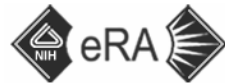


# eRA Project Status

Tim Twomey  
January 11, 2004



# Organization Changes

- ❖ Norka Ruiz Bravo appointed to the position of NIH deputy director for Extramural Research on October 30, 2003.
- ❖ Joe Ellis succeeded Regina White as Director, Office of Policy for Extramural Research Administration.
- ❖ John J. McGowan stepped down from his post as eRA project manager on December 9, 2003. Jim Cain has assumed his duties until a new project manager is assigned.
- ❖ George Stone left the government to pursue outside interests. David Wright has assumed his responsibilities until a new advocate is named.

# New Contracts

Contract	Partners	Role
IBM	Ekagra Z-Tech	Architecture, Analysis, Integration
RNSolutions		Technical Operations
RS Information Systems		Helpdesk Support
Optimus		Documentation Support

# New Development Contracts

Contract	Partners	Role
AC Technologies	Booz Allen, Hamilton	Design & Development
Northrop Grumman Information Technology, Inc. (NGIT)	Silicon Spirit, Global Solutions	Design & Development
Science Application International Corp. (SAIC)	Altum, Turner Consulting Group	Design & Development

❖ Each Design & Development Contractor competes for task orders.

# Client-Server to J2EE Migration

- ❖ Finalizing contract with Kumaran Systems
  - Service to migrate client-server applications to J2EE utilizing the eRA architecture
  - User Admin and Grants Management (including Person module) will be targeted first and used as proof of concept
  - Code maintainability and cost will be evaluated

# CGAP & Grants.gov Status

- ❖ **October/November CGAP Pilot Status**
  - Received 20 new competing and continuing
  - Simple Research Grant Applications, modular budgets
  - Applicants sent in paper for back-up
  - Processed 13 successfully
  - Awaiting peer review in February
- ❖ **CGAP Phase II Pilot (Upcoming)**
  - Same criteria (excluding the need for paper)
  - Enhancements have been made for better processing
  - Few dozen expected
  - Plan to ramp up mid-2004 to a few hundred
- ❖ **Grants.gov**
  - Small pilot in February/March
  - System-to-system testing in March/April
  - Ramp up mid-2004

# eSNAP Pilot Expansion

- ❖ eSNAP pilot open to all FDP organizations.
- ❖ Organizations that want to participate must contact the eRA Helpdesk for a copy of the eSNAP Agreement letter and to have their accounts authorized.

[commons@od.nih.gov](mailto:commons@od.nih.gov)

301-402-7469 or 1-866-504-9552

# eRA Commons Statistics

## ❖ General System Statistics

- 750 organizations registered (43% increase from August)
- 8,431 “affiliated” and “active” registered persons

