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## **Foreword**

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# 1 Executive Overview

This Project Report provides details of the Provenance project for the first 12 months (September 2004 to August 2005) of its duration. It describes the workpackages that were active during that period together with details of the resources consumed, which milestones, deliverables or other tangible achievements were completed and relates these to the overall project objectives. The report also summarises the activities planned for the next 12 months and provides indications of any potential changes to the workplan. Exploitation opportunities identified by the project are described in a separate deliverable D1.3.1, Exploitation Strategy.

## 1.1 Management Report Overview

The Project Report is structured with the following sections:

**General Management:** Describes the overall project objectives and which objectives were achieved during this reporting period. It also itemises the major achievements of the project so far.

**Workpackage Progress:** Provides a detailed breakdown of all workpackages active during this reporting period together with milestones achieved and deliverables produced. It also details any deviations from the workpackage plan together with expected activities for the next 12 months and where appropriate, details of any knowledge dissemination activities associated with the workpackage.

**General Management:** Provides a description of the project management for the reporting period. It includes details of any plan deviations together with reasons and corrective actions. It also highlights any issues identified by the project coordinator.

**Justification of Costs:** As an appendix, this provides more details of resources and relates them to costs and budgets.

## 2 General Management

### 2.1 *Project objectives*

The overarching aim of the Provenance project is:

*To design, conceive and implement an industrial-strength open provenance architecture for Grid computing, and to deploy and evaluate it in complex grid applications (aerospace engineering and organ transplant management).*

Specifically, the objectives of the project are:

1. To specify the contents of provenance in relation to workflow enactment.
2. To design and implement a scalable and secure distributed co-operation protocol to generate provenance data in workflow enactment.
3. To conceive and implement tools to navigate, harvest and reason over provenance data, also in a scalable and secure manner.
4. To design and engineer a scalable and secure software architecture to support provenance generation and reasoning.
5. To deploy and evaluate the provenance system in two different grid applications, namely aerospace engineering and organ transplant management.
6. To propose a draft provenance specification for input to an open standardisation process thereby contributing to the standardisation efforts in this area within the Grid and Web Services architecture domains.

### 2.2 *Objectives for the Period*

According to the project plan provided in the Provenance Technical Annex, objective 1 from section 2.1 above would be achieved at the end of the first six month period. To meet this objective, the Provenance project would provide:

1. A set of User and Technical Requirements for provenance, for the two selected applications, and also for related applications with provenance needs, so as to ensure the generality of the project effort.
2. A pre-prototype of a provenance system; the pre-prototype will consist of an assemblage of existing software, including an exemplar provenance service and a prototype implementation of a provenance recording protocol of the PASOA project ([www.pasoa.org](http://www.pasoa.org)).

At the end of the first twelve month period, objective 2 would be achieved. To support this objective, the Provenance project has provided:

1. A project internal deliverable detailing a logical architecture for Provenance.
2. Version 1 of documents providing specifications of the Security and Scalability characteristics of the logical architecture.
3. A specification for the Tools and Setup components of the Provenance architecture.
4. Mappings of the two example applications for Aerospace design and Organ Transplant Management to the Provenance logical architecture.
5. A functional prototype that implements the Provenance recording and query interface functionality. This prototype will be enhanced over the next six month period to include the security and scalability features identified in the associated specifications.

## 2.3 Major Achievements during the Period

### 2.3.1 Achievements for Months 1-6

The following are considered the major achievements and activities during this six month period:

1. A project kick-off meeting was held at IBM United Kingdom Laboratories during October 25-27 to initiate the project and set the management processes and project plans for the first six months.
2. The Architecture workpackage WP3 was started early to provide direction and design for a pre-prototype demonstrator. The demonstrator would provide a test bed for a provenance architecture. The design of the demonstrator would be described in a document included as part of the WP9 deliverable at the end of month six.
3. A development system was established as part of workpackage WP9. This included a source code management system hosted by UWC that allowed access by all project partners.
4. A pre-prototype demonstrator was developed that will be available on the Provenance public website together with its specification. The purpose of the demonstrator is to illustrate the use of provenance to the general public and to provide a proof of concept test case for later releases of the functional software.
5. A management report for the first three months of the project was provided to the EC Project Officer.

### 2.3.2 Achievements for Months 7-12

The following are considered the major achievements and activities during this six month period:

1. A project face to face meeting was held at UPC Barcelona during March 2-4 2005
2. A project face to face meeting was held at UoS Southampton during June 15-17 2005
3. The Architecture workpackage WP3 continued and produced an internal deliverable in the form of a logical architecture document. This document guided the Security (WP4) and Scalability (WP5) workpackages and provided input for the Tools and Application workpackages WP6, WP7 and WP8. Although not a contractual deliverable, this logical architecture document is frequently cited by other deliverables and is therefore provided as an additional deliverable by the project.
4. The Security workpackage WP4 started in month 7. Using the requirements gathered in workpackage WP2 as input and the logical architecture as a guideline, a first version of the Security Specification D4.1.1 was produced in month 12.
5. The Scalability workpackage WP5 started in month 7. Using the requirements gathered in workpackage WP2 as input and the logical architecture as a guideline, a first version of the Scalability Specification D5.1.1 was produced in month 12.
6. The Tools workpackage WP6 started in month 7. Using the requirements gathered in workpackage WP2 as input and the logical architecture as a guideline, a first version of the Tools and Setup Specification D6.1.1 was produced in month 12.
7. Workpackages WP7 and WP8 provide proof of concept applications for applying Provenance to aerospace component design and organ transplant management. The workpackages started in month 7. Using the requirements gathered in workpackage WP2 as input and the logical architecture as a guideline, the workpackages produced their initial design documents in the form of a mapping from the logical architecture to their specific applications. The mapping deliverables D7.1.1 and D8.1.1 were produced in month 12.
8. Following the delivery of a pre-prototype system D9.1.1 in month 6, workpackage WP9 implemented a first functional prototype D9.3.1 in month 12. This prototype did not include any security or scalability features which will be added in the next 6 months.

## 3 Workpackage Progress

The following sections describe in more detail the activities in each of the non-management workpackages WP2 to WP10. The project management activities are described in section 3 – Consortium Management.

### 3.1 WP2: Requirements

#### 3.1.1 Objectives

The main objectives for this workpackage in the period were to investigate provenance generation, access, navigation and use, collect a set of scenarios and usage options, and to derive user and software requirements. This work package delivers requirements for design, development, deployment and evaluation. All partners were involved. The specific objectives were:

1. To define a questionnaire to elicit requirements from the different users,
2. To distribute the questionnaire within the project and among all FP6 grid projects,
3. To infer user requirements by collating scenarios and results from the returned questionnaire,
4. To infer software requirements from the questionnaire results and scenarios.

The workpackage started at the beginning of the project and finished at the end of April 2005. The deadlines of the workpackage were rescheduled at the project kick-off due to the late start of the project.

#### 3.1.2 Progress

Activities carried out to achieve these objectives were:

1. At the project kick-off meeting two sessions were dedicated to workpackage 2. All partners actively participated in the WP2 session. The results of the WP2 sessions at the kick-off meeting were:
  - a. A schedule for WP2 until the next face to face meeting was accepted,
  - b. Initial work on requirements questionnaire was presented,
  - c. The content of the requirement questionnaire was discussed,
  - d. Contact persons were assigned for each project to be interviewed.
2. Draft versions and the internal final version of the questionnaire were produced on schedule. Project partners contributed through the twiki collaboration space and a telephone conference call on 18/11/04. The on-line questionnaire was produced with an in-house developed form generator.
3. The internal final draft of the questionnaire was filled in by five projects: the TENT system by DLR, the Organ Transplant Management application by UPC, the eDiamond project by IBM, Combechem and MyGrid projects by UoS. The partners filling in the questionnaire also gave feedback on the questionnaire. The answers and the feedback from these projects were analysed and the modified final version of the questionnaire was published on 17/12/04.
4. The list of projects to be contacted for requirements input was collected. In addition to the projects mentioned in the previous paragraph, the list contained the FP6 grid projects and the projects listed in the recent grid special issue of the ERCIM News. The first contact email was sent to 47 projects on the week of 20-23 December.
5. Answers to the questionnaire were received and processed to produce the draft versions of the user requirement document. Project partners took part in collating the user scenarios through the twiki collaboration space and a telephone conference call on 27/01/05. Input from the following projects was received for the user requirements document:
  - a. Organ Transplant Management application (of the Provenance project)



- b. TENT system (of the Provenance project)
  - c. eDiamond project
  - d. Healthcare and Life Sciences Framework
  - e. CombeChem
  - f. myGrid
  - g. GENSS
  - h. Traffic Management Application (K-WFGrid project)
  - i. DataMiningGrid
  - j. UniGridS
  - k. Diligent
6. The deliverable D2.1.1 User Requirements Document was finalised and approved by the project at the Barcelona face to face meeting 2-4/03/05.
  7. The template of the Software Requirements Document was created on 25/02/05 and discussed at the Barcelona face to face meeting where the schedule and the distribution of the workload among partners was discussed.
  8. Draft version of D2.2.1 was prepared on 22/03/05. All project partners contributed through the twiki collaboration space and a telephone conference call on 01/04/05.
  9. The final version of the Software Requirements Document was discussed and approved at the Provenance Review meeting in Brussels on 28/04/05.

