CMS thoughts on future of GAG

❖ GAG has been very useful, we have learnt a lot there

❖ Was setup as standing RTAG to provide GRID MW developers with a consistent set of requirements and to provide a common HEP layer/API

❖ Now we have LCG1/2 "working"
  ◆ Grid services and applications using GRID
  ◆ Need to evaluate the results

❖ And ARDA is being started, also probably with some role in requirement setting/monitoring

❖ General feeling that we need some action now rather than talk and documents

CMS proposal

❖ Propose "suspend" GAG now awaiting concrete evaluations of delivered services in the 'real-world'.

❖ What do we need now?

  ◆ An Architecture requirement group for ARDA?
    ▪ Defining interfaces between GRI and Apps layer?
  ◆ Do we need a Grid Architects Forum in analogy to Application Area
  ◆ We think we DO need a much stronger connection between GDA and Experiment deployment/testing teams
    ▪ (We encourage the weekly GDA meetings to include 'direct' experiment representatives for information and feedback and help in planning)

❖ In any case composition and mandate of the GAG must be seriously reviewed

  ◆ Overall, we favor a time-out for the GAG while we assess deployments