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Introduction to UNICORE

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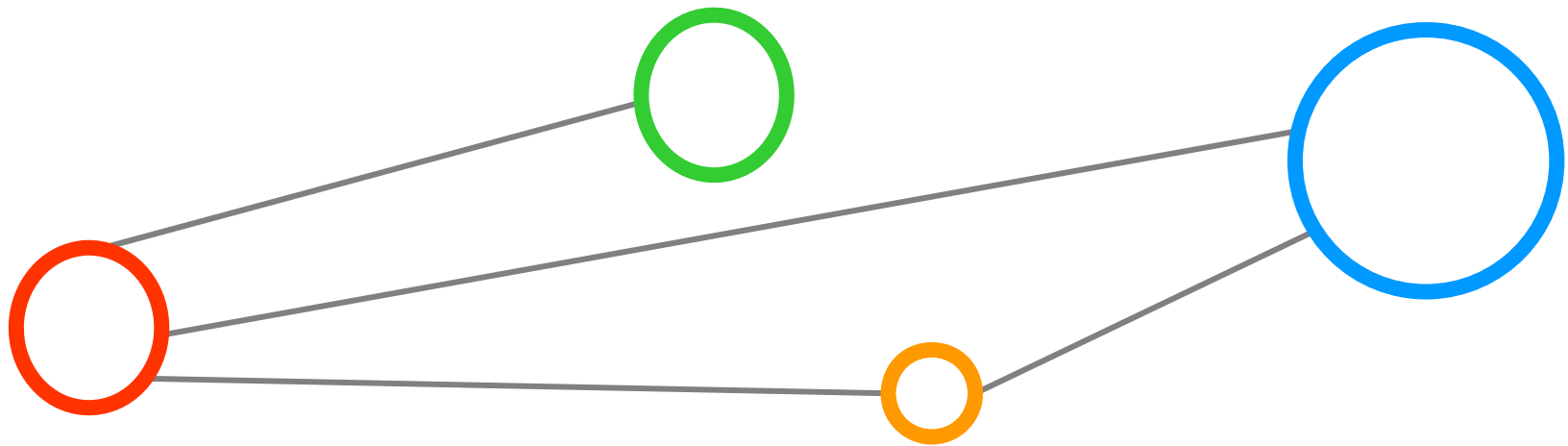


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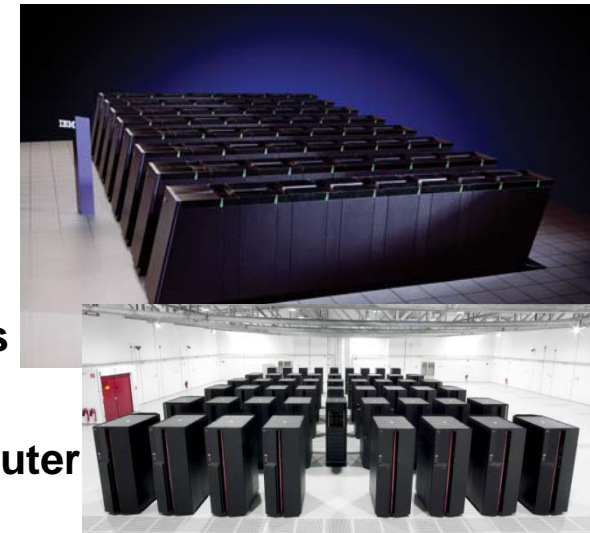
A European Grid Middleware