### 3.1.3 Deviations

Because of the late start of the project, the workplan to reach the objectives of this workpackage was changed. The schedule for WP2 was accepted at the kick-off meeting:

Draft 1 of questionnaire to include partner input	05/11/04
Draft 2	12/11/04
Internal final draft	19/11/04
UPC and DLR complete questionnaire	10/12/04
eDiamond and myGrid complete questionnaire	10/12/04
Publication of questionnaire	19/12/04
Identification of user requirements	31/01/05
User requirements doc (D2.1.1) (31/01/05 in plan)	28/02/05
Internal draft of Software requirements	28/03/05
Software Requirements (D2.2.1) (31/03/05 in plan)	28/04/05

The workpackage basically kept to the modified schedule accepted at the kick-off meeting.

### 3.1.4 Deliverables

List of deliverables, including due date and actual/foreseen submission date

**Table 1 STA Requirements Deliverables**

Deliverable Number	Deliverable Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
D2.1.1	User Requirements Document	2	28/02/05 (31/01/05 in plan)	15/03/05	STA
D2.2.1	Software Requirements Document	2	28/04/05 (31/03/05 in plan)	04/05/05	STA

### 3.1.5 Milestones

**Table 2 STA Requirements Milestones**

Milestone Number	Milestone Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
M2.1.1	Questionnaire issued	2	19/12/04 (31/10/04 in plan)	17/12/04	STA
M2.3.1	Draft of software requirements for application specific components and tools	2	28/03/05 (28/02/05 in plan)	31/03/05	STA

### 3.1.6 Plans for next 12 months

This workpackage has been finished and no further activities are planned.

### 3.1.7 Knowledge Dissemination

List of activities to promote and disseminate knowledge from the project.

**Table 3 STA Exploitable Knowledge and its Use**

Exploitable Knowledge	Exploitable Product(s) or Measure(s)	Sector(s)	Timetable for Commercial Use	Patents or other IPR Protection	Owner and other partners involved
Provenance User Requirements	Provenance system developed in the Provenance project	Any	2007 2008	Defined in the consortium agreement	All project partners
Provenance Software Requirements	Provenance system developed in the Provenance project	Any	2007 2008	Defined in the consortium agreement	All project partners

**Table 4 STA Dissemination of Knowledge**

Planned/Actual Dates	Type	Type of Audience	Countries Addressed	Size of Audience	Partner Responsible or Involved
28/04/05 / ??/??/??	Project web-site: D2.1.1	General public	All		STA, all
28/04/05 / ??/??/??	Project web-site: D2.2.1	General public	All		STA, all

The results of WP2 will be built into the system developed within the project.

## 3.2 *WP3: Architecture*

### 3.2.1 Objectives

The architecture will be described in several ways in order to address the concerns of its multiple stakeholders, end-users, developers and system managers. Different views of the architecture will be adapted to this end: a logical view addressing functional requirements, process and physical architectures taking into account non-functional requirements and physical deployment, and development architecture identifying modules and libraries at the level of software development. We will adopt an iterative design process, deriving a first architecture definition (strawman) from the technical requirements, iterating it into a final architecture definition, using feedback from the different application specific studies, tool design, and security and scalability analyses. The architecture will ultimately be defined into a standardisation proposal.

### 3.2.2 Progress

While the initial workplan did not start WP3 before month 6, the project agreed that it would be good to produce an overview of a logical infrastructure by Month 6. Hence, we decided that the design of the pre-prototype would fall under the remit of WP3, so as to lead to the logical architecture.

The main objective for the workpackage in the first six months was: to design the pre-prototype application and architecture so as to prepare for the preliminary specification of a logical architecture. The focus of the architecture workpackage has been on the design of the pre-prototype architecture.

The goals of the pre-prototype are:

1. To be a simple example to understand
2. To exhibit interesting examples of provenance use
3. To inform the future design of the architecture
4. To help build, setup and deploy a development environment for the Project.

We opted for a small example that shows how to bake a cake (Victoria Sponge). It consists of a simple workflow:

1. Whisk together the butter and sugar until light and creamy
2. Beat the eggs for a certain duration and add to the whisked sugar and butter
3. Fold the flour into the mixture and add the flavouring (vanilla, lemon)
4. Put the wet dough into the oven and bake for a given time at a given temperature

Despite its simplicity, this application leads to interesting questions that require the use of provenance in order to be answered. We have identified a preliminary list of questions, which can be answered if provenance is recorded, specifically consisting of:

1. *Interaction provenance*: the trace of all service interactions during workflow execution;
2. *Actor provenance*: a trace of internal service states at specific moments of execution.

After specifying the application's behaviour, we have designed its architecture. Specifically, we identified the services involved, their interactions (defined as sequence diagrams), and their interfaces (as WSDL files). The whole application data domain was defined as an XML schema. From a provenance viewpoint, we adopted (as indicated in the proposal) an existing implementation of a provenance service, designed as part of the PASOA project ([www.pasoa.org](http://www.pasoa.org)), which is capable of recording actor and interaction provenance.

Implementation work was split between IBM and Southampton. IBM are implemented the different services of the application, while Southampton focused on the implementation of the provenance queries. In order to proceed with the later, without having an application available, a dummy client simulated the whole cake baking process was created in order to submit all the necessary provenance information to the provenance service. Three provenance queries verifying the baking temperature have been implemented. Regular meetings have been held to coordinate the implementation and architecture activities.

In Months 6 to 12, the primary objective was the production of a major deliverable on the architecture of provenance systems. Specifically, we produced a document that covers the logical and process architectures of provenance systems. The logical architecture identifies key roles and their interactions, whereas the process architecture discusses distribution and security. A fundamental aspect of our presentation is its technology-independent nature, which makes it reusable: the principles that are exposed in this document may be applied to different technologies. The architecture is directly inspired by the experience of a provenance store in the PASOA project.

Our view is that the complete architecture is to be integrated in a coherent document, to be a key legacy of EU Provenance. At the end of this reporting period, only the logical architecture is frozen. Our timetable for drafting, reviewing and finalising by chapters is as follows:

Logical architecture frozen:	2, 3 24/6 8/7 15/7
Functional architecture frozen:	4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 30/9 14/10 21/10
Final architecture frozen:	To be agreed by the project

The logical architecture contains the following chapters:

2. **Provenance Definition** Based on the common sense definition of provenance, we propose a new definition of provenance that is suited to the computational model underpinning service oriented architectures. Since our aim is to conceive a computer-based representation of provenance that allows us to perform useful reasoning about the origin of results, we examine the nature of such representation, which is articulated around the documentation of execution.
3. **Logical Architecture** We then examine the architecture of a provenance system, centered on the notion of a provenance store. We also examine models of execution documentation.
4. **Security Architecture** Although security is a non-functional requirement, software engineering methodology strongly recommends that security considerations be integrated into the development life-cycle as early as possible. Many of the application domains in which provenance architecture could potentially be deployed have stringent requirements on access to data manipulated within the system. A security architecture that helps addressing these issues is discussed in this chapter.
5. **Distribution Architecture** This chapter discusses distribution in the provenance architecture. First, it introduces a set of patterns that identify communications between key architecture roles; second, it explains how the data model underpinning the architecture allows for data that is geographically distributed; finally, it explains how deployments of core architecture components can cater for high load.
6. **Identifying Data Items** When using a provenance-aware application, a user or software client may ask for the provenance of a piece of data at any time after that data has been produced. There are several factors which make asking the provenance question difficult: a piece of data may not have a unique identifier, may be moved from where it was initially stored after being produced etc. These factors mean that identifying data items to determine their provenance is a non-trivial task. In this chapter, we analyze a set of solutions for identifying arbitrary pieces of data to be applied when making an application provenance-aware.

