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Some data about mobility in ALADIN and a few associated comments

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'ALADIN-type' Year	Mobility outside	Total mobility (person	Percentage of mobility
(Q3-Q4-Q1-Q2)	PhD and YR	x months)	_
1991/1992	64	64	66%
1992/1993	55	71	64%
1993/1994	64	96	73%
1994/1995	89	109	70%
1995/1996	85	87	35%
1996/1997	107	131	36%
1997/1998	102	127	27%
1998/1999	115	129	26%
1999/2000	133	137	26%
2000/2001	136	178	30%
2001/2002	111	199	33%
2002/2003	98	158	26%
2003/2004	113	149	21%
2004/2005	113	113	17%

The decreasing trend in percentage (right column) since 1995-1996 (the first four percentage numbers are biased by the absence of local applications until 1996) is normal given the ever increasing pressure of local tasks.

The absolute decrease over the last three years (middle column) is far more worrying (mobility has nearly always been the sign of positive investment prior to breakthroughs for ALADIN). PAC questioned whether it was not simply a wrongly perceived consequence of the presence from 2000 to 2004 of the ALATNET EU-supported sub-project. For the General Assembly, the left column data was hence prepared by omitting mobility linked with the student support of our three past Research and Training Networks (2 times French Research Ministry plus ALATNET).

One then clearly sees a rather regular progression until 2001 and a lowered 'plateau' afterwards. Whatever the reason for this fact, it would appear that, on such 'internal financing', new ambitions for ALADIN should correspond to a 'plateau' without lowering, i.e. 22 extra person x months with respect to the present situation.

Source of mobility financing	Person x months
	financed
	over the whole time
MICECO + Embassies	505
Météo-France	381
EU (including ALATNET)	365
RC LACE	227
French Research Ministry (PhDs)	132
NMS (outside M-F but with LACE countries when financing beyond the	125
LACE common budget)	
Miscellaneous	15

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Numbers speak by themselves. The 125 figure is quite low (9 per year on average) and it is indeed one of the ambitions of a common budget to increase it via a more controlled mechanism and without penalising either activity or lack of internal means of each Partner.			