

European Middleware Initiative (EMI)
Standardization and Interoperability Updates

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Primary Objectives









Consolidate

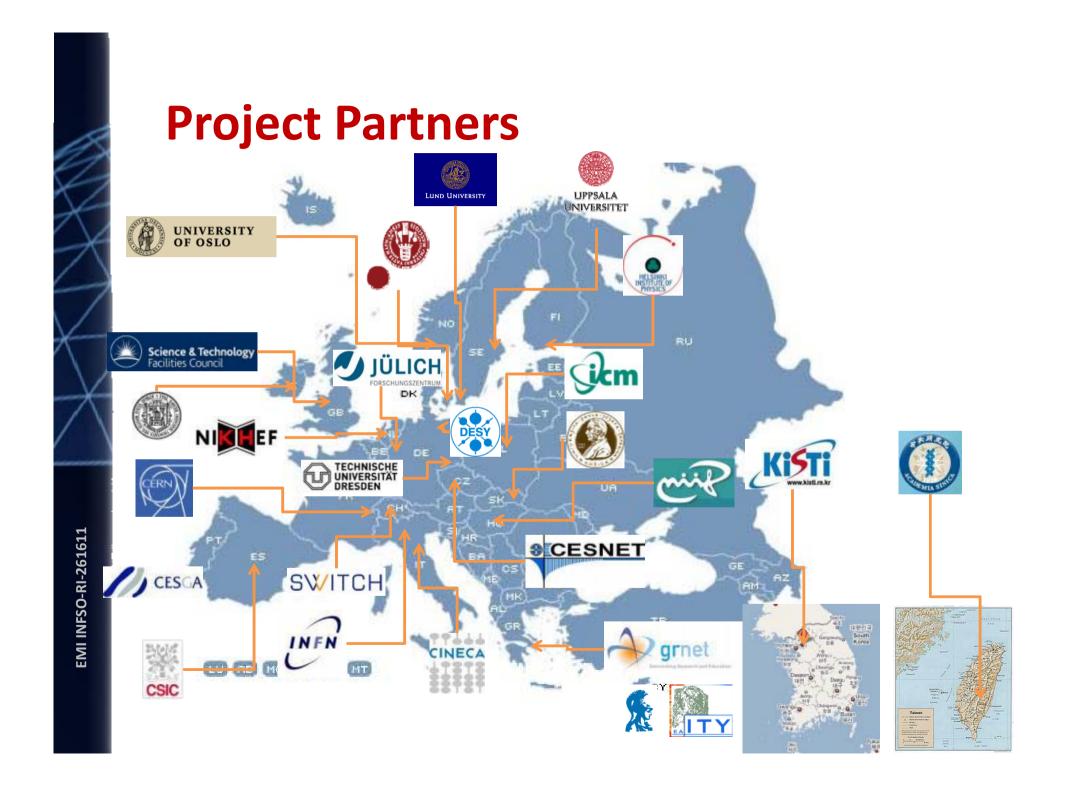
Consolidate the existing middleware distribution **simplifying services** and components to make them more **sustainable** (including use of off-the-shelf and commercial components whenever possible)

Evolve

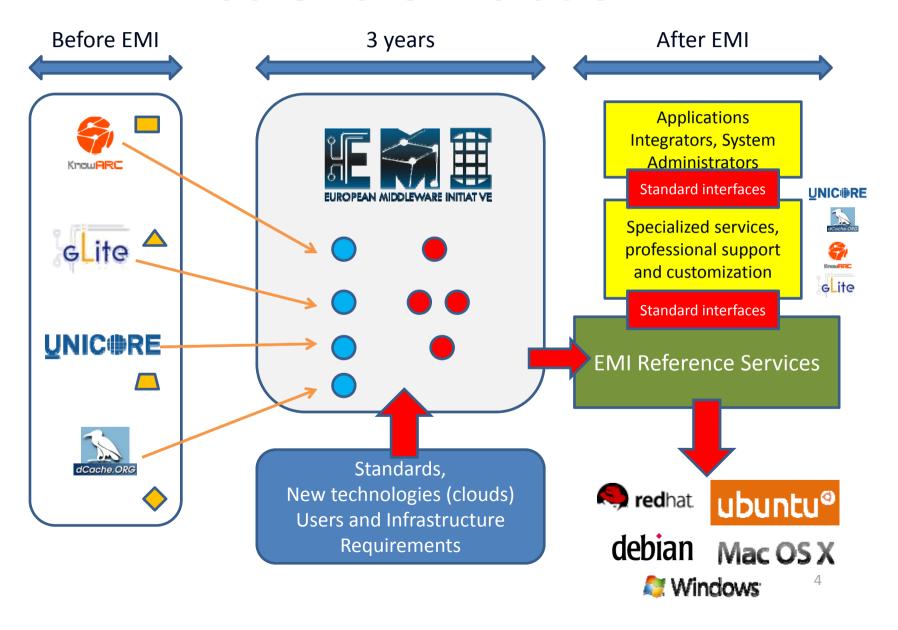
Evolve the middleware services/functionality following the requirements of infrastructures and users, mainly focusing on operational, standardization and interoperability aspects