7. **Provenance Modelling** This chapter describes the various data models for the information recorded in the provenance store. The modelling describes how this information can be organised, identified, and extended.
8. **Functionality** This chapter provides a more detailed description of the functionality supported by a provenance system. It relies on an overall model of information recorded in the provenance store, which is acted upon by and recording, querying and managing capabilities. This presentation is in natural language, informal, and will be used to derive more formal specifications expressed in UML.
9. **Justification** This chapter describes how the software requirements identified by the EU Provenance project for a provenance system are satisfied by the architecture.
10. **Related Work** The chapter presents related work and discusses how our approach to provenance differs from existing systems.

In addition, discussion with the application owners (DLR, UPC, STA) and other UK and EU projects, such as myGrid and SIMDAT, clearly indicates the needs for a document that explains how the architectural concepts can be put in practice in a concrete applications. Hence, led by Simon Miles of the PASOA project, we decided to formulate an explicit provenance methodology PRIME, which we intend to deploy in PASOA and EU Provenance applications. We see such a methodology as a key instrument for the dissemination of provenance ideas. A first draft of the methodology document was produced by the end of July 2005.

### 3.2.3 Deviations

While the initial workplan did not start WP3 before month 6, the project agreed that it would be good to produce an overview of a logical infrastructure by Month 6. Hence, we decided that the design of the pre-prototype would fall under the remit of WP3, so as to lead to the logical architecture.

A methodology is not a contractual deliverable of EU Provenance. However, with project PASOA, we felt it presented a good opportunity to convert our know-how into an explicit methodology, which we can apply, refine, and test, and ultimately release in the future.

### 3.2.4 Deliverables

List of deliverables, including due date and actual/foreseen submission date

**Table 5 UoS Architecture Deliverables**

Deliverable Number	Deliverable Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
D3.1.1	Logical architecture	3	28/02/06	28/03/06	UoS

### 3.2.5 Milestones

List of milestones, including due date and actual/foreseen achievement date

**Table 6 UoS Architecture Milestones**

Milestone Number	Milestone Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
M3.1.1	Logical architecture	3	31/05/05	31/05/05	UoS

### 3.2.6 Plans for next 12 months

The plan for the next 12 months is to finalize the architecture, identifying its elements that are candidate for standardisation, and assemble a standardisation proposal. The deliverables and milestones in for the next 12 months are:

- D3.2.1 Architecture 2 (Final) (end of month 18): final architecture definition
- D3.3.1 Standardisation Proposal (end of month 24)
- M3.3.1 Identification of architectural elements candidate for standardisation (end of month 18)

### 3.2.7 Knowledge Dissemination

List of activities to promote and disseminate knowledge from the project.

**Table 7 UoS Exploitable Knowledge and its Use**

Exploitable Knowledge	Exploitable Product(s) or Measure(s)	Sector(s)	Timetable for Commercial Use	Patents or other IPR Protection	Owner and othere partners involved
Logical architecture strawman	A reference implementation	any			UoS (owner) all other partners involved
Pre-Prototype architecture		any			
Logical architecture	A reference implementation of the architecture				UoS (owner) all other partners involved

**Table 8 UoS Dissemination of Knowledge**

Planned/Actual Dates	Type	Type of Audience	Countries Addressed	Size of Audience	Partner Responsible or Involved
	Web site		international		all
	Publications		International		UoS

Pre-Prototype architecture (published at AHM'05), to be submitted to journal Architecture Methodology (not a formal project deliverable)

## 3.3 WP4: Security

### 3.3.1 Objectives

While it is acknowledged that security is pervasive in complex distributed systems, we have grouped in a workpackage the activities that focus on making the provenance architecture secure. It will draw upon existing standardisation efforts in the Grid and Web Services world such as OGSA Security, WS-Security and WS-Trust. The overall goal of this work package is to ensure secure provenance data generation and access.

### 3.3.2 Progress

Work towards these objectives was carried out in tasks listed below. Both of the main objectives of the period were achieved on schedule and without deviation from plan. It is expected that the results from the first period will continue to be revised in the next period since they are interim results. Activities carried out included:

1. Identification of the Security requirements from the User and Software Requirements deliverables D2.1.1 and D2.2.1.
2. Development of a security architecture as part of the Provenance logical architecture (Workpackage 3)
3. Completion of the major deliverable of the period: D4.1.1, Security Specification version 1.

As a result the deliverables listed in the table below were completed on time.

### 3.3.3 Deviations

The Provenance Technical Annex defined two Security workpackage deliverables for Generation (D4.1.1) and Access (D4.2.1). Following the face to face meeting held at Southampton University in June 2005, the consortium requested that these be changed to versions 1 and 2 of an overall security specification. The reason being that there were common security features to both generation and access and it was artificial to treat them as separate subjects.

This proposal was communicated to the EC Project Officer on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June 2005. A reply was received on the 29<sup>th</sup> of June agreeing to our proposed change. The deliverables D4.1.1 and D4.2.1 will now be referred to as Security Specification versions 1 and 2 respectively

### 3.3.4 Deliverables

**Table 9 IBM Security Deliverables**

Deliverable Number	Deliverable Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
D4.1.1	Security Specification version 1	4	31/08/2005	31/08/2005	IBM

### 3.3.5 Milestones

**Table 10 IBM Security Milestones**

Milestone Number	Milestone Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
N/A	Security requirements Analysis	4	31/05/2005	31/05/2005	IBM

### 3.3.6 Plans for next 12 months

Plans for the next twelve month period are centered on delivery of the main workpackage outcomes (deliverables below) with a number of intermediate milestones to ensure sound progress along the way. Major targets are as follows:

1. Month 17 [Deliverable D.4.2.1]: Delivery of Security Specification version 2.
2. Month 18-23: Internal milestones set by management to monitor progress.
3. Month 23 [Deliverable D.4.3.1]: Implementation of the Security Specification.

### 3.3.7 Knowledge Dissemination

No knowledge dissemination activities have taken place for this workpackage in the last 12 months.

## 3.4 WP5: Scalability

### 3.4.1 Objectives

Scalability, like security, of the provenance architecture will be an essential criterion for its adoption, and like security, scalability is pervasive, but we have grouped in a single workpackage activities related to this topic. This work package will focus on scalability of provenance generation and access.

### 3.4.2 Progress

Work towards these objectives was carried out in tasks listed below. Both of the main objectives of the period were achieved on schedule and without deviation from plan. It is expected that the results from the first period will continue to be revised in the next period since they are interim results. Activities carried out included:

1. Identification of the Scalability requirements from the User and Software Requirements deliverables D2.1.1 and D2.2.1.
2. Development of a scalability architecture as part of the Provenance logical architecture (Workpackage 3)
3. Completion of the major deliverable of the period: D5.1.1, Scalability Specification version 1.

As a result the deliverables listed in the table below were completed on time.

### 3.4.3 Deviations

The Provenance Technical Annex defined two Scalability workpackage deliverables for Generation (D5.1.1) and Access (D5.2.1). Following the face to face meeting held at Southampton University in June 2005, the consortium requested that these be changed to versions 1 and 2 of an overall scalability specification. The reason being that there were common scalability features to both generation and access and it was artificial to treat them as separate subjects.

