



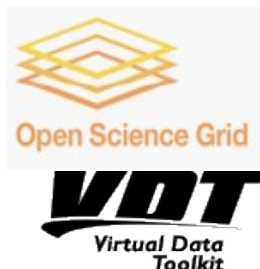
Welcome

Topics :

Workshop details

dCache Project internals

support and funding by





About the Workshop

Your host for today and tomorrow is

Martin Radicke

with massive help from

Paul, Owen, Tigran, Irina and Birgit



Workshop : What is this meeting about ?

dCache.
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➤ *First and second step towards becoming a dCache expert.*

➤ *Help for non HEP communities in d-grid to install dCache as part of the reference installation.*

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➤ *Organizing a dCache support structure.*

× *Officially HGF*

× *but as well DGI II*



Workshop : Scientific Program

Today

Tomorrow

Welcome

Introduction to dCache 13:15

Project overview
Technical intro to dCache
Publishing to the LCG Info System

Hands on training Block 14:15

Unit I : Basic dCache installation w YAIM
Unit II : Multi VO support/ adding Pools

Coffee Break 17:00

Hands on training Block 17:20

Status of GridFTP in dCache
Firewall considerations
Unit III : Third party transfers across sites

Dinner 20:00

Hands on training Block 19:00

Installation/Configuration beyond YAIM
Unit IV : Error handling
Unit V : Manually separating SRM comp.

Questions/Experience 12:00

Summary 12:30



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And now for dCache ...





Who is doing the work : The Team

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Head of Development

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Head of Development

FNAL : Timur Perelmutov

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Flavia Donno, CERN



Who is paying ?



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Integration



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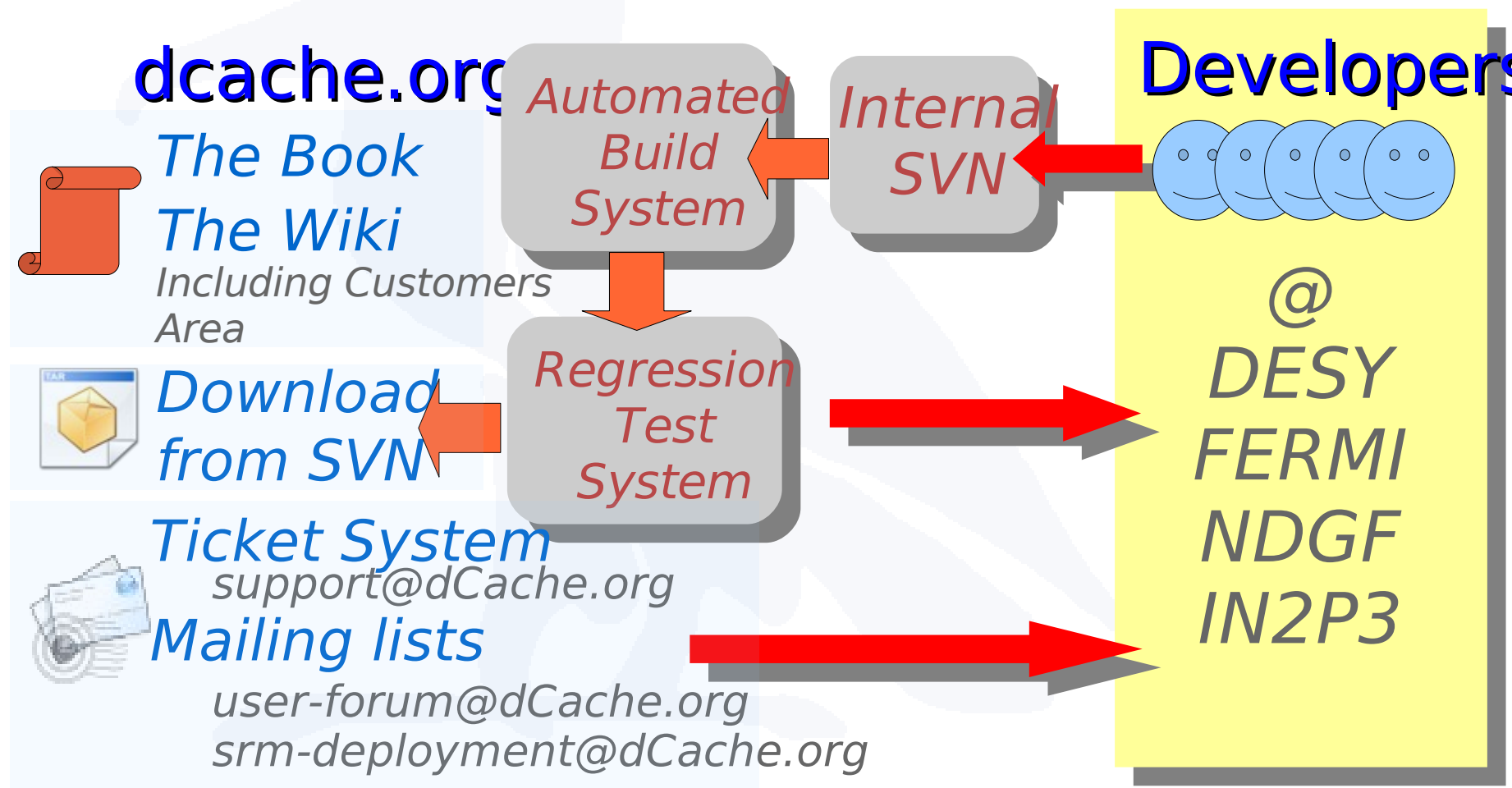


What is dCache.org ?

