

EGEE All Activities meeting March 17, 2004 CERN

JRA1 Execution Plan

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Objectives of the activity

- Provide robust, supportable middleware components
 - Select, re-engineer, integrate identified Grid Services
 - Evolve towards Services Oriented Architecture
 - Adopt emerging OGSI standards*
 - Multiple platforms
- Selection of Middleware based on requirements of
 - The applications (Bio & HEP)
 - In particular requirements are expected from LCG's ARDA & HepCALII
 - The Operations
 - E.g. deployment, updates, packaging, etc..
- Support and evolve of the middleware components
 - Evolution towards OGSI*
 - Define a re-engineering process
 - Address multiplatform, multiple implementations and interoperability issues
 - Define defect handling processes and responsibilities

^{*:} Now sort of obsolete given the WSRF announcement on January 20, 2004. The strategy is to use plain Web Services and review the situation towards the end of the year.



Partners

| | | Total Effort | Total Effort | 1st Year Effort |
|-----------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Location | Activity JRA1 | (FTE) | (PM) | (PM) |
| CERN | CERN | 32 | 768 | 384 |
| Italy | INFN | 16 | 384 | 192 |
| Italy | Datamat S.p.A. | 6 | 144 | 72 |
| Czech Republic | CESNET | 4 | 96 | 48 |
| United Kingdom | CCLRC | 8 | 192 | 120 |
| France | CNRS | 2 | 48 | 24 |
| USA | UChicago | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| USA | USC | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| USA | UW-Madison | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Total | 68 | 1632 | 840 |

Note: all partners are responsive, regular meetings take place

Note: Two extra resources for non-CERN testing

Issue: American involvement still being clarified

Issue: JRA3 (KTH/PDC, Uva UH.HIP, UIB Parallab) ought to be in JRA1,

close relationship is essential.



Key Individuals

| Key Individuals | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
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| Italy | Francesco Prelz | Massimo Sgaravatto | Stefano Beco | | | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | Steve Fisher | Robin Middleton | | | | | | | | |
| Other | Predrag Buncic | Miron Livny | | | | | | | | |
| Northern | Fredrik Hedman | David Groep | | | | | | | | |



Milestones and Deliverables for the first year

| Month | Deliverables & Milestones | Item | Lead Partner |
|-------|---------------------------------|--|--------------|
| M03 | MJRA1.1 | Tools for middleware engineering and integration deployed | CERN |
| M03 | DJRA1.1 | (Document) Architecture and Planning (Release 1) | CERN |
| M03 | MJRA1.2 | Software cluster development and testing infrastructure available | CERN |
| M05 | MJRA1.3 | Integration and testing infrastructure in place including test plans (Release 1) | CERN |
| M05 | DJRA1.2 | (Document) Design of grid services (Release 1) | CERN |
| M09 | MJRA1.4 | Software for the Release Candidate 1 | CERN |
| M10 | MJRA1.5 | Integrated Release Candidate 1 enters testing and validation period (Release 1) | CERN |
| M12 | DJRA1.3 | (Software) Software and associated documentation (Release 1) | CERN |



Work Breakdown Structure

- Main components:
 - Integration
 - Testing
 - Middleware Re-engineering
 - User Access Service
 - As described in the ARDA RTAG
 - Workload Management, CE
 - Data Management
 - Information Services
 - Authentication/Authorization
 - Accounting



