

# Federated Infrastructures



**“Excellent IT infrastructure indispensable to transform data into knowledge”**

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# Overview of currently BMBF funded activities

## ➤ Research Compound covering areas [A] and [C]

**“Föderiertes Computing für die ATLAS- und CMS-Experimente am Large Hadron Collider in Run-3“**

partners: AA, FR, GÖ, HH, KIT, MU (LMU), WU   associates: DESY, KIT, MPP

- invest for CPU and mass storage at 5 university Tier-2 centres (150 000 Euro per year per site + OH)
- personal for operation of WLCG cloud and experiment specific developments (applied for 14 FTE)

## ➤ Research Compound covering area [B]

**“Föderierte Digitale Infrastrukturen für die Erforschung von Universum und Materie (FIDIUM)“**

partners: AA, BN, FRA (GU), FR, GÖ, HH, KIT, MZ, MU (LMU), WU   associates: CERN, DESY, GridKa, GSI

experiment/community overarching R&D towards computing in HL-LHC era ( applied for ~18 FTE)

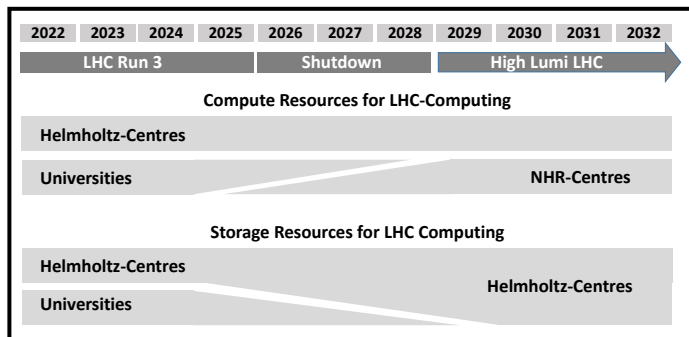
- development of tools and technologies for integration of heterogenous compute resources
- development of tools and technologies for data lake concept and fast caching solutions
- performance evaluation and optimization of above technologies for different environments/use cases

## ➤ Applications handed in for ErUM-Pro call but funded from ErUM-Data budget

## ➤ Funding period Oct 2021 until September 2024

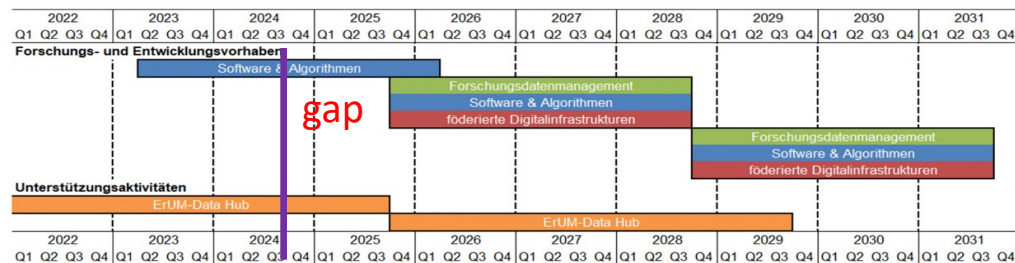
# Timelines and boundary conditions

## Timeline of KET perspective for transformed model for resource provisioning



Definite timely commitments / confirmation by NHR-Verein and Helmholtz-Association needed in order to decide that no new application for invest for CPU and mass storage at 5 university Tier-2 sites (AA, FR, GÖ, WU, MU (LMU)) is needed

## Preliminary timeline of funding periods for different research fields in ErUM-Data program



current funding for two compounds “ATLAS+CMS Computing in Run-3” and “FIDIUM” ends in September 2024

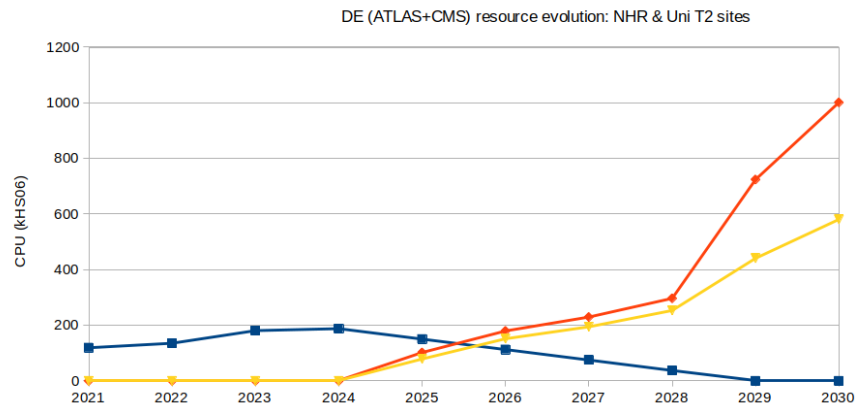
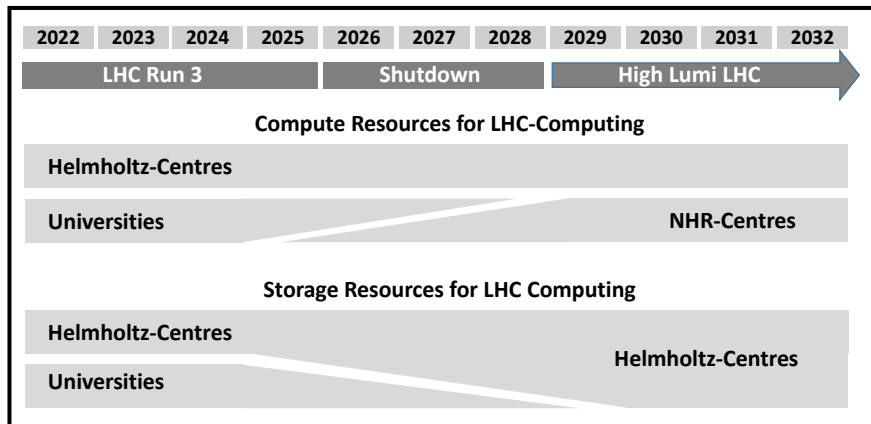
**continuation without a gap is indispensable**

