Summary Report for ARCHER Champions Workshop 1

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The first ARCHER Champions Workshop took place in Edinburgh in March and was a lunchtime-lunchtime one day meeting, including an evening meal.

There were 23 attendees and 5 bursaries were awarded to cover reasonable travel and accommodation costs.

As this was the first workshop a general overview of several aspects of ARCHER was covered and also discussions regarding the objectives for Champions.

Topics Covered:

- Welcome and Objectives for ARCHER Champions
- Overview of ARCHER as a National resource and how it fits within the National HPC Infrastructure
- Migrating to ARCHER: Common Issues Encountered
- Tours of ARCHER
- ARCHER Training : Locations, Topics
- SAFE Demonstration
- · Outreach Session
- The eCSE Programme
- ARCHER Support Structure: How we assist users and access routes for ARCHER
- Discussion : ARCHER Champions, where next?

Outcomes:

- Feedback from attendees was very positive
- Mailing list and ARCHER website list of Champions were created
- Slides were all placed on the Champions website
- Opportunity to link with RSE Fellows and also key HPC-SIG personnel
- Information gathered from the tour and equipment
- Created and strengthened links with EPSRC, local and regional HPC centres, RSE fellows
- Would like future events to be colocated if possible with HPC-SIG/RSE events
- Would like more discussion and interactive sessions if possible
- Next Champions event to be held in Oxford at OeRC in September with focus on the eCSE activity