Software Clusters' Initialization Tasks

| Task | Task Title | Artifact | M onth Start | M onth End | Effort CERN | Effort INFN | Effort Datama t | Effort CESNE T | Effort CCLRC | Effort CNRS | Effort Uchicag o | Effort USC | Effort UW- Madiso n | Total effort | Task explanation & comments |
|---------------|---|--|-----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|-----------------|---|
| | | | m | m | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TJRA1.1 | Initialisation tasks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TJRA1.1.1 | Define with other activities standards, tools, procedures, guides, methodologies (internal and cross-activity) | Procedures Catalogue | 1 | 3 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 2.0 | | | | | 8.0 | Related activities: JRA2 (Quality Assurance), SA1 (Operations) |
| TJRA1.1.1.1 | CERN dev cluster | | 1 | 3 | 2.0 | | | | | | | | | 2.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.1.2 | UK dev. Cluster | | 1 | 3 | | | | | 2.0 | | | | | 2.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.1.3 | Π/CZ dev. Cluster | | 1 | 3 | | 2.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | | | | | | 4.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.2 | Set up development testbed | Web page with description, instructions | 1 | 3 | 1.0 | 1.0 | | | 0.5 | | | | | 2.5 | |
| TJRA1.1.2.1 | CERN dev cluster | | 1 | 1 | 1.0 | | | | | | | | | 1.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.2.2 | UK dev. Cluster | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 0.5 | | | | | 0.5 | |
| TJRA1.1.2.3 | Π/CZ dev. Cluster | | 1 | 3 | | 1.0 | | | | | | | | 1.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.3 | Set up development infrastrucuture: build system, CVS, webpages, documentation layout | Web page with description, instructions and links to all the modules | 1 | 3 | 3.0 | 3.0 | | 1.0 | 2.0 | | | | | 9.0 | In collaboration with the integration group; CVS, autobuild are central services run by integration |
| TJRA1.1.3.1 | CERN dev cluster | | 1 | 3 | 3.0 | | | | | | | | | 3.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.3.2 | UK dev. Cluster | | 1 | 3 | | | | | 2.0 | | | | | 2.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.3.2 | Π/CZ dev. Cluster | | 1 | 3 | | 3.0 | | 1.0 | | | | | | 4.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.5 | Prepare and provide the initial training to newcomers (standards, tools, mw components) | Training | 1 | 12 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | | | | | 5.0 | In collaboration with NA3 (User Training and Induction) |
| TJRA1.1.5.1 | CERN dev cluster | | 1 | 12 | 1.0 | | | | | | | | | 1.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.5.2 | UK dev. Cluster | | 1 | 12 | | | | | 1.0 | | | | | 1.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.5.3 | IT/CZ dev. Cluster | | 1 | 12 | | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | | | | | | 3.0 | |
| Total initial | effort (PM) | | | | 7.0 | 7.0 | 2.0 | 3.0 | 5.5 | i | | | | 24.5 | |
| Total initial | effort (FTE) | | | | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.5 | | | | | 2.0 | |



Software Clusters' Recurrent Tasks

| Task | Task Title | Artifact | Start | M onth End | Effort CERN | Effort INFN | Effort Datama t | Effort CESNE T | Effort CCLRC | Effort CNRS | Effort Uchicag o | Effort USC | Effort UW- Madiso n | Total effort | Task explanation & comments |
|-------------|---|----------|-------|---------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| | | | m | m | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Recurrent tasks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TJRA1.2 | Administration and support of development testbed | | 1 | 12 | 3.0 | 6.0 | | 1.0 | 3.0 | | | | | 13.0 | |
| TJRA1.2.1 | CERN dev cluster | | 1 | 12 | 3.0 | | | | | | | | | 3.0 | |
| TJRA1.2.2 | UK dev. Cluster | | 1 | 12 | | | | | 3.0 | | | | | 3.0 | |
| TJRA1.2.3 | IT/CZ dev. Cluster | | 1 | 12 | | 6.0 | | 1.0 | | | | | | 7.0 | |
| TJRA1.3 | Contribution to cross-activity tasks (integration, quality, architecture, security) | | 1 | 12 | 10.0 | 6.0 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 9.5 | | | | | 32.5 | |
| TJRA1.4.1 | Integration activities | | 1 | 12 | 2.0 | 3.0 | | | 1.5 | | | | | 6.5 | |
| TJRA1.4.2 | Quality activities | | 1 | 12 | 2.0 | 3.0 | | 1.0 | 2.0 | | | | | 8.0 | |
| TJRA1.4.3 | Architecture | | 1 | 12 | 3.0 | | 3.0 | | 3.0 | | | | | 9.0 | |
| TJRA1.4.4 | Security | | 1 | 12 | 3.0 | | | 3.0 | 3.0 | | | | | 9.0 | |
| TJRA1.4 | Development | | 1 | 12 | 72.0 | 141.0 | 43.0 | 37.0 | 52.0 | | | | | 341.0 | Full Development cycle: design, implementation, testing, documentation |
| TJRA1.4.1 | CERN dev cluster | | 1 | 12 | 72.0 | | | | | | | | | 72.0 | |
| TJRA1.4.2 | UK dev. Cluster | | 1 | 12 | | | | | 48.0 | | | | | 48.0 | |
| TJRA1.4.3 | IT/CZ dev. Cluster | | 1 | 12 | | 141.0 | 43.0 | 37.0 | | | | | | 221.0 | |
| TJRA1.5 | Support | | 1 | 12 | 6.0 | 8.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 12.0 | | | | | 30.0 | Support to testing team, end-user support, maintenance (reduced, since no LCG-2 maintenance) |
| TJRA1.5.1 | CERN dev cluster | | 4 | 12 | 6.0 | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | |
| TJRA1.5.2 | UK dev. Cluster | | 1 | 12 | | | | | 12.0 | | | | | 12.0 | |
| TJRA1.5.3 | IT/CZ dev. Cluster | | 1 | 12 | | 8.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | | | | | | 12.0 | |
| TJRA1.6 | External interactions | | 1 | 12 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 5.0 | | | | | 15.0 | Standardization bodies, other projects, conferences |
| TJRA1.6.1 | CERN dev cluster | | 1 | 12 | 3.0 | | | | | | | | | 3.0 | |
| TJRA1.6.2 | UK dev. Cluster | | 1 | 12 | | | | | 5.0 | | | | | 5.0 | |
| TJRA1.6.3 | Π/CZ dev. Cluster | | 1 | 12 | | 3.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | | | | | | 7.0 | |
| TJRA1.7 | Task Management | | 1 | 12 | 30.0 | 27.0 | 11.0 | 4.0 | 21.0 | | | | | 93.0 | Subtasks: Deliverables, reports, project meetings |
| TJRA1.7.1 | Cluster Management | | 1 | 12 | 3.0 | 15.0 | 4.0 | | 5.0 | | | | | 27.0 | |
| TJRA1.7.2 | Deliverables | | 1 | 12 | 12.0 | 3.0 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 6.0 | | | | | 24.0 | |
| TJRA1.7.3 | Reports | | 1 | 12 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 2.0 | | | | | 11.0 | |
| TJRA1.7.4 | Project meetings | | 1 | 12 | 12.0 | 6.0 | 3.0 | 2.0 | 8.0 | | | | | 31.0 | |
| Total recur | rent effort (PM) | | | | 124.0 | 191.0 | 61.0 | 50.0 | 102.5 | | | | | 524.5 | |
| Total recur | rent effort (FTE) | | | | 10.3 | 15.9 | 5.1 | 4.2 | 8.5 | | | | | 43.7 | |