This proposal was communicated to the EC Project Officer on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June 2005. A reply was received on the 29<sup>th</sup> of June agreeing to our proposed change. The deliverables D5.1.1 and D5.2.1 will now be referred to as Scalability Specification versions 1 and 2 respectively

### 3.4.4 Deliverables

Table 11 IBM Scalability Deliverables

Deliverable Number	Deliverable Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor



Deliverable Number	Deliverable Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
D5.1.1	Scalability Specification version 1	5	31/08/2005	31/08/2005	IBM

### 3.4.5 Milestones

Table 12 IBM Scalability Milestones

Deliverable Number	Deliverable Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
N/A	Scalability requirements Analysis	5	31/05/2005	31/05/2005	IBM

### 3.4.6 Plans for next 12 months

Plans for the next twelve month period are centered on delivery of the main workpackage outcomes (deliverables below) with a number of intermediate milestones to ensure sound progress along the way. Major targets are as follows:

1. Month 17 [Deliverable D.5.2.1]: Delivery of Scalability Specification version 2.
2. Month 18-23: Internal milestones set by management to monitor progress.
3. Month 23 [Deliverable D.5.3.1]: Implementation of the Scalability Specification.

### 3.4.7 Knowledge Dissemination

No knowledge dissemination activities have taken place for this workpackage in the last 12 months.

## 3.5 WP6: Tools and Setup

### 3.5.1 Objectives

The aim of the “Tools and Setup” workpackage is to produce a software suite containing a collection of independent modules that can support the navigation, accessing and reasoning over provenance data placed in one or more provenance stores. Such tools are intended to be “generic”, i.e. Application independent, and would interact with the PS using a management, query and submission interface. Each module may be considered as an independent tool that is accessible by an application or a user, and tools may also make use of services provided by other tools. The “setup” protocol involves choosing suitable provenance stores, obtaining access to provenance stores, and identifying schemas that can be used for publishing data into a provenance stores, and for querying a provenance stores

### 3.5.2 Progress

Initial work on WP6 involved understanding key requirements for tools identified by the User Requirements and the Software Requirements Documents (URD and SRD). Input was given for the tools and setup protocol for deliverable D2.2.1. Subsequently, work on WP6 was initiated to translate

these user requirements into tool specification, undertaken in collaboration with WP3 and WP7 and WP8 coordinators.

In the first six months the aims of the WP were to:

1. Better understand user requirements, and particular tools that could be developed to support these requirements;
2. Identify a minimal set of functionality that could be included in the tools suite, and understand interaction between such functionality. Re-usability of functionality was stressed, to ensure that a single tools addressed a particular functionality, and results from tools could be shared;
3. Identify the interactions between the application, the Provenance Store, and the tool suite;
4. Specify a “set-up” protocol that an application would follow at initialisation phase.

The outcomes of these activities were then used to specify a design of the tool suite, using the Unified Modeling Language (UML). A key aspect of the tool suite would be an “analysis” tool that contains an “assertion engine”.

There continues to be close collaboration between the personnel involved in the PROVENANCE project at Cardiff, and the UK EPSRC-funded PASOA project. Experience from the use of existing protocols such as PREP is shared. There is also strong collaboration with other members of the eScience Centre at Cardiff, such as the use of Portal technologies (based on GridSphere and Jet Speed, for instance).

### 3.5.3 Deviations

There was a delayed start to the project. However, no corrective action has been necessary and initial project objectives have been met.

### 3.5.4 Deliverables

Work in the period has produced the following documents. Addition input was provided to deliverable D2.2.1.

**Table 13 UWC Tools Deliverables**

Deliverable Number	Deliverable Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
I.6.1	Internal document: Outlining the set up protocol used.	6	N/A	17/05/2005	UWC
I.6.2	Internal Comparison between JESS and Drools to support the analysis engine.	6	N/A	01/08/2005	UWC
D.6.1.1	Formal Deliverable: Tools for Using Provenance	6	31/08/2005	31/08/2005	UWC

### 3.5.5 Milestones

Contribution was made to the following document:

**Table 14 UWC Tools Milestones**

<b>Deliverable Number</b>	<b>Deliverable Name</b>	<b>Workpackage Number</b>	<b>Date Due</b>	<b>Actual/Forecast Delivery Date</b>	<b>Lead Contractor</b>
N/A	Input to the Requirements WP (WP2)	6	31/03/05	31/0305	STA

### 3.5.6 Plans for next 12 months

Plans for the next 12 months include (1) updates to tool specifications, (2) implementation of tool prototypes, and (3) updates to the setup protocol.. Major targets are as follows:

1. Month 15 [Milestone]: Updates to tool specification, and implementation of the assertion checking mechanism.
2. Month 16 [Milestone]: Implementation of the other parts of the tool suite.
3. Month 18 [Deliverable D.6.2.1]: involves implementation of the setup protocol. A preliminary specification of this has already been provided.
4. Month 19 [Deliverable D.6.3.1]: involves specification and delivery of configuration utility for tools that have so far been implemented.
5. Month 23: Delivery and demonstration of the final tool suite that can be integrated with the application examples from WP7 and WP8.

### 3.5.7 Knowledge Dissemination

Dissemination and use took a back seat to the production of results in the first reporting period since the WP6 activity did not formally start until month 6.

**Table 15 UWC Dissemination of Knowledge**

<b>Planned/Actual Dates</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Type of Audience</b>	<b>Countries Addressed</b>	<b>Size of Audience</b>	<b>Partner Responsible or Involved</b>
03/07/05	“Semantic Grids” seminar at Dagstuhl	Grid Computing and Semantic Web Community	various (International)	25	UWC
22/07/05	Mammogrid and CERN collaboration discussion	End Users and Computer Scientists	Japan, Pakistan, UK, Switzerland	5	UWC

The work in the current period is expected to made available publicly early in the next period as designs and implementation of the tool suite is finalised. This dissemination is expected to include Deliverable 6.1.1 which describes the various functions that constitutes the tool suite, and relationships between tools. Simple examples of use are also provided.

### 3.6 **WP7: Application 1 – Aerospace**

#### 3.6.1 Objectives

The workpackage 7 officially began work in month 6 of the project. In the first 6 month of the project runtime some work has been made so support other workpackages. The main workpackage objectives during the period were as follows:

1. Development of a mapping between the aerospace application and the proposed provenance architecture. Formal objective, resulting in formal deliverable due Month 11 of the project.
2. Provision of input/feedback on the aerospace application to the requirements process ongoing in workpackage 2.

#### 3.6.2 Progress

Work towards these objectives was carried out in tasks listed below. Both of the main objectives of the period were achieved on schedule and without deviation from plan. It is expected that the results from the first period will continue to be revised in the next period since they are interim results. Activities carried out included:

1. Description of the overview design of the TENT system and detailed description of the SikMa project application.
2. Completion of detailed WP2 questionnaire for the TENT/SikMa application. as well as public documentation for the project web site.
3. Input for the public project website.
4. Completion of the major deliverable of the period: D.7.1.1, “Specification of mapping to provenance architecture, and domain specific provenance handling”.

As a result the deliverables listed in the table below were completed on time.

#### 3.6.3 Deviations

No deviations from the plan and, consequently no corrective action deemed necessary.

#### 3.6.4 Deliverables

Work in the period has produced the following documents

**Table 16 DLR Application Deliverables**

<b>Deliverable Number</b>	<b>Deliverable Name</b>	<b>Workpackage Number</b>	<b>Date Due</b>	<b>Actual/Forecast Delivery Date</b>	<b>Lead Contractor</b>
I.8.1	Internal document: Provenance requirements of the SikMa Project	8	N/A	04/02/2005	DLR
D.7.1.1	Formal Deliverable : Specification of mapping to provenance architecture, and	7	31/08/2005	31/08/2005	DLR

Deliverable Number	Deliverable Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
	domain specific provenance handling				

### 3.6.5 Milestones

While no formal milestones were set in the period, the workpackage did carry its own internal project plan. Significant steps in this were as shown in the following table.

**Table 17 DLR Application Milestones**

Deliverable Number	Deliverable Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
N/A	Completion of Input to WP2	7	31/01/2005	31/01/2005	DLR

### 3.6.6 Plans for next 12 months

Plans for the next twelve month period are centered on delivery of the main workpackage outcomes (deliverables below) with a number of intermediate milestones to ensure sound progress along the way. Major targets are as follows:

1. Month 20 [Deliverable D.7.2.1]: Delivery and demonstration of preliminary TENT demonstration system. Showing limited functionality, however already integrating with provenance components. Deployed on a local site.
2. Month 23 [Deliverable D.7.3.1]: Delivery of the evaluation report for the work-package describing the systems developed, evaluating their use of the provenance architecture, components and other elements of the project.
3. Month 23 [Deliverable D.7.3.2]: Delivery and demonstration of the final TENT/SikMa demonstration system. This system will show the TENT application running in conjunction with deployed provenance components in distributed sites.

