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Cloud bursting to commercial providers with Kubernetes

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Overview

- Our Team
- Promotion and partnership motivation
- Improved sustainability with Google Cloud Platform (GCP)
- The challenge for software developers
- Kubernetes adoption to leverage expandability
- INCD integration with GCP



















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Open Cloud for Research Environment



- Call for commercial cloud redistribution
- Extend to platform resources of commercial providers
- Distributing state-of-the-art digital services via European Open Science Cloud
- Promote research infrastructures moving forward to explore new mechanisms



- Service Aggregator
- Combined use of services
- Provide an easier solution for users willing to use commercial cloud for additional capacity or services
- Additional protection and support for the community





















Commercial provider benefits



- Worldwide distributed resources
- Test brand new hardware (TPUs, GPUs, CPUs)
- Access to resources not available (expensive and less frequently used)
- Provider specific added value services



Dataflow



BigQuery



Cloud Storage



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Dataproc

















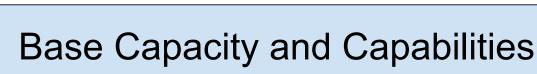


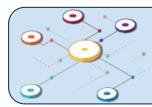


Sustainable infrastructure partnership



Additional Capacity and Capabilities





Research and academic community

Answer additional requests:

- hardware
- services
- extended limits

Safety and support:

- sustained usage
- users protection
- infrastructures abstraction

Computing resources:

- avoid lock-in
- minimise costs
- burst into Google Cloud















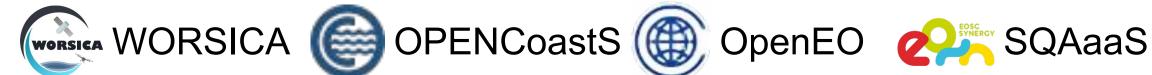






Architecture towards sustainability

- Container-based approach migration of existing software
- Event driven solutions
 - Function as a Service
 - Task execution
- Serverless adoption
- Minimise costs
- Users support over the software migration





























Kubernetes adoption by developers

- Start with docker image creation
- Prepare the deployment using docker compose
- Use available tools to help developers to generate kubernetes ready deployment configurations



Kompose - docker compose to kubernetes

- configuration files
- helm chart



SQAaaS - Quality assessment and deployment automation





















Kubernetes adoption by developers

 Use available tools to help developers to generate kubernetes ready deployment configurations



ArgoCD: GitOPS implementation over **Kompose** generated configurations (CD)





Kubevela + FluxCD: Kubevela GitOPS application (CD)



Scaffold: build, push, test, deploy, verify (CI/CD)





















Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE)

Autopilot

- most favorable pricing model (tailed to the application)
- kubernetes core components are managed by Google
- limited access to the kubernetes nodes (shared)

Standard

- pricing model adds the nodes allocation to the application operational costs
- dedicated infrastructure for the nodes
- support custom node configurations













