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What is the EGI Federated Cloud

The EGI Federated Cloud is federation of institutional private Clouds, offering Cloud Infrastructure as a Service to scientists in Europe and worldwide.

EGI Federated Cloud is based on:

- Standards and validation: federation is based on common
 Open-Standards OCCI, CDMI, OVF, GLUE, etc...
- Heterogeneous implementation: no mandate on the cloud technology, the only condition is to expose the chosen interfaces and services.



Our user communities:















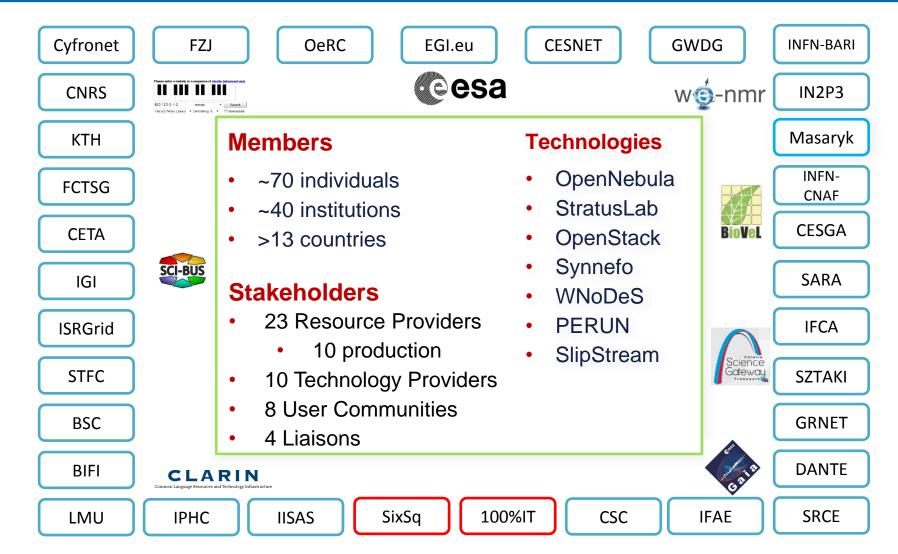






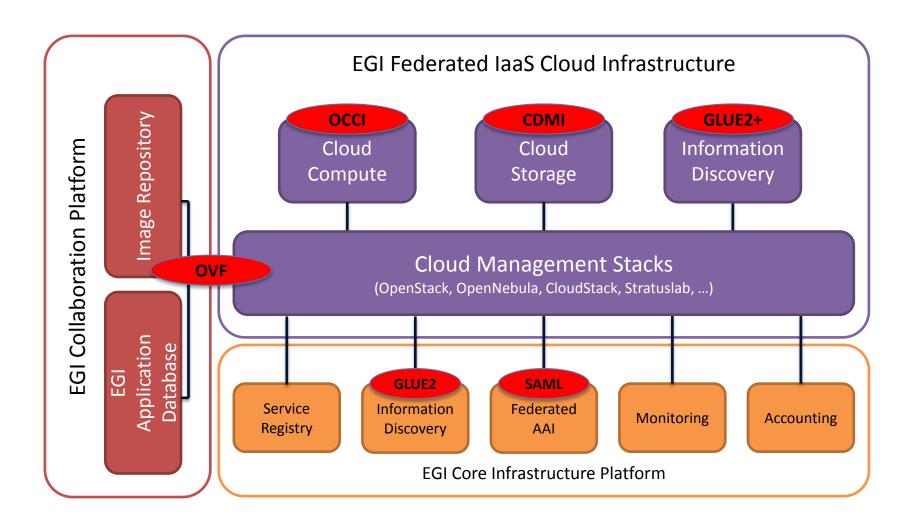


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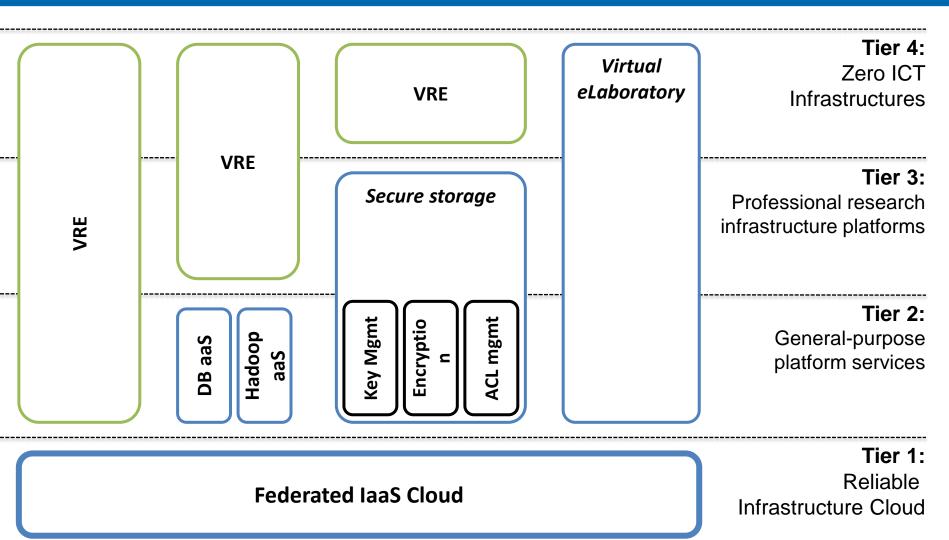


Cloud Infrastructure Platform





Federated Cloud service tiers





Tier 1: Reliable Infrastructure Cloud

Resource Providers

IaaS Cloud compute

IaaS Cloud storage

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Service availability monitoring

Resource usage accounting

Federated AAI coordination

Service discovery (GOCDB & BDII)

Application/VM database

VM Image distribution network

Other providers

Service brokering & scheduling

User community management

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Tier 2: General purpose services

Resource Providers

Hadoop cell

Key management

File format conversion

Data integrity checking

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Tier 3: Research infra. platforms

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Secure storage

Data preservation

Open Data platform

Protected data analysis

Virtual laboratory

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SLA governed services

Basic

- Managed through EGI OLA framework
- Available at all Cloud service providers
- "Free at the point of use" billing plan and higher

Advanced

- Available on all Cloud service providers
- "Pay-as-you-go" plan or higher

Custom/Premier

- Tailored to community requirements
- Advanced SLAs subject to research and innovation
- Applicable to subset of providers



Value proposition

Open standards, open technologies

- Use of Open Standards is key to the establishment of an effective, fair and transparent cloud market in Europe
- Open Source components raise the barrier for hidden backdoors, thus lead to more trusted services

Firmly rooted in Europe

- Strong public sector involvement through NRENs, NGIs, EIROs are EGI's members
- European commercial Cloud resource providers, including SME

A single cross-border market

- Reaching out for research, government & business sectors
- Level playing field for innovation and services on multi-service tiers



Conclusion

- EGI: Community of resource providers with long-term tradition in providing federated ICT services for research
- EGI Federated Cloud: Paving the way for a federated cloud in Europe
 - Open standards, open technology
 - Open membership, open processes
- Driver for innovation in Europe
- International perspective: Although EGI activity, a global federation is in scope, with global concrete interest
 - Korea, South Africa, Canada, Taiwan, Australia
 - large public Cloud providers