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# **Monitoring Status/Wish List**

### Where we are

- Deployed infrastructure
  - At the T0, T1s, many T2s
  - Supporting Networks
  - Many metrics
- Dashboard to show status
  - Between sites
  - Groups (OPN vs ONE vs clouds [US, IT])
- Getting 'used' to operational use cases
  - What it tells us about the network
  - How to use the tools for 'at a glance' performance vs using them for diagnostics\*

<sup>\*</sup> N.B. Jason has been making extensive use of all machines in debugging international performance issues – it has cut down debugging from months to weeks.



## Where we are going

- Fully configured infrastructure
  - Changes to one (e.g. adding a new host) need to be reflected elsewhere
  - Upgrading should not break things
- Free of defects
  - Firewalls are still a factor, at many sites
  - Hosts 'may' be (Dell config vs 'spare' machines)
  - Where are these in the infrastructure? Want them on the border device, is that true for all?
- On the paths that matter
  - Need backbones, regional networks, XPs, NRENs involved. We are on our way, still not 100%
- With tools that make sense for the community
  - The dashboard is popular we should release this as something that can be used installed by all (Question to BNL)

### Where we need to be

- Debugging real problems
  - Already close this being done these tools are useful for fixing problems
    - Help solve around 5 problems a year in USATLAS since we started using them
    - Fixed TA links (twice)
    - Currently doing things between US T2s and EU T1s.
  - Teach others how to use them (?)
    - Workshops for the operators? WLCG involvement?
- Ensuring performance
  - Alarms/GUIs for the pro-active positions. Maybe the current dashboard, maybe something new (what does the WLCG say – and could they help?)
- Enabling science
  - Monitoring is not exciting so lets fix the problems and get out of the way <sup>©</sup>

### Where we could be

- Where to report problems?
  - Where do they go now, the WLCG? Local networking staff? Other? It's a hard thing to answer...
  - Is a central location valuable? Is it something the LHC should run?
- Who fixes them?
  - Local staff ideally, but on an end to end problem, there are multiple domains, all pointing at each other
  - Does the LHC need a 'pert'? Where could it be funded and who would staff it?
    - Something like this in the EU already
    - Nothing like this in the US (ESnet/Internet2 often collaborate with regional partners to fix problems reported to us).

