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SA2: "Networking Support"

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- A brief description of SA2
- SA2 activities:
 - The EGEE Network Operations Centre (ENOC)
 - Network Service Level Agreement (SLA)
 - IPv6 support within EGEE
 - Relations with LCG and support for the LHC optical private network
 - The Technical Network Liaison Committee
- The main achievements and future plans



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SA2 Partners

SA2 is the network activity in EGEE-II

 7 partners: CNRS, GRNET, RRC-KI, DFN, DANTE, GARR, SRCE

- A small activity (160 PMs,
 - ~ 1% of the total budget)



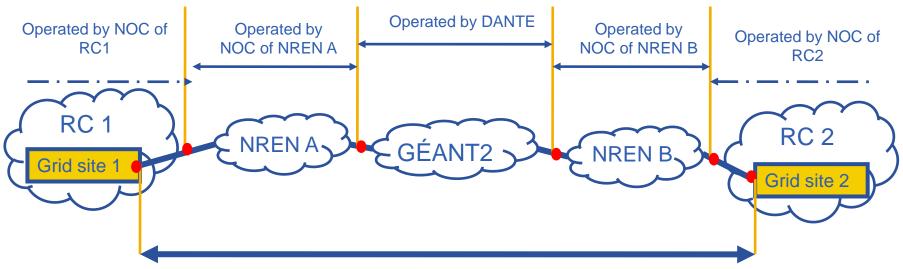
- Operational interface
 - Ensure the daily relations with the network infrastructures: ENOC, SLA, IPv6 tasks
- Relational interface
 - Ensure the "higher level" of interactions with the network providers:
 LCG, TNLC tasks





Role of the ENOC

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ENOC ensuring E2E connectivity for Grid sites on the whole path

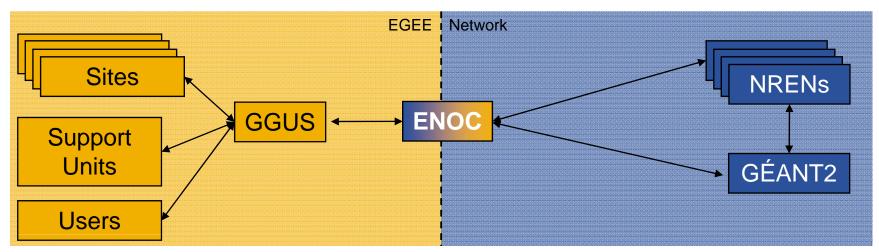
- ENOC ensuring E2E connectivity for Grid sites
- Assess the impact on the Grid of network trouble
- Troubleshoot problems
 - Provide support to users
 - Identify the faulty domain
- Assess the network connectivity of the Grid sites



The ENOC

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- A single point of contact between EGEE and the NRENs where EGEE and the network can exchange operational information
- A Network support unit in GGUS



Interface with the EGEE user support:

- Receive tickets assigned to ENOC by the GGUS 1st level support
- Troubleshoot them provided that the ENOC has access to suitable monitoring tools
- Contact identified faulty domains or reassign ticket to the associated site if this is local network issue

Interface with network providers:

- Collect tickets from NRENs
- Assess impact on the grid infrastructure
- Forward to GGUS tickets that seem relevant

