

Latest updates on the WLCG Token Transition Planning

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Token Transition



- Recall we are in the middle of three (related) transitions.
 - Moving the bulk data protocol from GridFTP to HTTP-TPC.
 - Retiring the (former) Globus Toolkit from our software stack.
 - Moving from GSI authorization to tokens.
- The above is the approximate order too!
 - ATLAS is at 1/3 traffic over HTTP-TPC and 1/2 sites preferring HTTP-TPC.
 - The Toolkit retirement should happen next year.
 - Given the number of interlocking pieces, GSI-to-tokens will finish ~2024.



Toolkit Retirement != GSI Retirement

Examples:

XRootD has its own GSI implementation – we will use it for years.

HTCondor's SSL implementation can support client X.509 authentication (but *not* GSI proxies).

I expect some VOs will internally use GSI for much longer!



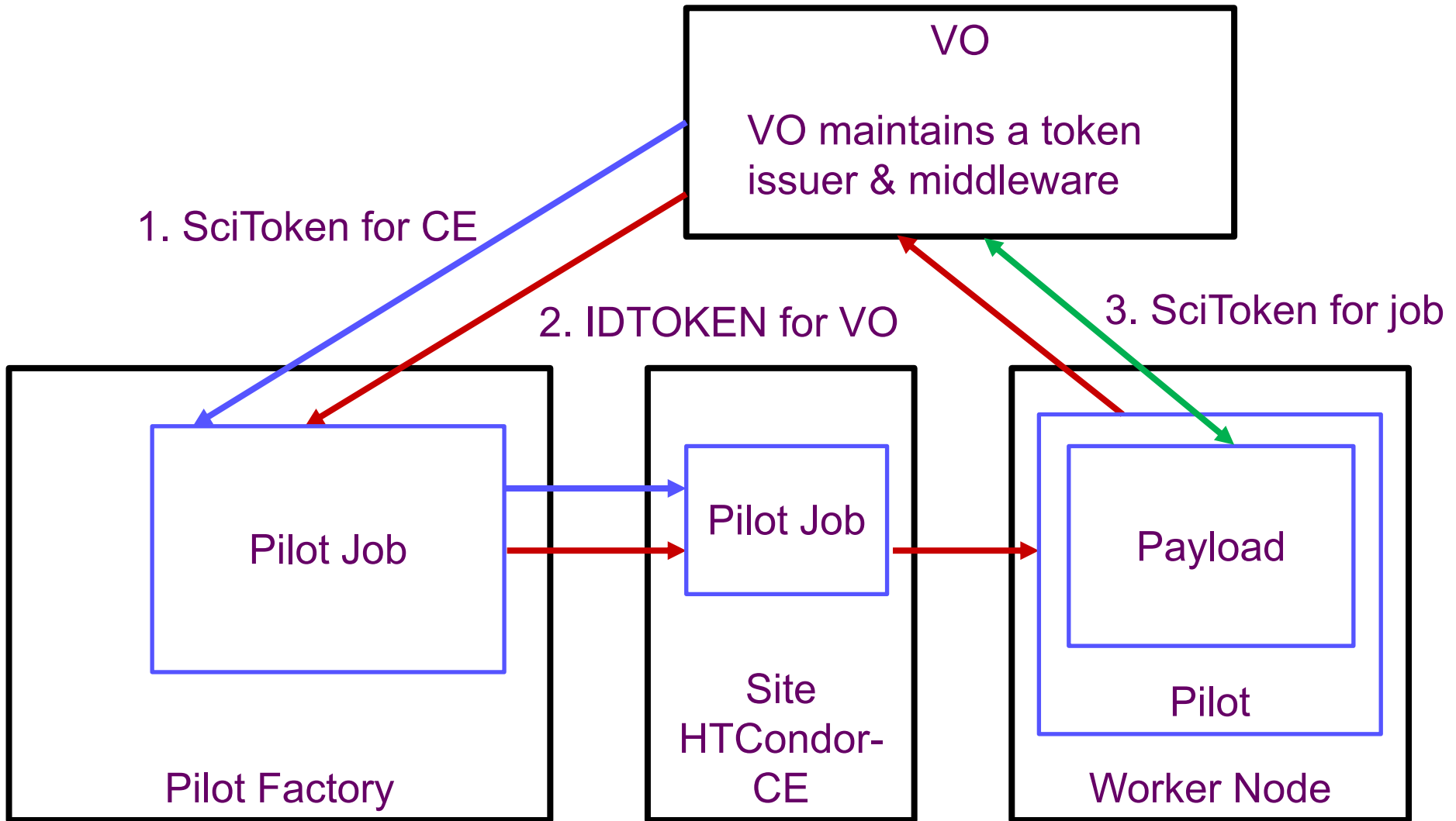
OSG 3.6 Compatibility



- Tuesday I had a talk that went through the interoperability scenarios. Summary:
 - OSG 3.6 has no supported GridFTP implementation. Data transfers need to move to GridFTP before OSG 3.5 EOL.
 - OSG 3.6 *does* have GSI/VOMS support for HTTP-TPC transfers via XRootD.
 - OSG 3.5 supports both token- and GSI-based pilot submissions to the HTCondor-CE.
 - OSG 3.6 *only* supports token-based submission.
 - More work to do on the pilot side currently!



