



EUMEDGRID-Support Videoconference WP2, WP3, WP4 (n.17)

September 6, 2011 - 11:00 AM CEST

Minutes and Actions

Participants (listing only site names, as I did not have my video working, sorry):

- GARR (Italy)
- CY-01-CYNET (Cyprus)
- DZ-0*-ARN (Algeria)
- JO-01-JUNET (Anwar)
- GRISU-COMETA-INFN-[CT|LNS] (Italy)
- UoM (Malta)
- TR-10-ULAKBIM (Turkey), Burcu via email

Unable to call in for technical problems: MA-0*-CNRST, TRUST-IT

Agenda

1. Update from WP2 (Nick)
2. Update from WP3 (Riccardo)
3. Update from WP4 (Fulvio)
4. Review of last VC's identified actions
<http://wiki.eumedgrid.eu/twiki/bin/view/Main/OpenActions>
5. Site reports
6. A.o.B.

1) **WP2 update (Sara)**

Nick, via email:

Updates on the activities performed in the last 2 weeks:

- Summer eNews on the promotion of the Booklet + Grid User Survey Report 2nd release+ short report from Morocco schools & Lebanon workshop + user forum promotion) sent out to project contact. 10 new members registered so far..most of them from Lebanon
- EUMEDGRID-Support Booklet promotion:
 - paper copies have been sent to Jordan (included copies for the EUMED4 event), Cyprus, Egypt, Syria, Turkey, Morocco, Abu Dhabi, European Commission.

• **Action 16.1 still pending, for CCK, CERIST, UoM, please act!**

- EUMEDGRID-Support User Forum website section - updated - the agenda is online - <http://eumedgrid.eu/index.php/events/details/53-egi-technical-forum-2011> . A pdf version will be made available + speakers document. Sara Garavelli has already contacted all the speakers. We are trying to setting up a live streaming- waiting confirmation from Lyon
 - EUMEDGRID-Support - Online training: 3 tutorials provided by GARR (Introduction to Grid Job Management and user Tools; Basic Data Management; Querying the Grid Information System) - uploaded by GARR Sara Garavelli will provide details
 - EUMEDGRID-Support website --> Implementation of the agreed functionalities - done by GARR
 - Video-interviews from Morocco Grid Schools uploaded on the website
 - Pictures from Morocco Schools & Lebanon workshops received yesterday - Sara will upload them on the website
- **Open actions from the last call:**
 - video from Algeria **ACTION: Aouaouche El Mahouhab to send to Sara Garavelli (Trust)**
 - Follow-up Lebanon - Press Release - CNRS/Lebanon Uni - **ACTION: Ziad & Marie give updates on follow-up of the event within local press to Sara Garavelli-**
 - Promotional material for September events: **agreed on the material - Sara Garavelli is working on the flier**

2) WP3 update (reported by Riccardo)

Riccardo reports: getting back to speed after the summer break. During this period, mostly concentrated on the User Forum in Lyon. At VC's date, Riccardo had received 12 contributions: however, he is not 100% sure about people who is going to participate the event in person. Of the sites attending the VC, Aouaouche mentioned 2 persons from Algeria one of which was having troubles with VISA: Aouaouche said she was trying to contact Vincent Breton and Riccardo volunteered to ask Roberto about this.

Service Challenge: Riccardo said it has been switched off: for the near future, plans to concentrate on Nagios, which is a "standard". Fulvio asks whether historical data may be saved, in view of the final project review.

17.1 Riccardo: Investigate possibility to save historical data gathered by ServiceChallenge

Fulvio asks about sites' support for generic eumed roles/groups (namely, that of the ServiceChallenge): INFN-TRIESTE had reported to have upgraded their configuration as per our ticket. May be also worth checking INFN-BARI...

17.2 Riccardo: Please verify INFN-TRIESTE accepts jobs sent using robot-certificate proxies, see ticket <https://ticketing.cnaf.infn.it/checklist-new/modules/xhelp/ticket.php?id=11848>

Fulvio mentions a few more French sites have troubles installing Intel compilers. Their concerns are very reasonable, indeed, even though most other sites (including GARR)

have decided to interpret Intel licensing scheme “liberally”. However, since we opened tickets to these sites, we owe them an answer.

