



## Maintaining a sustainable Future for IT in Higher Education

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### Campus Best Practices

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#### **Abstract:**

This talk summarizes the experiences, results and lessons learned that are achieved so far in the GEANT3 task NA3/T4 "Campus Best Practices". The overall objective of this task is to address key challenges for European campus networks, organise working groups and provide an evolving and to-the-point set of best-practice documents for the community. Four NRENs are contributing to this work; UNINETT (Norway), CSC/Funet (Finland), CESNET (the Czech Republic) and AMRES (Serbia). Work started in April 2009 and the working methods build on experiences from UNINETT's GigaCampus project (2006-2009) [1]. Each NREN has as part of the work, established a number of working groups within their country. Key experts within the given area are recruited from the various universities and colleges.

Working groups are set up in a number of areas; campus networking, wireless, network monitoring, physical infrastructure, security and real-time communications. The NREN organises meetings and workshops with the working groups, sets the agenda, initiates the process of discussing common challenges and in turn derive the common best practices. The end products are the best practice documents, but the value of the process itself should not be underestimated. Building arenas and meeting grounds for IT staff from different institutions that often have never met before, has many mutual benefits for the participants and corresponding organisations.

[1] <https://ow.feide.no/gigacampus:about>