Impact of Configuration Management system of computer center on support of scientific projects throughout their lifecycle



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Scientific project support system components

Informational unit

- Project and user registration;
- Event registration;
- Computation and resource consumption data accounting and analysis;
- Project management based on data analysis;

Technological unit

- Resource providing;
- Incident processing;
- Service request processing;

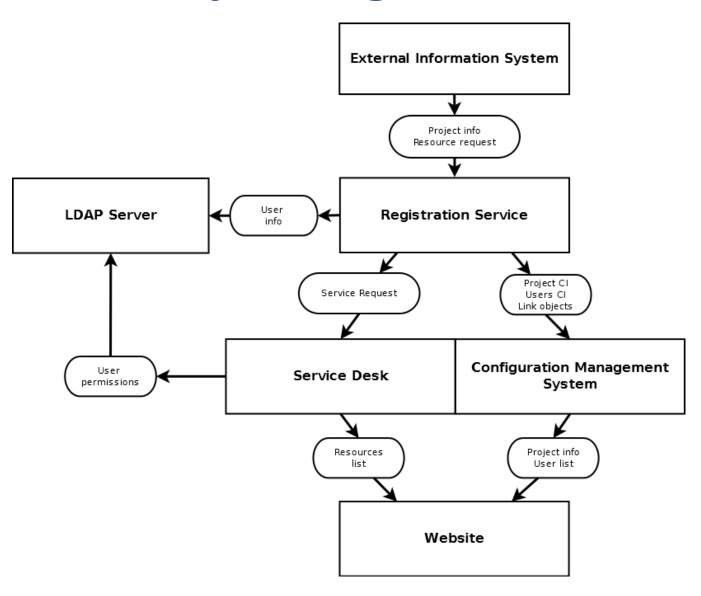
Problems

- Low service support quality;
- Significant time costs of every operation;
- Low level of control of changes in infrastructure;

