

NDGF Site Report

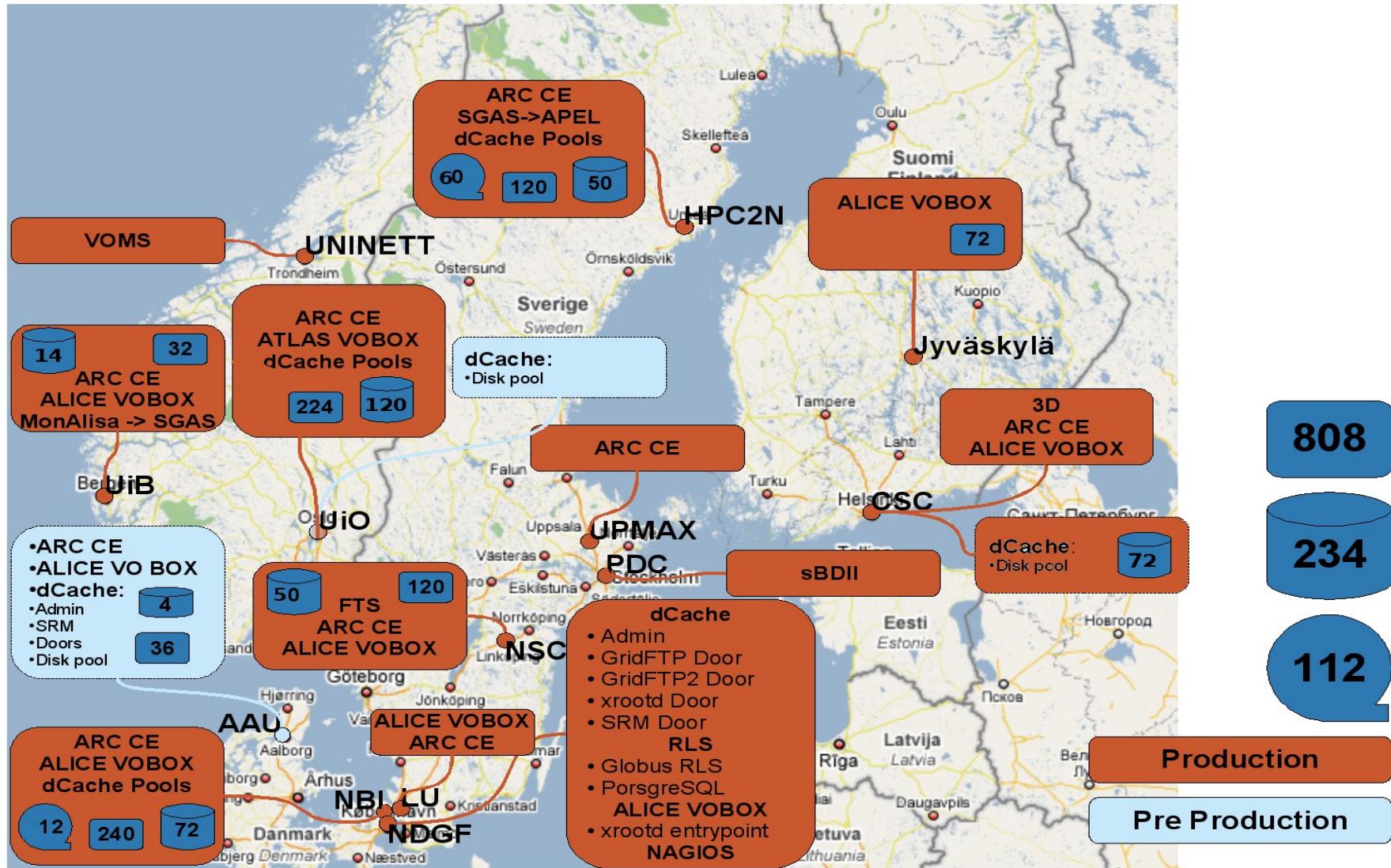
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Overview

