

# **GENI** Going Forward: Community Engagement

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### Major GENI Communities



End Users: Researchers, Educators
Run experiments on GENI



Campus IT, R&E Network Operators
Host and manage GENI resources
Provide wide-area network connectivity



National and International Cyber-Infrastructures
Federate with GENI



Infrastructure and Tool Developers
Develop GENI software

Bulk of engagement activities focused on end users



### End User Engagement: Objectives

- Grow the user community
- Support existing users
- Foster a sense of community

Engagement activities carried out by the community and the GPO



## **GENI Engineering Conferences**

- Largest community building and training venue
  - Tutorials
    - About 80% of the sessions in recent years
  - Sessions for developers and operators
  - Demo/poster session
- Cost per GEC:
  - ~\$50K for logistics
  - ~\$80K in travel grants
  - ~4 GPO person weeks(3 GECs a year)









### Teasing apart GEC Functions (Plan for 2016)



GENI Engineering Conference (1 per year, 2-days, fewer sessions) Less expensive than recent GECs Developer community engagement

Federation with other cyber-infrastructures

Next GEC: March 2016



Regional Workshops (4 per year) ~17K + 2 GPO person weeks User community engagement

Next workshop: March 2016



**GENI NICE** (1 per year) ~145K + 2 GPO person weeks Fostering a sense of community - Celebrating GENI successes

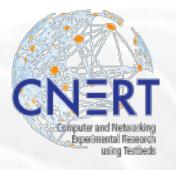


### Other GENI Community Events

#### Week-long **Summer/Winter camps**

- At camp: Learn to use GENI, do a group project
- After camp: Expand idea, publish
- ~25K + organizers and GPO staff time





#### CNERT

- Workshop for research and instruction using testbeds
- In conjunction with a networking/distributed systems conference

Largely community organized, led by a GPO-funded team

#### **Education Workshops**

- Organized by Jeannie Albrecht (Williams College)
- Develop a community of educators using GENI
- July 2012 and Oct 2013



**NSF Workshop on GENI in Education** 

Brooklyn, New York





#### **GWU/Cisco SDN Application Challenge**

- Prizes from \$6,500 to \$1,000, sponsored by Cisco
- Winning teams did a poster/demo at a GEC

Judges were volunteers from the community and GPO





- Online tutorials and documentation
- Custom setups for experimenters
- Review potentially disruptive experiments
- Course modules for educators
- Support mailing lists
  - geni-users@googlegroups.com
  - geni-educators@googlegroups.com
  - help@geni.net



## 2016 Budget for User Community Engagement

- Community members \$430K
  - Organize camps, webinars, CNERT, events at conferences
- GPO 1.7 FTES
- "Free" help from the community
  - GENI talks, tutorials, classes, mailing lists



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