### 3.6.7 Knowledge Dissemination

Dissemination and use took a back seat to the production of results in the first reporting period since the WP7 activity did not formally start until month 6.

The work in the current period is expected to made available publicly early in the next period as designs for the demonstration application are finalised. This dissemination is expected to include:

1. Versions of Deliverable D7.1.1. as examples of mappings to the provenance architecture.
2. Demonstration descriptions based on the demonstrator built according to deliverable D7.1.1. design.

### **3.7 WP8: Application 2 – Organ Transplant Management**

#### **3.7.1 Objectives**

The workpackage officially began work in month 6 of project execution, hence having an official runtime of 6 months during this reporting period to August 2005. However some activities we started early in order to provide feedback to other workpackages. The main workpackage objectives during the period were as follows:

1. Development of a mapping between the Organ Transplant Management application and the proposed provenance architecture. Formal objective, resulting in formal deliverable due Month 11 of the project.
2. Provision of input/feedback on the Organ Transplant Management application to the requirements and architectural design processes ongoing in workpackages 2 and 3.

#### **3.7.2 Progress**

Work towards these objectives was carried out in tasks listed below. Both of the main objectives of the period were achieved on schedule and without deviation from plan. It is expected that the results from the first period will continue to be revised in the next period since they are interim results. Activities carried out included (all in the context of tasks T8.1 and T8.2 of the workplan):

1. Overview design of the OTM provenance application with a division into two main elements – Provenance Electronic Health Care Record Management (EHCR – lead by STA) and mechanisms for Organ Transplant Management (OTM – lead by UPC) which build on this.
2. Development of application descriptions for each of these elements of the system in internal documents I.8.1 (OTM) and I.8.2 (EHCR).
3. Completion of detailed WP2 questionnaire for the OTM/EHCR application as well as public documentation for the project web site.
4. Feedback to other workpackages on clarifying requirements and design needs for Provenance results such as the Architecture and Tools. Including a number of interviews with domain experts at the Hospital St. Pau in Barcelona, Spain in order to capture realistic requirements.
5. Completion of the major deliverable of the period: D.8.1.1, “Specification of mapping to provenance architecture, and domain specific provenance handling”.

As a result the deliverables listed in the table below were completed on time.

#### **3.7.3 Deviations**

No deviations from the plan and, consequently no corrective action deemed necessary.

#### **3.7.4 Deliverables**

Work in the period has produced the following documents. Initially in the period two detailed descriptions of the OTM scenario were produced to support into to WP2 and WP3 of the project. These were then built on to generate the final deliverable for the period – D8.1.1.

**Table 18 UPC Application Deliverables**

<b>Deliverable Number</b>	<b>Deliverable Name</b>	<b>Workpackage Number</b>	<b>Date Due</b>	<b>Actual/Forecast Delivery Date</b>	<b>Lead Contractor</b>
I.8.1	Internal document: Outline Organ	8	N/A	31 Jan, 2005	UPC

Deliverable Number	Deliverable Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
	Transplant Management Scenario: GRID Provenance Project				
I.8.2	Internal document: Overview of ECHR patient care records.	8	N/A	31 Jan, 2005	STA
D8.1.1	Formal Deliverable : Specification of mapping to provenance architecture, and domain specific provenance handling	8	31/08/2005	31/08/2005	UPC

### 3.7.5 Milestones

While no formal milestones were set in the period, the workpackage did carry its own internal project plan. Significant steps in this were as shown in the following table.

**Table 19** UPC Application Milestones

Milestone Number	Milestone Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
N/A	Completion of Input to WP2 / WP3	WP8	31/01/2005	31/01/2005	UPC
N/A	Completion of overall system description for consideration by WP3	WP8	30/05/2005	30/05/2005	UPC

### 3.7.6 Plans for next 12 months

Plans for the next twelve month period are centered around delivery of the main workpackage outcomes (deliverables below) with a number of intermediate milestones to ensure sound progress along the way. Major targets are as follows:

1. Month 15 [Milestone]: Demonstration specification document, specifying fine detail of planned demonstration for later deliverables.
2. Month 17 [Milestone]: Revision of demonstration specification and D8.1.1. Contents to ensure it are in line with final application demonstration scenarios.

3. Month 17 [Deliverable D.8.2.1]: Delivery and demonstration of preliminary OTM / EHCR demonstration system. Showing limited functionality, however already integrating with provenance components.
4. Month 23 [Deliverable D.8.3.1]: Delivery of the evaluation report for the work-package describing the systems developed, evaluating their use of the provenance architecture / components and other elements of the project.
5. Month 23 [Deliverable D.8.3.2]: Delivery and demonstration of the final OTM/EHCR demonstration system. This system will show the OTM / EHCR application running in conjunction with deployed provenance components.

### 3.7.7 Knowledge Dissemination

Dissemination and use took a back seat to the production of results in the first reporting period since the WP8 activity did not formally start until month 6.

**Table 20 UPC Dissemination of Knowledge**

Planned/Actual Dates	Type	Type of Audience	Countries Addressed	Size of Audience	Partner Responsible or Involved
12/12/2004	Dissemination Meeting, Hospital de St. Pau, Barcelona, Spain	Organ transplant unit representatives (medical doctors and administrators ) + technical staff	1	10 persons	UPC
10/04/2005	Public Description of the application and provenance challenges for the project web site.	Provenance web Site Audience	International	Provenance web Site Audience	UPC

The work in the current period is expected to be made available publicly early in the next period as designs for the demonstration application are finalised. This dissemination is expected to include:

1. Versions of Deliverable D8.1.1. as examples of mappings to the provenance architecture.
2. Demonstration descriptions based on the demonstrator built according to deliverable D8.1.1 design.

## 3.8 WP9: Implementation, Integration and Test

### 3.8.1 Objectives

The objectives of this workpackage are:

1. To provide a robust scalable reference implementation to be used as a basis for the two application partners to build on.



2. To provide installation scripts, documentation and debug process to assist in the infrastructure deployment.
3. To integrate the various components developed by the partners into a working environment.
4. To evaluate the installation tools

### **3.8.2 Progress**

The major objectives of the Implementation, Integration and Test workpackage in the first six months were two-fold.

1. To put in place a development infrastructure that can be shared amongst the partners
2. Development of a pre-prototype

The development infrastructure includes the following components:

1. A CVS server to manage code developed by the partners
2. A build server situated in IBM Hursley

The development code is managed in a CVS repository at the University of Wales, Cardiff. IBM does not allow access to internal systems except in extreme circumstances so this site was chosen to provide easy access to non-IBM partners. The machine in Cardiff has been configured and is being used by the IBM developers.

The development process to be used by the project will focus around daily builds of the code together with regression unit testing. Build scripts are being prepared which will pull the development code from the CVS server onto a build machine at IBM Hursley. The build process will then complete and run a set of regression tests on all modules. The regression tests will be written with JUnit. Following the build, a report will be prepared which can be accessed by all developers. The built system together with reports will then be pushed onto a system external to IBM for use by the development team.

1. To support the development process, coding and information standards have been prepared. A draft copy of the handbook has been circulated to the project. To test the development process, a pre-prototype has been specified by the architecture workpackage team. During discussions between IBM and Southampton, we established a number of principles for the Provenance implementation:
2. The Provenance implementation would not impose a development environment on anyone that wanted to use the released code
3. The Provenance code releases would not include third party pre-requisite software. For IP reasons, users of the Provenance code will have to download pre-requisite software (such as Apache Tomcat and Axis) separately
4. The Provenance code will make use of Apache Ant build scripts to compile and deploy the system on an application server
5. The Provenance code will be developed using the Apache Tomcat application server and Apache Axis SOAP support
6. The Provenance code will be developed using the Java language to provide portability across systems

Activities carried out to achieve the workpackage objectives were:

IBM and UWC have configured a CVS repository at Cardiff for access by the project partners

1. IBM has configured a server that will build releases of the development code for the project. In addition, IBM has defined development code guidelines and distributed them amongst the partners for approval.

