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Transition to EGEE-III

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- **EGEE-III start: May 1st, 2008**

- **EGEE-II/EGEE-III Transition meeting: May 6&7 at CERN**

- **Several changes in how EGEE-III is organized**
  - Need to start implementing these early on to hit the ground running on May 1st
  - But must not jeopardize finalization of EGEE-II!

- **Propose to use the EGEE-II extension month (April) to move into new EGEE-III structures**

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- **PEB and TCG move into AMB and TMB**
  - Need to determine composition of TMB
  - Need to fix meeting dates
    - Boards will meet alternating so could re-use Thursday afternoon slot
    - BUT: TMB usually takes longer than 1 hour, usually 2 hours so we could maybe move to 15:00 on Thursday for both meetings
  - New structure could start on April 1st with AMB also acting as EGEE-II PEB for the transition period

- **Activity manager appointments are being discussed by PMB**

- **SCG not linked to an activity anymore but with rotating chairs**
  - Reports directly to TMB
  - Need to work out firm schedule of chairmanship (at least for first year).

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- **Quality head will become part of NA1**
  - No major change, NA1 and JRA2 collaborate closely already now.
  - Federation reviews are a new task for NA1/quality
    - See Gabriel's presentation

- **NA1 takes over major event organization from NA2 to provide continuity**

- **Transition to EGI will be one of the key tasks of EGEE-III**
  - NA1 will coordinate EGEE-III input to EGI_DS
  - All activities will be solicited for input throughout EGEE-III

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- **Quite some responsibilities change to different partners**
  - Need to confirm responsible persons
  - Handover should be reasonably straightforward

- **Website will change to new responsible partner**
  - Need to work out detailed transition plan to make sure it happens before the end of EGEE-II

- **F2F meeting with partners would be advantageous to get new structures kick-started**
  - March/April, latest at the transition meeting early May

- **Reinforce "train-the-trainers" – get more trainers involved**

- **Define role of e-Learning and the role of the NA3 digital library**

- **No major change in partner responsibilities – transition should be straightforward**

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- **Foresee to have a F2F meeting of the NA4 SC to discuss the details on how the transition will take place. This will probably be at or shortly after UF3.**

- **Overall, the transition should not be too difficult as the overall structure working with disciplines is very similar to what is being used in EGEE-II, although there will be a more formal organization to collect administrative information for reports.**

- **A major new task is to provide direct user support. The SEE federation will be leading this effort, but will need to identify a person and then discuss with that person how to get the ball rolling.**

- **Leaders of all application clusters need to be confirmed**

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- **Transition should be straightforward**

- **Links to EGI_DS will be crucial**
  - Effects all activities

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- **Transition is straightforward – no major changes in structure or work to be done**

- **Resources:**
  - Set up Resource Allocation Group (simplify OAG), and allocation process
  - Set up 2 or 3 centres that will provide the seed resources (check how much we can buy with the remaining resources)
  - Set up formal agreements (SLA) with sites to provide resources for applications communities – as agreed in proposal/DoW
    - Need reporting to monitor this (based on accounting portal)

- **Planning:**
  - Set up monitoring and automation team
    - Milestone at PM1 outlines strategy
  - SLA roadmap – milestone in PM2
  - Update operations procedures – milestone in PM1
  - Security assessment plan – milestone in PM2

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- **The work of SA2 in EGEE III is mainly the continuation, enhancement and improvement of the work done during EGEE II.**

- **There should be no break and no major difficulties during the transition.**

- **Have to include the new partners.**

- **The main issue that should be solved during this period is the new SA2 manager.**

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- **See Markus' presentation from yesterday**

- **Revise software process**
  - SA3 and JRA1 personnel co-located

- **Get new partners (8) on speed**
  - Already invited to last all-hands meeting

- **Manpower shortage during transition**
  - People leaving and hiring process

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- **JRA1 manpower is 38% of EGEE-II (461 vs 1212 PMs)**
- **Focus is on maintenance (343 PMs)**
  - Supported components are already identified and with clear manpower allocation
- **Limited R&D (82 PMs)**
  - Development of the gLite Authorization Framework
    - Activity already started
  - Adoption of key standards
    - BES/JSDL, GLUE, SRM, SAML/XACML
- **8 partners, all but one partners are already in JRA1**
- **Adopt the *clusters of competence* approach**
  - The same partners responsible for the development in JRA1 will follow the integration and certification in SA3
  - Improve the communication during the integration & certification steps
  - Important to keep the reporting lines distinct to avoid loss of quality

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- **Use EGEE-II extension month of April to work on transition**
  - Hand over tasks
  - Confirm key personnel

- **Need to hit the ground running on May 1st**

- **Major goals of EGEE-III is to provide a continuous improved service to a growing user base while preparing the transition to EGI**

- **Looking forward to a successful and exciting EGEE-III**