

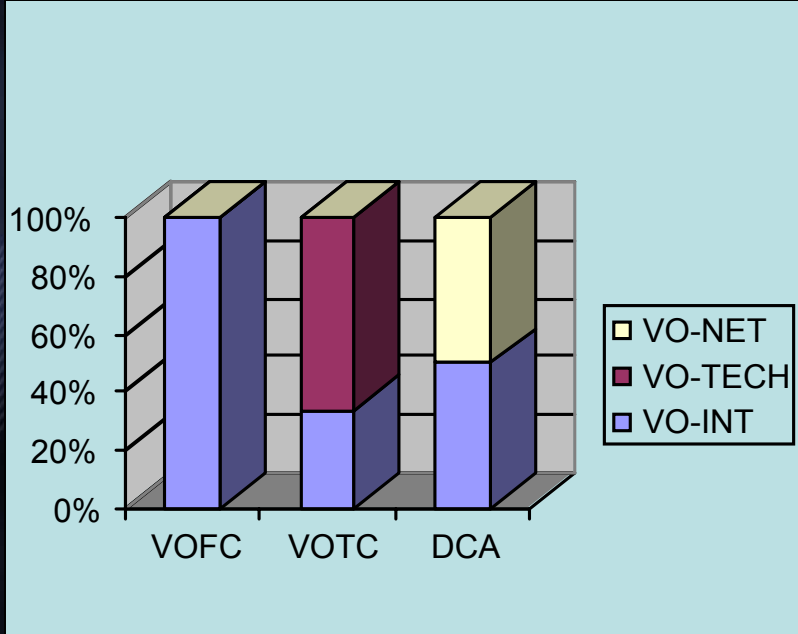
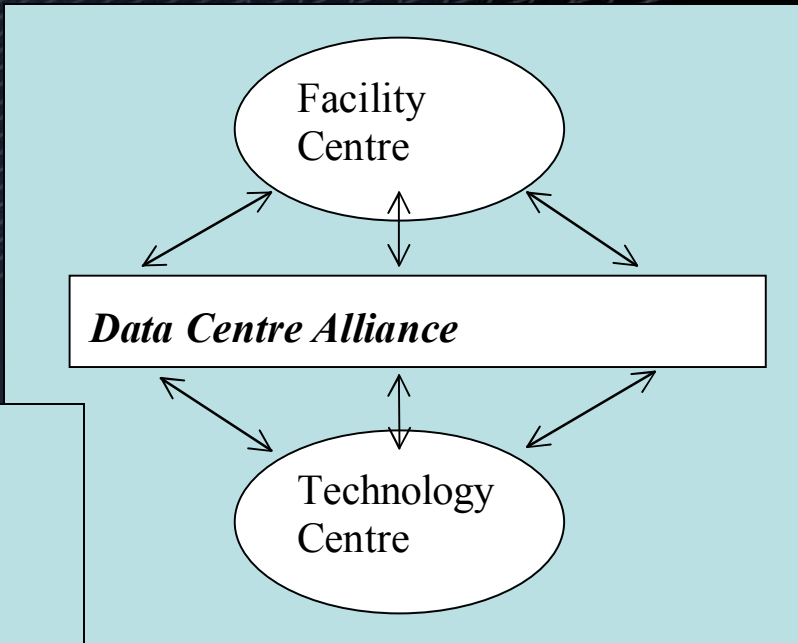


# AVO SWG Meeting

## WA0 Report

- AVO Year 1 report accepted!
  - Year 2 report
    - need Cost Statements ASAP
    - Need written WA reports by end Jan (latest!)
    - Following Year 1 report style closely making reference to deliverables and WPs in the contract
- AVO finances
  - Travel overspend - reduction of support for SWG meeting in 2004
  - Internal audit of staff costs to November 2004 for each WA
  - Hardware money to be spent in 2004

- EURO-VO
  - FP6 outcome
    - Concerned expressed by ESO STC, ESO Council and ESA/ESO Coordination Committee
    - OPTICON and RADIONet support for travel - 70 kEuro in next 18 months
  - Next I3 funding opportunity is Jan '05
  - Need to extend AVO contract date till end 2005
  - We will secure funds for AVO staff until end 2005
  - EURO-VO is too strategically important for astronomy in Europe to hang in the balance of an EC decision



- EURO-VO Exec determined to start EURO-VO in July 2005
  - Secure ESO funding for 4 new staff to start DCA, VO-TC and VO-FC functions at ESO in Q1 2004
  - Encourage all EURO-VO members to identify EURO-VO manpower for DCA activities (at a minimum) by July 2005
  - Hold AVO demonstration for ESA March/April 2004 with a view to increase ESA support
  - Membership MOU signed by July
- Submit new EURO-VO proposal with strong ESA/ESO/OPTICON/RADIONet backing in Jan'05 for balance of EURO-VO functions

- IVOA Activities
  - PQ chairman from 1 July'03 - 1 July'04, Andy is deputy
  - IVOA Executive meeting at Sydney IAU
  - IVOA coordinated demos in Sydney
    - VO contributions to major new projects meeting (SKA,ALMA,ELT)
  - Interoperability meetings May '03 and Sept '03
    - Agreement on Registry 1.0 for Jan'04 demos
    - Progress on SSA
  - GGF-9 October in Chicago
  - November - Hungary joins IVOA (14 projects)
  - Small VO Projects meeting in [Beijing Nov'03](#)
  - OECD Global Science Forum meeting in Munich Dec'03
  - IVOA Exec meeting 29 January at ESO
    - Updated roadmap and priorities
    - VO Compliance document draft
    - Data Quality document draft
  - Interoperability May'04 in Boston and Sept'04 in Puna

- Jobs
  - WELCOME PAOLO!