

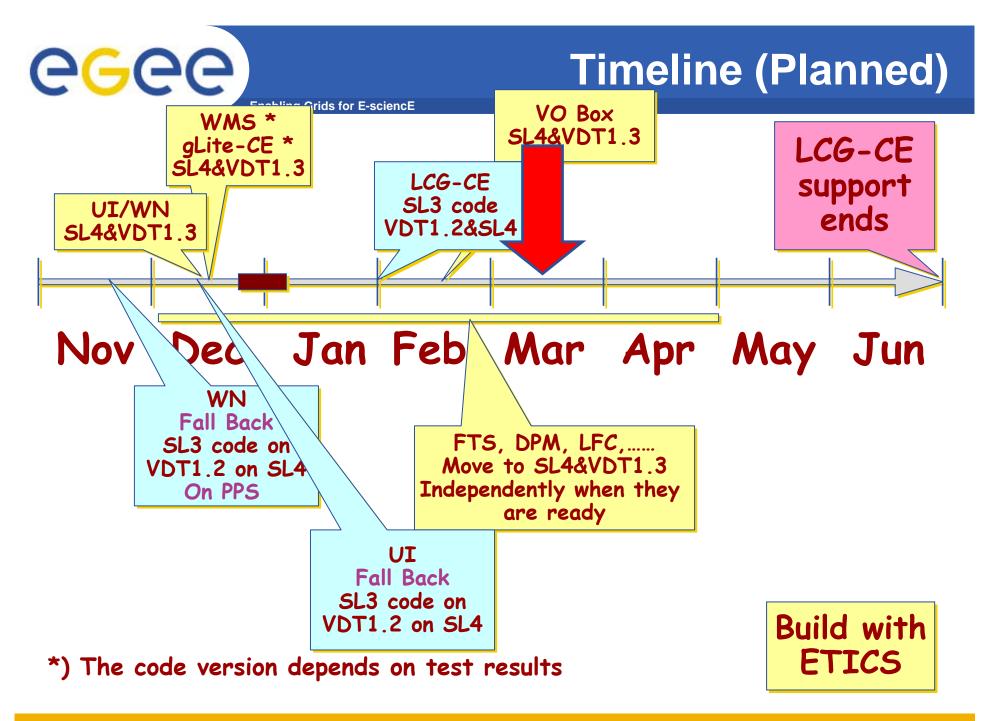
SL4 Status and Plans February 7th 2007

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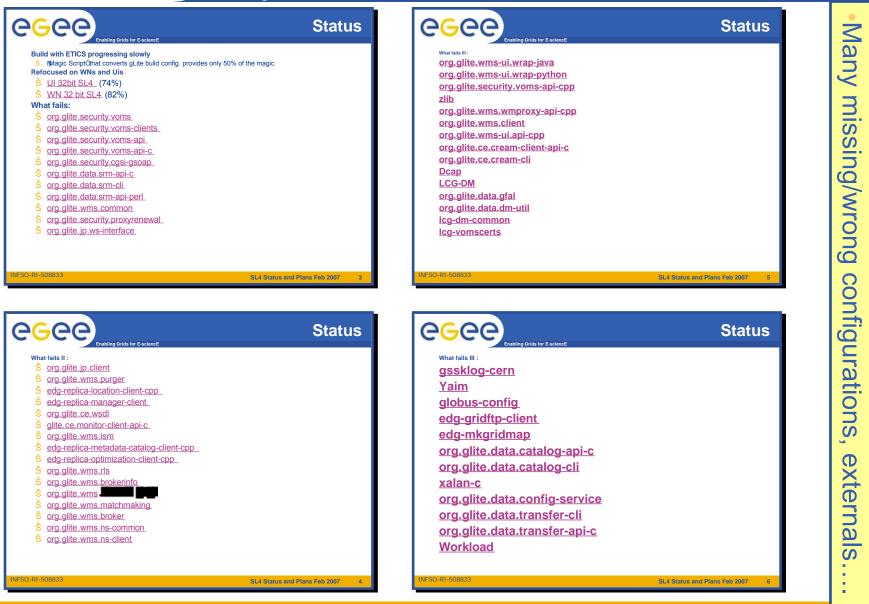
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- What did we do about it?
 - Follow up with developers (EMT)
 - JRA1 started to look at the daily build reports and act on them
 - Adding external dependencies (ETICS team)
 - Converting failed builds into Savannah bugs
 - ETICS <-> Developer dialog and support