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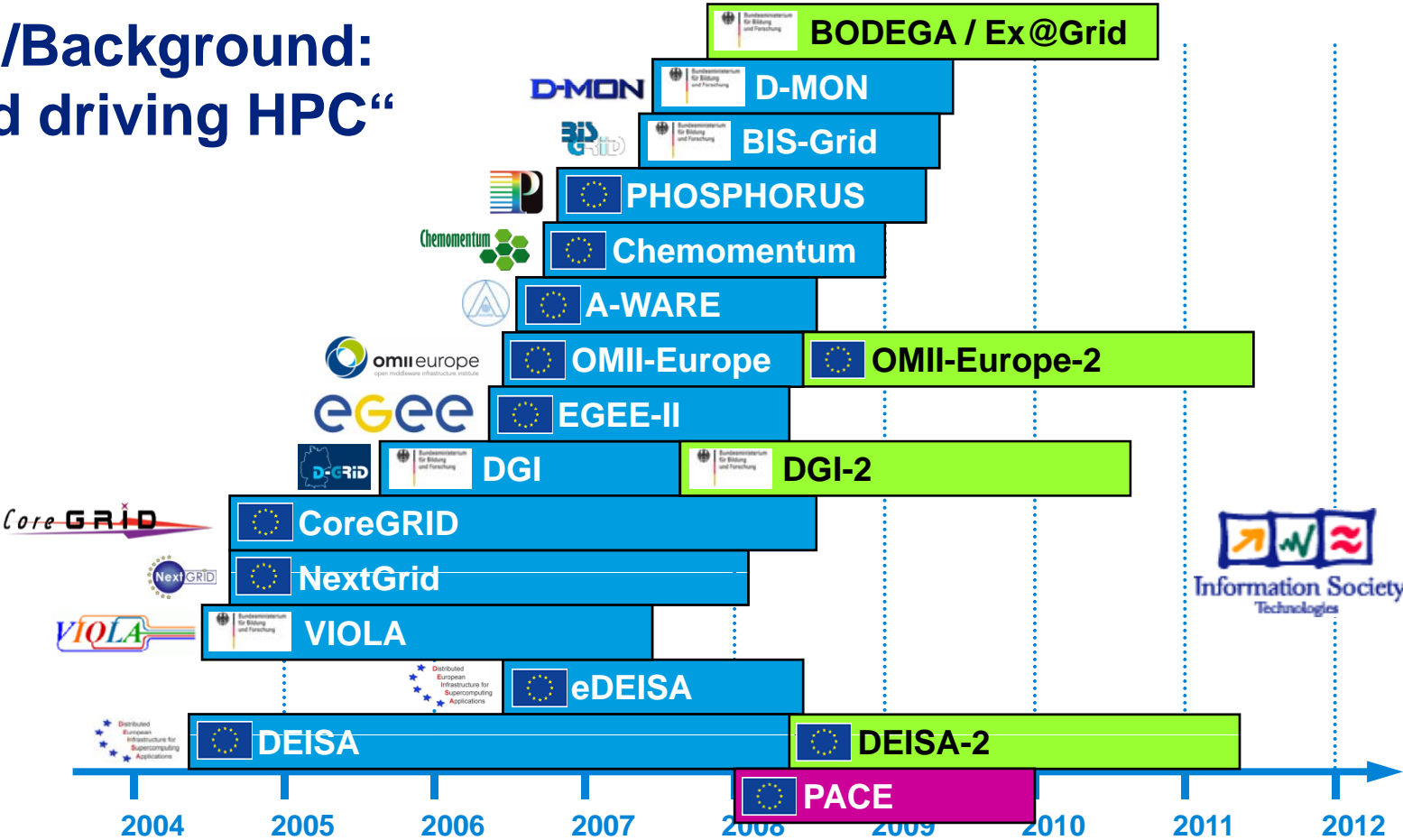
- **UNICORE as middleware supporting the Perspective: “Driving HPC in the pan-European ecosystem”**
 - Leadership capability computing (tier-0) → “Supercomputers”
 - Entry-level capability computing (tier-1) → “Clusters”
 - Farming-based capacity computing (tier-2) → “PC pools, farms”
- **Partnership for Advanced Computing in Europe (PACE)**
 - Towards multi-core petascale Supercomputing Grids
 - **Near Future: Multi-core-based supercomputers**
 - e.g. 80 cpus on a chip
 - Up to 1 Mil. CPUs at 1 site for each supercomputer
 - **Future Supercomputing Grids: 1 Mil * n CPUs**