- A Co-operative Nordic Data and Computing Grid facility
 - Nordic production grid, leveraging national grid resources
 - Common policy framework for Nordic production grid
 - Joint Nordic planning and coordination
 - Operate Nordic storage facility for major projects
 - Co-ordinate & host major eScience projects (i.e., Nordic WLGC Tier-1)
 - Develop grid middleware and services
- NDGF 2006-2010
 - Funded (2 M€/year) by National Research Councils of the Nordic Countries

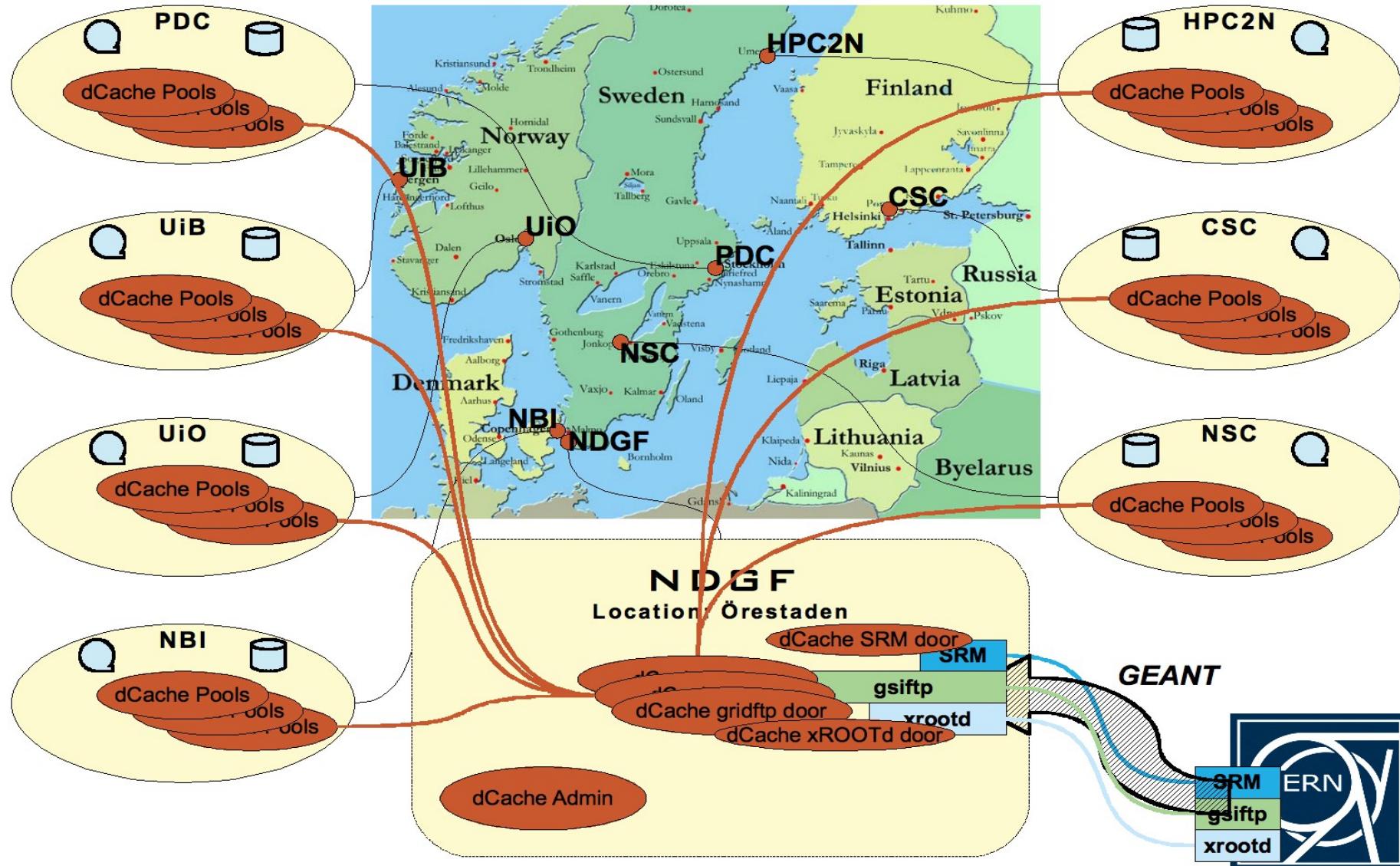
NDGF Facility - 2008H1



Production Resources

- 10 Production sites
- 2-3 MSI2k CPU equivalents
- 344 TB of Disk storage
- 60 TB of Tape storage
- Running Ubuntu 6.06/8.04, RHEL/CentOS
3,4,5, fedora, gentoo...
- Plenty of more disk and tape coming
online in the next month

NDGF Storage



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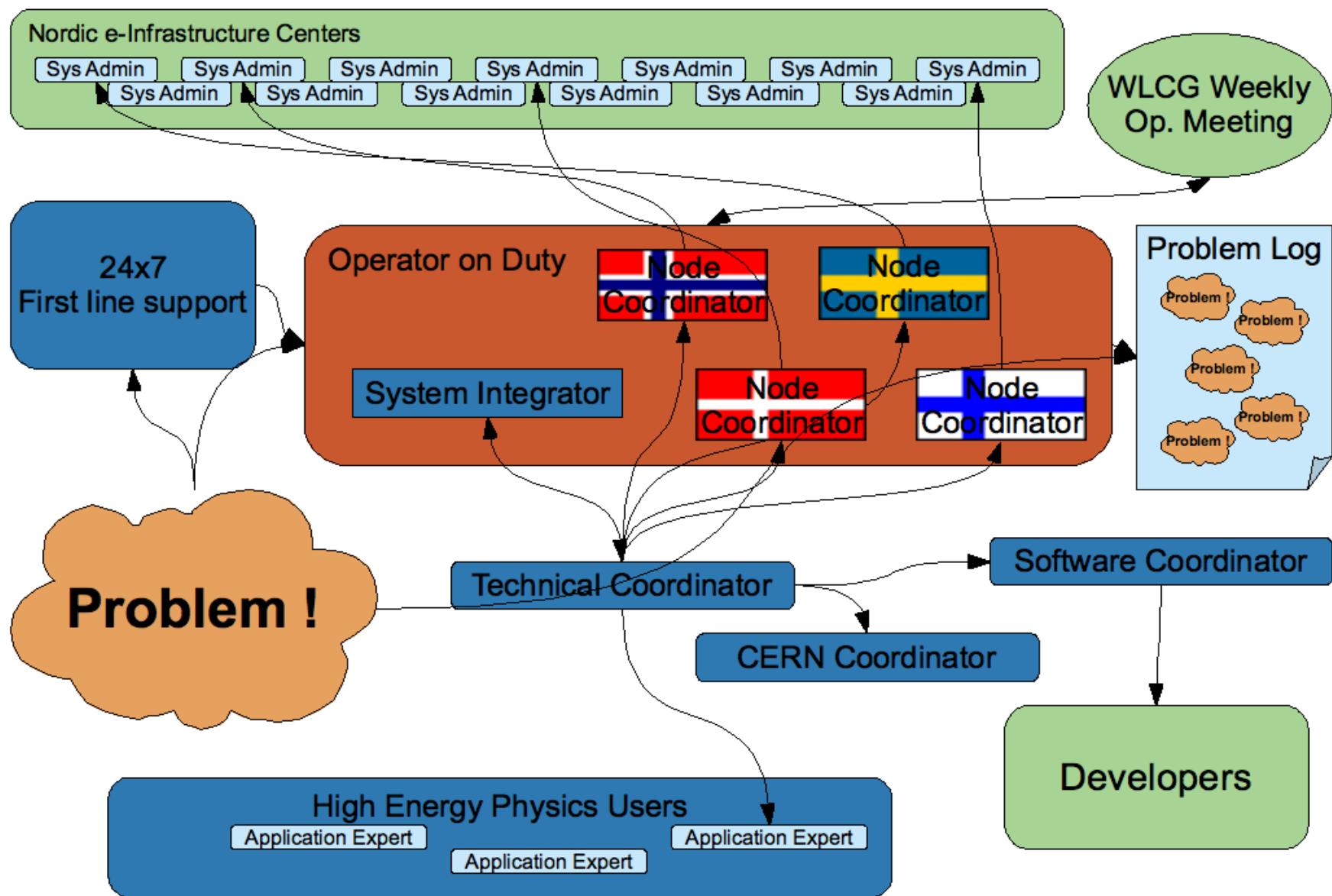
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Operation