- for successful operation of WLCG cloud and data analysis before Run-4
- for needed R&D work toward HL-LHC

A gap would diminish/destroy the build-up expertise and will make our IT experts leave the field

# Provisioning of resources [C]

Currently 150 000 Euro for invest plus overhead per site per year at five university Tier-2 sites



Whether invest for hardware at university Tier-2 sites is needed (which amount, for how long)

- depends on timeline of realisation of “KET Computing Perspective”
- requires definite commitments by NHR-Verein and Helmholtz Association

Yearly needed budget at university sites will probably increase compared to FP 21-24

- higher hardware costs due to significant increase in resources, huge inflation, smaller technical advancement than foreseen and eventual compensation for Russian sites
- maybe also costs for power consumption would need to be included in application

# Experiment specific R&D and operation of WLCG cloud [A]

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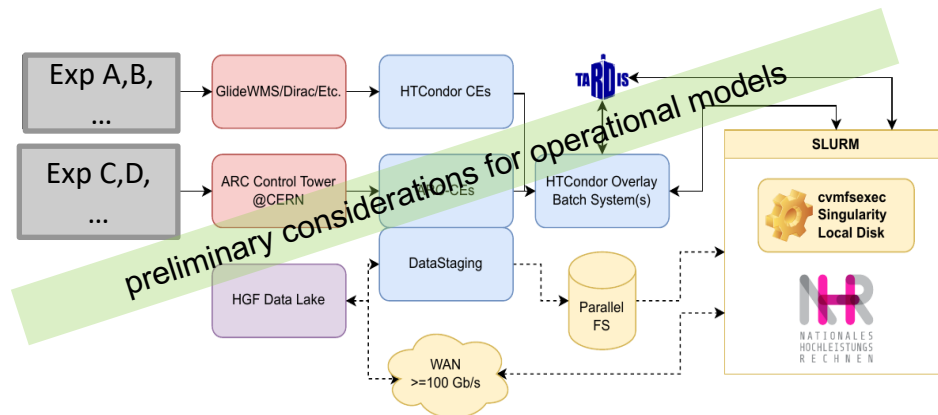
Probably new partner TUM in ATLAS

Probably more FTE needed if NHR centres integrated in workflow of experiments (see below)

## Questions:

Again an experiment overarching compound “outside” FSPs ATLAS and CMS also w/o hardware invest?

How to secure timely funding given probable delay in ErUM-Data calls?



Integration of NHR centres in workflow of the ATLAS and CMS experiments (update of software stacks, running of edge services, monitoring, accounting, ...) probably requires additional FTE

(reminder: at GridKa currently 1 co-financed FTE per experiment)

# Generic experiment overarching R&D [B]

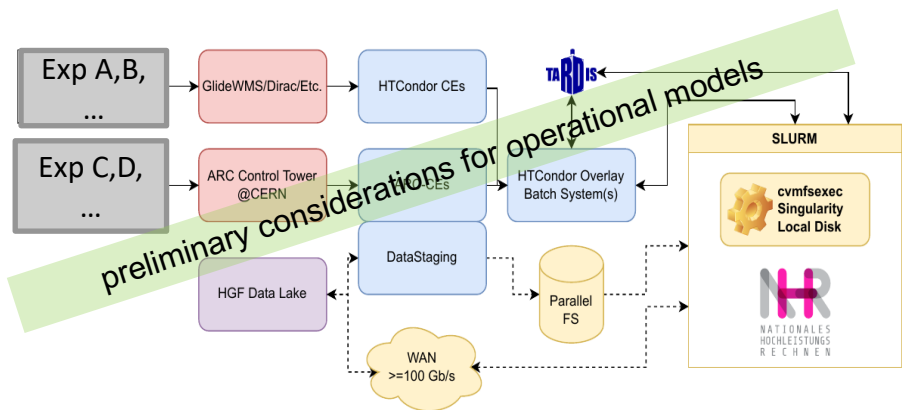
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Additional partners may want to join

Probably more FTE needed for finalizing R&D in time and maintenance of developed tools (see below)

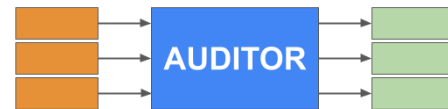
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Probably more FTE needed

- in order to finalize the needed R&D in time for HL-LHC start and adapt them to NHR requirements
- maintenance, adjustment and optimization of developed tools such as COBaID/TARDIS, AUDITOR etc.



(developed in the compounds IDT-UM and FIDIUM)



# Conclusion as input for discussion

- **Continuous funding at least at the same level for personal indispensable for**
  - experiment specific R&D and operation of WLCG cloud in Germany  
(maybe more FTE needed if NHR centres included in WLCG workflow)
  - generic experiment/community overarching R&D  
(maybe additional FTE needed to finalize required R&D in time for HL-LHC and maintenance of tools)

## A gap in the funding

- will damage the operation of the WLCG Cloud in Germany and hence analysis activities
- will diminish the build-up expertise and will make IT experts leave the field

- **Provisioning of hardware resources needs to be secured in agreement with WLCG-MoU**

## Size and time period of funding for hardware invest at university Tier-2 sites

- depends on timeline of realisation of “KET Computing Perspective”
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