Integration Tasks

| Task | Task Title | Artifact | Month Start | Month End | Effort CERN | Effort INFN | Effort Datamat | Effort CESNET | Effort CCLRC | Effort CNRS | Effort Uchicago | Effort USC | Effort UW- Madison | Total effort | Task explanation & comments |
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| | | | m | m | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TJRA1.1 | Initialisation tasks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TJRA1.1.1 | Define with other activities standards, tools, procedures, guides, methodologies | Procedures Catalogue | 1 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | 1.5 | Related activities: JRA2 (Quality Assurance), SA1 (Operations) |
| TJRA1.1.2 | Select and deploy software management tools for mw integration | Web page with description, instructions and links to all the tools | 1 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | 3.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.3 | Deploy integration infrastructure: automatic build system, automatic installation and configuration system, bug tracking tool | (MJRA1.3) | 1 | 5 | | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.4 | Prepare and provide the initial training to newcomers (standards, tools, mw components) | Training | 1 | 5 | | | | | | | | | | 3.0 | In collaboration with NA3 (User Training and Induction) |
| Total initial | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 13.5 | |
| Total initial | effort (FTE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2.7 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Recurrent tasks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TJRA1.2 | Administration and support of integration distributed testbeds (including external sites) | | 3 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | 9.0 | |
| TJRA1.3 | Software configuration and version control | | 3 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | source and version control scheme |
| TJRA1.4 | Build management | | 3 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | 9.0 | automated continuous, nightlyand weekly builds |
| TJRA1.5 | Baseline and release management | | 3 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | 9.0 | |
| TJRA1.6 | Deployment and installation management | | 3 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | 12.0 | Integration of baselines and releases into final product, installation and configuration handling |
| TJRA1.7 | Configuration change control | | 3 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | |
| TJRA1.8 | Configuration and process auditing | | 3 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | |
| TJRA1.9 | Software defect tracking and troubleshooting | | 3 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | 18.0 | |
| TJRA1.10 | Write release documentation: user and programmers guides, release notes | | 3 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | |
| TJRA1.11 | Prepare external release to be delivered to SA1 (documentation, code, user and programmers guides, release notes, manual installation) | | 3 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | External release = candidate release to be given to Operations (SA1) |
| TJRA1.12 | Tool support | | 3 | 12 | | | | | | 9.0 | | | | 9.0 | İ |
| TJRA1.13 | Task Management | | 1 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | ent effort (PM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 102.0 | |
| Total recurre | ent effort (FTE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 11.3 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | |
| Total effort (| . , | | | | | | | | | | | | | 115.5 | |
| Total effort (| (FIE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 14.0 | |

