

Enabling Grids for E-sciencE

COD – pole 2 wrapup

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Collection of change requests to the Operations Manual

- Responsibilities for r-COD need to be extracted from the proposal produced by pole 1
 - http://indico.cern.ch/getFile.py/access?contribId=28&sessionId=0&resId=4&materiaIId=slides&confId=34516
- A site in downtime for more than a month should be suspended
 - Was already decided in one of the last SA1 coordination meetings
 - When setting a non-critical (or test) node into long term downtime, the escalation procedure should take into account the non relevance of the downtime for the site (see section 8.11)
- The collection of recommendations to CODs should be documented in the Manual
- Need to specify in the OPS manual what services are critical for the site availability (Site downtime)
 - in the OPS manual it is missing a clear description of what services are critical for the site's availability. There should be a distinction between services/nodes that, when failing, should be set to downtime and those that should affect the overall site, therefore the whole site should be set in downtime.
- Need to specify obligations of a site to allow for proper monitoring
 - Ops VO support, access to all production nodes, no dedicated WN, ...
- Procedure in case of emergency
 - In case of a power outage, there must be a procedure for contacting someone else for sending at least the broadcast message. COD is not a good candidate because is not working on 24/7
 - Proposal: Produce a list of telephone contacts from GOCDB entries to be sent around every three month as a printout to sites
 - Needs perhaps further discussion?



Change requests to Ops manual (cont.)

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- Switching off the monitoring on a given node
 - We would like to have the following cases: if a node is in production, then monitoring is ON (and cannot be changed) - if a node is not in production, then the site admin should be able to set monitoring on or off on that node
 - A 'production' flag is already available in GOCDB
 - What remains to be implemented is that you could switch off monitoring if the flag is not set
 - Gilles agreed to open a Savannah ticket
- current OPS manual is referring to way too many external links
 - makes the collecting of information little bit difficult.
 - Maybe it would be better to have a longer but self-containing version of the manual
 - To be taken into account when restructuring the manual
- Removing a resource is still problematic because of the three days retention of the information within the GOCDB; a clear and safe procedure is missing.
 - Asked GOCDB to introduce a 'closed' flag
 - Asked SAM to take it into account to remove a 'closed' node from the list of tested nodes immediately (no retention period)
- Current OPS manual is referring to procedures that are not yet available in Removing a resource (section 4.1.5) "Site Admin can first declare a downtime for the resource in GOCDB then switch monitoring 'Off' in GOCDB for the resource," which does not work as it is not possible to switch monitoring off
 - Replace with the procedure proposed further up



OPS Manual Reorganization

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- We need to reorganize the OPS manual because of the SLD
- Sites responsibilities has to be separated and all sites need to be notified before any changes to those sections since they affect the SLD that they have signed
- This requires 1.? PM including coordination with ROC managers and sites?
- Plan
 - Extract all the text that affects site admins.
 - Create a new section with this responsibilities.
 - The other section should be regular COD tasks
 - Notify ROC managers and sites for the changes
 - Make the document self containing (avoid reference to external links whereever possible)



Suggestions for filling the Handover log – some changes

for Operations Meeting

- List unresponsive sites (escalated to political instances)
 - Note name of Site and ROC, as well as GGUS Ticket number and reason for escalation
- Report any problems with operational tools during shift
- Did you encounter any issues with the COD procedures, Operational Manual?
- Report encountered problems with grid core services
- Any Savannah/GGUS tickets that need more attention to a wider audience?

Statistics

- Simply add a permanent link of the COD metrics to the handover broadcast

for CODs

- Did you encounter any Tickets that changed 'character' ? (no longer a simple incident that can easily be fixed, but rather a problem that may result in a Savannah bug)
- Any alarms that could not be assigned to a ticket (, or masked by another alarm)?
- Any Tickets opened that are not related to a particular alarm
- Anything else the new team should know?
- Instructions received from recent Operations Meeting (for Teams taking over only)



Something else

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- Produced a template for coming APEL alarms
 - Please start to modify / extend existing templates here:
 - Dashboard -> Other Tools -> Manage List of Useful Links
 - <u>https://cic.gridops.org/index.php?section=cod&page=coddashboard&subpage=othertools&action=wikilinks_manage</u>
- Instructions to TPM for tickets requesting changes to the OPS manual
 - Ticket was opened: #37524
- Look after CRL status?
 - Checked that the request was to check CAs not sites !!
 - Maybe better handled by OSCT
 - Anyhow there was not an official request, just a note in ops meetings minutes…?
 - Insist that such a request should be done via a GGUS ticket
 - Especially if the COD representative during this meeting has not agreed to follow this...



Overview of requests to COD tools

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COD dashboard

- advertise template link and encourage people to modify them
- Allow opening tickets to support units from the dashboard
 - In the other tools section
 - Tickets created like that would be included in the usual escalation procedure
- include the link to the statistics produced weekly to the broadcast sent after filling the handover log
- add the template to the handover log
- add number of alarms issued during one week to the metrics

SAM

 take a future 'closed' flag from the goodb into account in order to avoid issuing tickets to sites removing a node

GOCDB

- use the production flag for a node to allow for test nodes where monitoring can be switched on/off
- add a closed flag to a node to be able to safely remove it and avoid operational tickets
- remove the cic staff contacts from the site overview



Tasks and effort needed to tackle them

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Editing the Operations Manual

- Need to more volunteers
 - At least up to the next COD meeting
 - To address the issues identified in this meeting
 - To help with restructuring the document
 - Effort estimation: 2-3x0.1FTE ?!?
 - One time effort for restructuring the Manual: 2-3x 0.5PM ?!?
 - people willing to spent >15% distributed over several month ?!?
- Coordinating/Working pole 2
 - Who will participate?
 - Overall Effort estimation: 2-3x0.1 FTE ?!?
 - Or split up by rotating between COD meetings?!!