6th EUGRIDPMA meeting, Vienna, January 2006: Friday AM session
Minutes by Ian Neilson

Discuss signing policy & namespace – David Groep

David G gives background example SwissSign hierarchy. Globus signing policy language too complex (=expressive hard to implement). MW developers want simpler format. Exists in vuln db for LCG. Discussion as to whether it was authn or authz layer issue and language expression (XACML,…).

Proposal – single file possible at root level. Chain up by hashing issuer. Use slash separator and option to use hash. DENY overrides.

Milan – suggest not to use slash format – use comma standard better.

Legacy globus parts requiring old format may persist for some years (gridftp). Possibility to hook into authz callouts to implement new nameconstraints.

Possibly to express policy OID – implemented in authz callouts.

Other suggestions to list & CAOPS.

CRL service status monitoring – Jan Jona Javorsek

Suggest deployment of additional monitors by ?PMA

Frequency checking discussion – 15mins too short? Not time for operator to respond. There is possibility for downtime scheduling. Add mail notification to EUPMA notifications list.

Discussion of where warnings and downtime should go.

Persistent failure escalation – email, sms(option), then half a day to open notification.

Time coverage for responding still best effort.

AOB

BobC - Profile for email signing CAs. Way for importing into caches and some profiles not valid for signing. e.g. incident response.

TACAR should be used for this. Some history of problems with Mozilla importing. This repository contains more than just IGTF certs. Maybe should be flagged in repository as source PMA. TACAR not seen as end-user service.

Also problem with tacar host cert needs to be sorted out.

Need requirement on TACAR for selecting bundles of certificates.

Should we use signed email internally within PMA – YES.

Experimental CAs can be deposited in 'worthless' repository tree.

TACAR is incomplete. DavidG will take distribution from TACAR in the future. Members should be registered and up to date – is recommended in Min Req.

Proposal to harmonise through the group to act as RA for TACAR. Look at TACAR policy and propose changes to TFC2. – Christos

Query about USB switching – network control of switch. Problems with signing since key needs to be unlocked. Automated signing not acceptable.

Jens – testing extensions to be taken to the list.

Meeting closed with thanks to organizer at 11:55.