

WLCG → HEP Computing Infrastructure

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WLCG Overview Board

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Background

- Ideas presented at OB 2 years ago
 - <https://indico.cern.ch/event/468477/>
- Then discussed at SCF in Feb 2017
 - <https://indico.cern.ch/event/581096/>
- Then
 - CWP and HL-LHC strategy for computing
 - ESCAPE proposal
- More recently:
 - Discussion with DUNE on how to use “WLCG” infrastructure and be able to benefit from tools and developments
 - Mentioned in SCF Sept. 2018
 - Also potential interest from SKA, 3G-GW community, and others (Belle II)



Introduction

- Leverage
 - WLCG experience
 - Capabilities in the internet sector (large distributed DC's, clouds, etc.)
 - New ideas of how to manage Exabyte scale data
- Towards a HEP-wide scientific data and computing environment for the future
 - Similar needs from related fields – astro, gw, ...

WLCG:

- Collaboration
- Resource management
- LHCOPN
- (operations?)

DUNE:

- Collaboration
- Resource management



Belle 2?
Etc.
GW 3G?

Astro(-particle)?

HEP Distributed Computing Infrastructure

- AAI, security
- Common DM tools
- Common provisioning (HPC, cloud, grid)
- Accounting, monitoring, etc. (operations?)

Tool box of compatible services

International Steering Group

- ### Networking
- LHCOne
 - Etc.

HEP Software Foundation

- Application software
- Software skills
- Software sharing
- Etc.

Tool box of applications

Data management (“data lake”)

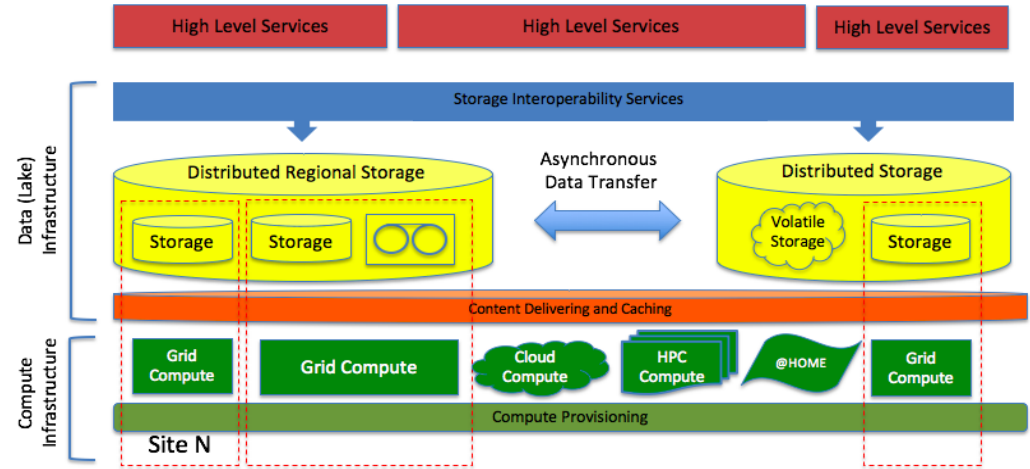
Data Organisation, Management, Access (DOMA)