European and BMBF Projects



- Goal/Background:
„Grid driving HPC“



Proposed
Planned
Active

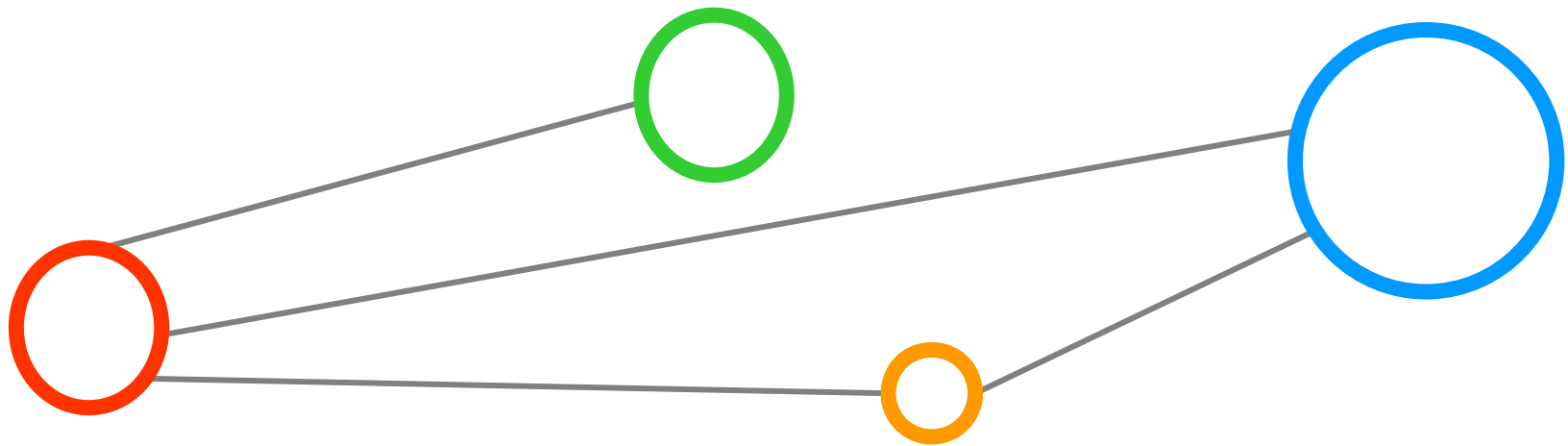


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Production UNICORE 5

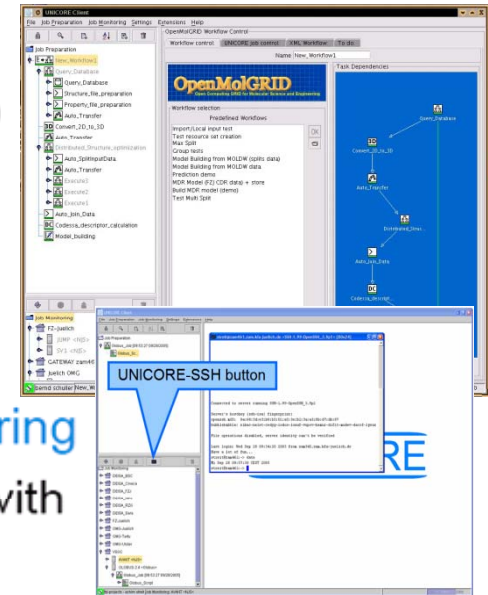


Features

- ▶ A **vertically** integrated Grid middleware system
- ▶ Provides **seamless**, **secure**, and **intuitive** access to distributed resources and data
- ▶ Used in production and projects worldwide
- ▶ Features

- ▶ **intuitive GUI** with single sign-on
- ▶ **X.509** certificates for AA and job/data signing
- ▶ only **one opened port** in firewall required
- ▶ **workflow** engine for complex multi-site/multi-step workflows
- ▶ **extensible** application support with plug-ins

- ▶ matured **job monitoring**
- ▶ interactive access with **UNICORE-SSH**
- ▶ integrated secure **data transfer**
- ▶ resource management
- ▶ **full control** of resources remains
- ▶ **production quality**, ...

