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# EGI Community Forum 2014

iSGTW is at the European Grid Infrastructure (EGI) Community Forum in Helsinki, Finland, from 19 to 23 May. Be sure to follow us on social media for updates from the event.

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*The EGI Community Forum will be held at the Helsinki University Main Building in Helsinki, Finland. Click on the above image to visit the event website.*

[iSGTW](#) is at the [European Grid Infrastructure \(EGI\) Community Forum](#) in Helsinki, Finland, from 19 to 23 May. The event, which is expected to be attended by around 400 people, will see the official launch of the [EGI Federated Cloud](#). We'll have a [post about this on the GridCast blog](#) next Wednesday (21 May).

Pirjo-Leena Forsström, director of information infrastructure services at [Finland's IT Center for Science \(CSC\)](#), is scheduled to give a [keynote speech](#) at the event on the Thursday (22 May). You can read our in-depth interview with her, [here](#).

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*iSGTW* also recently interviewed Yannick Légré, who was appointed director of EGI.eu earlier this year. He had this to say about the event:

"I think that the community forum is essential to understanding the entire EGI community. It is a place where we share experiences and learn from one another. The richness of these events comes from interactions and the knowledge exchange that takes place. This year we are pushing real hands-on interactions with our hackathons.

"Over three days, users will also work with EGI experts to have their applications ported onto the federated cloud. Having everyone in one room, answering questions and having face-to-face discussion will accelerate the process, so that by the end of the week they will be able to take full advantage of EGI. However, the real 'meetings' happen over coffee and at lunch breaks: people just talking to people, kick-starting collaborations, and making EGI a community of people spread across 54 countries working together."

Be sure to follow *iSGTW* on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [Google+](#) for updates under the hashtag [#EGICF14](#). We'll also have a full roundup of the event in our 28 May issue.

- *Andrew Purcell*

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