



# Token Transition update

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v1.0

# Computing state of affairs (1)

- Campaign to have HTCondor CEs upgraded to maintained versions
  - **Intermediary version: v9.0.20**
    - Supports tokens, SSL (**no VOMS** mapping) and GSI (with VOMS mapping)
  - **Versions  $\geq$  v23.x**
    - Support tokens and SSL **without VOMS** mapping
  - **Versions  $\geq$  v23.5.2**
    - Support tokens and SSL **with VOMS** mapping! ([release notes](#))
  - **To use SSL mappings with proxies, clients must also run **recent** versions!**
  - **All versions support *delegation* of VOMS proxies to be used by jobs and APEL**
    - Mind this HTCondor (CE) setting for APEL: `USE_VOMS_ATTRIBUTES = True`
  - 53 tickets,  $\geq$  **21** solved
  - **Many sites prefer upgrading to **EL9** at the same time**
    - APEL client, parsers and python-argo-ams-library available from the [WLCG repository](#)

# Computing state of affairs (2)


- APEL support for *tokens* is discussed separately between concerned parties
  - APEL, HTCondor, ARC, several sites, EGI Ops, WLCG Ops Coordination
  - Stopgap approaches for the time being
    - Map token issuers / subjects / ... to **pseudo** VOMS FQANs
    - The rest of the machinery can stay unchanged
  - Medium-term solution expected from the [GUT Profile WG](#)
- ARC 7 continues supporting X509 / VOMS besides tokens
  - Some VOs may prefer switching to tokens in the near future to make their job submissions more uniform

# IAM service developments (1)

- All production instances at CERN are on [v1.9.0](#) since June 25
  - [Fixing various high-priority issues](#) in the area of VO management
    - They were the main focus of an [IAM Hackathon](#) at CNAF, May 29-30
  - [Other fixes are still expected in a few weeks](#)
- The “[dteam](#)” [instance](#) is usable for service monitoring with tokens
  - [Users were imported from VOMS-Admin](#) until its retirement on July 2
  - [VO membership managed by EGI Operations and WLCG Ops Coordination](#)
- A campaign has been launched on April 19 for sites to configure support for the instance for the “[ops](#)” VO by June 1<sup>st</sup>
  - [156 tickets, >= 142 solved](#)

# IAM service developments (2)

- New instances for the LHC experiments are available on **Kubernetes**, sharing their DBs with the current production instances on *OpenShift*
  - For better **load-balancing, logging, monitoring, GitOps** and **HA** options
  - They will replace the current production instances in the next months
    - Dates to be decided per experiment
  - Sites have been ticketed to add support for the future VOMS endpoints and token issuers by May 31<sup>st</sup>
    - About **60** tickets still open
- A timeline with *tentative* milestones for the transition from **VOMS-Admin** to **full dependence on IAM** concerned LHC experiments & small VOs
  - All supported VOs managed to switch to IAM before the CentOS 7 EOL, June 30
    - VOMS(-Admin) was switched off for the last VO (“ops”) on **June 28**
  - **Supported use cases** for the time being are:
    - VO management
    - VOMS proxies
    - **Low-rate** token issuance for pilot jobs, SAM tests etc.



More on that  
on the next  
pages!

# VOMS-Admin phaseout snapshot

- April 29
    - Remove legacy VOMS servers from “vomses” – in production for Puppet at CERN as of **May 7**
  - May 06
    - VOMS-Admin switched off for first VO → delayed until after the WLCG workshop
  - May 31
    - Deadline for sites to have configured support for the Kubernetes instances, *including “ops”*
  - June 03
    - VOMS-Admin switched off for last VO → *was in fact the **first** VO: ATLAS !*
  - June 17 – ALICE
  - June 24 – LHCb
  - June 27 – CMS
  - June 28 – Ops
- Plus:
- July 2 – DTeam

The fallout from all these changes has been minor and was dealt with as “normal” operational issues

# VOMS-Admin phaseout executive summary

- Despite various delays, the transition from VOMS(-Admin) to IAM services **finished on schedule**
- This was made possible **thanks to a big collaborative effort** from experts of all parties concerned
  - IAM development team at CNAF
  - IAM service team and VOMS service manager
  - LHC experiments, small VOs and EGI Operations
  - WLCG Operations Coordination

# Data Challenge 2024 followup

- DC24 was a **major** milestone in the [WLCG Token Transition Timeline](#)
- It has allowed **scale tests** with tokens of services involved in data management
  - Rucio (ATLAS & CMS) and DIRAC (LHCb)
  - FTS
  - IAM
- It was concluded that some ways in which tokens were used are **not advisable** for the long term
- Several ideas for more **sustainable** use of tokens have started being **discussed between experts** of the services involved
  - To be continued...

ALICE use “*access envelope*” tokens with XRootD services since 20 years, but a future switch to WLCG tokens is an option **being worked on!**



# AuthZ WG items

- Various IAM improvements are still desirable in the short term
  - Fixes for several high-priority issues are on review, others in progress
  - Lessons learned from **DC24** will be taken into account later
    - In particular, stop storing access tokens in the DB
    - But mind the work on **sustainable large-scale data management**: realistic “**mini**” **challenges** will require corresponding IAM improvements!
- Version 2.0 of the **WLCG token profile** is under preparation
  - Fixing a number of issues encountered with v1.0
  - A few **need to be discussed** in AuthZ or DOMA BDT WG meetings
- The **Token Trust & Traceability WG** met again on June 25
  - Aiming to equip site admins, VO experts, ... with best practices for tokens, which will also provide **input for policy documents**
    - Recipes, tools, log mining, testing, debugging, monitoring, banning, ...

# Conclusions and outlook

- **Collaborative** efforts will involve many of us in the next months
  - **IAM usability** for VO administration by LHC experiments and others
    - Work on high-priority issues continuing for a **1.9.1 release** in July
  - **HA options** for LHC experiment IAM instances – advancing
  - **Data management: lessons learned from DC24**
    - Aiming to reach the **next level** of token usage in the second half of this year
  - HTCondor CE versions that are fully maintained
  - **APEL** adjustments for tokens – short vs. medium term
  - **GUT Profile WG** progress toward a new **VO attribute** – for accounting etc.
  - **Version 2.0** of the WLCG token profile – to signal where we intend to go
  - More **deployment and operations know-how** – also input for policies
  - More use of **auxiliary services** – for robustness and hiding complexity