2. UOS has specified a demonstration scenario that is being implemented jointly by UOS and IBM. This forms the internal pre-prototype deliverable D9.1.1 and uses the pre-existing Provenance Recording Protocol (PreP) developed by UOS as part of the PASOA project.

Following completion of the p-prototype deliverable, the emphasis of the workpackage shifted to the first functional prototype deliverable D9.3.1. The functional prototype implements the storage interface for recording p-assertions as defined by the PASOA WSDL interface descriptions. The storage interface is made available through a provenance store service which stores p-assertions in an XML database. The prototype implements Web Services that provide record and query functionality into the Provenance Store.

In addition to the functionality described above, we provide a provenance aware AXIS handler to seamlessly write interaction p-assertions to the provenance store and a command line query client to query the provenance store using XPath statements.

At present the functional prototype does not implement and security, scalability, management or high level API functionality, however these functions are being planned for development during the next period of the project

### 3.8.3 Deviations

No deviations from the plan and, consequently no corrective action deemed necessary.

### 3.8.4 Deliverables

**Table 21 IBM Implementation Deliverables**

Deliverable Number	Deliverable Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
D9.1.1	Pre-prototype System	9	28/02/2005	15/03/2005	IBM
D9.3.1	First Functional Prototype	9	31/08/2005	23/09/2005	IBM

### 3.8.5 Milestones

**Table 22 IBM Implementation Milestones**

Milestones Number	Milestones Name	Workpackage Number	Date Due	Actual/Forecast Delivery Date	Lead Contractor
N/A	Implementation Design	9	31/05/2005	31/05/2005	IBM

### 3.8.6 Plans for next 12 months

Plans for the next twelve month period are centered on delivery of the main workpackage outcomes (deliverables below) with a number of intermediate milestones to ensure sound progress along the way. Major targets are as follows:

1. Month 17 [Deliverable D.9.3.2]: Final Prototype early release including support documentation
2. Month 23 [Deliverable D9.3.3]: Final Prototype including support documentation and changes resulting from community feedback

### **3.8.7 Knowledge Dissemination**

No knowledge dissemination activities have taken place for this workpackage in the last 12 months.

## **3.9 WP10: Collaboration**

### **3.9.1 Objectives**

This collaboration workpackage covers the liaison and co-operation activities with the other IST projects under Strategic Objective “Grid-based systems for solving complex problems” and its successor in WP 2005/2006. Where appropriate, other relevant IST Grid related projects may be involved on a case by case basis as appropriate and agreed by both sides:

### **3.9.2 Progress**

The project has collaborated formally and informally with other research activities. Details are provided in the First Collaboration Report PC2.

### **3.9.3 Deviations**

No deviations from the plan and, consequently no corrective action deemed necessary.

### **3.9.4 Deliverables**

**Table 23 UoS Collaboration Deliverables**

<b>Deliverable Number</b>	<b>Deliverable Name</b>	<b>Workpackage Number</b>	<b>Date Due</b>	<b>Actual/Forecast Delivery Date</b>	<b>Lead Contractor</b>
PC1	Collaboration Plan	10	December 2004	December 2004	UoS
PC2	First Collaboration Report	10	August 2005		UoS

### **3.9.5 Milestones**

There are no additional milestones for this workpackage.

### **3.9.6 Plans for next 12 months**

The project will continue to collaborate with other research activities.

### **3.9.7 Knowledge Dissemination**

No knowledge dissemination activities have taken place for this workpackage in the last 12 months.

## 4 Consortium Management

This section describes the management of the consortium during the reporting period. It identifies the major activities during the first and second 6 month period followed by issues identified during the reporting period and their resolution.

### 4.1 Management Activities during Months 1-6

The Provenance project kick-off meeting was held on 25-27 October 2004 at the IBM UK Laboratories. At this meeting, the working processes of the project were agreed together with a schedule for the first six months. Key points agreed were:

1. All project documents would be managed via a twiki. This has been created at <http://twiki.gridprovenance.org> with public and restricted areas. The restricted area is for project partners only. The restricted part includes areas for meetings, workpackages, deliverables and management.
2. Monthly management conference calls are held with agendas published on the twiki. All meetings are minuted with actions tracked – again this is via the twiki.
3. Dates have been agreed for regular face to face meetings during the project lifetime. The next meeting will be in Barcelona at UPC in March 2005.
4. Standards were agreed for documents generated by the project. Where possible, they will conform to open standards and use the OpenOffice suite of tools.
5. Project planning is managed by actions and dates agreed by the partners. These are published and tracked on the twiki.

The main management tasks to be carried out in this period were the following:

Activities carried out to achieve these objectives were:

1. A kickoff meeting for the Provenance project was held at IBM Hursley. Details of the agenda and supporting minutes are available on the project Twiki.
2. Management conference telephone calls were held monthly amongst the partners. Agendas and minutes are at <http://twiki.gridprovenance.org/bin/viewauth/Restricted/PhoneConferences>

In addition the following arose and were dealt with:

1. The Coordination workpackage (WP10) proposed by the EC was included in the Provenance project plan.
2. At the kickoff meeting, the delayed start to the project and its consequences were discussed. A revised schedule for workpackage 2 (Requirements) was produced and communicated to the FP6 Project Officer on 05/11/2004.
3. A report for the first three months of the project was prepared for the EC Project Officer.
4. Initial pre-financing was received by IBM from the EC and distributed to partners.

### 4.2 Management Activities during Months 7-12

Two face to face meetings were held within this reporting period hosted by partners in Barcelona and Southampton. The management issues discussed at these meetings were:

1. Face to face meeting held at UPC Barcelona during March 2-4 2005
  - a. Finalisation of deliverables due at end of month 6
  - b. Preliminary project planning for months 7-12 including
    - i. Workplan activities identified for new workpackage WP 4 Security including internal milestones and deliverables

- ii. Workplan activities identified for new workpackage WP 5 Scalability including internal milestones and deliverables
- iii. Workplan activities identified for new workpackage WP 6 Tools including internal milestones and deliverables
- iv. Workplan activities identified for new workpackage WP 7 Application 1 Aerospace including internal milestones and deliverables
- v. Workplan activities identified for new workpackage WP 7 Application 1 Organ Transplant including internal milestones and deliverables
- c. Early preparation for project review with EC at end of April 2005
- 2. Face to face meeting held at UoS Southampton during June 15-17 2005
  - a. Review and modification of project plan established at Barcelona face to face meeting
    - i. Finalise plan and actions to complete deliverables by end of month 12
  - b. Review of feedback from EC project review held at end of April 2005 including
    - i. Worked example of Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) analysis.
    - ii. Discussions on SWOT analysis to be included in Exploitation Strategy deliverable D1.3.1 due at end of month 12 with actions assigned to partners to lead separate SWOT generation.
    - iii. Identified what is the Provenance “marketing pitch”; what we are trying to sell
      - 1. The Provenance Architecture ?
      - 2. A Provenance Methodology ?
      - 3. A set of Provenance Tools ?
      - 4. A managed Provenance Service ?
      - 5. All of the above ?
  - c. Identified need to engage industry analysts to promote Provenance project and technology
  - d. Identify material to be provided to EC for management and financial reporting at end of month 12. Instigated actions to ensure material provided to coordinator on time.

Regular monthly management phone conferences were held during this period involving all partners. The general structure being:

1. Agenda Review
2. Acceptance of Minutes from previous meeting
3. Review outstanding Action items
4. Status reports from workpackage leaders
5. Project Planning issues and actions
6. Any other business

All meetings were minuted and distributed via the project restricted Twiki. Actions generated are tracked using Twiki action tracking tools

### **4.3 Management Issues**

Throughout the reporting period, the following management issues were highlighted and solutions provided.

### **4.3.1 Delayed Start of Project**

The project start date agreed with the EC was the first of September 2005. Due to delays in signing the project Consortium Agreement, the actual start date was delayed by a month to the first of October 2005. Planning for this delay was discussed at the kickoff meeting at IBM. The partners came to the conclusion that we could maintain the original project plan but slip two deliverables from workpackage WP2 Requirements. Details of this revised plan are provided in section 3.1.3 for workpackage WP3. Subsequent experience has shown that this decision was correct.