- dCache.ORG is the door into the dCache team
- dCache.ORG is an infrastructure

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**dCache.org is operated by DESY
and funded by EGEE and d-Grid**



dCache in use ...

dCache will hold the *largest share of LHC data* outside CERN.

There are *70 dCache* LCG Storage Elements installed in *22 countries*

dCache covers *9 Tier I's*.

There are *11 dCache* LCG Storage Elements installed in *Germany*

- *RWTH Aachen*
- *Uni Dortmund*
- *Freiburg*
- *Wuppertal*
- *LRZ Munich*
- *DESY HH & Zeuthen*



Which communities are using dCache

dCache is mainly a HEP Storage Element :

LHC, Hera(h1,zeus,hermes,herab), Tevatron(cdf,DZero), RHIC(bn

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- ➔ Local File Catalogs (LFC) integrated into the dCache name space engine.



Help and support

dCache.org provides support through support@dCache.org (ticket system) preferred for funding groups.

dCache.org frequently organizes generic *workshops* and *tutorials* specialized for groups or communities, e.g. :

- Generic (DESY) : June 2006
- NDGF : Mar 2007
- UK/gridPP : Nov 2007
- HGF Allianz : Jan 2008

dCache.org organizes weekly phone conferences with selected LCG Tier I's and with the CERN LCG storage support group.

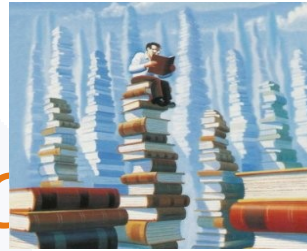
dCache.org offers phone conferences and meeting to advise and consult groups or communities on the possibility of adopting dCache.



Famous last words ...

Further reading

www.dCache.ORG



Support for funding group

support@dCache.ORG

Users help users

user-support@dCache.ORG

Wiki

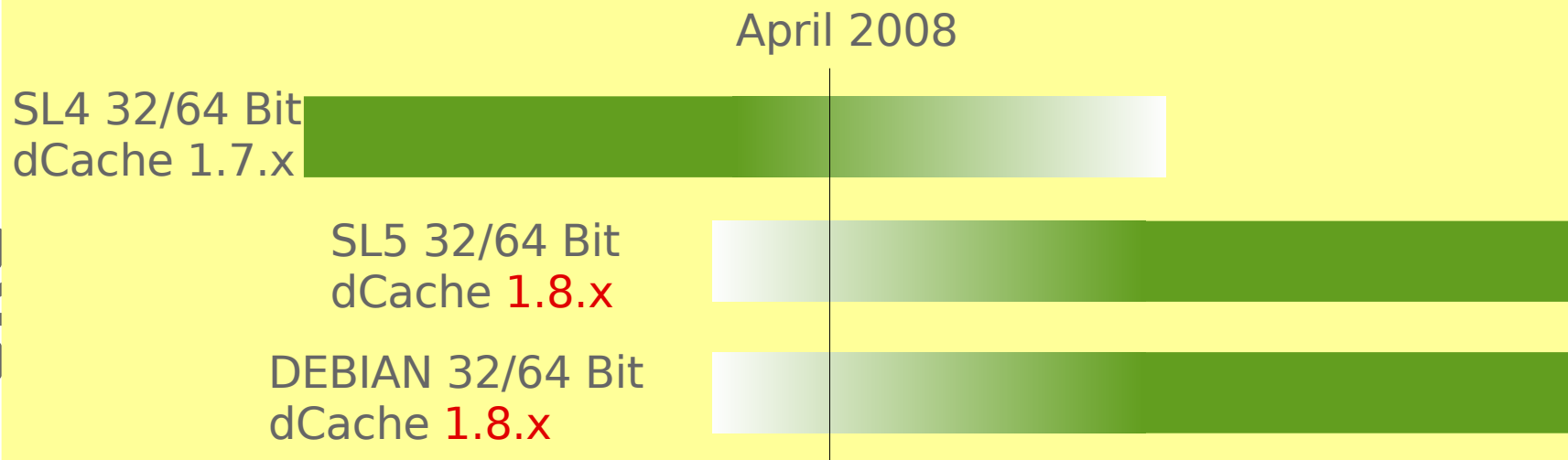
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Installation Road-map

- + dCache should be installed by YAIM for small to medium (standard) installations
- + dCache should be installed manually for large, highly customized installations.
- + The d-grid (dgi) reference installation is based on YAIM
- + Instructions are available at d-grid.org and further details at dCache.ORG.
- + dCache 1.8 is currently deployed at the LCG Tier I centers (manual installation).
- + dCache 1.8 with YAIM will become the reference installation within the coming months
- + Please refer to support at dCache dot org for further details and status.





Improvements in 1.8.x

➔ Cimera

- High performance file name space engine.
- True Database based. Allows for sophisticated queries.
- Java based : platform independed
- Optional in 1.8.x (conversion scripts from pnfs to chimera included)

➔ SRM 2.2

- Mandatory for LCG Tier I/II
- Enriched feature set
- Space Manager (including space types TxDx and Tokens)

➔ Support for FTP protocol II

- Allows direct pool to pool transfers between sites.

➔ Federated dCache support

- dCache instance can span sites.
- Nordic data grid : dCache spans 4 countries.
- Supports different Tape storage system at different sites.



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The integration of NFS4.1 and HTTP(S) makes dCache an industry standard and with that very attractive for non HEP communities.