## ❖ eSNAP

- 673 eSNAPs submitted; 422 awarded
- Expanded to all FDP organizations

## ❖ FSR

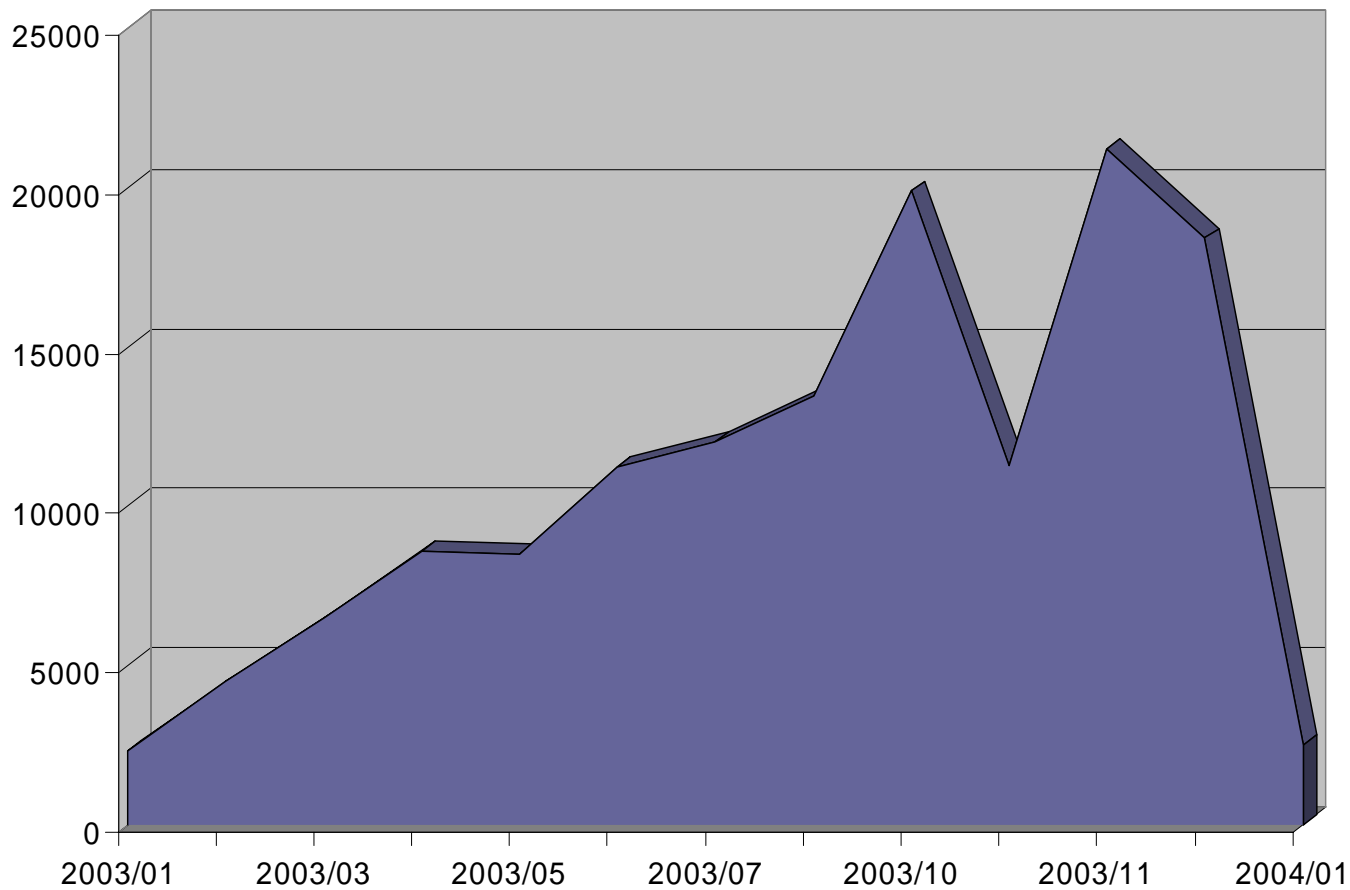
- 21,203 FSRs  
64% coming from Grantees-no paper!

## ❖ IAR

- Full Production in July
- 19,731 critiques submitted
- 34 Meetings for October Councils (535 Users)
- 79 Meetings for January Councils (1,335 Users)



# Commons Logon Trend



Month	Number of Logins
2003/01	2319
2003/02	4475
2003/03	6468
2003/04	8575
2003/05	8498
2003/06	11228
2003/07	12000
2003/09	13450
2003/10	19877
2003/08	11268
2003/11	21211
2003/12	18395
2004/01	2483

# New Deployment Strategy

## ❖ Maintenance

- Awarded initial maintenance task order to AC Technologies.
- Targeting smaller, more frequent maintenance releases.

## ❖ New functionality & enhancements

- Established annual plan and prioritized workload.
- Preparing multiple task orders to be put out for bid.
- Target 1-2 large releases per year.

# Designated System for DHHS

- ❖ NIH eRA System designated the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) enterprise system for research grants management.
- ❖ eRA working with Operating Divisions (OPDIVs) to migrate their systems by FY2005.

# eRA Priorities for 2004

1. Electronic Receipt
2. J2EE Migration
3. Commons Expansion
4. eRecords Management
5. Workflow
6. Virtual Organization layers
7. Co-Investigator & Key Personnel
8. Single Sign-On
9. Contract Data Added
10. Grants.gov

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- ❖ Knowledge Management
  - ❖ IRDB Redesign
  - ❖ OPDIV Integration