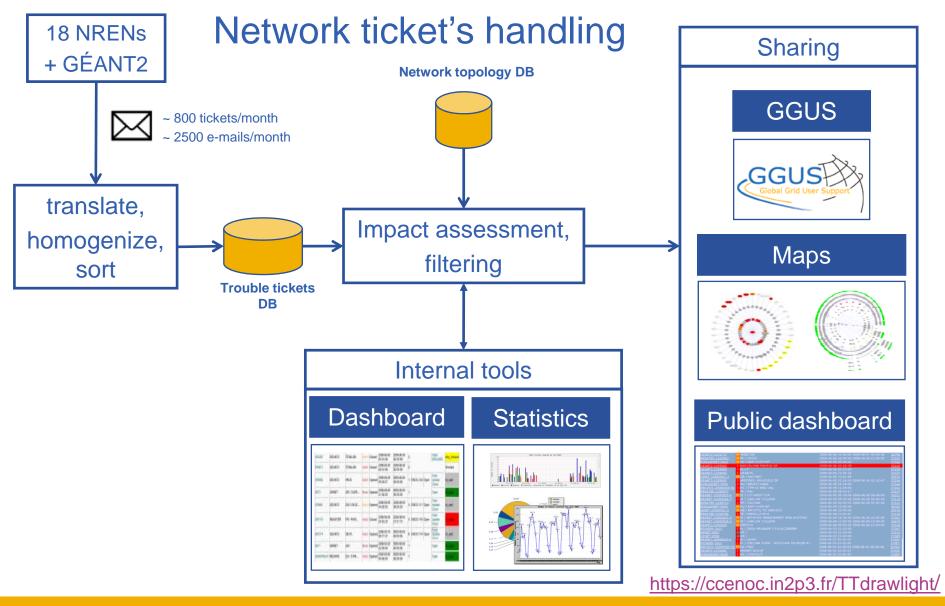


Status of the ENOC

- Fully implemented during EGEE-II:
 - 2 FTEs dedicated to it in a single place
 - Procedures (MSA2.1 ITIL) and tools (MSA2.3) described in details
- Interface with network providers:
 - Now 14 NRENs + NorduNet (Nordic countries), GÉANT2 and the E2ECU: 4 more NRENs + NorduNet and the E2ECU than at the beginning of EGEE-II
 - Steady state: ~800 tickets per month (~20% of interesting tickets),
 ~2500 emails per month
- Interface with the EGEE user support
 - Provide an interface to follow up issues (for support units and users)
 - Follow up the issue until solved
- Assessment of the impact of an incident:
 - Thanks to the Network Operational Database
 - Down to the site level
- Scalability greatly improved: effort invested towards a high level of <u>automation of the procedures</u>



Automation procedure 1/3



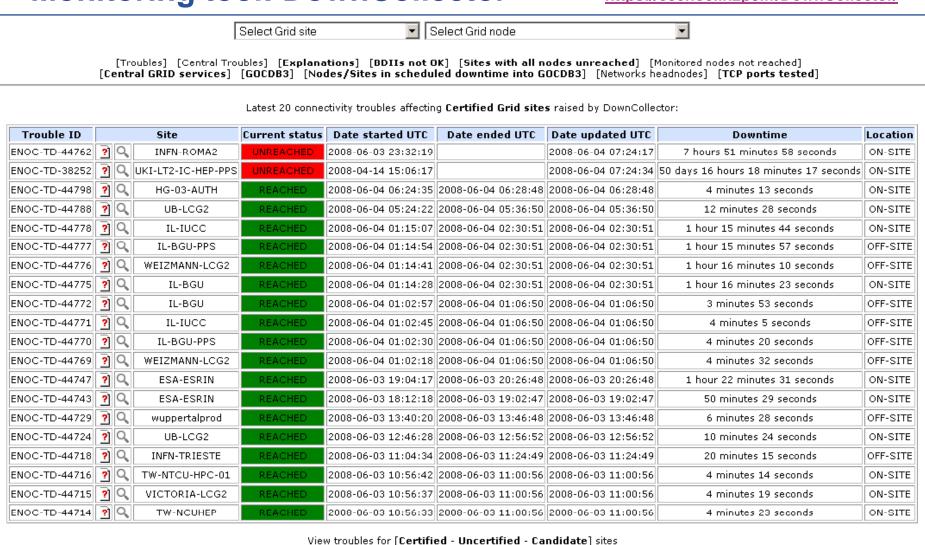


Automation procedure 2/3

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Monitoring tool: DownCollector

