

EUMEDCONNECT3 Project Manager's Report

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EUMEDCONNECT3 Contract



- DANTE/EC contract started 1 Sept 2011
- 36 – 42 month term
- Up to 3.29M Euro EC funding, up to 36.19% EC funding contribution
- Co-ordinating Partner: DANTE
- Contract partners: ASREN, CYNET, GARR, GRNET, RENATER, Red.ES
- Beneficiary Countries: Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, Tunisia
- Other countries welcome to join at own cost



EC Aims for EUMEDCONNECT3



Overall Objective

“ensure long-term sustainability of the research networking e-infrastructure between the EU and ENPI South countries in order to maximise the synergies of bilateral and regional research and education projects.”

Results required

- Network costs and performance maintained/improved
- Documented usage, research impacts and benefits enable countries to lobby for funding
- ASREN’s capacity enhanced to manage EUMEDCONNECT
- Network transition to ASREN is planned and undertaken



MARKETING UPDATE: What has happened since Amman, July 2011?

EUMEDCONNECT3

a new website for the new project

- New branding colours
- map extended to show Gulf countries and including Libya and Lebanon as potential beneficiaries
- new pages (strategic partners, testimonials)
- Focus on ASREN

www.eumedconnect3.net/

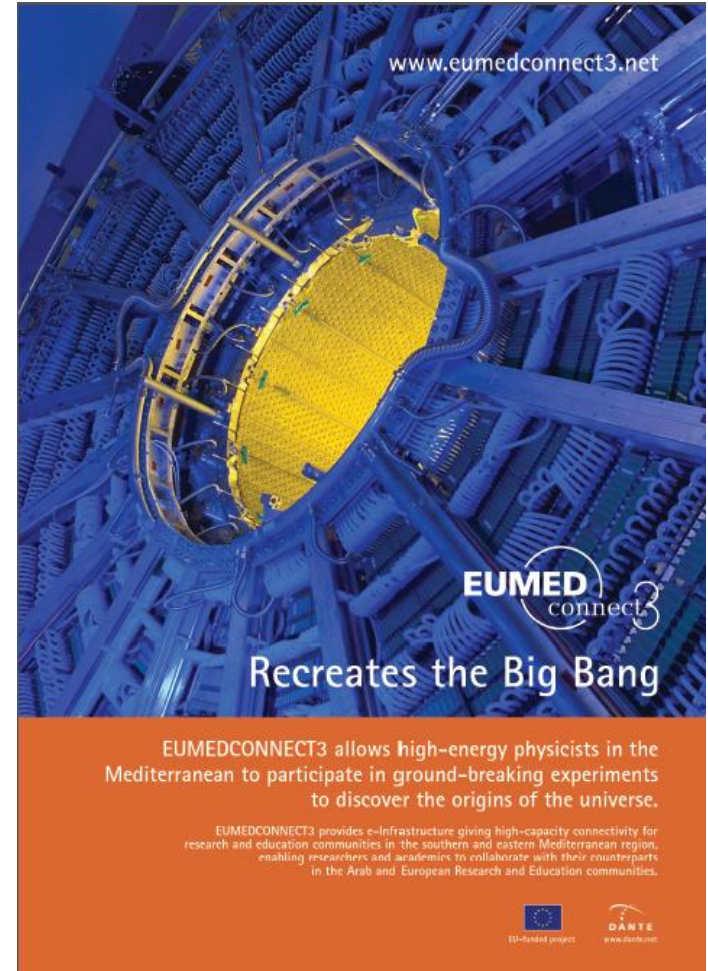
The screenshot shows the EUMEDCONNECT3 website homepage. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for 'Project', 'Network', 'Partners', 'Users', 'Media Centre', and 'Contact'. Below the menu, a large orange banner reads 'Welcome to the EUMEDCONNECT3 website'. The main content area features a map of the Mediterranean region with orange highlights, titled 'EUMEDCONNECT3 Connecting the research and education communities across the southern and eastern Mediterranean'. To the left of the map is a sidebar with a 'Media Centre' section containing links for 'PRESS KIT', 'NEWS ARCHIVE', 'BROCHURES & MAPS', 'PRESENTATIONS', and 'ORDER POSTERS AND PUBLICATIONS'. Below the map are logos for 'DANTE' and the European Union. At the bottom, there is a banner for the 'ASREN e-AGE 2011 Conference' with the theme 'Integrating Arab e-Infrastructures in a global environment' and dates '12-14 Dec 2011, Amman, Jordan'. On the right side, there is a search bar, a 'LOGIN HERE' section with a form for username and password, and a 'Global Connectivity' section with a 'Project partners: register here' link. The bottom right corner features a 'EUMED connect 2' logo and a link to visit the website.