Support

Reactively and proactively **maintain** the middleware distribution to keep it in line with the growing infrastructure usage



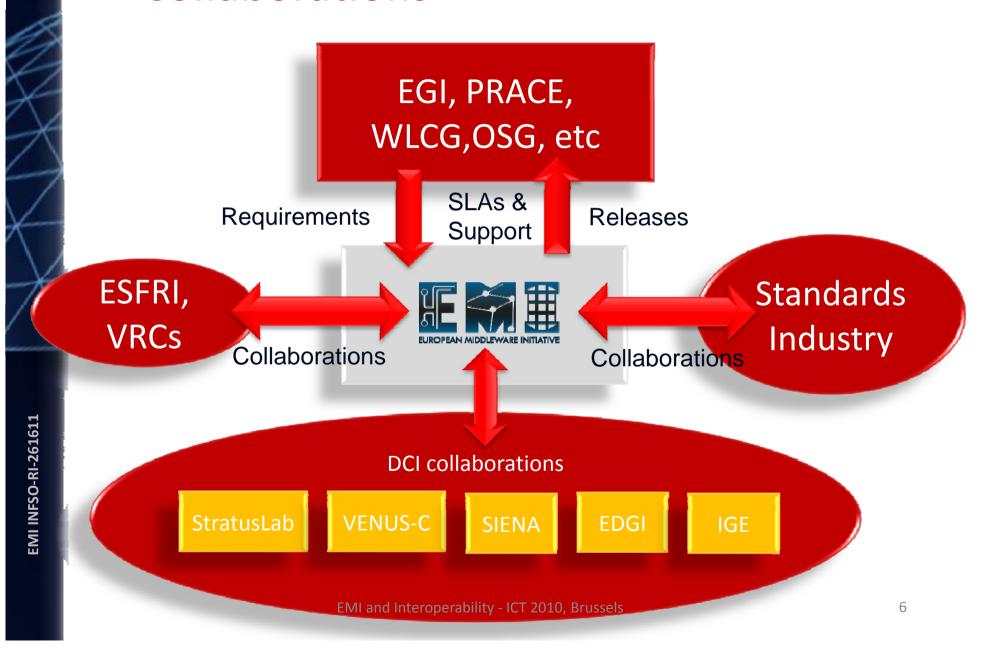
EMI Middleware Evolution



Types of Interoperability

- EMI works on three interoperability scenarios
 - Interoperability between different implementations of the same services or functionality
 - Using Standards
 - Interoperability among HTC and HPC resources/technologies
 - Policies, technology and approach-awareness (i.e. Brokering)
 - Interoperability with emerging technologies
 - Collaboration with other DCIs: StratusLab, VENUS-C, EDGI, IGE

Collaborations



Community Vs. De Facto Standards

- In the EMI plan all services must:
 - Implement the 'best' relevant standards
 - Implement them in the same way
- 'Best' means:
 - A 'community' standard, if it is useful, usable or can be realistically improved
 - A 'de facto' standard, if no community standard exists or what exists is clearly not usable
- The adoption of good de facto standards is not an alternative to widely agreed community standards, but rather a first practical step in the standardization roadmap to provide feedback and create awareness

Standardization Activities (1)

