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Important news

- v2-12 does not keep backward compatibility.
 - After the update of the central services, all the sites will have to install the new version
- ♦ At the moment, it is being tested by another V.O. (PANDA workshop in Groningen)
 - Still some updates have to be done
- ♦ It will not be deployed for ALICE for at least the next two weeks
 - Keep the production running
 - Conference in Romania
- ♦ At the moment, some sites are running hybrid mode
 - Tier1 are using v2-11 with some v2-12 patches
- You can check the status in http://alien.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AliEn/Development



Backward incompatible

- New version of perl: 5.8.8
 - It uses a new method of Storable
- New authentication method:
 - SASL libraries
- New Banking System



Banking System

- Developed by Artem Harutyunyan & Arsen Hayrapetyan
- Want to executed a job? Pay for it!
 - Users pay for utilizing Grid resources
- Want to earn money? Provide resources!
 - Sites earn money by providing resources
- ♦ (Not real money, 'virtual money' ②)
- Presented during TaskForce Meeting

http://indico.cern.ch/materialDisplay.py?contribId=2&materialId=slides&confId=a06371



Improved reliability

- New version of mysql and DBD::mysql
- New version of xrootd
- Improved the FTD
 - Better error handling for FTS
 - Decrease FTD communication
 - Deployed already in Tier 1



Storage classes

- Quality of Services for SE
 - Custodial
 - Replica
- Expiration time for files in replica SE
- Automatic deletion of files from SE
- More details:

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Still left to do...

- Tasks still to do:
 - Make the PackMan delete automatiacally olf software packages
- ♦ Tasks for v2-13
 - Quotas
 - Improve the monitoring of Queue JobAgents



Conclusion

- AliEn v2-12 is being tested at the moment
 - Still some fixes and patches have to be done
- It will not be deployed for at least 2 weeks
- ♦ V2-12 is backward incompatible
- More info

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