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Welcome to Zeuthen,
to the 6th dCache workshop.

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Reasons for coming to the workshop

- ## The presentations (of course), but
  - Most people registered before the agenda was out.
  - So all of you understand the main reason for such a workshop, which are:

- ## Meet the dCache team.
  - They are all (-1) here.

- ## Talk to each other.
  - Especially new sites should get in contact with established sites.
  - Representatives of all Tier I's and most of the Tier II's are present.
  - Talk to me or someone from the team, if you would like to get in touch with experience dCache sys-admins.

Funding/ People

- dCache FERMI lab provided a new collaborator: Al (in addition to Dmitry)
- Gerd (NDGF) is back after a 3 month break.
  - Seems he missed the late hours and the weekend work.
- DESY: Team is rather stable for the upcoming years.
  - New large German project (LSDMA) will replace EMI funding after EMI ends May 2013.

Collaborations

- ## Why collaborations
  - Puts dCache on a more stable ground, with obvious advantages for our users.
  - Sustainability based on critical mass.

- ## dCache historically is based on collaborations. DESY, Fermilab and later NDGF.

Collaborations

- ## German support
  - German dCache sites, mutual support
  - Organization of dCache workshop's
  - dCache tutorials during GridKa schools (and yesterday)

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  - Consequence : real open source license, AGPL

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- ## CERN Data management
  - As dCache covers 50% and DPM about 35% of the WLCG storage, we have common goals, e.g.
    - providing standard interfaces to storage (NFS 4.1 and http/WebDAV). This goal only makes sense if available for the majority of Storage Elements.
    - Guarantee interoperability

- ## HTW Berlin (University)
  - Hermann (Prof.) and Daniel (Student)
  - Daniel went to CERN for some weeks (as dCache) and worked with CERN DM on a HTTP federation.
  - Small presentation later today.

Development work

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- HTTP federation (See Daniels presentation)
- 3 Tier storage (Better usage of SSD tech)
  - Report by Dmitry O. at CHEP
- Support of 'cluster file systems'. (GPFS, HAPOOP). Big change in 'pool' concept. Tigran not yet convinced.
- Cloud storage. Starting with WebDAV, looking into CDMI (Still)

Agenda

- gPlazma because we want you to migrate to gPlamza2 soon.

- NFS 4.1/ pNFS because we want you provide your customers with a mountable file system a.s.a.p.

- Operations support
  - File systems and postgres

- But as well:
  - Contributions from sites and organizations
  - And for the first time: dCache Master Class

Thanks to all the speakers and the local Zeuthen organizers

Enjoy