



Update on SHA-2 and RFC proxy support

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Reminder - the problem

- IGTF would like CAs to move from SHA-1 to **SHA-2** signatures ASAP, to anticipate concerns about the long-term safety of the former
 - See <https://twiki.grid.iu.edu/bin/view/Security/HashAlgorithms>
- For WLCG this implies using **RFC proxies** instead of the **Globus legacy proxies** in use today
 - See Jan GDB presentation for detailed explanation



IGTF plans (1)

- The EUGridPMA discussed the matter at their Jan meeting
 - <https://www.eugridpma.org/meetings/2012-01/summary.txt>
- Quote:
 - “The date by which SHA-2 production certs may be issued will be **NO LATER** than **January 2013** (and it is likely we will RECOMMEND CAs to move then, since it will take another 395 days to get rid of SHA-1 in a reasonable way)”
- That would give us 8 months to get ready for RFC and SHA-2
 - Looks rather tight/optimistic
 - Details on the following pages
- A Plan B would be desirable → read on ...



IGTF plans (2)

- On March 14 a (closed) SHA-1 discussion list was created
 - WLCG is well represented
- Goal is to assess the risks of various SHA-1 attack scenarios
 - Define mitigations where possible
 - WLCG use cases need not always be concerned
- This may buy us extra time in the end
 - We still need to pursue our RFC + SHA-2 preparations!
- IGTF May 7-9 meeting at KIT will have F2F discussion



Current state of affairs

- There are various pieces of middleware and experiment-ware that need to be made ready for SHA-2 or RFC proxy support
 - SHA-2: dCache, BeStMan (RFC proxies already supported by these)
 - RFC: Argus, CREAM, WMS, DIRAC, ...
 - SHA-2 should work, not tested...
 - VOMS needed a bugfix!
- A TWiki page will detail the state of affairs
- For EMI products the current time line is the EMI-2 release in April/May
 - OSG are also aware and did not report additional constraints
- It may be many weeks before the affected products can be endorsed by UMD for generic deployment on EGI sites
 - EMI-2 is a major release with many changes



Phases and milestones (1)

1. Deployment of SW supporting RFC proxies

– Proxy usage:

- Legacy
- RFC → only in special tests
- SHA-2 → only in special tests

– SW supports:

- Legacy
- RFC → maybe
- SHA-2 → maybe

– Milestone:

- All deployed SW supports RFC proxies → late autumn 2012 ?

– Additional goal:

- All deployed SW supports SHA-2, except dCache and BeStMan → late autumn 2012 ?



Phases and milestones (2)

2. Switch to RFC proxies → Jan 2013 ?

- There should be no issues with that by this time

3. Upgrade dCache and BeStMan

– Proxy usage:

- RFC
- SHA-2 → only in special tests

– SW supports:

- RFC
- SHA-2 → maybe

– Milestone:

- All deployed SW supports SHA-2 → by spring 2013 ?

4. Introduce SHA-2 CAs

- Plan B ?!