EMI Registry Pilot Service



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Overview



- Introduction to EMIR
- The Pilot Service
- Lessons Learned
- The Next Steps

Purpose



- EMI Service Registry
 - Directory, Index, Catalogue, etc.
- Provides References to Services (Endpoints)
 - Associated Metadata
 - Static attributes that can be indexed
 - e.g Service Type, Supported VO, Capability
- Automated Information Management
 - -Services are the authoritative source
 - Information about themselves
- Federated Building Blocks
 - Enable Autonomous Federations
 - And facility interoperability between them

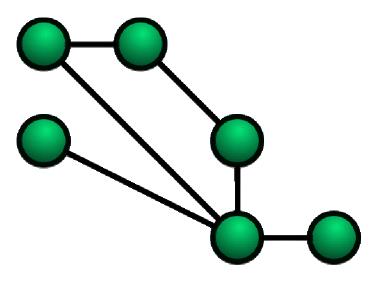




Topology



- Components
 - -Service Publisher (SP)
 - -Domain Service Registry (DSR)
 - -Global Service Registry (GSR)
- What is a Domain?
 - -What ever you want it to be
 - Just represents a collection of service
 - -That are autonomously managed
 - It may or may not contain sub domain
- Example Domains
 - -Site, Country, Region (National or International)



EMI 2 Release



- EMI 2 (Matterhorn) released May 2012
 - -EMIR
 - emi-emir (DSR/GSR)
 - emird (SP)
 - emir-manual



"Now this is not the end. It is not even the beginning of the end. But it is, perhaps, the end of the beginning."

- Winston Churchill



EMIR Pilot



- Small production-like rollout
 - Virgin admins
 - Tests documentation, assumptions, complexity, quality
 - Stability
 - Service Stability
 - Infrastructure Stability
 - Hardening
 - Stupid Bugs
 - System Bugs
 - Controlled Environment
 - Direct contact with admins
- Simple Topology
 - Site DSR registering to a single GSR



Tweaks



- Improved Documentation
 - How To Set Up a Domain Service Registry
 - Lightweight Guide
 - Reduced learning curve/effort for pilot admins
 - » Made it easy for them to help us
- Service Translation Tool (ginfo)
 - Extracts Information From Site BDII
 - Reduced integration, complexity, configuration, etc.
- Alternative Software Repository
 - Reduced overhead for updates
 - Prioritize fast iteration cycle over potential incidents

ginfo

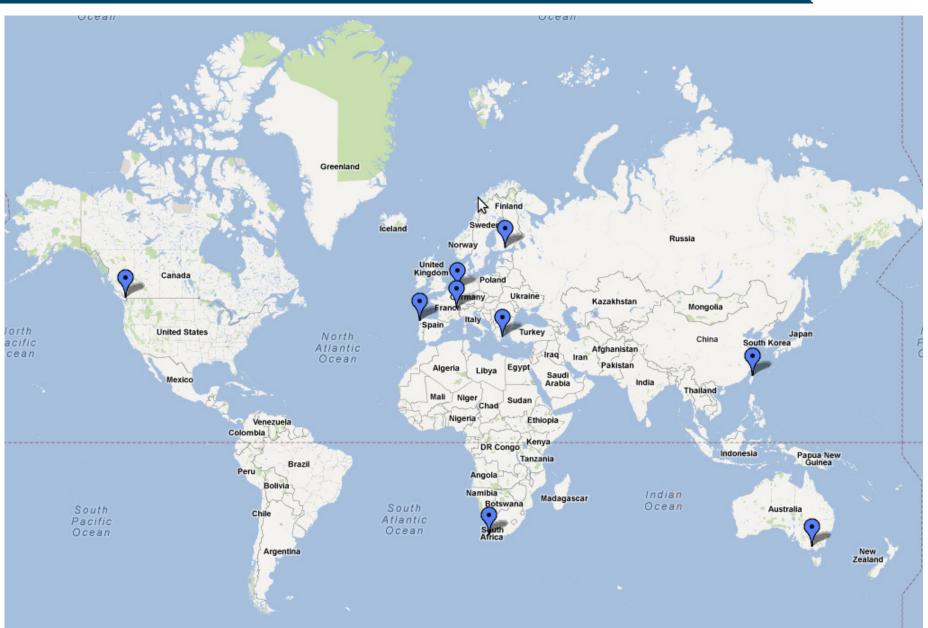


- Grid Info
 - -Command Line Client Tool
 - -GLUE 2.0 Service Records
 - –Queries Information System
 - –Queries EMI Registry
 - Output in different formats
 - EMI Registry format
- Available in EPEL



DSR Locations





Feedback



Positive

- -Well packaged (Software and Twiki Documentation)
 - Took on average 30 minutes to setup a DSR
- Good quality implementation
 - Worked out of the box
 - No service maintenance required
- Negative
 - Could be made even more intuitive
 - Simplify configuration and released documentation
 - –Improve system robustness
 - Handling of bad input data

Lessons Relearned



- The importance of Software Packaging
 - -This is what people "touch and feel"
 - And how quality will be initially judged
 - Good quality packages
 - -File naming and locations
 - -Simple and intuitive configuration
 - -Informative log messages
 - -Clear and targeted documentation
- Software 1 bug per 100 lines
 - -50% chance for a configuration step!
 - e.g. host name not specified in full
 - -Software failure due to miss-configuration



Lessons Relearned



- Rules are different for large-scale computing
 - -Service Availability = 99.9%
 - -Availably of
 - 2 services = 99.8%
 - 10 services = 99.0%
 - 100 services = 90.5%
 - 1,000 services = 36.8%
 - 10,000 services = 0.0%!



- -There is no such this as an exceptional circumstance
 - An exception for a single instance
 - Is a normal occurrence for a large-scale system
- -Pessimistic Programming
 - Assume everything is broken because it is

Lessons Relearned



- Bad Input Data
 - Due to previous two reasons
- All components must handle bad input data
- Address at source
 - Strict error checking
 - Component must reject
 - And not fail!
- Address in system
 - Source maybe the problem
 - Balance checking vs migration reliability
- Address at the client/query
 - —It should not get this far!

Future



- Improvements
 - —Packaging
 - –Robustness
- Enable SSL
 - -Using X509 credentials
- Define Service Record
 - -Ensure that EMI services publish this to EMIR
- Expand the pilot
 - -More in-depth evaluation
 - -Invite others to participate/evaluate

Summary



- EMI Registry is available
- Evaluated in the pilot service
 - –Feedback is positive
- A few areas for improvements
 - -Will be addressed in a future update
- Will continue with the pilot
 - –Evaluate Updates
- Push for rollout when ready

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