

Kubernetes @ CERN

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Kubernetes Service

On Demand Cluster as a Service

Multiple versions, custom features

Integration with CERN networking,

identity, security, storage, ...

Used by multiple applications with resources in 513 across most sectors:

IT (Registry, GitLab + CI, MONIT, SWAN, Kubeflow/ML, SSO, CS/IP1, ...)

IT / FHR (EDH, EDMS, Phonebook, AIS, egroups, Learning Hub, ...)

RCS (ATLAS Rucio, CMSWeb, InspireHEP, HEPData, ...)





GitOps and Secret Management,
Dissemination. Helm and Flux/ArgoCD.

Kubernetes, Swarm, **Mesos**

Integration with the CERN and WLCG environments. Certificates, Storage.

HA improvements with **Node Groups, Cluster Auto Scaling, Auto Healing, LBaaS** for serviceType: LB.

Volume Snapshots, Automated Backups and Restore.

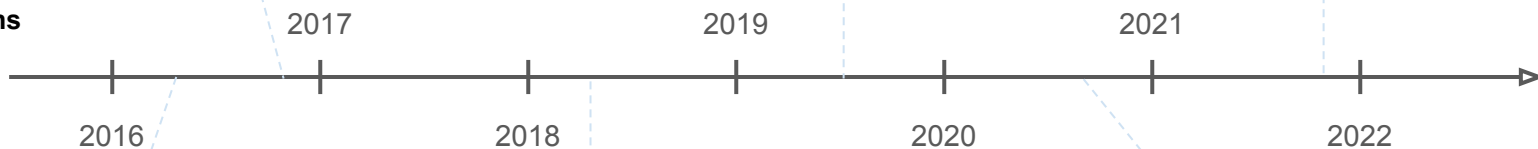
“Production” Service

High Availability, GitOps, Public Cloud

Round one and multiple items to work together with the community.

Disaster Recovery

Investigations



Pilot Service

Kubernetes, Swarm

No obvious around this time which orchestrator would win. **Scalability and performance** tests.

CephFS, Manila, CVMFS

CSI everywhere. Developed initial drivers for **CephFS and Manila**. Improvements for CVMFS.

Work done **fully upstream**, taken later by multiple other companies.

Dissemination, Security

Container Webinars on infrastructure and use cases, popular elsewhere as well.

Re-thinking with Security Team **security aspects of containerized deployments**, policies, best practices.

Integration: Storage

Physics Data - EOS, initially eosxd with hostPath mount, then [eosxd-csi](#)

General Purpose backed by CEPH - CSI plugins: [manila](#), [cinder](#), [cephfs](#)

Software distribution - [csi-cvmfs](#) POSIX read-only via FUSE

Other, TN - [csi-driver-nfs](#) for NetAPP or custom NFS servers

Integration: Networking & Load Balancing

Networking

Calico is the default CNI

Cilium is opt-in, attractive for cluster-mesh, hybrid deployments

Load Balancing

Ingresses with DNS alias

LoadBalancer via OpenStack/Octavia

Integration: Certificates

Let's Encrypt, self-service with cert-manager.io

HTTP-01 challenge, LE allowed in perimeter firewall (upon request)

DNS-01 challenge, cert-manager and CERN DNS [integration](#)

CERN CA, custom daemonset

Host Certificate per node

Integration: Monitoring

Metrics

Upstream [kube-prometheus-stack](#)

WIP aggregation to central infrastructure

Logging

Fluentd daemonset with http plugin, pushing to central gateway

Transition to fluentbit

Operations: Registry

Based on goharbor

Integration with [gitlab-ci](#)

Data in s3 by ceph

Vulnerability scanning via [trivy.dev](#)

Projects		Repositories		Storage used
Private	103	Private	354	6.82 TiB
Public	197	Public	2705	
Total	300	Total	3059	

The screenshot shows the Harbor Registry web interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'English', 'Default', and a user profile 'strigazi'. Below that, the breadcrumb is '< Projects < kubernetes'. The main content area shows the project name 'ntp' and the 'Artifacts' tab. There are buttons for 'SCAN', 'STOP SCAN', and 'ACTIONS'. Below this is a table of artifacts with columns: Artifacts, Pull Command, Tags, Signed by Cosign, Size, Vulnerabilities, Annotations, Labels, Push Time, and Pull Time. One artifact is listed: 'sha256:4cfc0115' with a size of 44.53MiB and a status of 'No vulnerability'. The bottom right shows 'Page size 15' and '1 - 1 of 1 items'.

Operations: ArgoCD

Central repo (private) for all applications

Each application set manage in public repo eg [registry](#)

Integration with private vault for [secrets](#)

Alerts via grafana to mail mattermost, telegram

The screenshot shows the ArgoCD interface with the following details:

- APP HEALTH:** Healthy
- SYNC STATUS:** Synced to master (76eee48). Auto sync is enabled. Author: Spyros Trigazis <spyridon.trigazis@cern.ch>. Comment: Add nfs pv/pvc in registry-tn.
- LAST SYNC:** Sync OK to 76eee48. Succeeded 8 days ago (Mon May 06 2024 13:32:04 GMT+0200). Author: Spyros Trigazis <spyridon.trigazis@cern.ch>. Comment: Add nfs pv/pvc in registry-tn.

Below the status bars, there are three application cards grouped by 'TOP LEVEL RESOURCE':

- configure-harbor-system-settings job:** Synced, 5 months old.
- kops-registry-tn-harbor-chartmuseum deploy:** Synced, 5 months old, Rev.6.
- kops-registry-tn-harbor-core deploy:** Synced, 5 months old, Rev.125.

The screenshot shows Grafana alerting interface with two alert notifications:

- Alert 1 (Firing):** 1 firing alert(s), 0 resolved alerts(s). Firing: Argocd App Unhealthy: KOPS-REGISTRY-TN, Health: Progressing. Grafana v9.3.0.
- Alert 2 (Resolved):** 0 firing alert(s), 1 resolved alerts(s). Resolved: Argocd App Unhealthy: KOPS-REGISTRY-TN, Health: Progressing. Grafana v9.3.0.

Project	Name	Source	Destination	Health	Synced
tn	kops-registry-tn	https://gitlab.cern.ch/kubernetes/automation/re... master	argocd.argoproj.io/app...	Healthy	Synced
tn	kops-registry-tn-staging	https://gitlab.cern.ch/kubernetes/automation/re... staging	argocd.argoproj.io/ap...	Healthy	Synced
tn	kops-replication-acc	https://gitlab.cern.ch/kubernetes/automation/re... master	argocd.argoproj.io/app...	Healthy	Synced

Work in progress

BC/DR

Multi-cluster / cluster mesh

Improved audit logging with Falco

Adoption of CAPI for cluster lifecycle

SBOM integration for containers

Links

<https://gitlab.cern.ch/kubernetes/magnum>

<https://gitlab.cern.ch/kubernetes/automation/releases/cern-magnum>

<https://gitlab.cern.ch/kubernetes/networking/>

<https://gitlab.cern.ch/kubernetes/security/>

Q & A