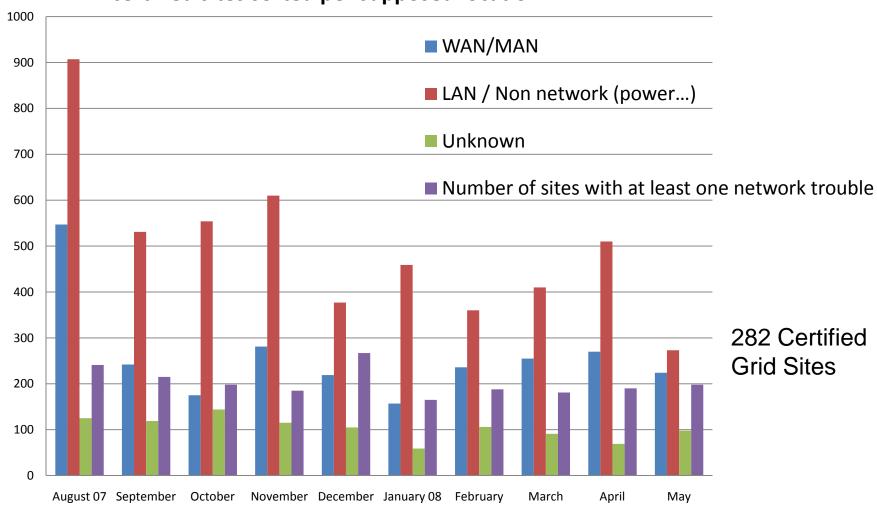
https://ccenoc.in2p3.fr/DownCollector/





Automation procedure 3/3

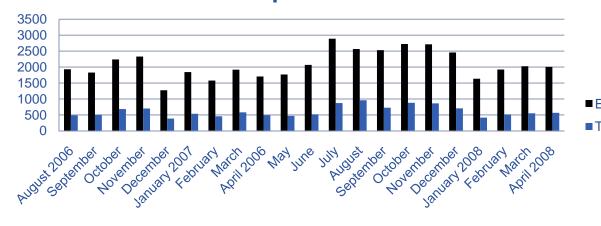
Number of connectivity troubles detected on EGEE Grid certified sites sorted per supposed location





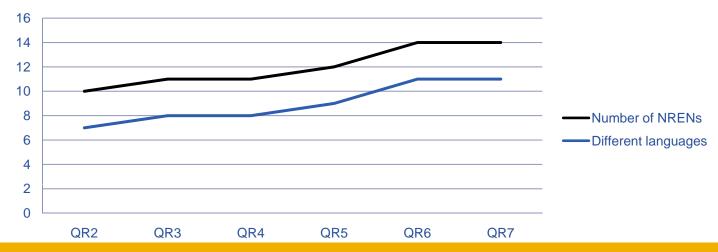
ENOC metrics

E-mails and tickets received from Network providers



75 % of European certified sites included

Number of NRENs sending their tickets to the ENOC



Network SLA 1/2

- Objective: to enable access for applications to the advanced services provided by the NRENs
- Implementation of network Service Level Agreement:
 - Still a manual process in spite of the Advance Multi-domain Provisioning System tool provided by GEANT
 - Described in DSA2.1, along with procedures for SLA monitoring and troubleshooting
 - Database schema defined to store and manage those SLAs



Network SLA 2/2

- Application usage:
 - Assessment of the SLA establishment and monitoring procedures
 - A GRIDCC (Grid enabled Remote Instrumentation with Distributed Control and Computation) application using SLA was monitored and the result reported in DSA2.2
- SA2 monitors the needs of applications for advanced network services, in collaboration with NA4 especially for new applications

