

# Progress towards a GGUS fail-safe system

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#### **Agenda**



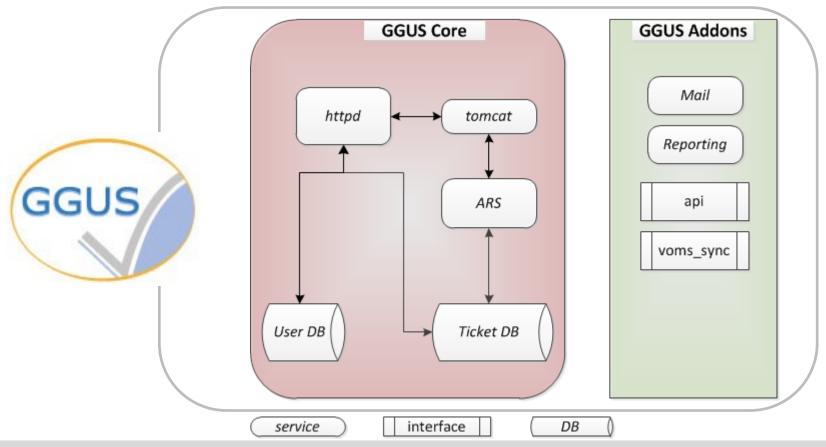
- GGUS Service structure
- Service Availability
  - Availability and Service Value
  - Availability and other ITIL processes
  - Availability and Incident lifecycle
  - Some High Availability (HA) topics
- Migration: GGUS to HA GGUS
  - Objective
  - Plan
    - Phase 0
    - Phase 1
    - Phase 2
- Conclusion



#### **GGUS Service stucture**

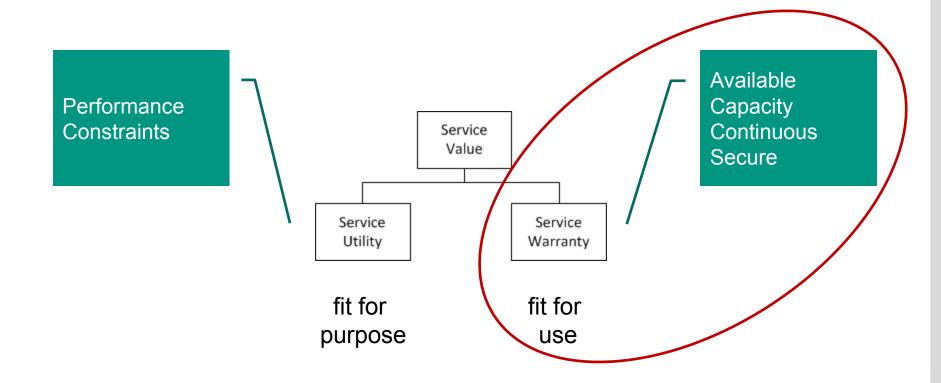


 GGUS – Global Grid User Support Service based on the Remedy Action Request System (ARS)



### **Availability and Service Value**





Availability is not only about IT technology, but also about an organization

#### Availability and other ITIL processes



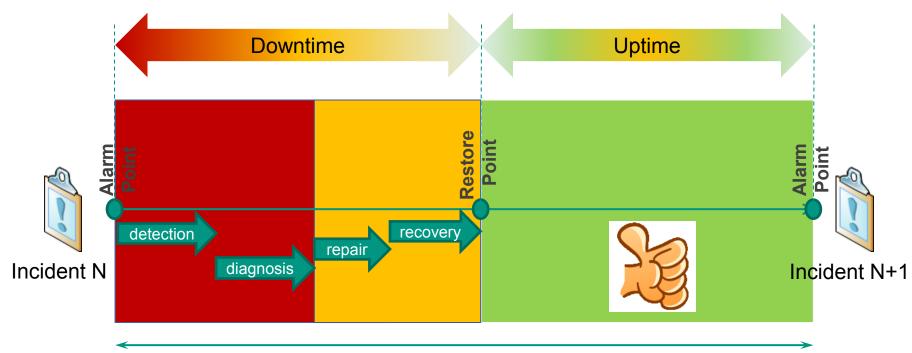
- Continual improvement
  - Service measurement & reporting
  - SLM
- Strategy
  - Service Portfolio
  - Demand
  - Financial
- Design
  - Supplier
  - Information security
  - Service Catalogue
  - Service level mgmt
  - IT service continuity
  - Availability
  - Capacity

- Transition
  - Knowledge
  - Service validation & testing
  - Release & deployment
  - Service asset & configuration
  - Change mgmt
- Operation
  - Event mgmt
  - Request fulfilment
  - Access mgmt
  - Problem mgmt
  - Incident mgmt

## **Availability & Incident lifecycle**



Purpose: Minimum Downtime (or maximum Uptime)



