

NIKHEF-ELPROD Site Report

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NIKE FOOD Tools Used in Daily Operations

- Local statistics page:
 - http://www.nikhef.nl/grid/stats/ndpf-prd/
- Ganglia
- Gstat / SAM
- Local scripts around Torque, Maui
- dpm-qryconf
- Mailing lists:
 - public (grid.sysadmin@nikhef.nl)
 - system administrators only: archive



- Middleware logging!
 - Clear error messages
 - Using syslog facilities
 - Info on 1 line, if possible: automatic processing
- Service monitoring
 - On our TODO list....



- Source: GOC DB since Sept. 2005
- 9 Scheduled:
 - 3 service upgrades
 - 2 service migrations
 - 2 site upgrades (2005/2006) *
 - 1 hardware fix
 - 1 investigation
- 7 Unscheduled:
 - 3 CE availability (disk, unreachable host)
 - 1 router problem *
 - 1 expired certificate
 - 1 bug in script (rm -rf /) *

Communications - 1

- ROC:
 - Mailing lists
 - Improvements/problems: contact ROC
- Other sites:
 - SARA: weekly meetings
 - Rest: rarely, usually e-mail
- VOs:
 - Via sysadmin mail
 - Via VO-specific mailing list (membership?)
 - Not always clear whom to contact

Communications - 2

- Users:
 - Local: email or in person
 - Remote: email, sometimes GGUS
- Cross-site issues:
 - LCG-ROLLOUT
 - EGEE broadcasts



Deployment of Updates

- Installation Test Bed
 - Test local Yaim scripts
 - New middleware releases
- Frequency:
 - High priority / security updates: asap
 - Normal: depends on relevance, impact, other activities
 - Overhead in patching Yaim, setting up Quattor templates



Operations Bodies

COD:

- Reports ~10% of problems before we know
- Not often contact
- Good to have someone else watching!
- ROC support:
 - 1 (bad) experience only: ticket came back
 - Inexperienced site admins: probably useful
 - Experienced site admins: LCG-ROLLOUT more useful
- Operations Meeting
 - Usually not participating; this will change...