In collaboration with the EUChinaGrid and ETICS

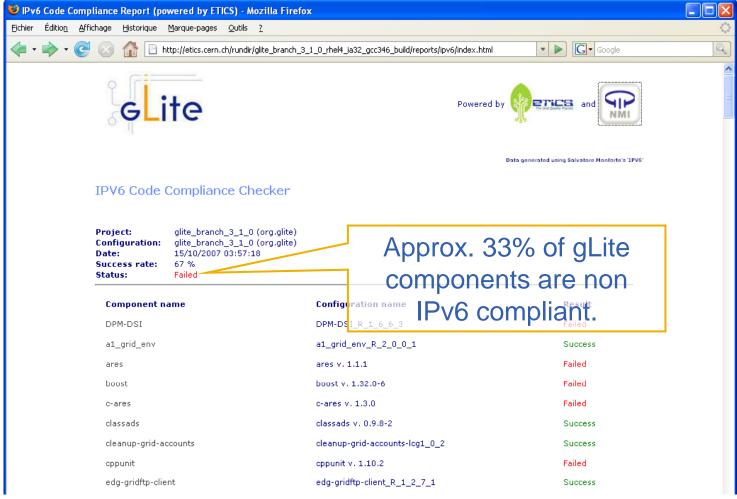
- Objectives:
 - Make IPv6 visible in the daily workflow of developers
 - Help them to produce IPv6 compliant software
 - Foster the IPv6 awareness in EGEE
- Main results of the activity:
 - Detailed methodology to test a software component in an IPv6 environment
 - Provide an hybrid IPv4-IPv6 testbed to developers teams (CNRS Paris, GARR Rome)
 - Port the first gLite components on IPv6 :
 - BDII (experimental), DPM-LFC
 - Include IPv6 compliance tests and information in the building process of gLite (ETICS)
 - Assessment of the IPv6 compliance of about 80 gLite external components
 - IPv6 training course and presentation (JRA1/SA3)



Current status of gLite 1/2

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Internal dependencies:



https://etics-repository.cern.ch:8443/repository/....



Current status of gLite 2/2

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External dependencies:

IPv6 compliance of external components

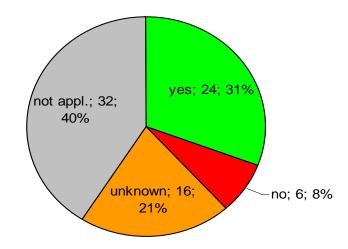
Non compliant packages:

condor	condor v. 6.8.4		
dcap	dcap v. 1.2.38		
ada aridfta aliant	ora oda gridfta ol		

edg-gridftp-client org.edg.gridftp-client.v1_2_5

mysql-client v. 4.1.20 mysql-devel mysql-devel v. 4.1.20

udpmon udpmon v. 1.1.2



Packages with an unknown status:

bcprov-jdk14	bcprov-jdk14 v. 1.22	hsqldb	hsqldb v. 1.7.2.3
boost	boost v. 1.32.0-1.rhel4	Jglobus	jglobus v. 1.1
bouncycastle	bouncycastle v. 1.34 jdk 1.5	joram	joram v. 4.1.2
db	db v. 4.2.52	lcg-info-templates	lcg-info-templates-lcg1_0_15
edg-mkgridmap	org.edg.mkgridmap.v2_6_1	libhj	libhj v. 4.1.3
egee-ant-ext	egee-ant-ext v. 0.4.0	sunxacml	sunxacml v. 1.2
exist	exist v. 1.1.1	unixodbc	unixodbc v. 2.2.11
gssklog-cern	gssklog-cern.HEAD	wsi-test-tools	wsi-test-tools v. 1.1

