Continuation of GINKGO meetings: An annual German meeting is proposed, but a final decision may be made at the first Terrabites meeting

Gingko may serve as a core group within Terrabites promoting ideas for research and workshops (as far as possible within TB internal structure)

One of the 4-6 Tb workshops per year may represent A continuation of GINKGO meetings (though these may take part in other European countries)

Suggestion: Focus future GINKGO meetings on more in-depth discussion of e.g. model developments, perhaps less frequent (18-month interval) but longer (ca. 2 days), and definitely focus these more on discussions, technical aspects and collaborations rather than talks (incl. e.g. relation to COSMOS) ("original idea of GINKGO") GINKGO perceived as a (national) forum to present own research (broad spectrum of topics) to an interdisciplinary audience

Time problem: though obviously desired, is a GINKGO meeting In addition to the Terrabites meetings feasible?

Decision: GINKGO meetings **will** take place in the future: 2-day structure preferred by most (ca. 12:00 1st day to ca. 15:00 2nd day, depending on location/travel times), with a plenary "core time", possibly incl. 1 day for technical discussions (or small-group discussions in the afternoon of 2nd day) plus a poster session, keep also at least 15 min for discussion of talks (which may contrast to many, and diverse, potential contributions)

Structure the talks in terms of possible and desired (future) cooperation, and send these suggestions To the GINKGO list in advance

(Perhaps pre-define workshop topics)

Next meeting suggested to be in Jena (preliminary date: January 2010)

Topical GINKGO workshops also possible upon suggestion (like land use workshop In Kassel 2008, or give related workshops a GINKGO label)

Network partners, please announce related events