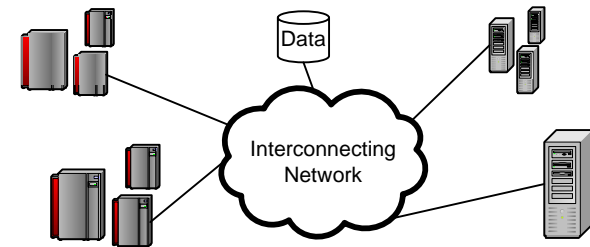


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Configuration: [root@lln] # cat /etc/unicore/unicore.conf
Host: zsm285.zam.kfa-juelich.de
Gateway:
  Vsite Name: Fermat
  NJS Gateway Port: 3826
  Admin Port: 3955
  ISI:
  Trusted Eds: /cert/projects/ca/fr/juelich
  UIDB: /unicore/njs_identity.pl?
  Password: *****
  Installation Dir: /unicore
  Java: /usr/bin/java
  perl: /usr/bin/perl
  Logging Level: Configuration
  Keep Uspace: false
  Operation Mode: full
  Gateway SSL: false
  NJS SSL: true
  Memory: remember
  Save completed RDD: false
  Change Log files: 24
  ISI Worker Limit: 5
  ISI Update Interva: 5000
  Thread Incarnation: 3
Configure UNICORE: Press Alt + <key> for menu entries
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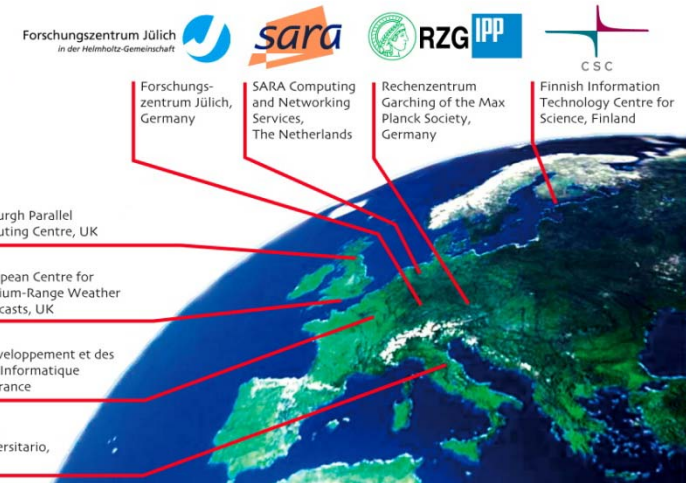

Deployment Example



Deploy and operate a persistent, production quality, distributed, heterogeneous supercomputing environment...



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More examples of usage

- T-Systems SfR, DWD
- Philips Research
- Fraunhofer SCAI
- BEinGRID
- D-Grid
- DEISA
- John von Neumann Institute for Computing

UNICORE based Access to Computing-Resources.
 Delivery Model for DWD, GPC, IT, ...

PHILIPS

Logistics

BEinGRID at a glance

D-Grid

fully-meshed UNICORE infrastructure
 complex multi-site workflows easily possible

Distributed European Infrastructure for Supercomputing Applications

About 450 users in 200 research projects
 1/4 of them uses UNICORE
 Access via UNICORE to
 IBM p690 eSeries Cluster (1312 CPUs, 8.9 TFlops)

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jump

Month	UNICORE (%)	non UNICORE (%)
Dez 04	30	70
Feb 05	30	70
Apr 05	35	65
Jun 05	35	65
Aug 05	30	70
Okt 05	35	65
Dez 05	30	70
Feb 06	35	65
Apr 06	30	70
Jun 06	30	70
Aug 06	35	65
Okt 06	40	60

SoftComp Cluster (264 CPUs, 1 TFlop)
 Cray XD1 (120 CPUs + FPGAs, 528 GFlops)

