



Federated Clouds Task Force

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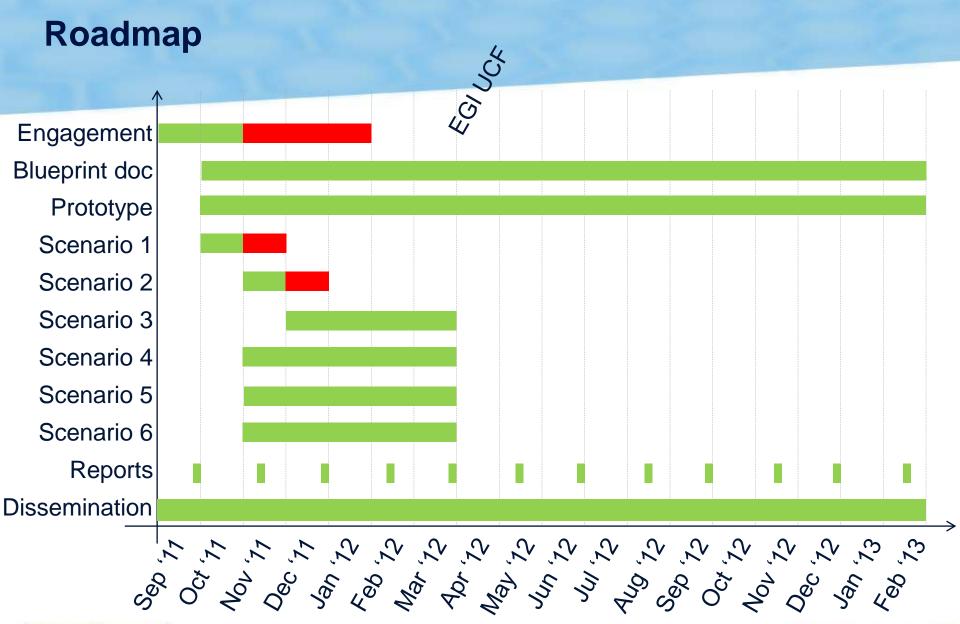
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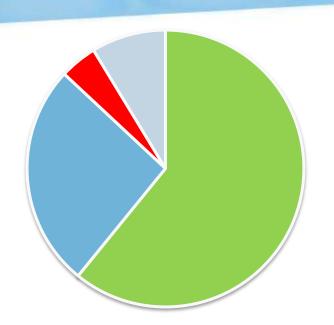








Engagement



50 members

22 institutions*

14 Resource Providers

6 Technology Providers

1 User Community

2 Liaisons

* 1 institution is both a resource and technology provider; EGI.eu is not represented in this pie chart due to its management role.

24 Sep – 24 Nov: +433% engaged institutions.

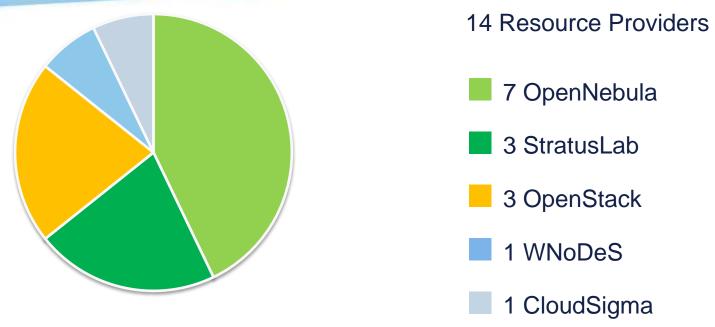
User community uptake is lower than required:

- engagement task extended for 2 months;
- undergoing contacts with 3 user communities;
- focus on outreach liaison activities.