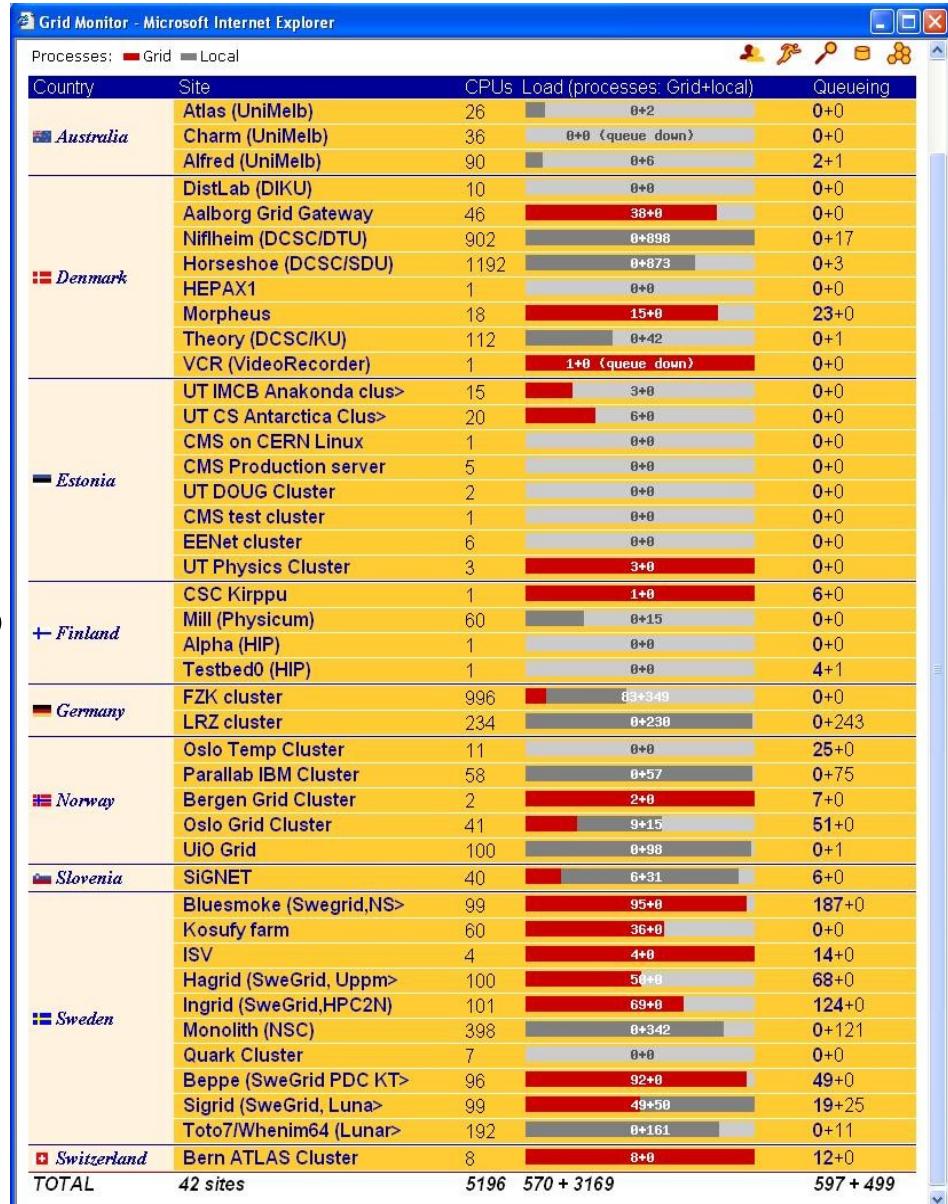


- 1st line support – (ready for operation)
 - NORDUnet NOC – 24x7
- 2nd line support – (in operation)
 - Operator on Duty – 8x365
- 3rd line support – (in operation)
 - NDGF Operation Staff
 - Sys Admins at sites
- Shared tickets with NUNOC