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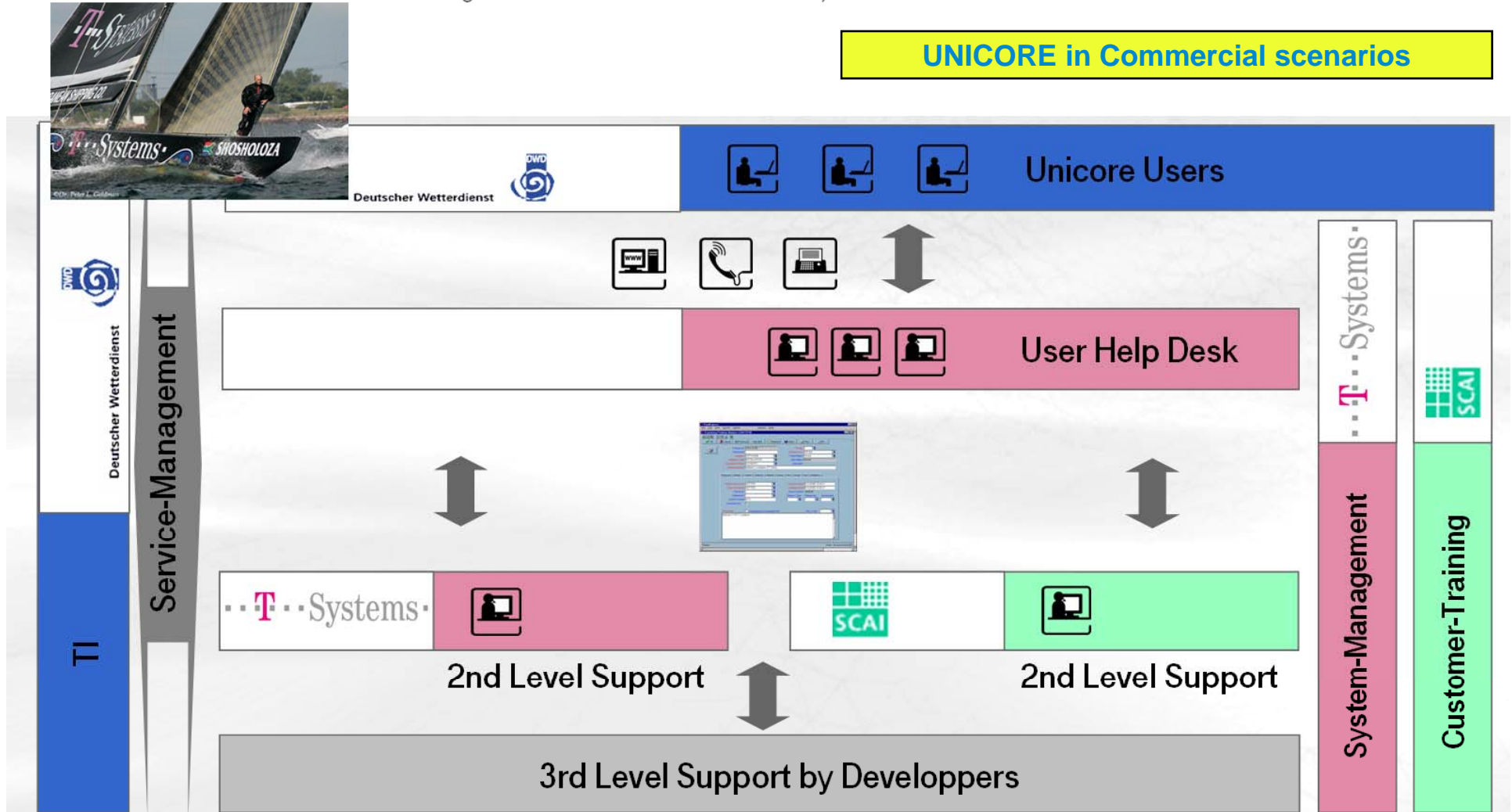
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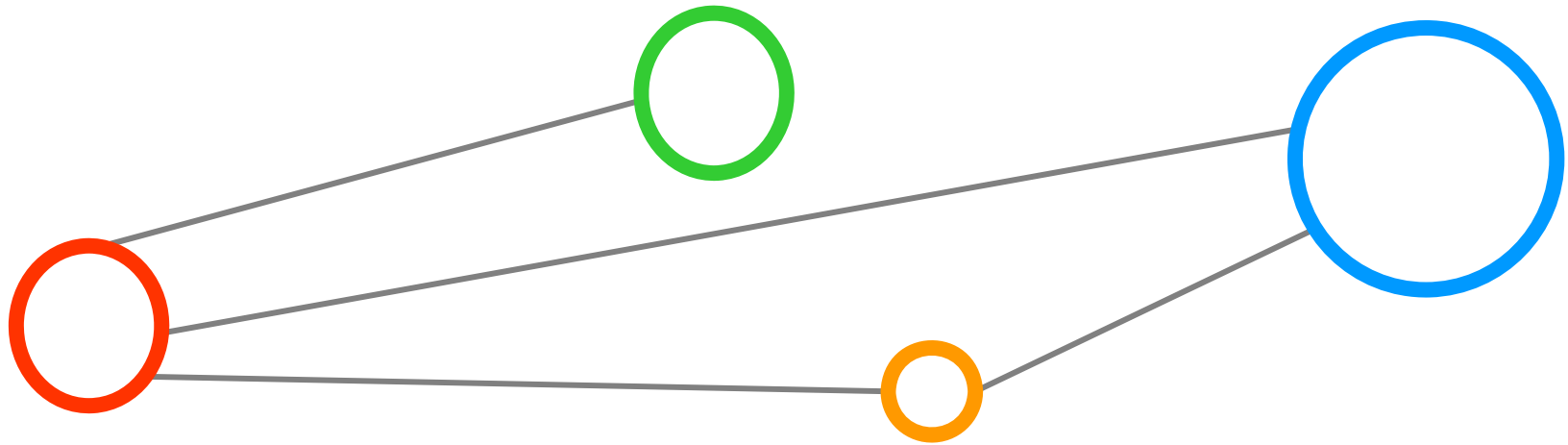
UNICORE based Access to Computing-Resources.

