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**Global Network Advancement Group** 

# Welcome to the **GNA-G Meeting**

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- Welcome, agenda Buseung/KISTI (5')
- GNA-G LT and WG update : ToR document, future GNA-G evolution David Wilde/AARNet (15')
- Open and Sharing Data in Agriculture and Disaster Mitigation in Asia Veerachai Tanpipat/HII (15')
- ESnet QUANTNET Chin Guok/ESnet (15')
- LHCOPN/LHCONE and SKA network Vincenzo Capone/GEANT (15')
- Discussion (20')
- GNA-G Upcoming events & Wrap-up (5')



### Leadership Team update

New document: Terms of Reference

### **GNA-G LT - Terms of reference**

#### A new document, outlining how the LT functions.

- $\rightarrow$  Purpose of GNA-G
- → Formal/legal status
- → Financial model
- → Governance & the LT
- → Expectations of integrity
- → Election of LT members & the NomCom
- → Diversity

#### Why have we written this document

- 1. For openness & transparency regarding how GNA-G operates
- 2. Clarity for LT & the GNA-G Community in roles & responsibilities
- 3. Provide guidance to NomCom & the community in selecting new LT members





GNA-G Leadership Team Terms of Reference

Date: 1 Jan 2025 Authors: GNA-G Leadership Team Version: 1.0

#### Purpose of the GNA-G

The Global Network Advancement Group (GNA-G) is a collaboration that provides a platform for R&E Networks to work together on the global network interconnect aspects of the Global Research and Education Network (GREN). The GNA-G has been established to facilitate an open, transparent and efficient platform to discuss and advance the global interconnect and associated services designed to meet the needs and address the challenges faced by the global research and education community. The oversight of the GNA-G is done by the GNA-G Leadership Team (LT).

The work of the GNA-G consists of gatherings, either physical or online, and work carried out in specific areas by several Working Groups (WGs). The long-term evolution of GNA-G is determined by the participants in GNA-G. The LT takes the input from the GNA-G community in order to

- · develop the strategy, work programme, and communications plan for the GNA-G;
- organise and determine the agenda of the gatherings;
- start and close WGs; and help plan, guide and synergize the work of the WGs in the context of the overall GNA-G work programme.

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#### Key items from the document

- The **GNA-G**:
  - is a virtual collaboration, with no formal or legal status
  - currently operates without a funding model or budget; depending on in-kind contributions
- The LT is the central governing function of the GNA-G
  - Develop the strategy, work programme, and communications plan for the GNA-G;
  - Create and close WGs; and help plan, guide and synergize the work of the WGs
  - Between 3 and 9 members
  - Terms of 48 months; maximum two terms
  - LT selected by NomCom; LT then elects a chair
  - Holds regular VCs; organises virtual & in-person meetings
  - May decide matters via voting
- **Integrity** is key to the LT; all conflicts of interest to be declared and managed.
- **Diversity** is fundamental to the success of the GNA-G broadly and the LT specifically.

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Where can I find this document? On the GNA-G website, under >Resources>General Direct link: https://www.gna-g.net/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/GNA-G-Leadership-Team-ToR-v1.0.pdf

Feel free to provide us with comments, suggestions & feedback!



### Leadership Team update

Proposed evolution of GNA-G



Background:

Wide-ranging **community input** at in-person meetings at TNC, I2, SC and elsewhere

**Strategic discussions** with LT, Valter Nordh (NORDUnet) & Inder Monga (ESNet)

Many **opportunities** for the Global R&E Network to deliver increased unique value

Increased **threats**: competition, cyber, resilience, increased expectation



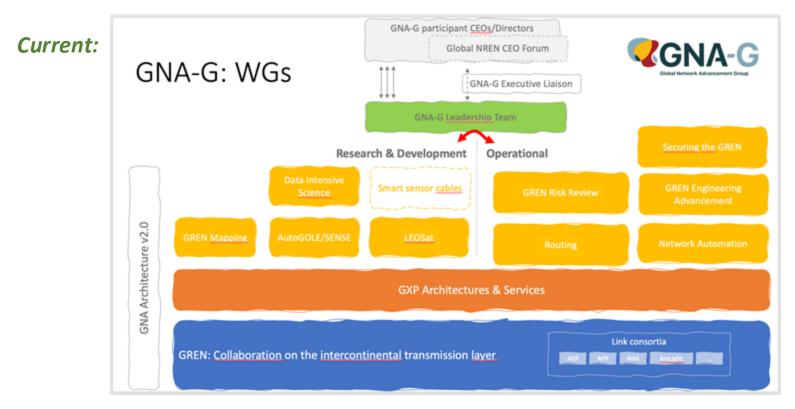
The motivation:

#### To harness the energy and enthusiasm of the community, and evolve GNA-G:

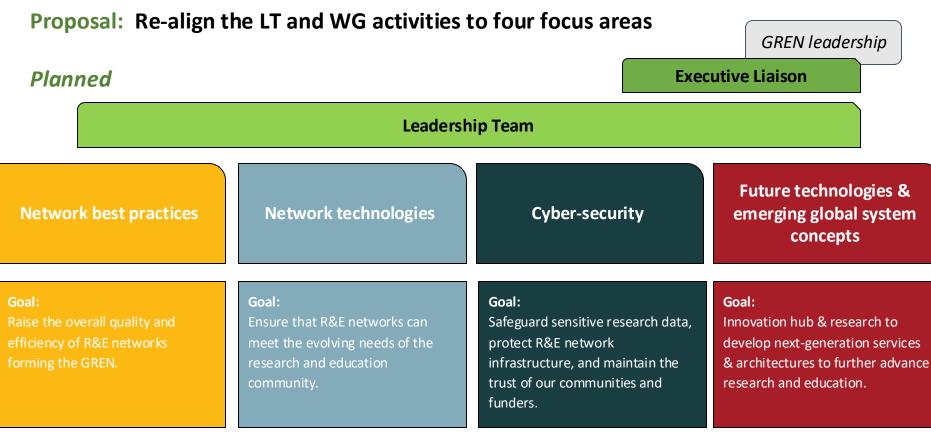
- to more rapidly take advantage of the opportunities,
- and to effectively respond to the threats currently facing us.



#### **Proposal:** Re-align the LT and WG activities to four focus areas









#### Intended outcomes:

By fostering collaboration and innovation, GNA-G aims to achieve the following outcomes:

- Improved network performance: Through the sharing of best practices and the development of new technologies, GNA-G will help R&E networks improve their performance and reliability.
- Increased efficiency: By optimizing resource utilization and streamlining network interconnection, GNA-G will help R&E networks operate more efficiently.
- Enhanced security: By focusing collectively on security best practices and emerging technologies, GNA-G will help R&E networks strengthen their defenses against cyber threats.
- Next-generation services: By exploring and developing new technologies and concepts at the intersection of research and operational networks, GNA-G will help R&E networks offer next-generation services that can better support research and education.



Next steps:

- 1. Announcement: Inder Monga joining Valter Nordh as Executive Liaison
- 2. Vision Statement: LT + Executive Liaison to finalise & share draft document outlining the proposed way ahead
- 3. Strategy & roadmap: LT develop 3 year roadmap towards these goals



#### The Global Network Advancement Group (GNA-G): A Vision for the Future

Authors: Inder Monga (ESnet), David Wilde (AARNet), Valter Nordh & Erik-Jan Bos (NORDUnet) Date: February 2025

The Global Network Advancement Group (GNA-G) is committed to fostering international network collaboration among research and education (R&E) networks globally. Recognizing the diversity and complexity of the global R&E infrastructure, GNA-G aims to streamline network interconnection, optimize resource utilization, and enhance service delivery for the global scientific and educational community.



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### Following that:

- **1. Standardise output:** LT to work with WGs on evolving the way we publish & share WG output (best-practices, whitepapers, how-tos, git repos, working code...)
- **2. Discussion:** various points to be agreed with GNA-G community eg. future need for funding model; role of secretariat; contribution of resourcing...
- 3. Communication: develop and implement GNA-G comms strategy

4. ...



### **Discussion**



### Upcoming events & wrap-up

### GNA-G LT Update - upcoming events GNA-G

#### Planned meetings for 2025:

In person

- **APAN59** (3-7 March Yokohama, Japan)
  - Tue 4 Mar 2025: 4-5.30pm
- Internet2 Community Exchange (28 Apr 1 May Anaheim, USA)
  - Date/time TBC
- **TNC25** (9-13 June 2025 Brighton, UK)
  - Fri 13 Jun 2025: 9am-12.30pm

**Community VCs** 

- Q2 proposed
  - VC #1: Tue 8/04 9-11am UTC
  - VC #2: Thu 10/04 6-8pm UTC

NomCom in Q1 2025



## **GNA-G Working Groups**



Network Automation

#### https://www.gna-g.net/working-groups/



- GREN Map: gren-mapping-wg@lists.nordu.net
- Routing: <u>routing-wg@lists.gna-g.net</u>
- Data Intensive Science. gna-dis-wg@lists.gna-g.net
- Network Automation: <u>network-automation@lists.gna-g.net</u>
- GREN Engineering Advancement: <u>gren-engineering-wg@lists.gna-g.net</u>
- Securing the GREN: <a href="mailto:securing-the-gren-wg@lists.gna-g.net">securing-the-gren-wg@lists.gna-g.net</a>
- Global LEOSat: global-leosat-wg@lists.gna-g.net
- NomCom: <u>nomcom@lists.gna-g.net</u>



GREN Resilience: gren-resilience-wg@lists.gna-g.net



Data Intensive

Science

**GREN** Connecting

offshore students

### How can you get involved?



Join the GNA-G Community mailing-list: <u>all@lists.gna-g.net</u>

Join a working-group

https://www.gna-g.net/working-groups/

Contribute your thoughts & ideas at the next meeting/VC:

https://www.gna-g.net/meeting/

Reach out to the Leadership Team

Web: <u>https://www.gna-g.net/contact-us/</u> Email: <u>leadershipteam@lists.gna-g.net</u>



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### Thank you

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