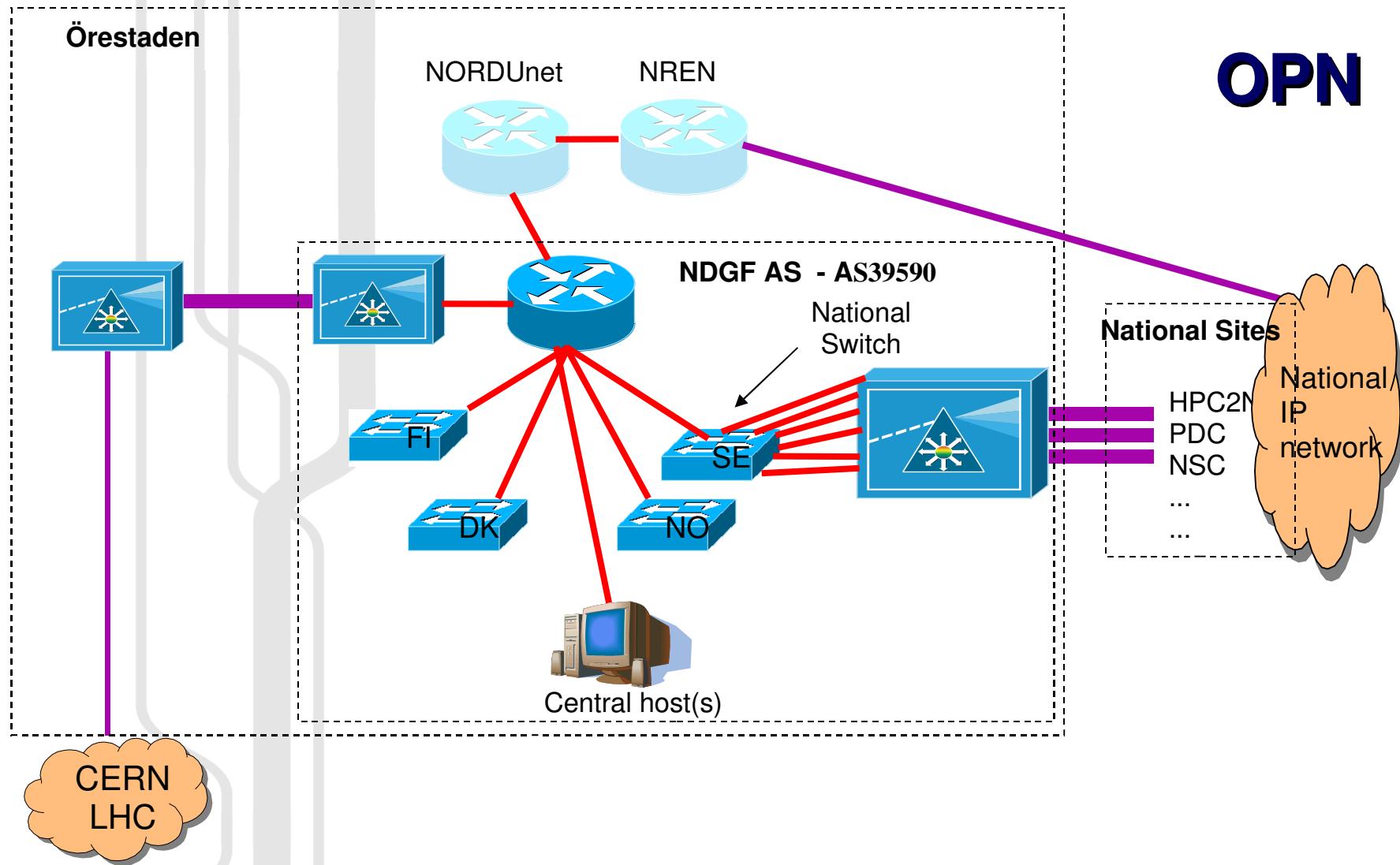
- CERN
 - Build up of Tier-1: Completed
 - Running the Tier-1: Ongoing
 - Integrating Tier-2s: Ongoing
- BIO (A Nordic Biogrid)
 - Pilot user very happy – gets bioinformatics work done with a nice grid interface
- CO2 (CO2 sequestration)
 - Pilot user gridifying software