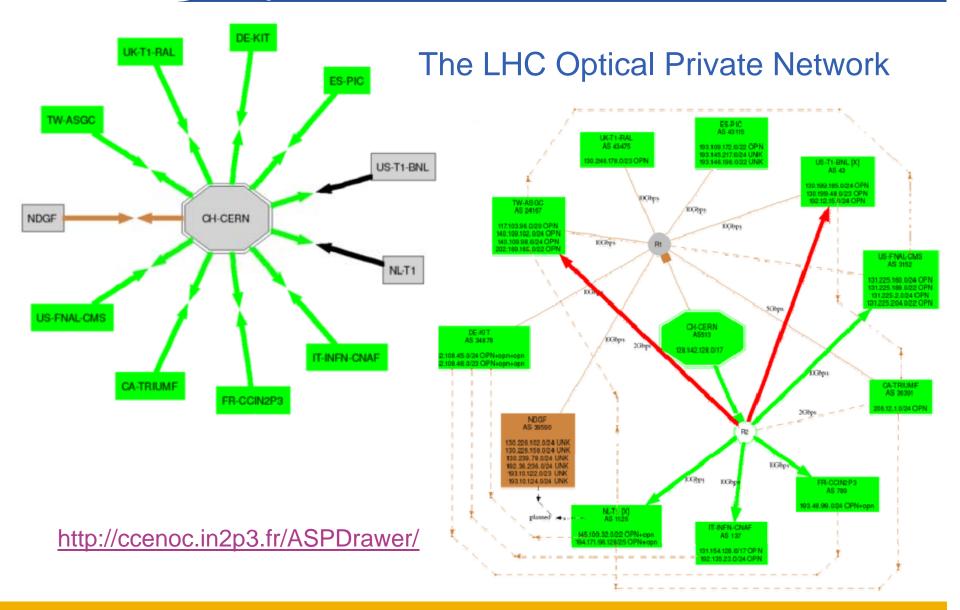


Relation with LCG

- Standardization of network monitoring data (Nagios)
- SA2 provides a part of the LHCOPN support:
 - Define the LHCOPN operational model (ongoing task)
 - Close collaboration with LCG and DANTE
 - Service level support:
 - Assess the impact of an incident in the OPN
 - Develop a tool to monitor the routing status of the OPN:
 ASP Drawer



Support of LHCOPN





TNLC (Technical Network Liaison Committee):

- Set up during EGEE in order to ease the technical discussions between EGEE, the NRENs and the GÉANT2 project
- New terms of references and objectives for EGEE-II (MSA2.2)
- Participants: EGEE (SA1, SA2), GÉANT2 (represented by DANTE as coordinator of GÉANT2), some of the NRENs involved in the EGEE activities, the NREN PC and CERN.

Work mainly focused on:

- Trouble ticket
- Expand the number of the NRENs sending their tickets to the ENOC to improve the coverage of the certified sites

Main achievements (MSA2.4):

- Trouble ticket "standardization"
- 75 % of European certified sites



Issues & future plans

ENOC

- Issue: lack of monitoring data and troubleshooting tools deployed in the end sites and available for the ENOC
- Deploy a network monitoring tools for efficient troubleshooting
- Trouble tickets model to be implemented as first task in EGEE III

Network SLAs

- Issue: low application usage of the SLA
- Dissemination work
- Make the SLA installation procedure more automatic

IPv6

 Set up all elements needed to handle IPv6 in EGEE: test, building, validation

LCG / LHCOPN

- Formalize the OPN operational model, deploy operational tools
- Issue: the departure of the activity manager
 - A new activity manager has taken the lead of the activity



Main achievements

- ENOC running (https://ccenoc.in2p3.fr/)
 - More NRENs involved
 - Scalability and high level of automation (DownCollector)
 - Integration in Grid Operation (COD, etc)
- Network Operational Database
 - Important role in many fields (ENOC, LHCOPN, SLA)
- SLA
 - Assessment of the SLA establishment and monitoring procedures
- IPv6
 - IPv6 testbed provided for gLite developers
 - The first gLite components (BDII/DPM-LFC) ported on IPv6
 - First IPv6 module successfully tested using ETICS
- TNLC
 - Support from the NRENs community to the ENOC
 - Standardization network trouble ticket data model
- LCG / LHCOPN
 - Standardization networking monitoring data (Nagios)
 - Design and implementation of the LHCOPN operational model (ongoing work)