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To: egi-ssc-p0 (Mailing list for preparation of P0 EGI SSC proposal);
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Hello All,

The situation regarding the SSC proposals has been clarified a bit in the last couple of weeks. To the best of my knowledge, there will be the following application related proposals submitted to the FP7 Capacities call that closes 24 November 2009:

EGI SSC P0 (this proposal): High-Energy Physics (HEP), Life Science (LS), Comp. Chem/Material Science (CMST), Complex Systems (CS), and Grid Observatory (GO) (C. Loomis, CNRS, FR)

EGI SSC P1: Astron/Astrophysics, Earth Science, Fusion (Claudio Vuerli, INAF, IT)

CUE: Dissemination, Training, Outreach to business (Roberto Barbera, INFN, IT)

The likely project directors and lead institutes are also listed. All three of these proposals will be submitted to the Virtual Research Communities call (INFRA-2010-1.2.3 Virtual Research Communities).

Now that the overall organization is known, we need to work on the text of the proposal itself. Because there will be three proposals, I've created a separate list for the "P0" proposal. We can still use the generic SSC preparation list for general issues around the relationship between EGI and SSCs.

This list contains the following people:

HEP: Jamie Shiers, Patricia Mendez
LS: Vincent Breton, Yannick Legre
CMST: Mariusz Sterzel, Antonio Lagana
GO: Cecile Germain

Admin.: Vera Frassetto
Mgt.: Cal Loomis, Gabriel Zaquine

This is a closed list but can be extended. Let me know if more people need to be added.

For lack of a better tool at the moment, I've collected all of the relevant documents on an indigo agenda. The modification password is "fp7p0" (last character is a zero). The address of the "agenda" is:

http://indico.cern.ch/conferenceDisplay.py?confId=66008

The password will allow anyone to make changes, including adding more "talks" for documents and uploading additional material.

The following actions need to be done urgently:

1) Project Director/Lead Institute/Partipants

The supposition from EGI was that I would lead this proposal and that CNRS would be the lead partner. The SSCs covered by the proposal will be those listed above. If any of this is wrong or needs to be discussed, then please raise the issue immediately.

2) Name of the Project

The name of the project cannot be "P0". One name I've come up with is "Sustainable Communities of Researchers for EGI" with an acronym SCORE. I'm not particularly attached to this name, so please feel free to suggest alternatives.

3) Review the project outline

I've created a project outline that is available from the indigo page (Outline/Draft of Proposal). This is really a high-level statement of the organization: largely a collection of vertical SSCs with a thin layer of management and a few lightweight horizontal activities. Please review that to make sure you're happy with the vision. The details will clearly have to be filled in.

Note particularly the description of the SSCs and a set of tasks that must be carried out within each SSC.

4) SSC Work Plans

As the organization will be largely vertical, each SSC can create the first version of its work plan independently of the others. I've prepared a template for each SSC's work plan (SSC Work Plan Template on the indigo page). I realize that much of the material is already available in a different format. Please reformat the existing material and provide additional material using the template. This

template exactly corresponds to the required format from the Commission.

Please provide these work plans by the end of August at the latest.

5) Management

In parallel, I'll work with Gabriel and Vera to prepare a first version of the management structure and descriptions. I'll post drafts of this to the indigo page and send emails to solicit comments.

At the end of August, I'd like to have a first combined draft so that we can have a rather complete version in time for the EGEE'09 conference late in September. If we want feedback from the EGI council on the draft, then we must send them the document by 15 September.

Please start working on the above items and post any comments/ questions/problems to the mailing list.

Cheers.

Cal