



# OB Summary

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# Key points

- OB members' action: at next OB meeting to explain how they are making the connection in their country with the NGI management
  - In EGI era we anticipate that the NGIs will be the key providers of WLCG services, and the OB members will be the WLCG management connection to the NGI managements.
- Update WLCG transition plan document with comments from the meeting (labelling of services with EGEE and EGI blueprint references, update of appendices).
  - OB chair to send to EGI\_DS PB and to EGI Council
- SSC for HEP proposal is supported by the OB members
- Agree that gLite consortium being in place is essential for WLCG for support of existing middleware; would like to see collaboration gLite/ARC for longer term.



# Other points

- Issue of veto over EGI acceptance of national CA's by countries in EGI
  - Was a general feeling that one country should not be able to veto another country's collaboration partners
  - Must be followed up by OB members to NGI reps to EGI council
    - This is very important for WLCG collaborations



# EGI Timeline (update)

- **Decisions (and corresponding action points for NGIs):**
  - 2nd of June - The deadline for MoU comments (updated)
  - 9th of June - The final MoU will be published
  - 12th of June - deadline for comments on “Governance issues” document.
  - 19th of June – Draft EGI.eu Convention and Statutes available
  - 1st of July - deadline for MoU signatures
  - 9th of July – proposed date for EGI Council convened. The location is not known yet.
  - August/September – EGI.eu Convention and Statutes approved
  - 1st October - Financial contributions to EGI Collaboration due
  - Oct 2009 deadline for legal creation of EGI.eu by which time legal documents must be agreed by NGI legal authorities.



# Responses (May 12)

- UK, France, Italy, Nordic, NL
  - Structures in place – expect to continue to provide existing services
- Germany
  - Situation under discussion (Gauss alliance), but WLCG commitments clear
- Spain
  - Structure for NGI not yet in place, but intend to fulfil Tier 1+Tier 2 service commitments
- See document for details



# Outside Europe

- CERN ROC will close at end of EGEE-III
  - Today supports several countries/sites outside of Europe
  
- Latin America
  - Brazil, Mexico, Columbia propose to fund a LA-ROC to support Latin American LHC collaborators
    - Supported by many other LA countries (list...)
  - Will send people to CERN for training
  
- Asia-Pacific
  - A-P ROC in Taipei will remain in much the same way as now
  
- Canada
  - Will be self-supporting, but is also offering to set up a ROC potentially in support of other sites if necessary



# CERN's roles in EGI

- CERN will participate in all aspects of the EGI:
  - EGI.eu
    - Hopefully as a full member with voting rights (but still some doubts)
  - Specialised Support Centres (SSC)
    - CERN will lead the formation of an SSC for HEP (+astroparticle?) together with other partners
      - Will be of direct benefit to WLCG
  - Middleware
    - The gLite consortium must urgently be put in place – Letters of Intent have been signed by (almost) all key partners
      - This is a minimum solution for ongoing support of software in production
    - Hopefully a collaboration between gLite and ARC can eventually participate in a project proposal