Delivery-Model for DWD, GRS and Team Shosholoza

UNICORE in Commercial scenarios



New Open Standards-based UNICORE 6



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Open Standards and Developments

- **WSRF-compliant and OGSA-based UNICORE 6**
 - Standards: WSRF 1.2 final, WS-I, JSDL 1.0, XACML 1.0, OGSA BytelIO
 - Modern software stack: Java 5, XFire SOAP Stack, XMLBeans, Jetty, ...

- **Joint development effort under guidance of the UNICORE Forum Technical Board**

- Core Partners:



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- Contributions from numerous others: INFN, RZG, CERN, UEDIN...

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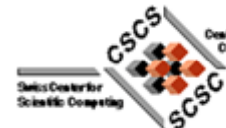
- Founded by developers, leading EU HPC centres, and supporting hardware vendors as a non-profit association
- Foster the distribution and use of UNICORE, organize workshops, support presentations at conferences, publish and maintain the specifications, coordinate further development, certify implementations and extensions



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Roadmap

- **Beta version released in April 2007**
- **6.0 final release, July/August 2007, RC available(!)**
 - UNICORE Atomic Services (UAS)
 - Initial workflow support (Multi-site Jobs)
 - Compliant with UNICORE 5 Target System Interfaces (TSIs)
 - Compliant with Intel Grid programming Environment (GPE) 1.4
 - UNICORE Command Line Client (UCC)
- **6.1 release, Q4-2007**
 - Extended workflow support and portals
 - Compliant with Intel GPE 1.5
 - Support for VOMS and OGSA-BES (out of OMII-Europe)

UNICORE OPEN SOURCE

- <http://www.unicore.eu>
- Open Source under BSD license
- Supported by FZJ
 - Integration of own results and from other projects
 - Release management
 - Problem tracking, assistance
 - CVS, Subversion, mailing lists, docs
- Viable basis for many other projects

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OPEN SOURCE

→ UNICORE (Uniform Interface to Computing Resources) offers a ready-to-run Grid system including client and server software. UNICORE makes distributed computing and data resources available in a seamless and secure way in intranets and the internet.

