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On 15th September the European Commission will officially launch four new computer grid projects. These are:

* The SIMDAT project - will develop generic technologies to enable the automotive, aerospace and pharmaceutical industries to develop a wide range of grid applications.

* The NEXTGRID project - aims to deliver a new grid architecture, tailored to business and industry requirements, by the end of the decade.

* The AKOGRIMO project - will build on Europe's strengths in mobile communications and IPv6 (the next Internet Protocol), to demonstrate a vision of "mobile dynamic virtual

organisations" and demonstrate added value applications in the fields of e-health and e-learning.

* The COREGRID project - will bring together existing grid research communities by creating virtual 'centres of excellence' and stimulating joint research programmes among research institutes across Europe.

Over the last five years Europe has invested about half a billion Euros in grid research through actions implemented on national and at EU levels.

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