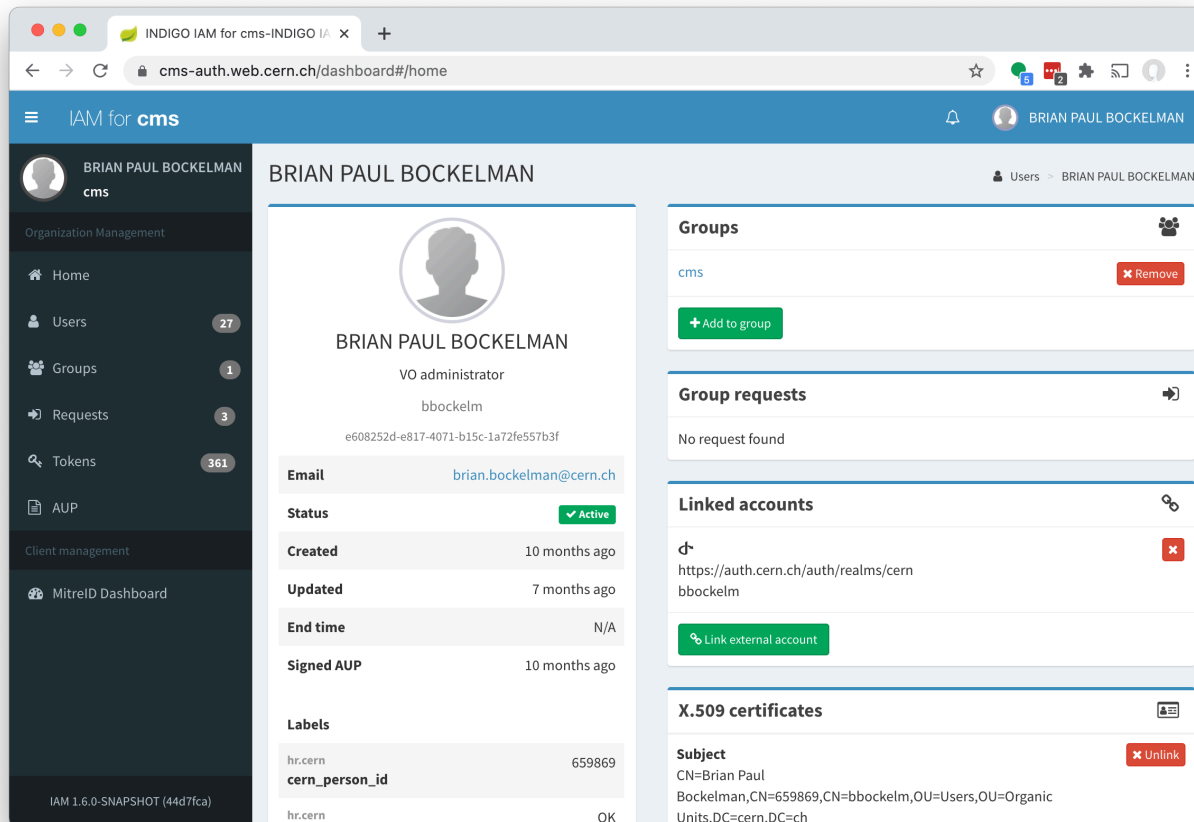
Example Token Workflows



Token Issuer - IAM



- WLCG has selected the IAM software to do the identity and authorization management currently performed by VOMS-Admin.
 - Working to auto-sync from VOMS-Admin; right now, independent.
 - IAM serves as a VOMS server (voms-proxy-init works!) but also issues tokens.
 - Token issuer works well to integrate both webpages and command line flows.



The screenshot shows the 'INDIGO IAM for cms-INDIGO' web interface. The user is logged in as 'BRIAN PAUL BOCKELMAN'. The interface displays the user's profile, including their name, role as 'VO administrator', email 'brian.bockelman@cern.ch', and status 'Active'. It also shows a list of groups (currently 'cms'), group requests (none found), linked accounts (one account linked), and X.509 certificates (one certificate listed).

