

## IBM Grant for NeSC

The UK e-Science programme has received a major boost from IBM with a Shared University Research (SUR) award to the School of Informatics at the University of Edinburgh. The research topic to be pursued by IBM and the University is "Pioneering novel data integration and data mining for multi-disciplinary e-Science." The project will develop advanced techniques for combining, managing and using large-scale heterogeneous scientific data collections. The challenge is to simultaneously address: heterogeneity, scale, distribution and autonomous evolution, in such a way that it becomes much easier to obtain insights for the total collection of data.



## Forthcoming events, Winter '02

### November

**Sun 24 Nov - Tue 26 Nov**  
*Workshop on Grand Challenges for Computing Research*

### December

**Mon 2 Dec - Tue 3 Dec**  
*EU DataGrid Tutorial*

**Wed 4 Dec - Wed 4 Dec**  
*Managing Access to Resources on the Grid*

**Thu 5 Dec - Fri 6 Dec**  
*Security Task Force Meeting*

**Mon 9 Dec - Tue 10 Dec**  
*Establishing a Software Engineering Process for the EPCC/NeSC Software Development Group*

**Wed 11 Dec**  
*Directors Meeting*

**Thu 12 Dec - Fri 13 Dec**  
*Initiating a Project Managers' Forum*

**Mon 16 Dec - Wed 18 Dec**  
*Relational Database Design for e-Science Applications*

**Thu 19 Dec - Fri 20 Dec**  
*First International Lattice Data Grid Workshop*

## Computer Lab for Swanston Room



The second-floor Swanston room is to be converted into a computer training room for up to twenty people. It is hoped to have this completed by December 2002, when it will serve to improve upon the facilities available to visiting delegates.

## NeSC opens up

NeSC will be holding its first annual review on the 29<sup>th</sup> November this year, followed by an Open Day for all interested people on 17<sup>th</sup> January. Attendance for both events is expected to be high.

## Staff News

At the end of the month, NeSC will be bidding farewell to Conference Manager Ms. Andrea Grainger, who has been with us since October, last year. This follows the departure of Clerical Assistant Mr. James Duffy, who joined in January of this year. We wish them both success in their future endeavours.

New arrivals include Mr. Ted Wen, Mr. Daragh Byrne and Mr. Alan Gray who all join the eDIKT project team as software programmers, and Mr Dave Berry who has become the Centre's new Research Manager.

## Contact Details

If you would like to hold an event that relates to e-Science at the national e-Science Centre, please contact:

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