

GGUS — Global Grid User Support

Progress on User Support Tools

(GDB, 09/09/03)

Open issues from GDB (10/06/03) and PEB (27/07/03):

- Information flow
- Savannah vs. Remedy
- Responsibilities/Interface GGUS/GOC

Further topics:

- New properties of www.ggus.org
- Next steps





GGUS Environment/Information flow

GGUS relations to Experiment-Specific-User-Support (ESUS) and GOC

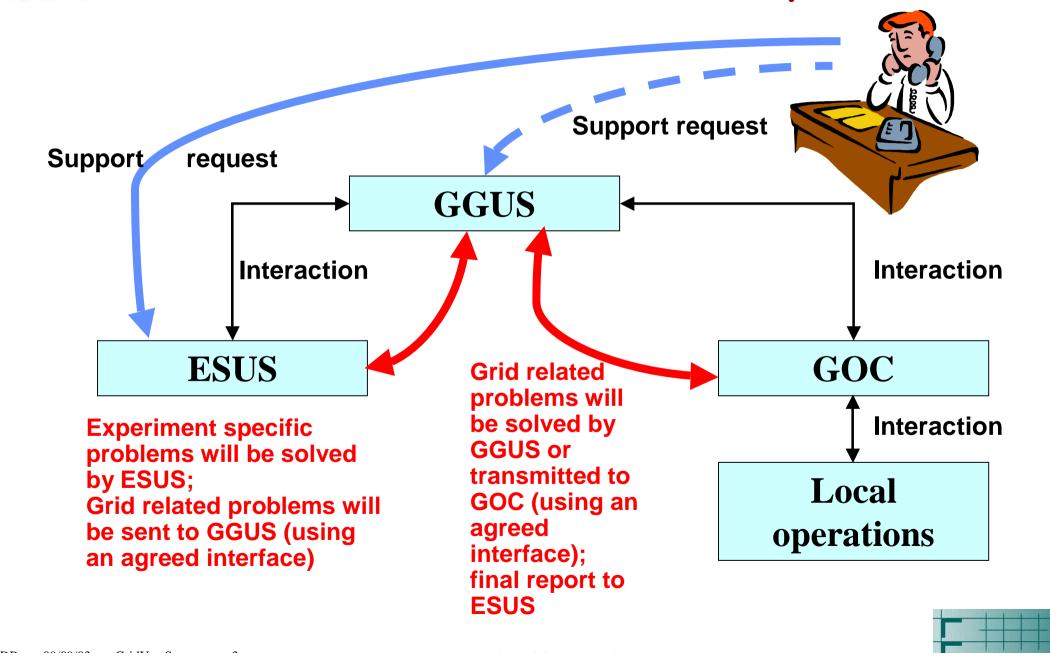
Once again: The objectives of GGUS:

- Provide an entry point for GRID related questions and problems
- Provide support for ESUS
- Provide support for GRID Users
- Provide status & diagnostic information about GRID resources
- Provide access to documentation and information
- Build an open knowledge base to optimize the GRID-Support
- Interact with ESUS, GOC and maybe local operations
- Provide a framework for better overall support processes





Information flow — a simple model





GGUS — Savannah vs. Remedy

- The LHC experiment people want to use Savannah
- Savannah is a good problem description tool, but not a good (distributed) problem tracking tool
- Remedy is a good ticketing and problem tracking tool, well suitable for helpdesk people → We want to use Remedy
- Proposed solution:
 - Experiment people and experiment support (ESUS) want to use and should use Savannah
 - There will be an interface between Savannah (at experiment people resp. ESUS) and Remedy (at GGUS)
 - This interface will be "invisible" for experiment people and ESUS; this means: experiment people will not see Remedy, but only Savannah





GGUS — Responsibilities

- Which kind of problems should be solved by GOC?
- Which kind of problems should be solved by GGUS?
- What are the responsibilities of GOC resp. GGUS?
- → To answer these questions we propose a meeting in the next few weeks between GOC people (at RAL) and GGUS people (at FZK)





GGUS — Next steps

- In a few weeks we will open our existing GGUS model ("version 0") for the German users of GridKa (LHC and four other experiments)
- The German users will be the test people for the GGUS portal
- We will enlarge the possibilities for the users to get information about their jobs and about the job queues via the GGUS portal (connections to PBS and Ganglia are already possible via www.ggus.org)