Engagement – Technology Heterogeneity

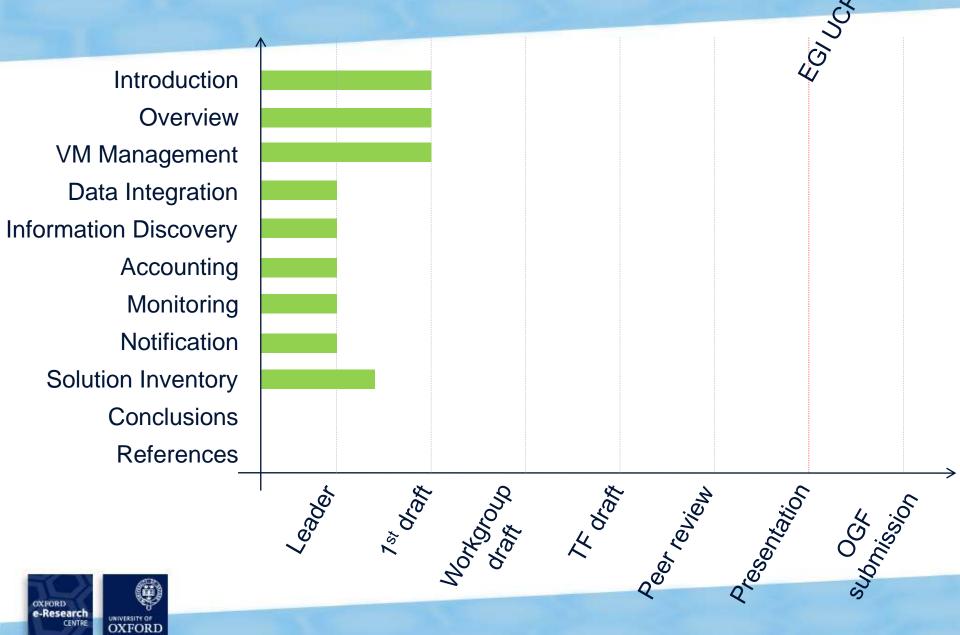


- 5 cloud management technologies.
- 70% OpenNebula/StratusLab.
- Multiple management interfaces: OCCI, EC2, custom APIs, Jcloudscompatible APIs.
- Multiple storage and data-management technologies.





Blueprint



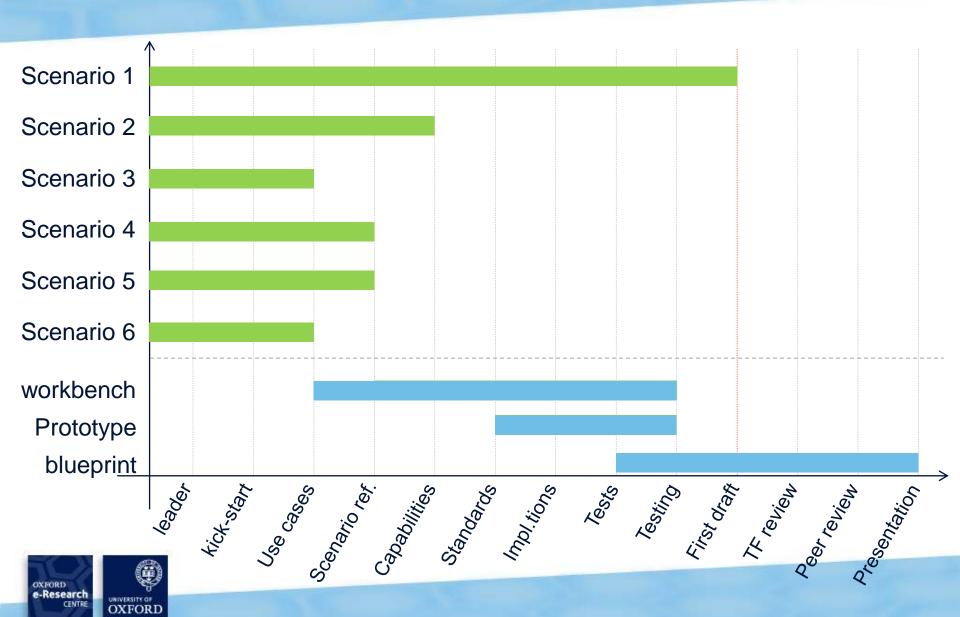
Clouds Federation Prototype

- Lifespan: 18 months.
- Prototype ≠ blueprint: the implementation of the prototype deals with the trade-offs imposed by technology availability, providers schedule and agendas, contingent users' preferences, time and effort availability.
- **Bottom up approach:** starting from an independent group of providers, the blueprint is implemented for successive approximations.
- To-Dos:
 - discuss and produce requirements and design documents for the prototype;
 - define necessary features. I.e. federated AAI, VM container conversion scripts, federated monitoring, etc;
 - engage user communities.