The Infrastructure: Computing

- NorduGrid / ARC middleware for Computing
- Used routinely since 2002 for e.g. ATLAS data challenges
- Deployed at all the dTier-1 sites



The Infrastructure: Networking



- CSC, Finland
 - As part of the Finnish national research structure develops and offers high-quality information technology services
 - 3000 researchers use CSC's computing capacity
 - FUNET connects 85 organizations to the global research networking infrastructure
 - CSC participates in most major European Grid infrastructures, including EGEE, DEISA, EGI, EMBRACE, PRACE, GÉANT2, the LHC Computing Grid and NDGF.

Example site: CSC

- New and interesting in 2008
 - FUNET network being upgraded with 10 Gbit/s optical fiber links
 - Cray XT4 supercomputer will be upgraded to 70 Tflop/s (currently 10.5 Tflop/s)
 - Agreement with National Audiovisual Archive for long term archival of Finnish television and radio programs

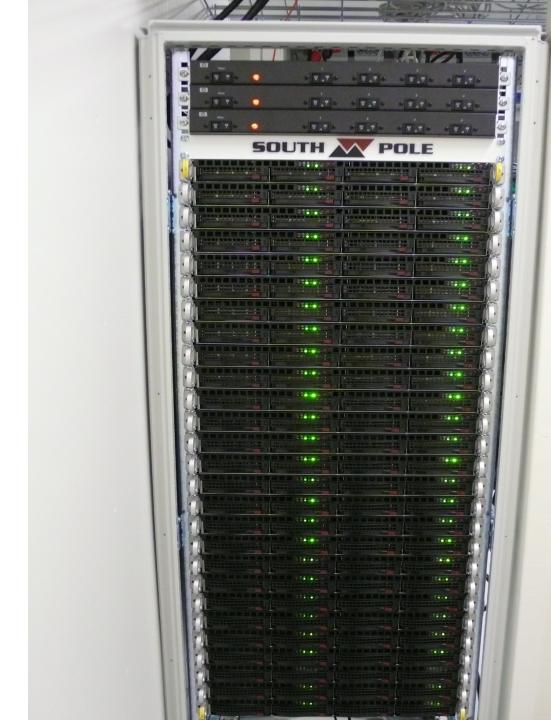


Example site: HPC2N

- HPC2N in Umeå, Sweden
 - provides computational resources for swedish academic researches
 - National allocation
 - Mostly MPI jobs
- Also participates in various grid projects
 - Swegrid, NDGF, EGEE, GIRD, ETC

