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Abstract

The purpose of this Deliverable is to officially notify the European Commission of the publication of the updated first edition of the GÉANT2 brochure "Connect, Communicate, Collaborate".

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0 Executive Summary

This Deliverable formally reports to the European Commission the publication of the updated first edition of the GÉANT2 brochure.

The GÉANT2 brochure contains brief descriptions of the scope, objectives and other main characteristics of the project and is aimed at a wide range of audiences. The first edition was published in November 2004. The current publication is an updated version of the first edition, incorporating a number of small amendments to the original publication. A second edition will be published, containing full information on the GÉANT2 network topology, in time for use at the GÉANT2 launch event in June. Further editions will be produced throughout the course of the project.

A hard copy of the brochure is attached to printed copies of this report. A PDF version is accessible from <http://www.geant2.net/server/show/nav.00d00b002>.

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1 Overview

The first edition of the GÉANT2 brochure, “Connect, Communicate, Collaborate”, was published in early November 2004. This first edition, incorporating a number of small amendments, was reprinted in March 2005. This approach was chosen in preference to publishing a second edition of the brochure for two main reasons: firstly, a rapid reprint was necessary due to the unexpectedly high rate at which the first print run (of 1,000 copies) was exhausted; secondly, the longer than expected planning phase for the GÉANT2 network meant that full information on the network’s topology and technical solution will not be publicly available for another month or two, so it made sense to postpone publication of the full second edition until this information could be incorporated.

The current brochure – an updated version of the first edition – includes a number of small improvements which there was insufficient time to incorporate in the original first edition due to the short timescale in which it was published. The update also includes some alterations in response to feedback received from third parties.

The brochure’s purpose continues to be to provide a general description of GÉANT2, suitable for use by a broad range of audiences. It is the most general printed literature product which will be produced for and about GÉANT2.

The content remains very similar to that of the original first edition, but with a series of small amendments which are detailed in the next section.

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2 Updates to First Edition

The updates made to the original first edition are listed below for completeness:

Front cover flap:	"eInfrastructures" inserted into point 9 "enabling" replaced by "increasing" in point 8 ("GEANT2 is fundamental to the EU's vision of a European Research Area, increasing academic collaboration across Europe.") Cyprus border removed in GÉANT2 partners map
Page 5:	"a distinct possibility" replaced by "foreseen" ("...use [of dark fibre] in GÉANT2 is foreseen")
Page 6:	Correction to Global connectivity diagram, in which Latvia had been omitted
Page 8:	"Who uses GÉANT?" changed to "Who uses GÉANT2?", and text updated accordingly. Several text changes inserted, such as "GÉANT <i>has</i> transformed" instead of "GÉANT is transforming".
Back cover:	Information Society logo amended (removal of "technologies")
Throughout:	General correction to use present tense rather than future tense.

In addition, a number of other small alterations and corrections to wording, too minor to detail here, were made.

A hard copy of the brochure is attached in Annexe to printed copies of this Deliverable. A PDF copy of the brochure is accessible at <http://www.geant2.net/upload/pdf/GEANT2-brochure.pdf>.

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3 Conclusions

The reprint of the first edition of the brochure has provided the opportunity to fine-tune a number of content, design and layout issues which there was insufficient time to resolve fully in the original first edition (hence the initial short print-run). Supplies of this updated, reprinted first edition will be mailed to GN2 project partners. The second edition of the GÉANT2 brochure will be produced in time for first use at the GÉANT2 launch event in June 2005. It will incorporate more information about the topology and building of the GÉANT2 network. Further, updated, editions will be produced throughout the lifetime of the project to ensure the brochure reflects progress in the network and its associated activities.

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Appendix A **GÉANT2 Brochure (Updated First Edition)**

Attached in hard copy to printed version of this Deliverable only.

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