TA allocated effort

9 FTE integration+0.5 FTE integration and testing manager + 1



Testing Tasks

| Task | Task Title | Artifact | Month Start | Month End | Effort CERN | Effort INFN | Effort Datamat | Effort CESNET | Effort CCLRC | Effort CNRS | Effort Uchicago | Effort USC | Effort UW Madison | Effort NIKHEF | Total effort | Task explanation & comments |
|----------------|--|---|----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------|-----------------|--|
| | | | m | m | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | pm | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TJRA1.1 | Initialisation tasks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TJRA1.1.1 | Define with other activities standards, tools, procedures, guides, methodologies | Documentation | 1 | 3 | 3.0 | | | | | | | | | | 3.0 | Related activities: JRA2 (Quality Assurance), SA1 (Operations) |
| TJRA1.1.2 | Select and deploy software management tools for mw testing | Web page with description, instructions and links to all the tools | 1 | 3 | 3.0 | | | | | | | | | | 3.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.3 | Put in place testing distributed testbeds (including external sites) | | 1 | 3 | 4.0 | | | | | | | | | | 4.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.4 | Prepare and provide the initial training to newcomers (standards, tools, mw components) | Training | 1 | 3 | 6.0 | | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | In collaboration with NA3 (User Training and Induction) |
| TJRA1.1.5 | Deploy distributed testing infrastructure: automated testing framework | | 1 | 5 | 1.0 | | | | | | | | | | 1.0 | |
| TJRA1.1.6 | Define test strategy and test plan | | 1 | 5 | 12.0 | | | | | | | | | | 12.0 | |
| Total initial | effort (PM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 29.0 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Recurrent tasks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TJRA1.2 | Administration and support of testing distributed testbeds (including external sites) | | 4 | 12 | 3.0 | | | | 3.0 | | | | | 3.0 | 9.0 | |
| TJRA1.3 | Update test plan, strategy and test case definitions | | 4 | 12 | 13.5 | | | | | | | | | | 13.5 | Includes also requirement management |
| TJRA1.4 | Testing of external software | | 4 | 12 | 6.0 | | | | | | | | | | 6.0 | Just integration of the external sw (e.g. Globus, Condor) with the rest of the sw into the release baseline. |
| TJRA1.5 | Internal release testing and validation (implementation, execution and analysis) of test cases | | 4 | 12 | 9.0 | | | | 6.0 | | | | | 6.0 | 21.0 | Continous testing of every (internal) release produced by the integration team. |
| TJRA1.11 | Prepare external release to be delivered to SA1 (documentation, code, user and programmers guides, release notes, manual installation) | | 4 | 12 | 3.0 | | | | | | | | | | 3.0 | External release = candidate release to be given to Operations (SA1) |
| TJRA1.8 | Tool support | | 4 | 12 | | | | | | 9.0 | | | 1 | | 9.0 | |
| TJRA1.9 | Task Management | | 1 | 12 | 6.0 | | | | | | | | 1 | | 6.0 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total recurre | ent effort (PM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 67.5 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total effort (| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 96.5 | |
| Total effort (| (FTE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 8.0 | |

TA allocated effort

7 FTE testing + 1 FTE tool support + 0.5 FTE integration and testing manager

8.5



Effort Summary*

Implementation

| | Effort CERN | Effort INFN | Effort Datamat | Effort CESNET | Effort CCLRC | Total effort |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Total effort (PM) | 131 | 198 | 63 | 53 | 108 | 553 |
| Total effort (FTE) | 10.9 | 16.5 | 5.3 | 4.4 | 9.0 | 46.1 |
| TA allocated effort | 10 | 12 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 40 |
| Effective FTEs available to | 7 | 16 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 42 |

Integration

| | Effort CERN | Effort CNRS | | Total effort |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|--|--------------|
| Total effort (PM) | 106.5 | 9 | | 115.5 |
| Total effort (FTE) | 13 | 1 | | 14 |
| TA allocated effort | 9.5 | 1 | | 10.5 |

Testing

| | Effort CERN | Effort CNRS | | Total effort |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|--|--------------|
| Total effort (PM) | 87.5 | 9 | | 96.5 |
| Total effort (FTE) | 7 | 1 | | 8 |
| TA allocated effort | 7.5 | 1 | | 8.5 |

*Note: numbers need to be finalized



WBS – Other Components

- A few more components need to be worked at, such as:
 - Access Services
 - Authentication/Authorization (JRA3)
 - Common Services
 - Messaging
 - Error Handling
 - Logging
 - WS Containers
 - Some of these components do not have a clear mapping in the software cluster organization