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An easy Way to Access grid REsources

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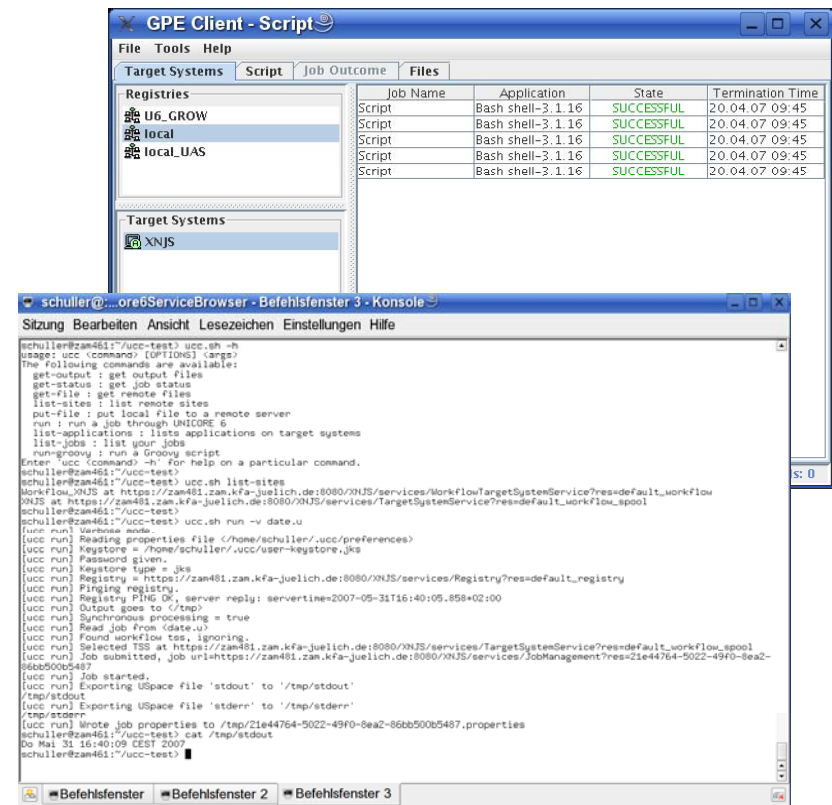
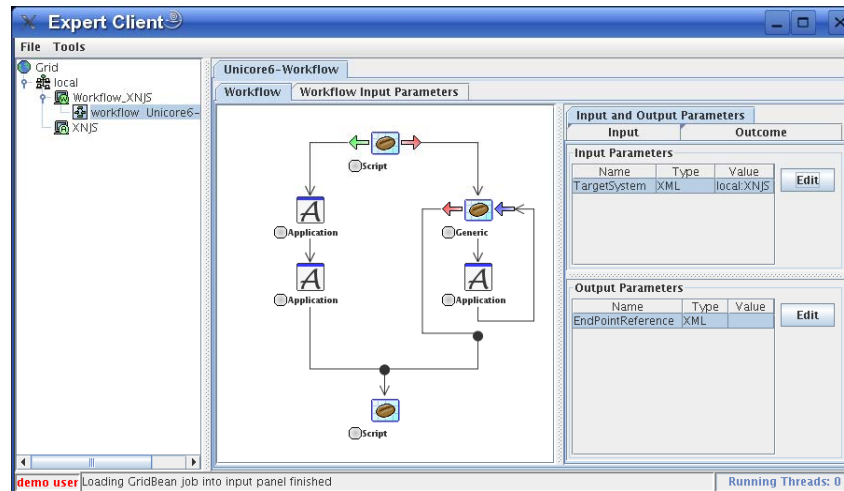
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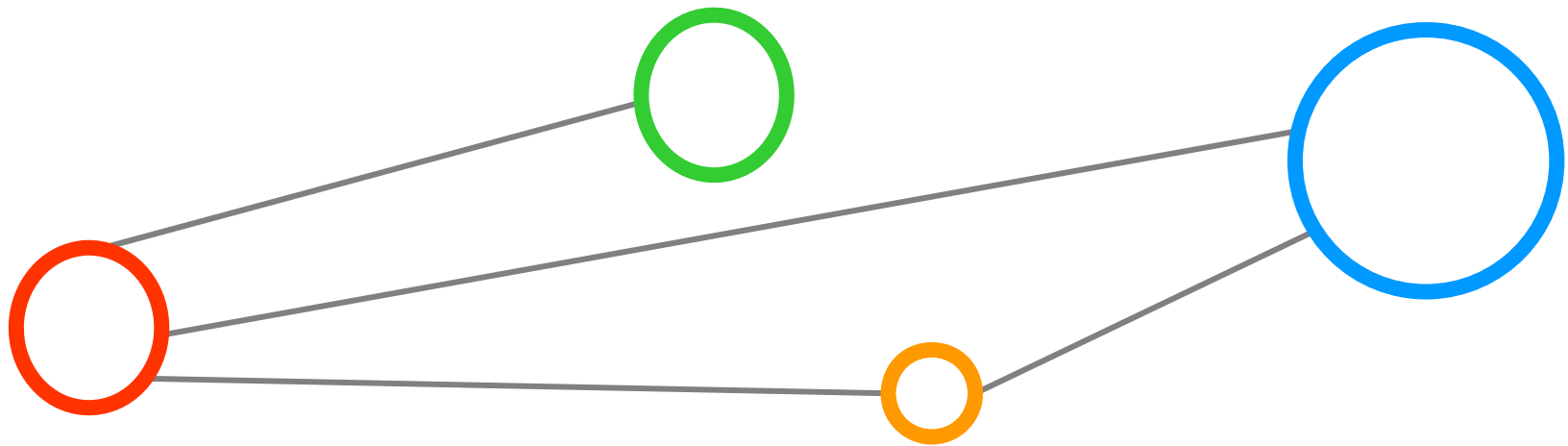
Various Clients