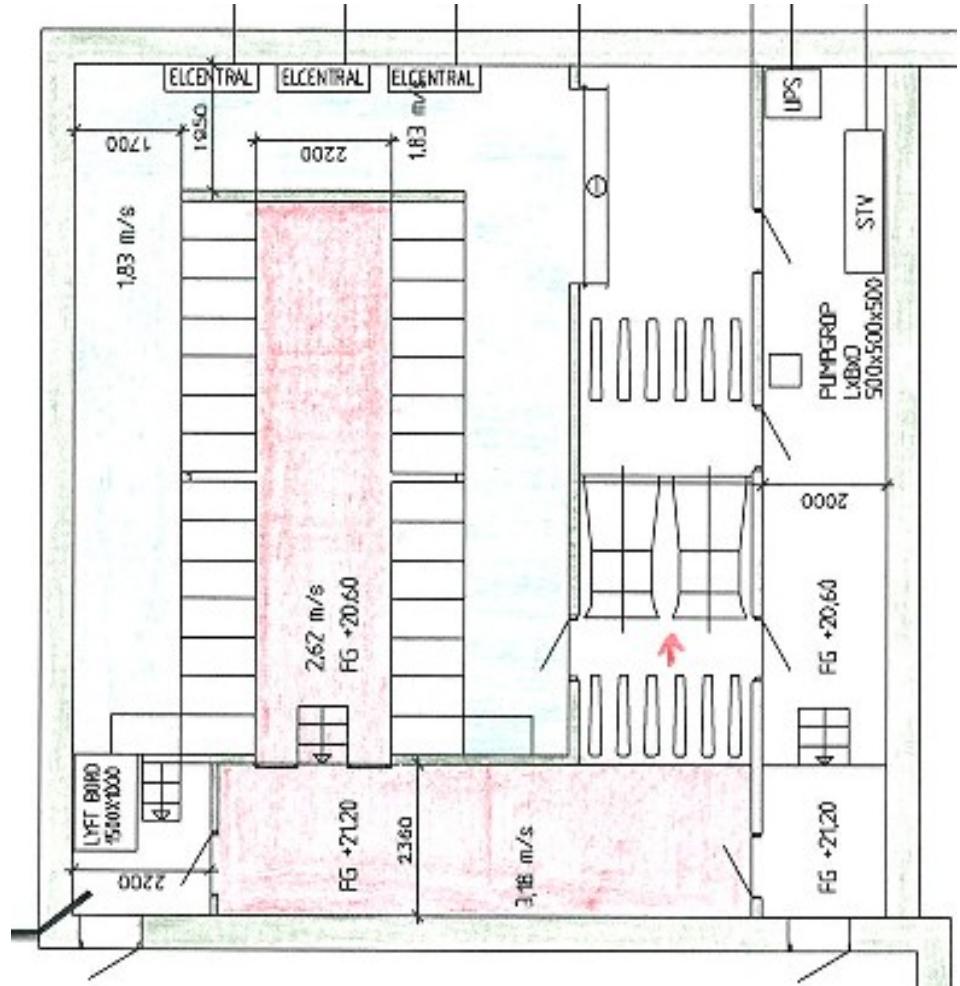
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- New resources
 - 5376-core IBM blade system with infiniband for general usage
 - 432-core supermicro twin nodes dedicated for grid



Example site: HPC2N

- New machine room
 - strict hot/cold aisle
 - 28 racks
 - 25 kW front to back aircooling per rack
 - total ~400kW
 - no redundant power
 - Only for computing, storage&servers in old machine room
 - no raised floor
 - 3.5m high



Example site: HPC2N

- Working almost as well as imagined
 - Slight issue with back-draft where the air does a right angle turn
 - Some minor regulating issues (ventilation fans running faster than needed)
 - Cools 20kW at 0.5kW overhead
 - Cools 250kW at 3-4kW overhead

