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Site status flow

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- Motivation
- Site status flow diagram
- Allowed state transistions
- Status definitions
 - In detail
- Documentation update
- Todo
- Proposal validation by ROC managers



- Differentiating a site following a "normal course" from a site having a "problematic course".
- Unclear state transitions in the past:
 - different ROCs were using the states differently. (Going from suspended directly again back to certified.)
 - Currently all transistions allowed in GOCDB
- Proper documention of state change conditions
- Clearer definitions of ambigously interpreted states,

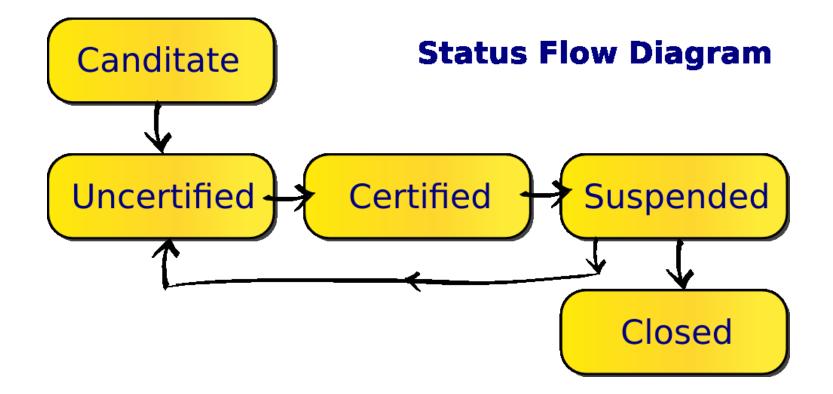
- especially "uncertified" and "suspended".





Site Status Flow Diagram

• C-COD/ROD proposal to ROC managers:





- Allowed examples of site state tranisiton:
 - suspended -> uncertified -> certified
 - certified -> suspended -> closed
- Forbidden examples:
 - certified -> closed
 - suspended -> certified
- Implemented into GOCDB needed
 - so that only the allowed state transitions will be possible



- Candidate:
 - Site has just been declared to GOCDB and information is still not complete.
- Uncertified:
 - ROC has validated the site info and site has declared readiness to pass certification procedure.
- Certified:
 - ROC has verified that the site has all middleware installed, passes the tests and appears stable.
- Suspended:
 - Site does temporarily not conform to EGEE production requirements and requires NGI/ROC attention.
- Closed:
 - Site is definitely no longer operated by EGEE and is only shown for history reasons



- The uncertified state
 - would be an information that site is ready to start certification procedure (again). The uncertified state should not be the last one as that is confusing.
- The closed state
 - should be the terminal one. Suspended is not a terminal state.
- Motivation for keeping the suspended state:
 - It is useful to EGI/EGEE and to the NGIs/ROCs themselves to flag the sites that require attention by the NGIs/ROCs.
 - When being suspend sites can express that they want to pass certification again.



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- Suspended: site does temporarily not conform to EGEE production requirements (EGEE SLAs, security matters) and requires NGI/ROC attention.
- "suspended" is having a slight double meaning there:
 - <u>Temporary state</u> to flag a site coping with NGIs/ROCs requirements but temporarily not with EGI/EGEE availability/reliability thresholds and which will trigger a reminder from project head to NGIs/ROCs to close or uncertify after 4 months,

<u>Ttimewise unlimited state</u> for sites having to keep an old version of the middleware for the absolute needs of an important international VO or to flag a site coping with NGIs/ROCs requirements but temporarily not with EGI/EGEE availability/reliability thresholds.

- New procedure: EGI/EGEE asks NGI/ROC after some time into this status to put the site to "closed" or to bring it back in production through the uncertified status.
 - Suggested time until project head sends reminder: 4months

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- No procedure change proposed.
- "Once the site form within GOCDB is completed and the ROC's specific tests set or the local SAM instance are being passed for a week - the site status is changed to /certified/ by its own ROC. "
 - \$5.1.1 in the Operational Manual for ROCs and Sites
 - Minimum time of one week, in case the site passes all tests.



• Operational Manual Documentation update:

- Status flow diagram
- status description (detailed)
- New procedure for project head (EGEE/EGI) to remind NGI/ ROC about temporarily suspended sites after 4 months for a final decision.

• Best Common Practices (BCP) update:

- The site should contact the ROC manager when in suspended state and declare readiness to confirm to production requirement standards again or request to be closed.
- If the site hasn't contacted the ROC manager within 4 months NGI/ROC should set the state to closed. The ROC manager may send a final warning with a one week deadline to the site before actually closing.



- GOCDB implemention:
 - so that no other transistions are any longer possible
- Update of GOCDB User Documentation
- Update of BCP
- Update of Operational Manual
- ROC managers:
 - chase up currently suspended sites,
 - decide on their catagory and fate and
 - report on sites that project head should remind about in a given time.



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- Things to validate by ROC managers:
- Status flow as presented,
- Partially new status defintions:
 - suspended
 - uncertified
- New procedure:
 - Reminder from project head to close or uncertify temporarily suspended sites 4 months after suspension,
- Documentation updates as suggested.





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