### **4.3.2 Effect of Project Timing**

The Provenance project runs for 24 months with months 12 and 24 being August of 2005 and 2006 respectively. This coincides with the holiday season and disrupts the finalisation of key deliverables due at this time. A solution to this would be to advance the planned deliverable dates to before the holiday period, but this would cause additional problems. The coordinator will identify other possible solutions for discussion with the EC Project Officer.

### **4.3.3 Sharing of Knowledge between Partners**

Clause IV.4.3 of the Provenance Consortium Agreement identifies a process whereby partners have to request in writing for information to be exchanged. During this reporting period, the partners identified this as being too restrictive for a collaborative research project. It meant that to follow the literal meaning of the Consortium Agreement, any exchange of knowledge of any kind would have to be covered by a written request.

Following consultation with the coordinator's legal department, a memorandum was drafted for all partners to sign. This provides a one-off request for all knowledge exchange for the lifetime of the project. It also reminds the partners of their obligations in exchanging knowledge, pre-existing know-how and third party materials. A copy of the memorandum is provided in Appendix B.

## Appendix A: Justification of Costs

**Table 24 Person Months Status Table**

Period: Sep-2004 to Aug-2005 Planned figures are for all project		Totals	IBM	UoS	UWC	DLR	UPC	STA
Workpackage 1: Management	Actual WP total:	8.02	7.07	0.25	0.25	0	0.25	0.2
	Planned WP total:	14.6	12.1	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Workpackage 2: Requirements	Actual WP total:	29.54	4.14	4	3	6	4	8.4
	Planned WP total:	36	6	6	6	6	6	6
Workpackage 3: Architecture	Actual WP total:	9.11	2.11	7	0	0	0	0
	Planned WP total:	22.8	9	13.8	0	0	0	0
Workpackage 4: Security	Actual WP total:	6.35	3.35	3	0	0	0	0
	Planned WP total:	21	12	9	0	0	0	0
Workpackage 5: Scalability	Actual WP total:	6	3	3	0	0	0	0
	Planned WP total:	21	12	9	0	0	0	0
Workpackage 6: Tools	Actual WP total:	6	0	0	6	0	0	0
	Planned WP total:	21.6	0	0	21.6	0	0	0
Workpackage 7: Aerospace	Actual WP total:	6	0	0	0	6	0	0
	Planned WP total:	18	0	0	0	18	0	0
Workpackage 8: OTM	Actual WP total:	13.1	0	0	0	0	6.7	6.4
	Planned WP total:	36	0	0	0	0	18	18
Workpackage 9: Implementation	Actual WP total:	15.06	12.06	3	0	0	0	0
	Planned WP total:	42	28.2	13.8	0	0	0	0
Workpackage 10: Collaboration	Actual WP total:	2.5	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.3
	Planned WP total:	7	1	2	1	1	1	1
Total Project Person-months	Actual WP total:	101.68	31.93	20.75	9.75	12.5	11.45	15.3
	Planned WP total:	240	80.3	54.1	29.1	25.5	25.5	25.5

### ***IBM United Kingdom Limited United Kingdom (IBM)***

#### **Brief description of the work performed by IBM**

IBM led and coordinated workpackage 1 Management including:

1. Planning and tracking partner activities
2. Chairing monthly management conference calls
3. Communications with EC Project Officer

4. Organisation and chairing of periodic face to face meetings between partners
5. Preparation and delivery of project deliverables to EC Project Officer
6. Coordination and preparation of periodic management and financial reports to EC Project Officer

IBM led and coordinated workpackage 4 Security including:

1. Review of Security logical architecture with workpackage 3
2. Review of Security technologies and standards
3. Preparation of D4.1.1 Security Specification version 1

IBM led and coordinated workpackage 5 Scalability including:

1. Review of Scalability logical architecture with workpackage 3
2. Review of Scalability technologies and standards
3. Preparation of D5.1.1 Scalability Specification version 1

IBM led and coordinated workpackage 9 Implementation including:

1. Configuration of software development infrastructure
2. Preparation of software development standards
3. Implementation of pre-prototype system D9.1.1
4. Implementation of first functional prototype D9.3.1

IBM contributed to workpackage 3 Architecture including:

1. Architectural discussions with UoS and review of internal deliverables

IBM contributed to workpackage 10 Collaboration including:

1. Contribution to EC CT6 Indicators working group

#### **Explanation of major cost items of IBM**

The major cost items for IBM are:

1. Salaries of technical and management personnel engaged in project
2. Travel
  - a. Face to Face meeting in Barcelona
  - b. Concertation, collaboration and review meetings in Brussels
  - c. CT6 Indicators working group meeting in Brussels
3. Catering expenses for face to face meeting at IBM Hursley

### ***University of Southampton United Kingdom (UoS)***

#### **Brief description of the work performed by UoS**

UoS contributed to workpackage 1 with the following:

1. participating in management face to face and telephone conference meetings
2. preparing periodic management reports
3. preparing periodic management reports
4. preparing financial statement
5. reviewing deliverables

UoS led and coordinated workpackage 3 Architecture including:

1. Analysis of requirements from User and Software requirements Documents from workpackage 2
2. Development of logical architecture



3. For details of work items, see salary items for personnel.

UoS contributed to workpackage 9 Implementation including:

1. Design of pre-prototype demonstration
2. Shared implementation of pre-prototype software.

UoS led and coordinated workpackage 10 Collaboration including:

1. Preparation of Collaboration report deliverables PC1 and PC2
2. Coordination of partner collaboration with other research organisations

UoS provided comprehensive reviews of deliverable documents generated by all active workpackages.

### **Explanation of major cost items of UoS**

The major cost items for UoS are:

1. Salary for:
  - a. Dr Fenglian Xu (Full time from 1/10/2004 till 31/5/2005): 8PM
    - i. Design of pre-prototype (WP3)
    - ii. Implementation of pre-prototype (WP3)
    - iii. Write up of pre-prototype report (WP3)
    - iv. Design of linking mechanism to distribution of stores (WP3)
  - b. Dr Liming Chen (Full Time from 1/1/2005 till end of period): 8PM
    - i. Write up of pre-prototype report (WP3)
    - ii. Architecture strawman (WP3)
    - iii. Design of documentation style ontology and relationship ontology (WP3)
    - iv. Architecture document (WP3)
    - v. Review of deliverables (WP3,4,5,6,7,8)
  - c. Dr Victor Tan (Full Time from 1/7/2005 till end of period): 2PM
    - i. Review of deliverables (WP3,4,5,6,7,8)
    - ii. Security architecture design (WP4)
    - iii. Architecture document (WP3)
    - iv. Pre-prototype write up (WP3)
  - d. Paul Groth (Full Time May and June): 2PM
    - i. Architecture strawman (WP3)
    - ii. Design and specification of p-structure (WP3)
    - iii. Design of provenance store interface (WP10)
    - iv. Architecture document (WP3)
    - v. Design of scalability architecture (WP5)
    - vi. Review of deliverables (WP3,4,5,6,7,8)

We note that Dr Victor Tan and Paul Groth contributed to the project more than we charged. In addition, the following are not charged but contribute to the project

- e. Dr Simon Miles (not charged to project)
  - i. Architecture strawman (WP3)
  - ii. Design of naming convention (WP3)
  - iii. Methodology specification (WP3)
  - iv. Architecture specification (WP3)
  - v. Review of deliverables (WP3,4,5,6,7,8)
- f. Professor Luc Moreau
  - i. Collaboration (WP10)
  - ii. Management (WP1)
  - iii. Architecture specification and Document (WP3)
  - iv. Review of deliverables (WP3,4,5,6,7,8)

2. Travel:
  - a. Conference attendance in the Grid/distributed computing area European Grid Conference 2005 (Amsterdam), Cluster Computing and Grid 2005 (Cardiff), Europar 2005 and Core Grid workshop (Lisbon), Grids@Work (Nice).
  - b. Concertation, collaboration and review meetings Brussels, Aachen.
  - c. Catering costs for Southampton F2F meeting
  - d. F2F Meetings in Barcelona
3. Equipment:
  - a. Purchase of 2 PCs for researchers to conduct their research.

