

WLCG Technical Forum update

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Technical Forum progress (1)

- A Wiki for working groups has been created
 - Derived from successful JSPG Wiki
 - Kindly hosted by Andrew McNab at Univ. of Manchester
 - https://wlcg-tf.hep.ac.uk/wiki/Main_Page
- Bootstrapped with 2 discussion topics
 - Proper use of "file" protocol
 - Will greatly benefit job efficiencies at StoRM sites
 - RFEs open for GFAL/lcg_util, code has been enhanced
 - Patches #3257, #3529, #3530 ready for certification
 - Experiment applications will have to be adjusted to make use of the enhancements
 - Future of grid storage systems
 - Longer-term discussion, not started
- TWiki page has categorized list of "top-3" topics
 - From EGEE'09 presentation and mailing list discussions
 - https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LCG/WLCGTechnicalForum



Technical Forum progress (2)

- Main list had a lot of unstructured discussion on a few items
 - Wiki found not suitable for generic discussions
 - Discussion tabs useful for comments on article updates
 - E-mail list(s) OK for most, but some already unsubscribed
 - And E-groups are unwieldy
 - "FTS Python API" generated a lot of valuable information about APIs etc. in general
- Trying Google Groups for working group discussions
 - Everyone interested can join, with or w/o receiving e-mail
 - Test case on grid APIs
 - http://groups.google.com/group/wlcg-tf-api
- New hot topic: multi-user pilot jobs vs. gLExec etc.
 - Per yesterday's MB