

NAF Status

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Reboots

- > Need to reboot WGS (and WNs) after Eastern
 - Kernel vulnerability

- > In general: Will need a more stricter policy of rebooting machines
 - Especially WGS, as they have a world-wide firewall opening for ssh
 - E.g. Reboot once per month minimum, reboot with head-ups of 24h-48h in case of serious issues
 - Staggered approach (e.g. wgs01-03 tomorrow morning, wgs04-06 tomorrow evening)



- > Last month: All WGS have now CVMFS Grid UI.
- > WNs still have RPM installed UI
- > These are divergent
 - CVMFS: currently still older EMI based UI
 - RPM: newer UMD baser UI
- > UMD4 UI via CVMFS has been recently released
- > Plan: Switch to this one after Eastern
 - CMS/Christoph testing
 - On ALL NAF machines!

- > 2x new proxies with 4x10GE in production, existing machines will also receive 4x10GE at some point in time
- > Performance Issues (initially observed on ILC WGS)
 - IO some times very slow (30s vs minutes/hours)
 - No conclusion, both from IBM and admin perspective
 - IBM: Analyzing dumps and traces, but still no real outcome
 - Admin: Impact on users unclear
 - Current plan: Apply GPFS and Ganesha updates, fixes additional bugs as well
- > LS-bug: (ATLAS) Is returning half output in directories with >200k files
 - Known issue in Ganesha, fixed in later GPFS releases
 - GPFS Update will be applied after easter
- > (BELLE) Software compilation failing
 - unsolved, no news from user either

- > (CMS) Input/Output error during software compilation
 - > More information requested from user
 - > Problem seems to have gone
- > Storage building blocks (ESS GL6 & GS1) require software update
 - > Reasons: RHEL 7.1 no longer receiving security updates, closing version gap to proxies and new features like call home
 - > Will be applied online -> multiple failovers might result into little IO interruptions
 - > Estimation: 2 days required for update, procedure already well-tried in PETRA III & XFEL clusters
 - > Will be announced in advance
- > Capacity extension (doubling capacity)
 - > Awaiting "Freigabe der Mittel"

- > HNSciCloud: European project with lots of HEP, Astro, Photon, etc. labs/communities.
 - Putting money in a common pot, EU adds some money
 - Identifying missing parts these communities would need to use commercial clouds
 - Give some commercial cloud providers >50% of the money to develop the missing parts
 - Take the rest of the money to effectively do something (compute, storage, ...) on public clouds
- > NAF is in the game
 - For end-users: No change! Everything should stay identical
 - Some adaptations under the hood: Transparent data access to DUST etc.
 - Development work has been put into this by commercial providers
 - Will start working on this within next weeks for prototype usage