

NGI operations in Czech Republic

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CESNET



- national academic network provider
- covers grids as first step to e-infrastructure provider
 - sustainability 5 year project will start next year
- involved in all EGEE projects, also gLite development
- operating national grid MetaCentrum
 - for more than 10 years
- only two sites in EGI production infrastructure
 - CESNET+part of Academy of Science (HEP)
 - more collaborating on national level (universities)
- not using gLite internally, gLite+Globus gateways
- research in virtualization, scheduling, security



NGI_CZ



National grid (MetaCentrum) + EGEE operations -> NGI_CZ

- EGI operations team is part of MetaCentrum operations
 - big overlap in functions
 - reasonable overlap in tools
 - some tools different

Major goals in EGI for the first year

- support regionalization of tools—setup on national level
 - use them directly
 - merge with our local part
 - modify to support local needs too
 - use only as EGI gateway, fill relevant data from our services
- minimize duplication of work, merge operation groups
- establish structure, rules, procedures (both on national and EGI level)
- continue with activities inherited from EGEE
 - VOCE, Auger, Pakiti

NGI_CZ (cont.)



- ROC to NGI transition under way
 - helpdesk integration (RT/GGUS)
 - working in development version of GGUS
 - expected to be in next production release of GGUS (June)
 - Nagios certification is not expected to be problem
 - but depends on helpdesk(?)
- meetings, working groups
 - fully support OTAG, operations and ROD meetings, etc.
 - security (EGI CSIRT)
 - phone/videoconferencing as much as possible
- recommendations towards EGI meetings
 - face-to-face together with EGI conferences
 - or at least co-locate various SA1 meetings together



Operations tools

- helpdesk RT heavily used on national level, also for VOCE and Auger VOs
 - RT/GGUS integration in development, expected to be available in next GGUS release
 - several queues synchronized with GGUS
 - will be used in SA2 internally too
 - web + email interface
- Nagios used also on national level
 - plans to use hierarchy of Nagios servers within NGI -> site level too
- GOCDB
 - already running national GOCDBv3, will test v4
 - motivation—test usability for usage on national level, populate with more national sites, services ...
- dashboard-Nagios
 - already running, in evaluation phase
 - will be used by EGI operations
- myEGEE not yet tested



Operation tools (cont.)



- accounting
 - already running national accounting repository
 - more detailed data (kernel accounting)
 - includes also non-EGI sites and users
 - EGI solution not yet deployed, will for sure investigate in next phase
 - filter+publish data from our service to national accounting service through adapter? Through APEL?
- Pakiti
 - running on national level
 - provided as a service for EGI
 - further development
- LB
 - further development in EMI
 - used on national level for PBS jobs too
- national virtualization infrastructure
 - virtual clusters (cloud-like ideas) integrated within batch system (PBSPro, Torque)
 - cooperative scheduling between Torque clusters in development

Infrastructure



Oversight

- ROD + first-line teams exist
 - RT used as main communication channel
 - integrated with national helpdesk, ROD-equivalent, first-line support in MetaCentrum
- using both national monitoring (Nagios, Ganglia, Pakiti) and EGI services

Growth

- number of CPUs + storage is expected slightly increase next year
- new big site visible in EGI may be setup in next years (depends on national project)
- other already connected sites (on national level) may become visible if user requirement exists

Availability

 declared preferably through SLD, however EGEE SLAs already signed

User support



- part of larger group in MetaCentrum
- HEP, computational chemistry, astrophysics users already active in EGEE/EGI
- user training on national level, two accredited EGEE trainers
 - materials and trainers for operations training missing, we are will to cooperate with other NGIs
- providing "complete set of services" for VOCE and Auger VOs
 - WMS, LB, DPM, VOMS, MyProxy, LFC, VOBOX, Argus, BDII, UI, registration portal, support in RT



Contribution to EGI security



- continue with our EGEE OSCT work = EGI CSIRT
- EGI incident response team
 - responsibility rotates between several institutions, CESNET is one of them
- leading security monitoring (being defined)
 - Pakiti (monitoring of installed versions of Linux packages)
 - integration with Nagios
 - user activity monitoring (security challenges)





• regional VO, across Central Europe sites in EGEE

- plans to continue in EGI too
 - policy must be redefined
 - seed resources for newcomers (Auger and Compchem VOs started here)
 - used for application tests on large, heterogeneous testbed