### **Explanation of the deviations from cost budget and from person-month budget of UoS**

We are slightly under spent on salary due to the resignation of Dr Fenglian Xu. We have however been able to compensate by leveraging resources from the PASOA project (Dr Simon Miles, Paul Groth), and from the myGrid project (Dr Victor Tan), who contributed to various aspects of architecture design. Hence, all deliverables were successfully met according to the plan. With the unspent resources, we are about to make appointments, which will allow us to boost our implementation and standardisation write up activity in the second part of the project.

## ***University of Wales, Cardiff United Kingdom (UWC)***

### **Brief description of the work performed by UWC**

UWC contributed to workpackage 1 with the following:

1. participating in management face to face and telephone conference meetings
2. preparing periodic management reports
3. preparing periodic management reports
4. preparing financial statement
5. reviewing deliverables

UWC led and coordinated workpackage 6 Tools and Setup including:

1. Analysis of requirements from User and Software requirements Documents from workpackage 2
2. Preparation of tools specification coordinating with workpackages 3, 7 and 8
3. Identify a minimal set of functionality that could be included in the tools suite, and understand interaction between such functionality.
4. Specify a “set-up” protocol that an application would follow at initialisation phase.
5. Specify a design for the tools suite using the Unified Modeling Language (UML)
6. Preparing deliverable D6.1.1; Tools for Using Provenance.

UWC contributed to workpackage 10 Collaboration including:

1. joining the semantic grid activities of the collaboration between FP6 grid projects
2. studying the semantic grid descriptions of the collaboration between FP6 grid projects

### **Explanation of major cost items of UWC**

Major cost items have included salary costs for the Research Associates (Arnaud Contes and Vikas Deora) employed on the project. Other costs include equipment purchased for the Research Associates. These costs were incurred from June 2005. Based on the schedule of the project, a significant spend is expected over the next 6 months. Vikas Deora was initially paid on a contractual basis (20 hours per week) – awaiting approvals of work permits and leave to remain from the Home Office.

Costs for other related events have generally been related to: (1) Attending the Provenance management and technical meetings, (2) Attending the Semantic Grid Event at Dagstuhl, and (3) Supporting the collaboration between Cardiff and University of West of England, COMTEC (Japan) and NIIT (Pakistan). The aim of the collaboration meeting was to discuss how the results of the Provenance project could be more widely shared, and trust issues that arise as a consequence of utilising trust.

## ***Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt s.V. Germany (DLR)***

### **Brief description of the work performed by DLR**

DLR contributed to workpackage 1 with the following:

1. participating in management face to face and telephone conference meetings
2. preparing periodic management reports
3. preparing periodic management reports
4. preparing financial statement
5. reviewing deliverables

DLR contributed to workpackage 2 Requirements with the following

1. Contributed and corrected user requirements survey document
2. Survey completion from point of view of simulation integration environment TENT.
3. Survey completion from point of view of Aerospace Engineering application (end user's view).

DLR led and coordinated workpackage 7 Application 1 - Aerospace including:

1. Overview document for Aerospace Engineering Application with respect to provenance data.
2. Introductory document describing the simulation integration environment TENT
3. Analysis of Aerospace Engineering Application for identification of:
  - a. Points for provenance recording in application
  - b. Means and interface implementation for recording
  - c. Structure, content, and features of provenance records
4. Preparation of deliverable D7.1.1 for WP 7 (Aerospace Engineering Application)

## ***Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya Spain (UPC)***

### **Brief description of the work performed by UPC**

### **Explanation of major cost items of UPC**

### **Explanation of the deviations from cost budget and from person-month budget of UPC**

## ***Magyar Tudományos Akadémia Számítástechnikai és Automatizálási Kutató Intézet Hungary (STA)***

### **Brief description of the work performed by STA**

STA contributed to workpackage 1 with the following:

3. participating in management face to face and telephone conference meetings
4. preparing workpackage 2 periodic management reports
5. preparing STA partner periodic management reports
6. preparing STA partner financial statement
7. reviewing deliverables, D7.1.1 in detail

STA led and coordinated workpackage 2 Requirements including:

1. leading two sessions dedicated to workpackage 2 at the kick-off meeting
2. preparing a schedule for WP2
3. preparing the initial requirements questionnaire
4. working partner contributions into draft versions of the questionnaire
5. extending draft versions and the internal final version of the questionnaire
6. developing an in-house developed form generator to produce the on-line questionnaire
7. processing the questionnaire answers from five projects: the TENT system by DLR, the Organ Transplant Management application by UPC, the eDiamond project by IBM, Combechem and MyGrid projects by Southampton
8. updating the questionnaire based on partner feedback
9. publishing the questionnaire on the web
10. collecting a list of 47 projects to be contacted for requirements input
11. contacting and processing the answers from projects
12. preparing draft versions of the User Requirement Document based on input from 11 projects
13. working partner contributions into draft versions of the User Requirements Document
14. finalising deliverable D2.1.1 User Requirements Document
15. leading sessions at the Barcelona face to face meeting
16. preparing the template of the D2.2.1 Software Requirements Document
17. preparing a schedule of the writing of the Software Requirements Document
18. preparing draft versions of D2.2.1
19. working partner contributions into draft versions of the Software Requirements Document
20. finalising deliverable D2.2.1 Software Requirements Document

STA worked on the Electronic Health Care Record Management part of the Organ Transplant Management (OTM) application of the project in workpackage 8. Activities carried out in workpackage 8 were:

1. preparing an overview design of the Provenance Electronic Health Care Record Management part of the OTM provenance application  
developing application descriptions for Provenance Electronic Health Care Record Management
2. providing feedback to other workpackages on clarifying requirements and design needs
3. developing a mapping between the Electronic Health Care Record Management part of the OTM provenance application and the proposed provenance architecture
4. completing sections 3.2, 4.2 and 5.2 of the major deliverable of the period: D.8.1.1, "Specification of mapping to provenance architecture, and domain specific provenance handling"
5. commenting on other sections of deliverable D.8.1.1

STA contributed to workpackage 10 Collaboration with the following:

1. joining the semantic grid activities of the collaboration between FP6 grid projects
2. studying the semantic grid descriptions of the collaboration between FP6 grid projects

### **Explanation of major cost items of STA**

## Equipment purchases:

1. one PC for one technical position, to be used as a development workstation
2. one PC per institution, to be used for hosting relevant services (questionnaire in this reporting period) for deployment and testing purposes
3. one notebook, to be used at meetings and conferences

## Travel costs:

1. participating at the project face to face meetings in Hursley, Barcelona and Southampton, one person per meeting
2. project review meeting in Brussels, one person

**Explanation of the deviations from cost budget and from person-month budget of STA**

Following the recommendations at the negotiation meeting, the travel costs were strongly kept at a low level by STA, however it was kept lower than needed, which reduced the efficiency of work at partner site, therefore more person months had to be spent to complete the planned work. However the employed workforce was not as good as planned, which could be met at lower person month costs. These two deviations compensated each other and the personal cost was about the same as planned. The travel costs are proportionally lower than planned also because the travel costs related to dissemination activities are expected towards the end of the project rather than at the beginning.

## **Appendix B: Exchange of Knowledge Memorandum**

Within the Provenance project, Consortium Members will share "Knowledge" using the Twiki and the CVS code repository.

The following items can be stored using the Twiki and/or the CVS repository:-

1. Documents (including reviews of documents);
2. Meeting minutes;
3. Technical discussions;
4. E-mails; and
5. Software (including source code, object code and other scripts required to build and test the software).

Some of the foregoing fall within the category of "Knowledge" relating to the Provenance project.

As members of the Provenance FP6 Consortium, we agree as follows:

1. Any Knowledge that is shared by being placed on the Twiki and/or the CVS repository is shared pursuant to requests made by other Consortium members as detailed in the Consortium Agreement (see: IV.4.3 ), such requests being evidenced (on a one-time basis) through signature of this memorandum by Consortium Members;
2. Access to such Knowledge is subject to the licensing provisions set forth in IV.4.7 of the Consortium Agreement;
3. Any Pre-existing Know-How should be explicitly identified on the Twiki and/or the CVS repository, in which case the applicable provisions at Consortium Agreement section IV.4.4 shall apply; and
4. For clarification, each Consortium Member agrees not to use any third party materials unless submitted in accordance with the provisions of Consortium Agreement section III.3.3.

Signed: .....

Date: .....

Organisation: .....