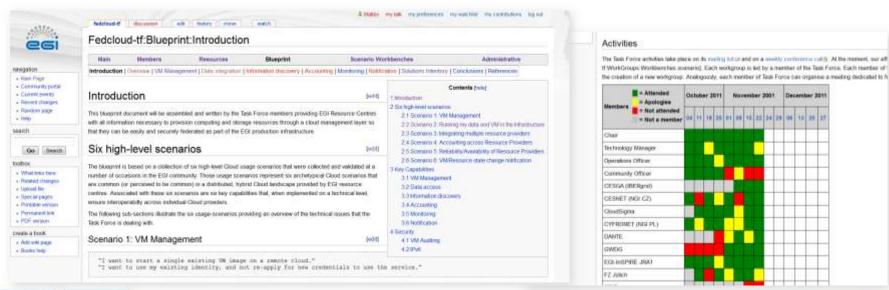


Scenarios Progress



Dissemination

- Wiki site. TF members and their activities in six sections: Main, Members, Resources, Blueprint, Scenario Workbenches, Administrative.
- Indico website. Minutes and agendas or the weekly meetings are publically available and linked on the TF wiki site.
- **Blog**. All the TF members are given the opportunity to blog. Work group leaders are requested to blog monthly about their Scenario progress.

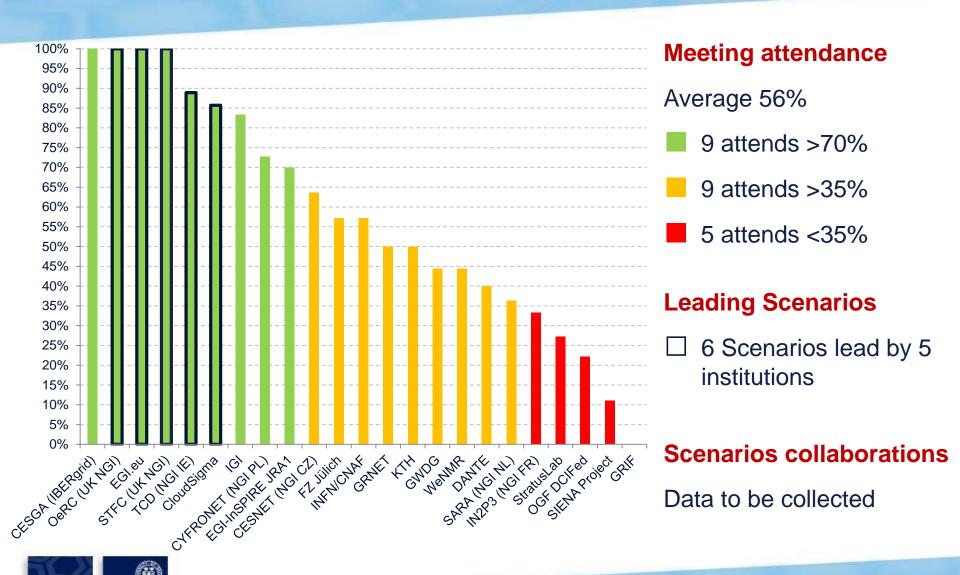




TF Members Activity Report

e-Research

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Conclusions

Positive

- Progress. the six workgroup activities have achieved the planned milestones. The next two months will be the most critical for matching the March 20th deadline.
- Blueprint. first milestones achieved 1st draft introduction, overview and Scenario 1.
- Engagement. 23 institutions, 18 actively participating to the TF activities.
- Tools. indico, Hi-Def, Wiki and Basecamp properly support the TF activities.

To improve

- Participation. Improving but still too low. Solutions: data analysis for nonvoluntary resource allocation, 'gamification'.
- Prototype. lack of a shared design document; lack of federated AAI.
 Solution: creation of a dedicated workgroup in the TF.
- **Users**. Users community engagement is too low. **Solution**: list of contacts and improved outreach.
- Development. The TF does not have enough developers' effort available.
 Solution: more resources for the TF?









Thank you

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