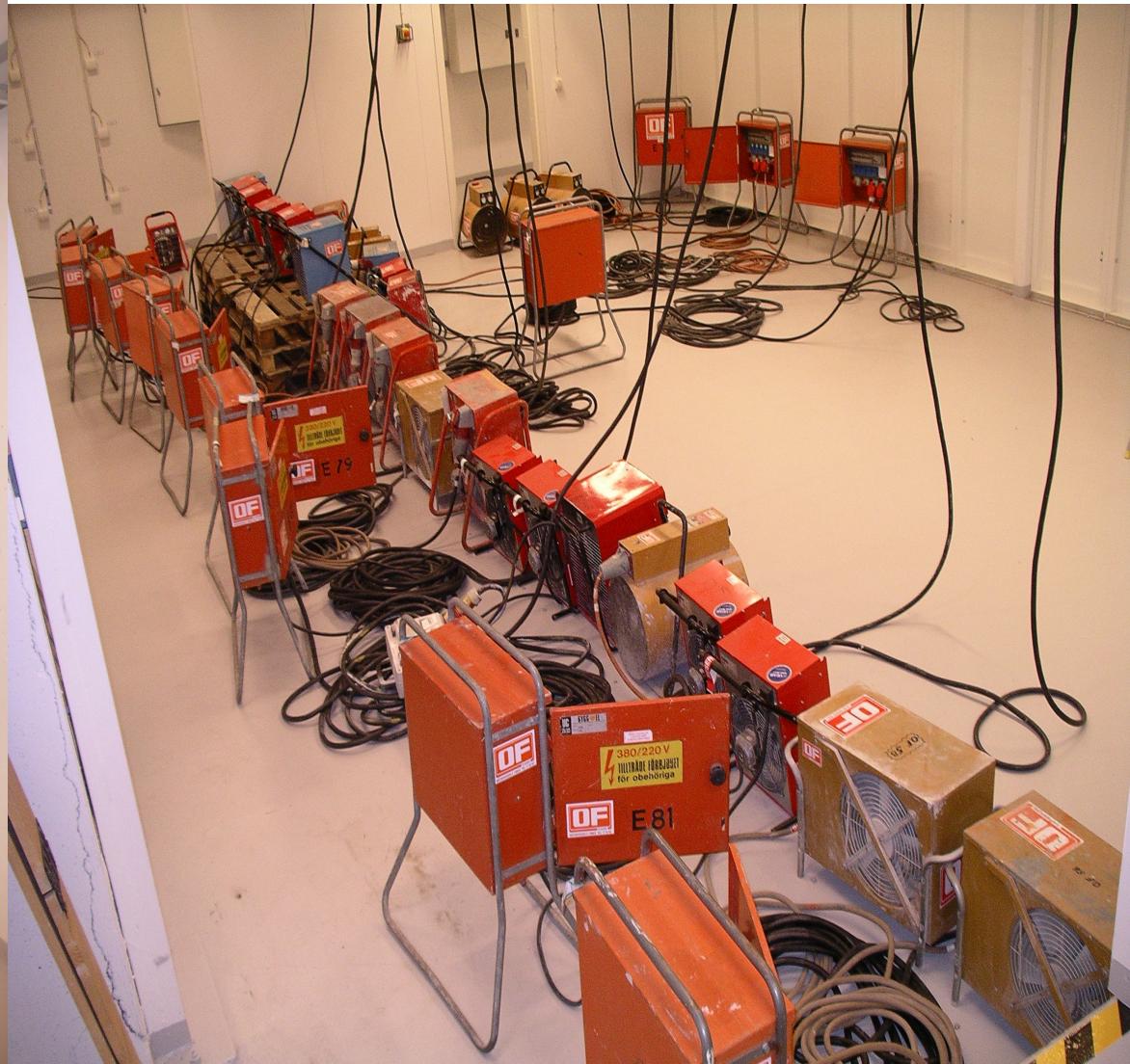


Example site: HPC2N

- Per rack:
- 1 x 32A 400V 3-phase
- Or 3 x 32A 230V 1-phase
- Separate cabling ladders for:
- HPC interconnect (infiniband, myrinet, etc)
- Ethernet
- Power



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