

EGI-InSPIRE

New features on Accounting Portal Release Electra

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The Accounting Portal

- A critical operational tool in EGI:
 - Resource Usage
 - Pledges
 - VO user activity
 - Infrastructure trend tracking.
 - · Third party data provider
- The Portal has the challenge of being used to access data from the standpoint of thousands of users with special needs.
- Therefore, user input is very important, and comes from many sources and organizations.
- Availability is critical, but also flexibility.



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Server Migration

- Both production and development servers where migrated from SI 4 to SI 6.2
- Reinstallation needed as migration path, used to discontinue legacy software and upgrade security.
- Since the servers were fully virtualized, there was no physical implications (connectivity, physical security, refrigeration, etc..)
- Users noticed significant performance increases.
- New versions for supporting services (PHP 5, Apache 2.3).



Internal Code Changes

- Great refactoring and reorganization, removing of legacy code.
- Integration of several branches on a single codebase and distributed repository
- Reduction of 10K+ lines in the codebase.
- Since PHP URL tree organization is directly linked to code structure, instrumental on URL reorganization.



Code Optimizations

- There was a strong increase on row count on some tables and query execution.
- Slow queries were logged, and appropriate indexes were formulated.
- Index traditionally penalize writing operations (since they force maintenance).
- Since write operations are limited to the backend and off-hours, index creation can be aggresive.
- Some queries were reformulated using constructs that were less expensive on MySQL.



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- The site was based on old frameset technology, this technology works with all HTML servers and clients, but has several negative points:
 - Imposes a fixed minimum width on devices problems with mobile devices.
 - Pages are not directly accessible with an URL big problems with bug reporting.
 - Linking from inside pages is complex, and external linking and page inclusion is not possible.
 - It greatly complicated the code organization, since each frame requires a separate HTML file.
- The frame based interface was replaced with a visually equivalent HTML+CSS one that solved all these problems.



Mobile Support





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- Support made possible with HTML+CSS migration.
- A QR code representing the current URL was added on the sidebar.
 - Useful to synchronize mobile devices with desktop ones.
 - Printable and directly recuperable, so suited to paper reports.
 - There is no upper limit for the URL represented, but in extreme cases it can be too much finely detailed to some mobile cameras.



Graph Improvement

- The graphs were improved following a RT requirement.
- The improvements were done in order to improve clarity and feasibility for including in reports.
- The size was increased to make use of high resolution devices since there was enough bandwidth and the graphs are highly compressible with PNG.
- The improvements on graphing are a WIP, further updates will be given.



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XML datafeeds

- The XML datafeeds were created to provide a direct data interface for NA3 and VRC related tasks.
- The resulting interface was derived from the existing CSV one and made public on the custom view.
- Several parties used it (after extension in some cases) and solicited its generalization to all views.

		Click here for a CSV dun				
Percentage	24.59%	24.22%	24.62%	26.57%		
Total	272,872,914	268,690,970	273,131,150	294,841,617	1,109,536,651	
Russia	7,661,752	7,043,842	7,694,868	8,685,617	31,086,079	2.80
ROC_LA	425,177	382,062	393,769	276,332	1,477,340	0.13
ROC_IGALC	76,405	41,990	22,907	40,420	181,722	0.02
ROC_Canada	18,265,790	21,543,639	21,853,798	19,159,200	80,822,427	7.28
NGI_UK	42,267,728	39,215,676	37,808,675	38,999,259	158,291,338	14.27
NGI UA	162,134	307,339	356,412	434,498	1,260,383	0,11
NGI_TR	2,693,329	2,792,565	1,917,172	1,722,315	9,125,381	0.82
NGI SK	309,153	209,861	241,087	383,690	1,143,791	0,10
NGI_SI	5,535,344	5,428,325	5,624,800	5,404,419	21,992,888	1.98
NGI_RO	2,738,643	2,692,305	1,509,817	1,817,245	8,758,010	0,79
NGI_PL	3,192,361	3,814,287	3,944,755	4,961,498	15,912,901	1.43
NGI NL	14,938,713	14,290,743	14,999,695	15,978,293	60,207,444	5,43
NGI_NDGF	6,809,168	7,127,344	6,226,327	5,487,578	25,650,417	2.31
NGI MD	0	0	0	2	2	0,00