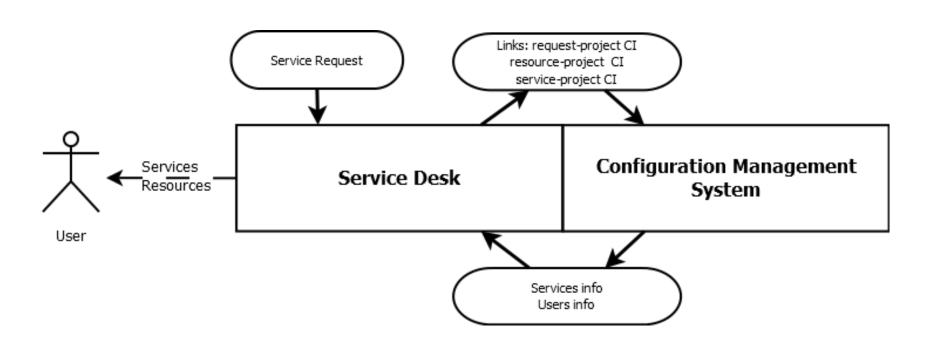


User dissatisfaction

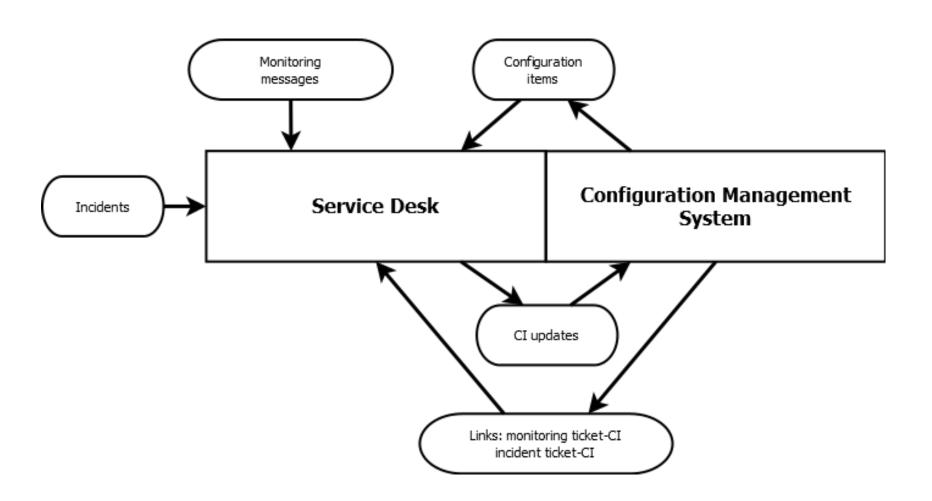
Project registration



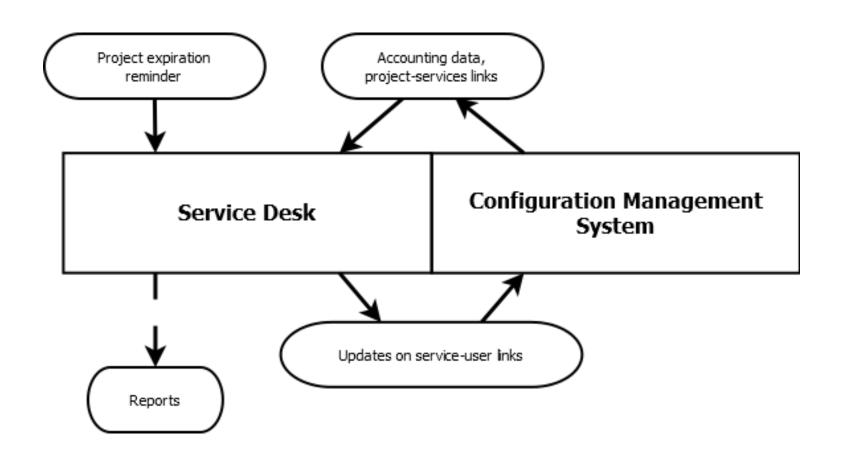
Service provision



Service support



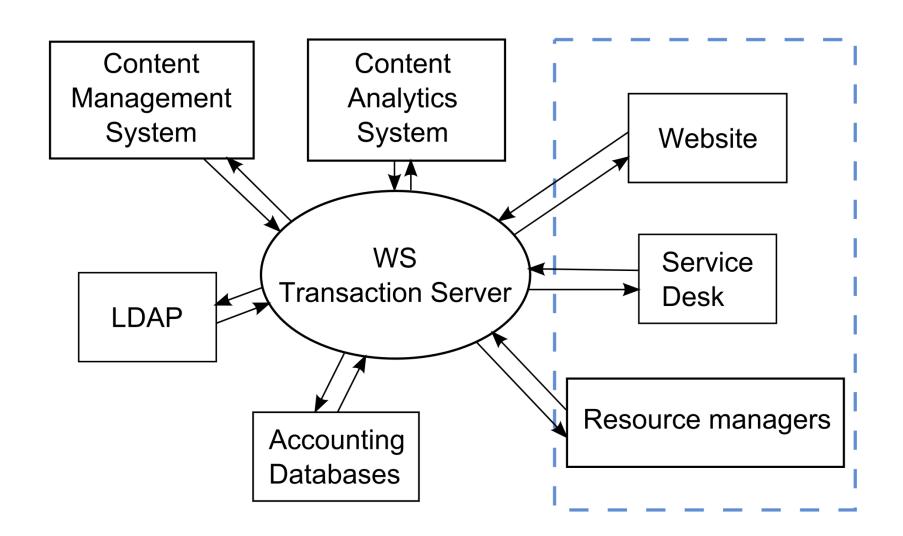
Project completion



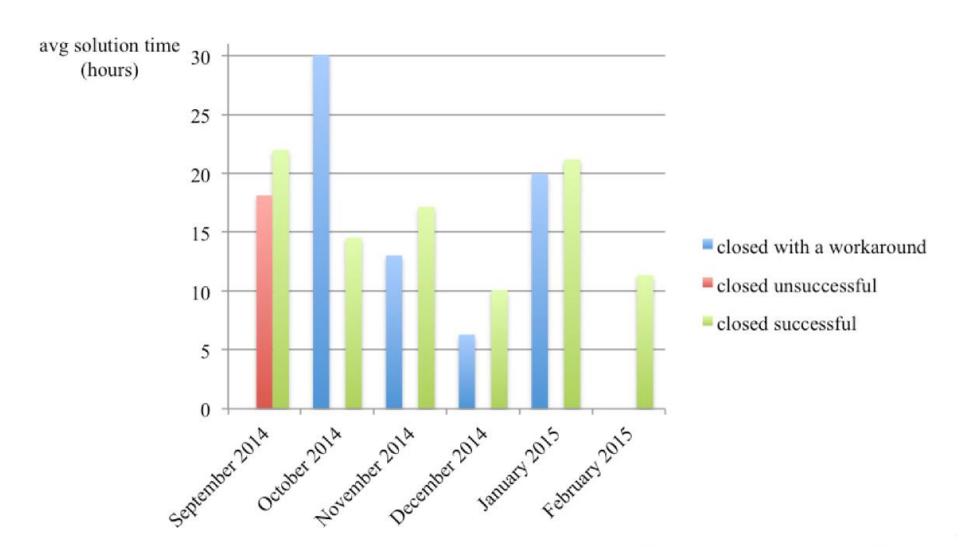
OTRS::ITSM service desk

- Non-commercial and open-source;
- ITIL 2011 certified;
- Includes required objects and database;
- Supports all processes of technical support;
- Provides automatic report generation;
- Provides a web service API;

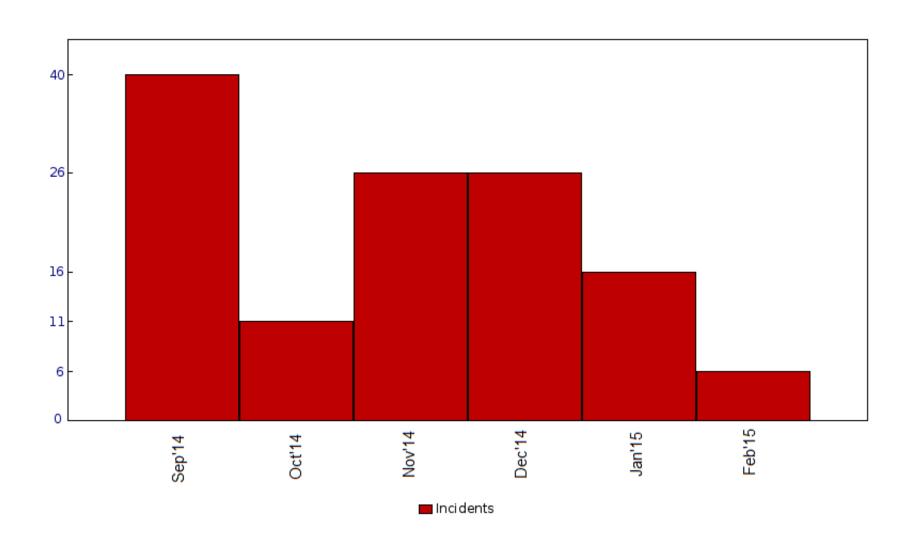
Web services



Impact on Incident solution time



Impact on incident quantity



Subjective impact

- Simplified capacity, availability and continuity planning;
- Improved analysis of impact of changes and control of their processing;
- Clarified report creation;
- Prevention of new incidents using analysis of monitoring messages;

Conclusion

- CMS affected every stage of IT service lifecycle;
- Usage of the CMS increased IT services support quality;
- Every operation dependent on IT component data runs faster;
- Improved control of infrastructure prevents errors and simplifies planning;

Further perspectives

- Complex of configuration management and change management systems;
- Automated provision of recommendations about usage of services from the analysis of:
 - project objectives data,
 - > service requests data,
 - ➤ QA surveys data;
- Automatic reflection of infrastructure changes in the CMDB;

Questions?