteers who decide to work together on specific tasks/deliverables.
- Special Interest Groups
  - Similar to task forces, also community based and largely volunteering activities, but last longer and focus on community building, best-practice dissemination and knowledge exchange rather than on tasks and deliverables.
- Workshops
  - One-of-a-kind or series of meetings, (un)conferences or BoFs organised around a specific topic of interest.
- Pilot projects or R&D part of projects
  - projects administered/commissioned by GÉANT



Thank you and any questions



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