Pole 2 meeting 091209

Present:
Hélène Cordier
Michaela Lechner
Pete Gronbech
David Bouvet
Małgorzata Krakowian sent apologies

Minutes:

1) review of last meeting minutes and action points:

Urgent update of Ops Manual was successful both in twiki and EDMS. Thanks to Pete and Małgorzata.

New Points from BCP request section transferred of to BCP by David after final check. status flow was presented in ROC Manager meeting.

Reminder to RODs to participate more in the BCP was sent. **Michaela**: Maybe better to send another reminder again.

2) Report from SA1 meeting on 1st december and site state flow diagram From the minutes there:

"Diana wanted ability to transition directly from certified to closed, and Helene agreed to add the arrow to the flow chart. Claire asked about non-EGEE sites in GOCDB that are marked as uncertified. Agreement was that this needs to continue. Maite mentioned that "Project head" needs to be changed to ROC in the work-flow. Suspended is a limited-time state, remove the unlimited state from the proposal."

All the requested changes have been done and are presented and again sent out via mail for discussion as in the attachment to this conference.

Basic chances:

- adding the arrow from certified to closed,
- suspended has now really only a temporary state with a max time of 4 months. The temporary unlimited part of suspend from the first proposal is now managed by the status uncertified.
- This makes it easier for the ROC (and no longer project head) to fullfill their responsibility to take care of suspended sites.

http://indico.cern.ch/materialDisplay.py?materialId=slides&confId=76208

Things to be done as in the timeline:

GOCDB user documentation also needs updating.

GOCDB needs updating

BCP needs updating.

Operational manual needs the definitions of the states, and maybe the picture, although we currently do not have any pictures in the manual. Solution: Link to picture in EDMS?

Michaela will put the changes in the draft in a different colour, and lead in the next steps after next Tuesdays SA1 meeting. Before xmas it should be implemented.

X) AOB point requested by Helene: Other upcoming changes to the ops manual

There are some more ROCs coming in like ROC_LA in September, ROC Canada definitely coming around X-mas time, maybe a ROC-China and a ROC Southamerica, too.

On the long run ROC-CERN will be removed.

The new ROCs should be referenced in the mailing list section, this can be done without going through ROC manager validation. Information should come in over the pole2 mailinglist.

Michaela can update the manual until latest Dec. 23rd. Michaela and Pete are on holiday till Jan 11th 2010, so either Hélène or someone else will try to add the new ROCs. Maybe we could ask Małgorzata if she returns from vacation sooner.

3) New Dashboard

David reports: The new dashboard will be **released this afternoon**, the howto is ready and there is a link to it. The design has changed, the functionality is all there. Masking mechanism has changed. It is simpler than before. It is faster than before, this is the main improvement. Some small online help built in. There is a dashboard tab, same as old, SAMAP tab, user preference tab, a handover tab and a new tab CCOD view. Now you don't have to chose the role as before, so if you a registered in GOCDB as C-COD, then you can view this tab.

Michaela wonders what updates are needed for the ops manual. If the basic functionality is the same and we have the same tabs, there are currently only a few places in the ops manual (namely 2 in the common section) that have to be changed. On other places it is then just the link that has to be updated. David: a forwardlink from the old link to the new one is provided. Just for the link an update is not yet needed. We should wait as only the dashboard has been changed not the cic portal. The whole ops portal will change.

Things to note:

Hélène emphasizes that What will be in production today is the updated tool, with better back end, php etc. It is intended to propagate that to the whole portal. There will be very big changes today. But it is still only based on SAM. Therefore the dashboard team only wants feedback on real bugs. The release with Nagios integration will come later. The effort will be put into the new test platform where a milestone has been reached when creating this test platform which will be released only for testing now. In the last week, major effort has been put into setting up this separate test platform, so everybody can test independently of the real GGUS and the real system. We will be able to simulate the whole chain of the work flow in safety. Every federation can be allowed to test. Feedback for this test platform with the new Nagios features will be prioritised. In the SAM based production portal only bugs will be handled, no feature requests. The dashboard team really want lots of feedback for the new test system. Aim to go into production is set for mid

(We hope that the regional package will be able to be released shortly (one week) thereafter, i.e. at the COD meeting)

There will be an email announcement about the new releases this afternoon.

4) COD-22 and ROD Forum January 26th 14:00 to January 28th 13:00, at CC-IN2P3, Lyon, France.

Normal short trainingsession on new production dashboard.

January(~20th), so feedback must be given before Jan 10th.

Additionally it would be nice if you want to install a regional instance to have a chance to try it at this meeting.

Hélène asks Cyril, if the CIC portal team will be ready to give training on installation of the regional package.

We will need a technical how to on installing the packages in the first day.

Hélène will make a preliminary agenda (until December 16th) **Pole 1 and 2** should then work on the agenda quickly, before end of next week.

Michaela would like time for open discussion in the agenda, to give feedback etc. Reserve 1-2 hours just for that as at COD-21 it was difficult to fit it all in. Group work on global wish list and readiness for NGIs. Feedback of all sites.

We should update the feedback and resend the questionaire template of Pole 1 (and send it out before X-mas!). **Pole1 and pole 2** should maybe work together on this.

Pole 2 should concentrate on feedback on the new way of working and trigger a debate on the future operations model. Do the procedures reflect the update? We need synchronisation of production and procedures. We have to check the procedures if not in line with production and then update the procedures accordingly. **Vera, Michaela and Pete** will concentrate on that in the new year.

David will try to update the training presentation to match the new dashboard. The link to release of new dashboard wil be send this afternoon, **Michaela** will give it a try and make sure everything is working.

5) Wiki updates:

https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/EGEE/COD_EGEE_III

Pete didn't have time so far. Most important: Link to COD-22 meeting as in Indico. Roadmap needs updating/removing.

6) AOB

Next meeting:

together with Pole1, before Christmas, maybe Thursday 17th december after already having a preliminary agenda for COD-22?

Next pole 2 meeting after that on January 13th with still 2 weeks left before Lyon.