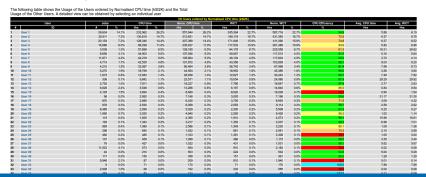
XML datafeeds (II)

- Thus, a generalized XML interface for tree views was implemented.
- The users can give parameters using the web site and retrieve a URL endpoint.
- This endpoint can be treated as a black box, or used programatically.
- Unfortunately, the interface is too internal to document it fully, so there are plans for a higher-level interface.



Full User Data

- Some users requested to be able to see all users on certificate-restricted views (VO Manager, Site Manager, etc..)
- Graphs were also updated to support the display of arbitrary numbers of users.





InterNGI VT

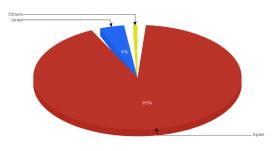
- The InterNGI VT was created to compile requirements to make possible reporting the mutual use of resources by NGIs and users.
- The accounting portal has a list of requirements to embed country-aware graphing.
- Users are assigned a country based on the institution that gives them a certificate.
- Full anonimity is preserved, and efficient query mechanism were designed to make this possible on normal views.



InterNGI VT: Site usage by country

Percent of foreign user

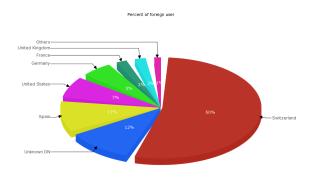
Percentage of Users by country					
Country	normcpu	Percentage			
Spain	1756293	95.33%			
Israel	72856	3.95%			
Italy	7023	0.38%			
France	5439	0.30%			
Unknown DN	359	0.02%			
Germany	162	0.01%			
Greece	70	0.00%			
Switzerland	46	0.00%			
Portugal	29	0.00%			
Poland	7	0.00%			
Netherlands	5	0.00%			
Slovakia	0	0.00%			
China	0	0.00%			
United States	0	0.00%			
United Kingdom	0	0.00%			
Finland	0	0.00%			
Czech Republic	0	0.00%			
Korea	0	0.00%			
Total	1842289				





InterNGI VT: Country usage by country

Percentage o Country	r Users by	country
Switzerland	61720060	59.54% 11.80%
Unknown DN	12228299	
Spain	11151396	
United States	7750569	
Germany	5626623	
France	1945991	
United Kingdom	1935599	
Italy	354615	
Belgium	300778	
Israel	273176	
China	104259	
Portugal	91379	
Taiwan	54106	
Poland	41343	
Austria	24119	
Morocco	15618	
Croatia	14367	
Russia	7203	0.01%
Netherlands	5304	
Colombia	4932	0.00%
Pakistan	2047	0.00%
Brasil	1195	0.00%
Turkey	783	0.00%
Greece	717	0.00%
Finland	658	0.00%
Ukraine	312	0.00%
Hungary	22	0.00%
Bulgaria	10	0.00%
India	7	0.00%
Azerbaijan	0	0.00%
Mexico	0	0.00%
Czech Republic	0	0.00%
Japan	0	0.00%
Cyprus	0	0.00%
Argentina	0	0.00%
Korea	0	0.00%
Venezuela	0	0.00%
Canada	0	0.00%
Slovakia	0	0.00%
Total	103655487	





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- The new Electra version introduced many internal changes, but also visible and funtional ones.
- These changes improved the experience of many users and resolved long standing problems with the tool.
- The InterNGI views brought awareness on correct UserDN reporting and usage trends on countries (e.g. Pilot users misreporting entire VOs).
- In general, the release demonstrated the resilience of the tool on the event of a triple change (server, codebase, functionality).