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About the CERN AFS UI Service

The CERN AFS UI Service is provided in order to allow CERN GRID users to have access to the GRID without using a specific UI. (More information about AFS UI usage: AFS UI Users Guide)

Updates

AFS UI managers are trying to keep the UI up-to-date. The UI should be updated soon after a new version of the UI middleware is available. (AFS UI current status)

AFS UI users & usage

The most important use cases for the AFS UI are as below:

Alice

gateway to some services running on the Alice VOBOXes.

Atlas

used on VOBOXes for instance to get the correct version of the lcg-utils/gfal packages. AFSUI is also used to run Athena (reconstruction/analysis framework).

CMS

running user jobs

LHCb

Both DIRAC production and analysis system (used by LHCb to access the Grid) do rely on scripts that ultimately source the latest AFS UI. The same is true for GANGA users (ATLAS/LHCb interface for user analysis system)

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