□ Several activities and working groups

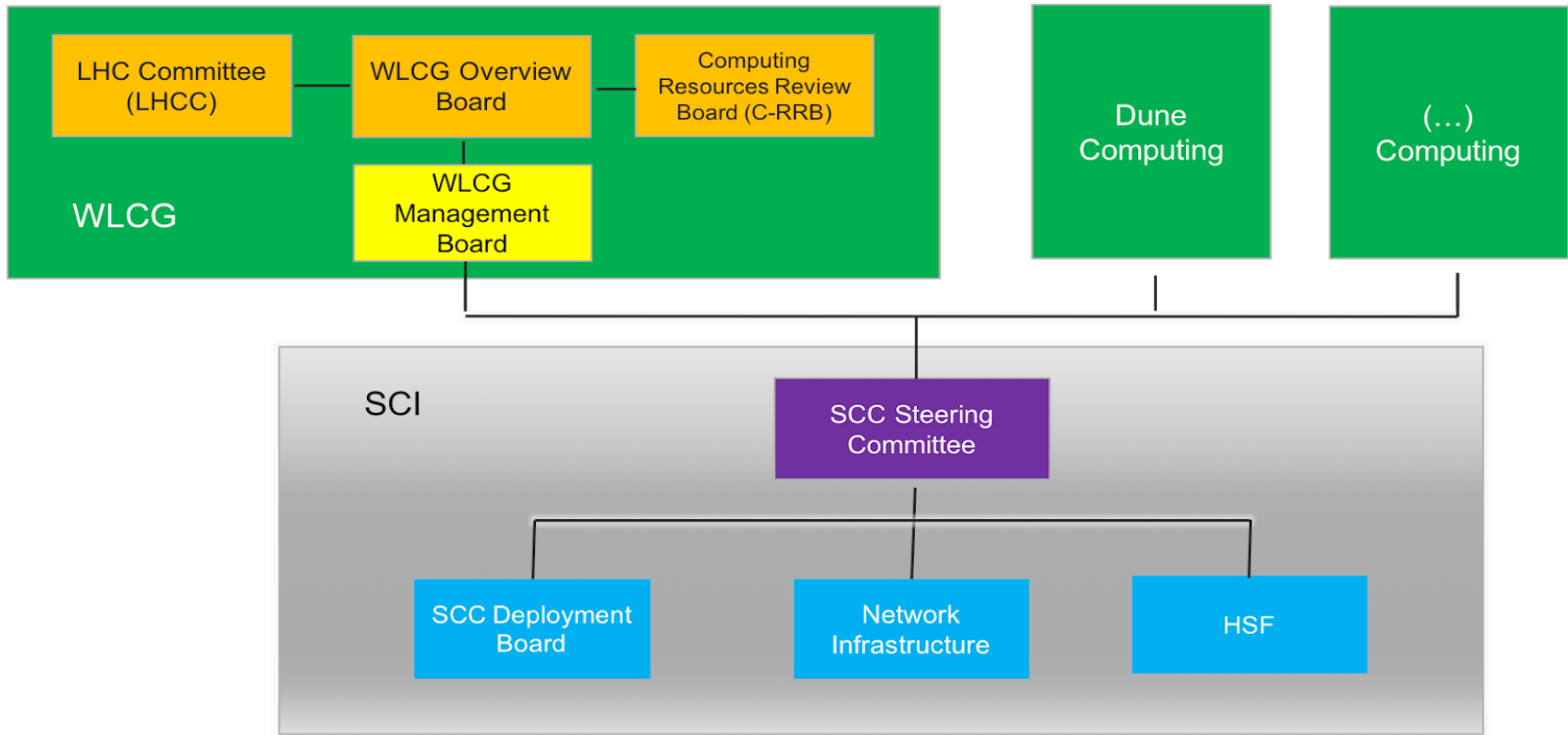
- Storage consolidation
- Caching and data access
- Data transfer and access protocols:
 - 3rd party copy
 - Replacement of gridftp
- Quality of Service
 - Performance/reliability vs capacity
 - Use of high-performance storage?
- Use of networks and Investigation of low level protocols and optimization of data movement (with SKA, Geant, others)
 - Between parts of the data lake
 - Serving data

□ A prototype “data lake” has been set up and can be used to explore technology and R&D questions

- Several Tier 1s participating in the prototype



- Idea is to localize bulk data in a cloud service (→ data lake): minimize replication, assure availability
- Serve data to remote (or local) compute – grid, cloud, HPC, etc.
- Simple (unmanaged) caching is all that is needed at compute site
- Works at national, regional, global scales



Advantages

- Model we imagine is also interesting to other communities:
 - DUNE, GW, SKA, etc
 - Model includes potential use of commercial facilities, HPC, etc.
 - Is inherently scale-out
 - Is the model emerging from the CWP and Strategy process
 - Maintain the formal part of the collaboration where it is required (resource pledging, etc.)
- ESCAPE project picks up on the infrastructure ideas as input to EOSC for Exascale data infrastructure
- The governance is science community-led and steered
 - This is key
 - Different from EGI (and EGEE, PRACE, EUDAT, etc.)

Next steps

- Paper attached to agenda
- Would like to submit this to ESPP open call as ideas for future HEP computing infrastructure
 - Deadline Dec 18.
- OB (+CB) should discuss how we move towards such a model in a non-disruptive way