

Requirements for being a NEM Project

Purpose of this document:

To present a set of characteristics & milestones that should be included in every project that wants to define itself as part of the NEM community.

Addressing NEM SRA

The first and most important criteria for a project being part of the NEM community is that the project addresses topics in, or closely related to, the NEM Strategic Research Agenda.

It is recommended that proposal editors evaluate the NEM SRA and declare which sections of the SRA are addressed by their project idea. Including some text to describe the relationship between the project objectives and the NEM SRA priorities would be useful to highlight how the project would contribute to achieving the NEM SRA. The NEM initiative will try help proposals if they have difficulties in positioning their activities. NEM can be contacted through info@nem-initiative.org

Addressing Horizontal Issues

The NEM community will determine several issues as horizontal issue and therefore they will have a requirement to integrate the contribution of multiple projects into comprehensive reports on these subjects. Projects addressing horizontal issues should commit to submitting their work for publication in NEM reports on these issues.

Participating in NEM events:

Given that specific projects will require some time to produce initial results and even more time to produce demonstrators NEM would plan for a paper based conference towards the end of 2008 and demonstrations at the end of 2009.

- **Networked Multimedia Summit 2008** (results and roadmaps)
- **Networked Multimedia Summit 2009** (results and demonstrations)

All NEM projects must participate in NEM community activities which include:

- **3 community meetings per year**

The purposes of these community meetings are

1. to address horizontal issues at a technical level by means of working groups that will come into operation about 6 months after the projects start. The purpose of these groups will be to discuss problems in harmonizing the views of different projects.
2. to orchestrate the common events and create the committees necessary to ensure the efficient operation of the events
3. to exploit synergies among projects and identify possible ways to share infrastructures, results, testbeds, etc.
4. to expose the activities of the NEM projects to the relevant commission officials and to provide a channel for important discussions between the commission and the projects.

- **Commission events**

Several events per year will be held by the commission where different viewpoints of the NEM community will be requested. All NEM projects should be prepared to contribute to these events if requested by the commission or the NEM steering board.

All NEM projects should be prepared to participate in concertation events as well as and when requested by the commission. However NEM will work with the commission to have coordination between NEM community meetings and EC concertation workshops. There will not be two sets of meetings service the same purpose.

NEM Project information:

The NEM Community would appreciate being informed if a proposal decides to align itself to the NEM community. This is optional but it would allow some mapping of the degree of coverage of the SRA that is being proposed in FP 7. Just the name of the proposal, type (IP, STREP), the proposal objective and the SRA points being addressed is all that we ask for (info@nem-initiative.org)