User Profile:

- Name:** BRIAN PAUL BOCKELMAN
- Role:** VO administrator
- Email:** brian.bockelman@cern.ch
- Status:** Active
- Created:** 10 months ago
- Updated:** 7 months ago
- End time:** N/A
- Signed AUP:** 10 months ago
- Labels:** hr.cern, cern_person_id, hr.cern

Groups:

- cms (Remove)
- + Add to group

Group requests:

- No request found

Linked accounts:

- https://auth.cern.ch/auth/realms/cern/bbockelm (Link external account)

X.509 certificates:

- Subject: CN=Brian Paul Bockelman,CN=659869,CN=bbockelm,OU=Users,OU=Organic Units,DC=cern,DC=ch (Unlink)



Token Transition



- A quick reminder of the OSG timeline:
 - 2017: the SciTokens project was funded by NSF to support use of capability tokens for the authentication & authorization infrastructure.
 - 2017: Globus announced the end-of-life for the Globus Toolkit.
 - (late 2017): OSG helped fork the Globus Toolkit to the Grid Community Toolkit.
 - 2019: OSG announced a timeline for transitioning to tokens for AAI.
 - 2021 (6 days ago): OSG 3.6 released without any Globus Toolkit dependencies.
 - February 2022 (planned): OSG 3.5 support ends – no Toolkit in supported projects.




- A few expected milestones coming up this year:
 - April 2021: OSG migrates hosted CE submission to SciTokens.
 - May 2021: (WLCG) LHC transfers migrate to HTTP-TPC.
 - June 2021: WLCG token issuers are available.
 - Oct 2021: (WLCG) LHC experiments give sites of receiving SciTokens-based pilots.
- We have been coordinating closely with FNAL SCD and WLCG.
 - Next few slides are part of the [WLCG timeline draft](#) (purposely left in various Google Doc markup!).



WLCG Timeline



| Milestone ID | Date | Description | Dependencies | Teams |
|---|-----------|---|--------------|--|
| M.0  | Feb 2021 | Produce document with list of use cases for CMS VOMS-Admin API. | None | WLCG Ops |
| M.1 | May 2021 | WLCG baseline services include HTTP-TPC. | None | WLCG Ops, Storage providers |
| M.2 | May 2021 | WLCG hosts “CE and pilot factory hackathon” | None | Pilot framework providers |
| M.3 | July 2021 | Production IAM Instances Available | None | WLCG Ops, AAI, IAM, CERN IT |
| M.4 | Oct 2021 | Pilot job submissions may be performed with tokens | M.3 | Experiments, pilot framework providers, OSG/EGI, sites |



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| | Nov 2021 | Coordinate documentation update with VOMS Admins and VO secretariats | | Experiments, IAM, CERN IT |
| M.5 | Dec 2021 | VOMS-Admin shutoff. IAM is sole authz provider (including for VOMS server) | M.3 | WLCG Ops, CERN IT, ATLAS |
| M.6 | Feb 2022 | OSG ends support for the Grid Community Toolkit | M.1, M.4 | OSG |
| M.7 | Mar 2022 | All storage services provide support for tokens | M.1 | WLCG Ops, Storage providers |
| M.8 | Oct 2022 | Rucio transfers performed with token auth in production | M.7 | Rucio, Experiments |
| M.9 | Mar 2023 | Experiments stageout & data reads performed via tokens. | M.7 | Experiments |
| M.10 | Mar 2024 | X.509 client auth becomes optional. | M.9, M.8, M.4 | Experiments |



Final Thoughts



- 2021 is an important transition year for both OSG and WLCG.
 - Fully acknowledge change isn't easy: we will be replacing old battle-hardened code with new code.
 - Fully believe this is a worthwhile endeavor:
 - E.g., this gives us opportunities in fine-grained security and capability-based systems.
 - Keeps the community closer to the wider technology ecosystem (e.g., HTTP), making it more sustainable.
- It's a fantastic time to help build the future – help is always welcome to test, debug, and provide feedback.
 - As they say, patches welcome!



Questions?

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Tokens – A Primer



- ‘GSI’ is based on using X.509 (“certificate”) credentials for authentication.
 - It has several extensions to allow delegation, impersonation, group assertions.
 - It is based on the concept of *identity mapping*. Sites map the global identity (the CA-issued X.509) credential and map it to a local identity.
 - The credential is authorized to do whatever the local identity can do.
- We use ‘capability-based bearer tokens’:
 - Capabilities: Describes a specific authorized operation.
 - Bearer tokens: Any holder of the token is authorized.
 - Example: Signed statement saying “The bearer of this token is authorized to write ATLAS files.”
 - We are using JSON Web Tokens (JWTs).
 - We support the ‘SciTokens Profile’ and the ‘WLCG Common Token Profile’; both are agreed-upon ways to interpret token contents.



PASTE A TOKEN HERE

EDIT THE PAYLOAD AND SECRET

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{
  "wlcg.ver": "1.0",
  "sub": "27234843-fedf-42c8-bb81-a1695bbd7c28",
  "aud": "https://wlcg.cern.ch/jwt/v1/any",
  "nbf": 1614744082,
  "scope": "openid offline_access storage.read:/
storage.modify:/ wlcg",
  "iss": "https://wlcg.cloud.cnaf.infn.it/",
  "exp": 1614747682,
  "iat": 1614744082,
  "jti": "268cbd58-0f10-4fb7-9e92-dfee25efba12",
  "client_id": "b0d87d4b-021d-4f7f-974c-bca6a8e3be48"
}
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