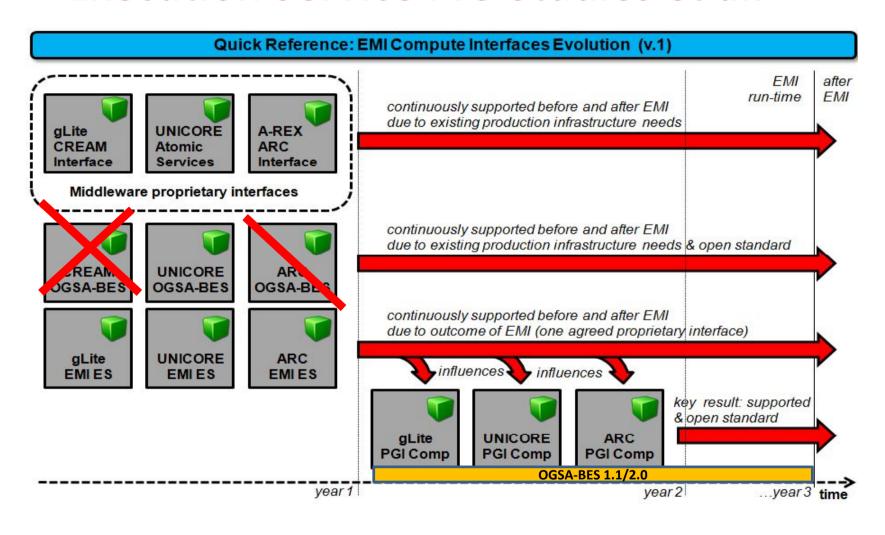
- Actively take part in the European standardization roadmap coordinated by the European Commission and SIENA

 David Wallom Presentation later
- Actively take part in SDOs → OGF & OASIS (& IETF)
 - Consumer:
 - Feedback, recommendations, lessons learned from the adoption of community standards
 - Contributor:
 - Skills and expertise
 - Feedback and recommendations from the adoption of 'good de facto standards'
 - Early adopter:
 - Feedback on the adoption of early standard versions

Standardization Activities (2)

- Open Grid Forum (OGF)
 - Production Grid Infrastructure (PGI) Working Group
 - Grid Interoperation Now (GIN) Community Group
 - Usage Record (UR) Working Group
 - Grid Storage Management (GRM) Working Group
 - Job Submission and Description Language (JSDL) WG
 - Simple API for Grid Applications (SAGA) WG
- Organization for the Advancement of Structured Information Standards (OASIS)
 - Security Assertion Markup Language (SAML)
 - Extensible Access Control Markup Language (XACML)

Execution Service Pre-Studies et al.



Adoption Overview (1)

Component	GSI	HTTP(S)	GridF TP	REST	OGSA- BES	JSDL	SRM	GLUE2	PGI
All WS-based Services in EMI		X							
All data transfer clients			Х						
All client tools dealing with data							X		
All EMI self- describing services								X	X
All compute services within EMI									X
ARC components									
UNICORE components									

Adoption Overview (2)

Component	GSI	HTTP(S)	GridF TP	REST	OGSA- BES	JSDL	SRM	GLUE2	PGI
dCache	X		X						
StoRM	X	X	X						
VOMS	X			X					
GridFTP Server	X								
ARC Classic CE	X		X						
UNICORE-BES	n ,	***************************************			X	X		······	
UNICORE-Atomic Services Compute						x			
CREAM					X	X			
A-REX					X	X			
ARGUS									
APEL									

Adoption Overview (3)

Component	LDAP	XACML	SAML	OGSA-RUS	NFS	WEBDAV
All WS-based Services in EMI						
All data transfer clients						
All client tools dealing with data						
All EMI self- describing services						
All compute services within EMI						
ARC components	X	X	X			
UNICORE components		X	X			

Adoption Overview (4)

Component	LDAP	XACML	SAML	OGSA-RUS	NFS	WEBDAV
dCache					X	X
StoRM					X	X
VOMS						
GridFTP Server						
ARC Classic CE						
UNICORE-BES						
UNICORE-Atomic Services						
Compute						
CREAM						
A-REX						
ARGUS		X	X			
APEL				X		



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