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New posters being designed



The Research and Education
Network for the Mediterranean

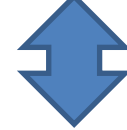
New showcases in progress

E.g. Satellite imagery research between Moroccan and French institutions

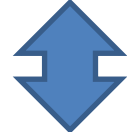
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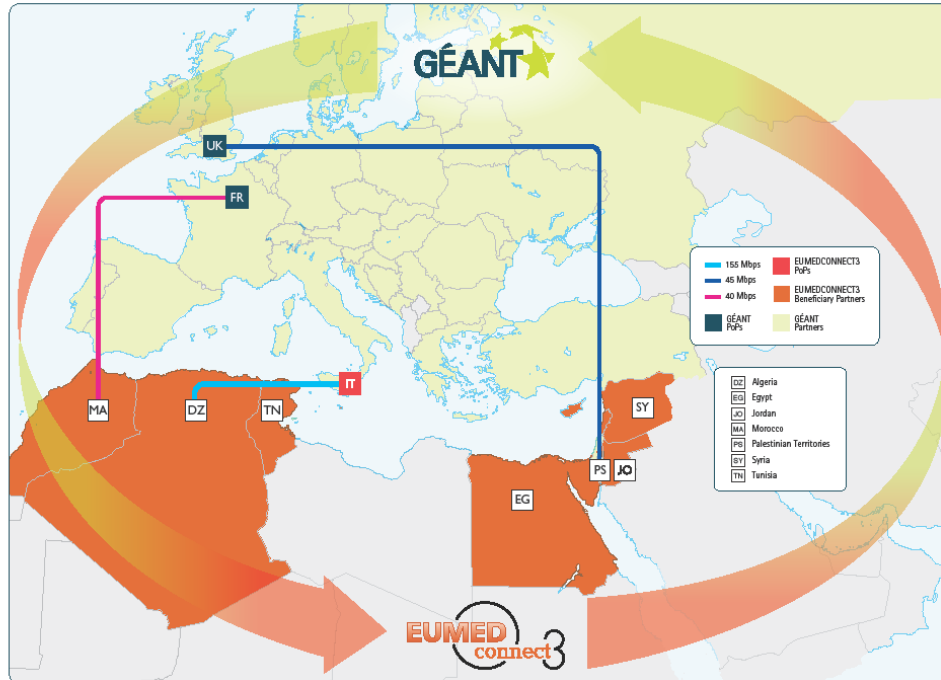
GEANT



RENATER



New Topology (in progress)



Algeria – new 155 Mbps link to EUMEDCONNECT Catania

Morocco – new 40 Mbps link to GEANT/Paris

Palestine – new 45 Mbps link to GEANT/London

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EUMEDCONNECT3 Benefits



- EC co-funding for beneficiary countries
- Dedicated EUMEDCONNECT3 connectivity at best rates:
 - Direct access to all European research and education communities via GEANT at no cost
 - Access to research and education communities in North America, Asia and all other world regions via GEANT at no cost
 - Managed and operated by DANTE
- Human capacity building (especially technical training)
- Travel support to project meetings and training activities
- Marketing support
- Expertise and help of DANTE, ASREN and EU NREN partners



Joining EUMEDCONNECT3



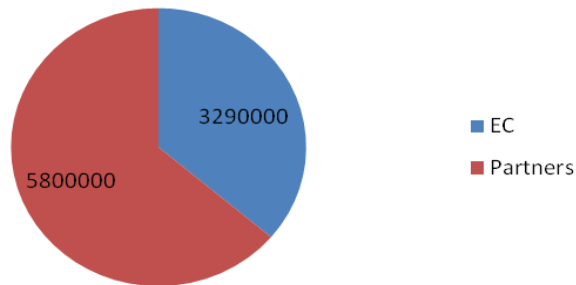
Partner criteria:

1. Established or forming Arab NRENs with government support
2. Providing national representation/access to EUMEDCONNECT3
3. Prepared to make financial contribution towards project costs
4. EC co-funding available for eligible countries, others welcome at own cost
5. Past DANTE invoices paid
6. ASREN membership strongly recommended



EUMEDCONNECT3 Budgets

EUMEDCONNECT3 Project Budget - Total 9.09M Euro



EC funding needs the partner co-funding!

EUMEDCONNECT3 Budget split