17.3 Riccardo, Federico, Antonio Clarify Intel-compiler matter with sites, in particular French ones (tickets #201, #204, #205)

3) WP4 update

GOcdb

Riccardo asks all sites who to please re-update their own information in GOcDB

<https://gocdb.africa-grid.org/portal/index.php>

Riccardo confirms the machine is now properly backed-up on a regular basis. As of today (Sep. 15th), only DZ-0*, EG-01-ERI, GARR, SN-UCAD, SY-01-HIAST, UOM-GRID have filled in their information: thus, only these sites have status “Certified” and are being monitored by our Nagios instance.

17.4 ALL SITES Please check information in GOcDB.

NAGIOS

The NAGIOS server has been reinstalled at GARR in Rome on the node nagios.africa-grid.org. Reconfiguration is still in progress, communication problems with the GOcDB in Catania have been fixed.

Hopefully, configuration will be complete by next week, when Mario, Fulvio and the Nagios gurus will all be in Lyon EGI-TechnicalForum.

SMOKEPING

Fulvio sent around a report just before the VC. It is a very simple reachability/availability report which was extracted by our Smokeping instance. May be shown at the final review: it is not the best report in the world, but at least it covers a time period over which we don't have any other measurement.

Progress in the Creation of New Certification Authorities

Burcu reports, via email

- HIAST CA: Accredited at the end of June 2011 (registered for Marrakesh meeting)
- Dz e-Science CA: Accreditation steps are mostly completed, first CA presentation was given in Utrecht, CP/CPS was pre-reviewed and reviewed one of the formal reviews, on-line repository is ready and open, CA updates presentation will be given in Marrakesh. (No registration up to now!!!!)
Aouaouche confirms they will not manage to attend Marrakech meeting. She expects their relevant files to be included in next CA release.
- JUNet CA: CA presentation will be given in Marrakesh meeting, CP/CPS was pre-reviewed and reviewed one of the formal reviews, on-line repository is ready and open. (Registered for Marrakesh meeting)
- TNGrid CA: CP/CPS was pre-reviewed, on-line repository is open now, contacted with EUGridPMA to start accreditation process formally.
Heithem, you can also provide your CA presentation during the Marrakesh meeting, please inform David to take place in the agenda. (No registration up to now!!!!)

17.5 Heithem Please provide CA presentation for Marrakech meeting, and agree with David for a time slot.

- EG-Grid CA: CP/CPS was pre-reviewed, waiting for the on-line repository and OID. Dina please send an e-mail to David to start your accreditation process (attaching your CP/CPS) and do your best to open your on-line CA before the meeting. In any case I recommend you to give a presentation explaining your current CA status in Marrakesh, if you will have participation opportunity to this meeting.

17.6 Dina please provide feedback to David and Burcu, and perform all required technical steps before Marrakech meeting.

- Ankabut-Grid CA: CP/CPS was reviewed by both of the formal reviewers, there is no on-line repository and OID (major deficiencies for CA accreditation), Ankabut will participate in to Marrakesh meeting.

Site reports – if any

CY-01-CYNET: site is up and running, fully recovered after power break(s). About to install new certificates, which will be INFN-CA (apologies, Antonis, I missed why you eventually decided not to go with Terena server certificates, can you please clarify?)

UoM: Job submission to the site is OK. Still have one problem for which they will send email to Fulvio.

DZ-0*: Still problems with LSF, summer break did not help. Are in contact with Gianluca Passaro to try and fix it.

JO-01-JUNET: Nothing special to report, busy with accreditation.

GRISU-COMETA*: Fulvio mentions there are some open tickets which should be checked and possibly closed, since sites were essentially reinstalled from scratch. Riccardo says that COMETA sites can count on little more resources than Gianluca, who has been and is rather busy. However, Riccardo will help checking tickets.

4) Review of past actions

Since attendance was rather low, did not go through the list in detail. Postponed to next video-conference. <http://wiki.eumedgrid.eu/twiki/bin/view/Main/OpenActions>

5) A.o.B.

None.

Next WP2-3-4 Joint Video Conference:

Tuesday September 27th, 2011 at 11:00 AM CEST.

(note the date: 20th is not practical, as it clashes with EGI Technical Forum in Lyon)