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The European Grid Infrastructure is pleased to announce the EGI Writing Prize 2013 in association with iSGTW.

We invite researchers and science writers from all over the world to send us engaging articles about practical applications of grid computing in science. The competition is split into two categories:

- Researchers: PhD students and early career scientists (up to seven years after finishing PhD) who have used or are using grid computing for their research. We'll consider all fields of research from humanities to geology or anything else.
- Writers: This category includes everyone with an interest in science writing (bloggers, freelancers, journalists); science communication students we're looking at you!

The prize for each category is €500 worth of electronic gadgets of your choice. You pick the gadgets, we pick up the bill. You will also get your article

published on EGI's website and newsletter and on iSGTW – a weekly online magazine specialised in e-Science. The winners will also receive a free ticket to the EGI Community Forum in Manchester, where the award ceremony will be held.

Entries must be emailed to [press@egi.eu](mailto:press@egi.eu) by 25th January 2013 and must be no more than 800 words long. The winning entries for each category will be selected by a panel of EGI and iSGTW staff. You can find out more on the competition website.

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#### Notes for editors:

##### About the European Grid Infrastructure (EGI)

The European Grid Infrastructure (EGI) ([www.egi.eu](http://www.egi.eu)) is a federation of resource providers set up to deliver sustainable, integrated and secure computing services to European researchers and their international partners. [EGI.eu](http://EGI.eu) is an organisation set up to coordinate and manage the infrastructure (EGI) on behalf of its participants: National Grid Initiatives (NGIs) and European Intergovernmental Research Organisations (EIROs). EGI-InSPIRE (EGI-Integrated Sustainable Pan-European Infrastructure for Research in Europe) is a four-year project involving 50 partners in over 40 countries. The project is co-funded by the European Commission's 7th Framework Programme (contract number: RI-261323) to help lay down the EGI operational and support processes, as well as to build a sustainable e-Infrastructure, independent from project cycles. By the time EGI-InSPIRE finishes in 2014, EGI will be a sustainable and dependable provider of computing resources for European scientists and researchers.

#### About International Science Grid This Week

iSGTW is an international weekly online publication that covers distributed computing and the research it enables.

We report on all aspects of distributed computing technology, such as grids and clouds. We also regularly feature articles on distributed computing-enabled research in a large variety of disciplines, including physics, biology, sociology, earth sciences, archaeology, medicine, disaster management, crime, and art. (Note that we do not cover stories that are purely about commercial technology.)

In its current incarnation, iSGTW is also an online destination where you can

host a profile and blog, and find and disseminate announcements and information about events, deadlines, and jobs. In the near future it will also be a place where you can network with colleagues.

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