- **GUI clients based on Intel's GPE**
 - Application and expert client
- **Command line client**



- **Portal (GridSphere, GPE)**
- **Rich Clients (Eclipse)**

Conclusions



Conclusion

- **UNICORE – A European Grid Middleware**
 - Used in numerous EU and BMBF funded Projects
 - UNICORE is used by Commercial partners: T-Systems, Philips,...
- **Open Standards-based UNICORE 6**
 - Based on Web Services Technologies
 - Version 6.0 available at July/August 2007, RC available
 - Version 6.1 will be available at Q4-2007, more features
- **UNICORE is open source software under BSD license**
 - Everybody can contribute/extend to/it for specific use
 - UNICORE 6 available at: <http://www.unicore.eu>

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Outreach

- Numerous demonstrations at various events (GES, ISC, SC, OGF, ...)
- Tutorials, training, hands-on, etc.
 - DEISA Training: Paris (July 2006), Jülich (October 2006), Barcelona (March 2007), Helsinki (May 2007)
 - OMII-Europe Training, Edinburgh, June 2006
 - CoreGRID Summer School, Bonn, July 2006
 - GridKA, Karlsruhe, September 2006
 - NIC User meeting, Jülich, October 2006
 - SoftComp Inauguration, Jülich, November 2006
 - **OMII-Europe Training, Edinburgh, July 2007**
 - D-Grid, Jülich, July 2007
 - CoreGRID Summer School, Budapest, September 2007
- UNICORE Summit
 - 2006: EuroPar Workshop, Dresden, Germany, August 2006
 - 2007: EuroPar Workshop, Rennes, France, August 2007



UNICORE SUMMIT

- **28th August, 2007**
- To be held in conjunction with Euro-Par 2007, Rennes, France, August 2007
- Unique opportunity for Grid users, developers, administrators, researchers, and service providers to meet
- Call for Papers was published
- Join us to get an inside view of UNICORE, share experiences, and discuss future developments & the integration of your work!
- <http://summit.unicore.org/2007>



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