

FINSENY GENERAL AND PMT MEETINGS IN GRENOBLE (13th – 15th of June 2012)



The FINSENY consortium celebrated its latest General Meeting at the Grenoble INP premises in Grenoble, France on June 13th and 14th. More than 40 people attending represented 27 of the 35 consortium partners.

One important point in the opening plenary was to discuss the recommendation from the FI-PPP mid-term assessment and potential impacts on FINSENY. Two immediate recommendations concern the dissemination of project results. Firstly, a focus should be to bring the results to market, and secondly, both users and technology providers should be engaged with more visibly. While this concerns the FI-PPP programme as a whole and each project individually, FINSENY will try to address these issues as much as possible in the remaining contract period. For example, two of the final deliverables address exactly these issues with business models and exploitation strategies, the preparation of which will likely have the desired impact.

The joint review of the project status including its work packages found that FINSENY is working according to the project plan. FINSENY's future work in each Work Package was organized, and several cross Work Package meetings took place. Past and future dissemination events were discussed and agreed upon.

The main topics discussed during the meeting were the conclusion of the second iteration of ICT requirements, the preparation of the domain specific requirements (DSRs) and enablers (DSEs), as well as the collaboration with the architecture board and the preparation of the potential trial scenarios for the different FINSENY use cases.

Between the first and the second day, Grenoble INP had organized a social event to continue discussions in a more relaxed atmosphere. There we had the chance for a group photo with a beautiful view onto the surrounding mountains.

Additionally, FINSENY partners had the chance to visit the Grenoble INP facilities and learn about the rich functionalities of their demonstrator. A variety of Smart Grid use cases can be demonstrated and tested here, combining energy with ICT infrastructure.

Lastly, the FINSENY Board and PMT meetings were co-located and took place after the two days of General Meeting. Various administrative issues needed to be discussed there, and a final agreement was achieved regarding the presentations for the 1st year review.

Altogether, this was an intense and fruitful meeting for everyone who attended. It was a good opportunity to exchange between work packages and line-up on common issues.