Minutes from WG Call 24-Nov-08

Performance WG Call, 24-Nov-08

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Action Items

[AI] Ken will send another email asking folks to take a Doodle poll on when to schedule a BCP Task Force call.

[AI] Carla will create a poll to help determine if the Performance WG should meet at Winter 2009 Joint Techs in College Station, Texas.

[AI] Carla will plan to implement more midterm communication between WG calls and Emily will email out the call reminders further in advance.

BCP Task Force

[AI] Ken will send another email asking folks to take a Doodle poll on when to schedule a Campus and RONs Requirements /Best Practices (BCP) Task Force call.

https://spaces.at.internet2.edu/display/PerformanceWG/BCP+-+Task+Force

Response was underwhelming to Ken's 2-Nov08 email asking people to take the Doodle poll, perhaps partly because Ken left the country for two weeks immediately thereafter and so was not able to remind people. The Doodle poll is at: http://www.doodle.com/participation.html?pollId=fyftq8dzt7h9tba3

Thanks to those who have already volunteered to help on the BCP Task Force, which will develop a document to guide and assist the deployment of perfSONAR on regional networks (RONs) and campus networks. The document will address the rationale for deploying perfSONAR, what measurements and what data are most useful, the tools for making those measurements, and how the tools and data will be used. Secondary issues will include how the software is packaged and configuration management. Additional volunteers are needed!

Planning for Winter 2009 Joint Techs 2009 in College Station, Feb 1-5

Carla noted she is happy to set up a meeting for the Performance WG at Winter Joint Techs 2009, but she might not be in attendance. Ken will not be in attendance.

[AI] Carla will create a poll to help get input on whether the Performance WG should meet at Winter 2009 Joint Techs in College Station, Texas.

Super Computing Conference in Austin

Jason and Matt reported that the Super Computing in Austin, Texas Nov. 15-21 went well.

http://sc08.supercomputing.org/

https://scinet.supercomp.org/

From a measurement point of view, Internet2 got to demonstrate more tools than in past. Many people came by the booth.

Communication

It was suggested that, if Performance WG calls are only once per month, some mid-term communication would help people stay involved.

[Al] Carla will plan to implement more midterm communication between Performance WG calls and Emily will email out the call reminders further in advance.

Frequency of WG Calls

Carla asked if it makes sense to have Performance WG calls twice a month -- rather than once a month -- to build more consistency and momentum. There was no final decision on this. However, it was decided to move the next call to the 3rd Monday of December (instead of the 4th).

Next Call: Dec 15 at Noon ET.