Attending Access Grid Conferences at OCTS

The Connectivity of Technology

There are three large screens at the front of the room upon which views of the participating sites are projected by three projectors in the room. Five cameras throughout the room will capture different views of the Smith Room. It is these views that other participating sites will see (depending on the shots that their node operators select to display). On the audio side, there are up to 21 microphones, which are flat, black mouse-shaped microphones. They are typically located on tables throughout the room. If you have a question, please press “push” on the top of the microphone to ask your question. The microphones are sensitive, so please only turn them on when speaking.

Getting Involved in AG

Whether you have an administrative question (i.e. the location of the restrooms) or a technical question for the speaker, the best place to start is with the floor director or moderator. They will introduce themselves to you before the event begins and answer any questions you have about Access Grid.

Feel free to interrupt with questions or comments. You will be immediately heard by all participating sites. If you are interrupting a remote speaker, it may be beneficial to say your name and that you are attending from OCTS. Please do not begin speaking until the microphone is turned on. Keep in mind that the microphone is not being used to amplify your voice within the room. It is being used to broadcast your voice to the other sites (including the host site of the speaker) so that they can hear your question too. When you are finished speaking, please push the microphone button to mute, not off. When the microphone is left on, it makes an unpleasant background noise that is heard by the other sites.

OCTS is a broad interdisciplinary center. We have a continuing series of seminars, workshops and classes and we are actively looking for strong partners in these events. We also are currently formulating out-reach programs reaching into the local community and nationally into the minority scientific communities. Please contact Kendra Davitt or Steve Pinsky if you are interested in future partnerships or out-reach programs.

For more information on the organization, upcoming events, and registration, please visit our website at http://octs.osu.edu or e-mail octs@osu.edu for more information or with specific questions.