### Some High Availability (HA) topics

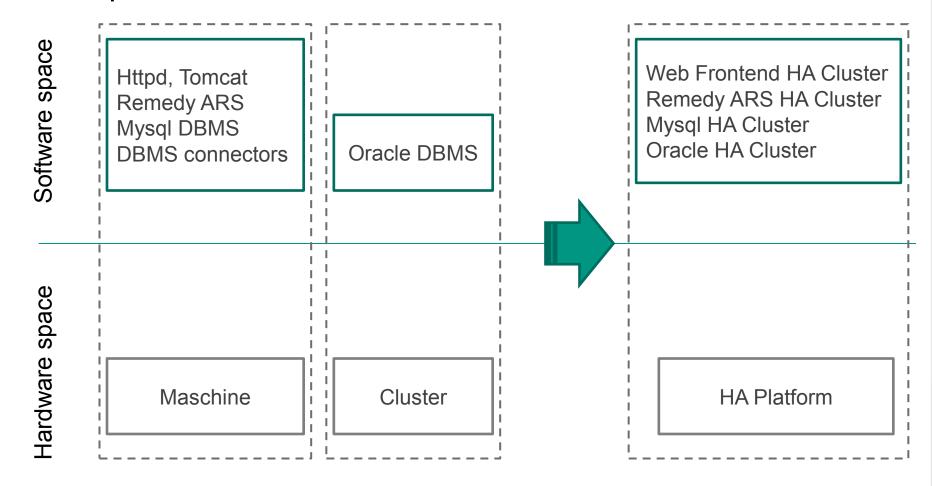


- Single Point of Failure & Redundancy
- Automatically & Manually switching
- Cluster: "Shared" vs "shared nothing"
- Dependability attributes
  - Availability readiness for correct service
  - Reliability continuity of correct service
  - Safety absence of catastrophic consequences on the user(s) and the environment
  - Integrity absence of improper system alteration
  - Maintainability ability for a process to undergo modifications and repairs

#### **Migration: GGUS to HA GGUS**



Purpose



#### **Migration: GGUS to HA GGUS**

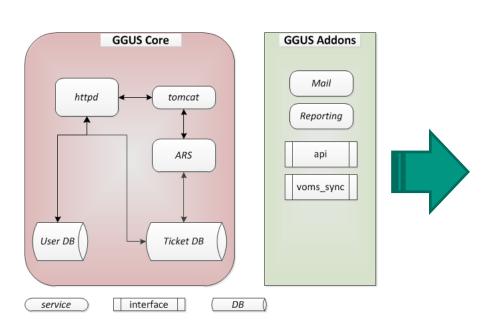


- Phase 0. (Q1-Q2 2011)
  - Purpose: renew GGUS Development Environment
  - Tasks
    - Bring to the Vmware Platform with HA Support
    - Improve server install/configuration procedure
    - Improve release & deployment mgmt
    - Separate logically/physically Web frontend and ARS
- Phase 1. (Q2 2011)
  - Purpose: renew GGUS Production Environment
  - Tasks
    - Bring to the Vmware Platform with HA Support
    - Separate logically/physically Web frontend and ARS
    - Improve & configure networking redundancy
    - Integration into On Call Service

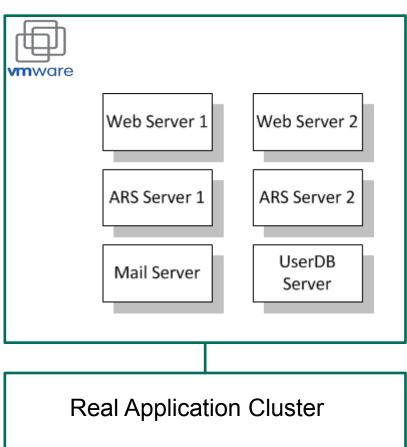


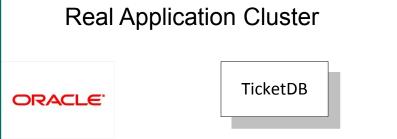
## Migration: GGUS to HA GGUS Phase 0/1 (cont.)





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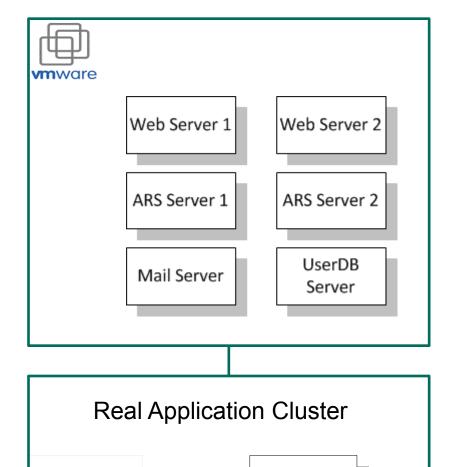
#### **Migration: GGUS to HA GGUS**



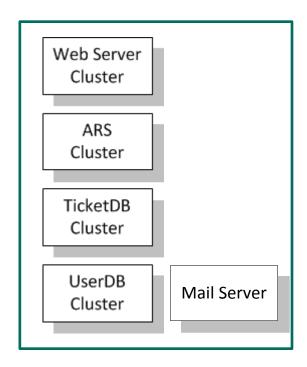
- Phase 2. (Q3.2011 Q2.2012)
  - Purpose: Implement auto-switching
  - Focus on Service Continuity, Disaster Recovery
  - Tasks
    - Decide (What-if analysis)
      - DBMS: Oracle as VM?
      - Platform: KVM vs Vmware?
      - Disaster Recovery Plan
      - Manage VMs?
      - **...**
    - Choose, test the technology and design System
      - Open source vs Commercial
      - Adopt to the GGUS structure

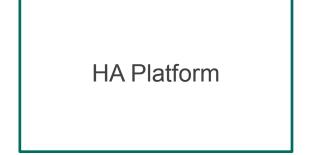
### Migration: GGUS to HA GGUS. Phase 2. (cont.)













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#### Conclusion



- Availability
  - not only technology or activity withing one ITIL Process,
  - but also organizational Service improvements
- The GGUS software stack
  - is relative complex and
  - have some dependencies (mostly for commercial components)
- There are set of alternatives
  - Different software packages for switching mechanizm & clustering
  - With/without SAN connection for data
  - With/without VM
- GGUS improvements way
  - decompose Service into set of Subservices and
  - put them into HA Environment with automatix for switching





# Thank you for your attention!

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