First WN build without ETICS errors

- February 16th

But not installable/complete



- Cleanup of the WN and UI build
- Since one about 1 week successful UI builds
- Attempt to streamline dependency management
 - Has to be postponed, would interfere with progress
- Installation of test WNs and Uis
 - Installation by forcing RPMs
 - Still significant work needed to clean
- Modification of YAIM (Component based YAIM)
 - In progress
 - Needs more testing
 - "Bash only" configuration for the UI/WN
 - Thanks to Elena Puncheva and Preslav Konstantinov from INRNE Bulgaria



Progress

- First functional tests of WN and UI
 - Forced RPMs, some manual tweaking of environment settings
 - WN under the control of CE using VDT-1.2
- Friday 2nd March 2007
 - First successful SAM tests

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- Certification tests are currently run on the UI and WNs
 - No serious problems have been found up to now
 - Mostly configuration issues (environment, and globus)
 - UI some packages missing
 - Jobsubmission only tested for globus job run
 - WMS still to be tested (today)
 - *Glite-wms-job-list-match failes....memory corruption*
 - Things look better than we have hoped



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- Next steps:
 - Sort out remaining installation conflicts (WN and UI)
 - 2-3 days of effort
 - Sort out remaining configuration issues
 - Iterative process in parallel with testing
 - 1-2 weeks (parallel with the rest)
 - Continue testing at increased scale
 - Convert testbed (next week)
 - Overnight stress tests
 - Define convention to publish in the information system:
 - OS type and version (exist, but a colorful mixture IS published)
 - 32/64 bit OS version <----- new
 - Middleware (SL3 build or SL4 build) <---- new
- Next steps after SL4 WN and UI releases
 - Remove the gLite build system remnants that have made it into the ETICS system
 - Reorganize the management of dependencies
 - In parallel:
 - 64bit UI/WNs,
 - SL4 builds for: data management components and WMS, priority on DM
 - Other components to SL4 and 64bit move (first DM)



Fallback Solution Status

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- SL3 build middleware on SL4 UIs and WNs
- Fallback for SL4 / 32 bit
- UI tarball
 - Released
- WN tarball
 - Released
- RPM based WN
 - On the PPS and has been tested
 - Can be rolled at the next cycle

Fallback for SL4/64bit

- UI tarball
- WN tarball
- (RPM based WN in test, can go to PPS on Monday)
 - But Python etc. still not working
- There are some deeper issues with running 32bit middleware on 64bit

32 bit middleware on 64bit SL4

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- There is no clean way to provide 32bit gLite on 64bit nodes
 - This is because of 32bit language extensions used with interpreted languages
 - The 64bit binaries find the extensions, but cannot load them

• Solutions/ Alternatives:

- Solution A)
- Provide 32bit versions of the interpreters
 - (relative) easy for Python
 - Harder for Perl
 - Has been provided by LAL, they have a recipe to package
 - But works only with: //bin/env Python, perl etc. In your scripts.
 - Then the environment has to be setup correctly that the 32bit version is selected
 - Common practice in the experiments code
 - Not common practice in the current middleware......
 - But: This means we start managing externals
- Solution B:
 - Do this only for Python (use the Application Area Python version)
 - Forget Perl.....
- Solution C:
 - Ask the SL4 team to add the 32bit binaries to the distribution
 - Still requires the correct environment