SNE-projects 2008-2009

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Goals

- To gain practical experience
- To work on real problems in a foreign context
- To (re)gain collaboration skills
- To practice presentation skills
- To practice data analysis and presentation skills
- To practice defending your solution to a problem
- To practice report writing skills
- To have a good time

Format

- Students work in principle alone
  - Only when lack of # projects or a very complicated project we allow students to work in pairs.

- Two project months
  - 5 January - 30 January
    - presentations wednesday 4 February
      - for us alone + feedback
  - 1 June - 26 June
    - presentations wednesday 1 July
      - in the auditorium with public

Per project month

- 4 weeks
  - Week 1:
    - Familiarize
    - Make a concrete work proposal
  - Week 2-3
    - Do the work agreed on
  - Week 4
    - Write report
  - Week 5…
    - Short presentation in Wednesday meeting

Subjects

- Organizations we have relationships with:
  - SURFnet
  - SARA
  - UvA - IvI - OS3 - SNE
  - HvA
  - SME's
  - Others (inter)national (KPMG, UNINET, etc.)
- Orientation in October, November, April, May
- Check end of November and in December!

  Be prepared to defend choice!
- When choosing subjects take into account the master courses given before the project months.

Report

- Should contain
  - Description of the problem
  - Research question
  - Research done
  - Experiments or proof of concept done
  - Evaluation of experiments or proof of concept
  - Conclusions and suggestions for further research

  - dr. A. Taal will give intro data analysis and presentation

web link

- Via web site:
  - www.os3.nl/rp/
  - www.science.uva.nl/~delaat/sne-rp/index.html
  - email: Cees de Laat delaat@uva.nl
- or
  - delaat.net/~delaat/sne-rp/index.html
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    (I could use a SNE master :-))

Evaluation

- Supervisor proposes score based on:
  - Work done
  - Presentation
  - Report
- Scores per part can be x.y
- Takes average, rounded to halves
- Result must be 6.0 or more
- Opportunity to redo report (case by case decision)
- in RP2 report MUST be good (archived)!
- Coordinator is end responsible
- If RP1 failed, first redo RP1

Non Goals

- To be the default groups coffee maker
- To do trivial software installs
- To pull cables as main activity
- To sort out all software cd's
- Etc. etc. etc.

Have fun !

Questions?