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What is TERENA?

Nowadays research and education depend increasingly on electronic media and computer networks. Networking services for research institutes and educational establishments are provided by dedicated research and education networks.

These networking organisations collaborate at the European level, thus creating a high-quality international information and telecommunications infrastructure.

TERENA is the association in which the research and education networking organisations from countries in and around Europe collaborate. TERENA's objectives translate into four main categories of activities:

- * providing an environment for fostering new initiatives of the European research networking community;
- * supporting joint European work in developing, evaluating, testing, integrating and promoting new networking, middleware and application technologies through the TERENA Technical Programme;
- * organising conferences, workshops and seminars for the exchange of information in the European research networking community, and promoting knowledge transfer to less advanced networking organisations;
- * promoting members' interests by representing the common interests and opinions of the membership in contacts with relevant organisations.



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