Resources indicators

EGEE Confidential

Middleware Resources Summary

| Partner | FTE ¹ | MM | Assigned ² | To Hire ² | FTE from TA ² | Deviation |
|--------------|------------------|-------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| CERN | 32.2 | 386.4 | 32.2 | 0.0 | 32 | 100% |
| RAL (CCLRC) | 9.0 | 108 | 8 | 1.0 | 8 | 89% |
| INFN | 16.5 | 198 | 14.5 | 2.0 | 16 | 88% |
| DATAMAT | 5.3 | 63 | 4 | 1.3 | 6 | 76% |
| CESNET | 4.4 | 52.8 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 4 | 100% |
| CNRS | 2.0 | 24 | 1 | ? | 2 | 50% |
| Total effort | 69.4 | 832.2 | 64.1 | 4.3 | 68 | 92% |

| Resource Plan indicator | |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Hired or assignated up now | 64.1 |
| Total FTE from TA | 68.0 |
| Recruitment indicator | 94.3% |
| Still to hire | 3.9 |

- 1: People planned & assigned to work
- 2: Head count



Risk Analysis

- Not being able to employ people by day 1
 - This is already happening NA1, SA1 and JRA1people decline offers, causing extra selection boards to take place and people only able to start on May1st, 2004.
- Losing personnel in a two year project (6 months before)
- Tools: need to identify the CNRS contributed persons now
 - Milestone at PM3
- LCG/EGEE divergence
 - ARDA, Timescales, scope
- Architecture Team
 - Relation with ARDA Middleware team
- JRA1 not involved directly in LCG-2 support
 - New developers risk to develop code difficult to support and maintain
 - LCG relations/communications are very important
- Not getting clear requirements early enough
 - E.g. from Operations (SA1) or Other Sciences (NA4)
 - Platform requirements
 - Conflicting requirements
- New releases do not get used/tested enough by (SA1/NA4)
- Quality of 3rd party software
 - E.g. Axis, Tomcat, GTx
- Failure to deliver quality software acceptable to LCG or Applications
- Failure to comply to project quality guidelines required for higher quality software
 - This may have implications on people habits



Issues related to other activities

- Security JRA3
 - Development must be part of JRA1 structure
 - Security is not an orthogonal activity
- Same for JRA4
- Interaction with SA1
 - Support
 - Requirements and acceptance criteria gathering
 - Definition of responsibilities
 - Testing
 - Support
 - Packaging/Configuration/Distribution Mechanisms
- JRA2 documents (standards, templates) need to be available early
 - And relevant to the complexity of the activity



Training requirements

- Project Introduction
 - For newcomers
 - Can something be in place for April 1st, 2004?
- Internal Procedures
 - Needs to be organized by JRA1 itself
- Web Services
 - Essentially for newcomers



Progress on actions defined in January 2004

- Current Software organize continued support for software currently deployed on LCG service by identifying the groups responsible for each module.
 - Discussed with SA1 and support clarified. Document has been prepared and has been circulated.
- Establish composition of engineering management board and architecture group
 - Architecture group being established within the ARDA context
- Assess the suitability of the GT3 as a OGSI implementation taking into account the list of selection criteria previously established.
 - Not relevant anymore. Strategy is to go for Web Services and re-assess the situation towards year-end
- Clarify plans for the suggested "pilot project" to investigate an OGSI based prototype grid Middleware suite
 - Plans being prepared. OGSI not relevant anymore, replace by Web Services.



Progress on actions defined in January 2004 (Cont.)

- Software Clusters (CERN, Italy, NEG, UK) to clarify plans for their development, integration and testing testbeds in terms of scale, sites and support.
 - Infrastructure for development, integration, and testing almost finalized.
 - Most clusters will take-over existing EDG infrastructure for development.
 - CERN, NIKHEF and RAL will be the main testing sites.
- Deployment: understand what tools and mechanisms will be used for software packaging and distribution
 - Depends on SA1 requirements; being discussed with SA1. Document has been produced; initial comments received; will be published soon.
- Clarify the relationship with fabric management software and what is expected from it compared to grid Middleware.
 - Discussions with SA1 ongoing
- Other progress
 - Many people hired
 - Resource plan established
 - Software Configuration & Management plan prepared; further discussions scheduled.
 - Test plan under preparation
 - Execution plan being finalized



High priority steps between now and Cork

- Define structure of the Architecture team and relationship with ARDA
- Define structure of the Quality Group(s) project and middleware
- Define structure of the Security Group
- Alignment of ARDA and EGEE timelines (e.g. testing/integration)
- Identification of tools/components/platform/Web services, etc...
- Complete execution plan