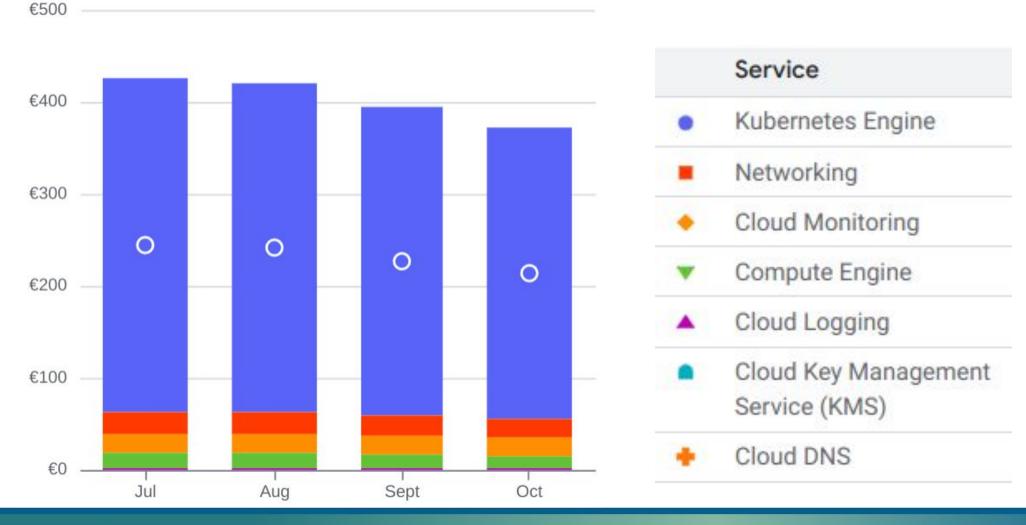








GKE Autopilot on-demand pricing model















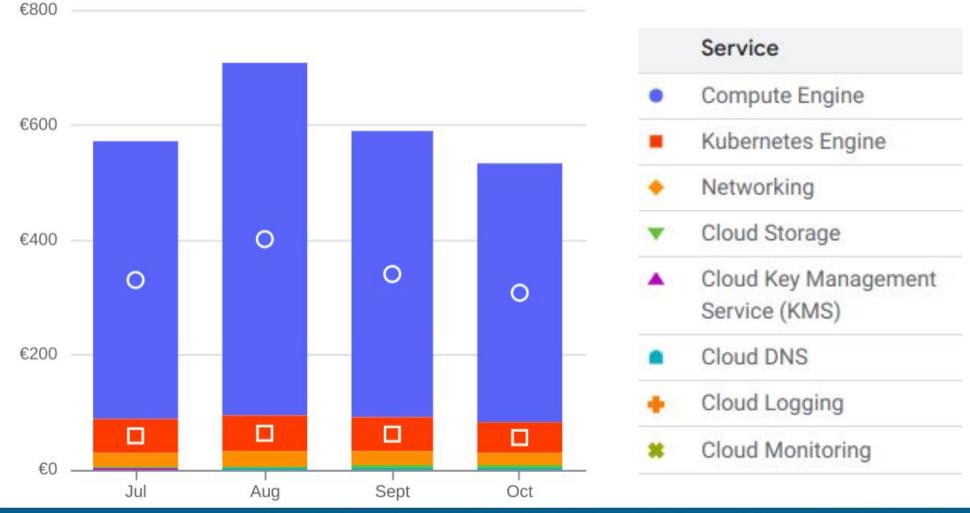








GKE Standard on-demand pricing model























GKE projects organization

- Multiple different projects supported in same organization
- Projects can be placed in folders
- Folders allow to share roles with subfolders and projects

Autopilot GKE

Standard GKE



























GKE service routing

- Ingress Controllers implementations (proxy): Nginx, Traefik
- Ingress Controllers can be shared or dedicated to each service



Autopilot GKE

Standard GKE















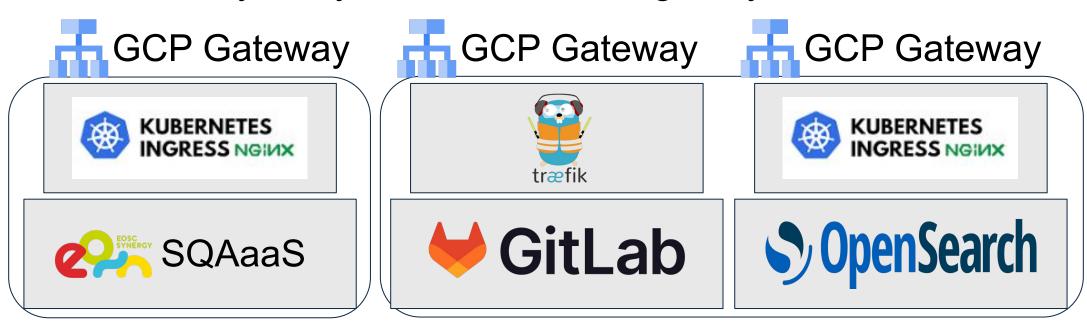






GKE service routing

- Each ingress controller have its own gateway (load balancer)
- GCP Gateways only allow traffic managed by INCD



Autopilot GKE

Standard GKE





















Using Google Cloud DNS for GKE



Cloud DNS - Google's worldwide network distributed DNS

- INCD organization DNS zone (a delegation of incd.pt)
- Group (folder) or project DNS zone (as delegations of above)
- Use wildcard CNAME to forward requests to the Gateway
- These name records are only used for INCD routing to GCP













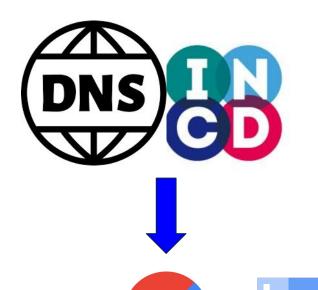








INCD delegated DNS zone for GCP





- Service DNS names for the users projects are only at INCD DNS servers
- Possible integration with FedCloud Dynamic DNS (IISAS)





Project zone

Group zone

Google Cloud



















INCD gateway for Kubernetes clusters

- On-premises ingress over Kubernetes dedicated infrastructure
- Use external names dynamically managed at GCP
- GitOPS methodology compliant
- Easy to manage with same configurations (templating)
- Allow data to be kept at INCD (important for customer protection)
- Data movement mostly from INCD site to external provider
- Minimise future data storage and transfer costs
- Services can move between providers with almost zero downtime
- Network traffic control through INCD infrastructure













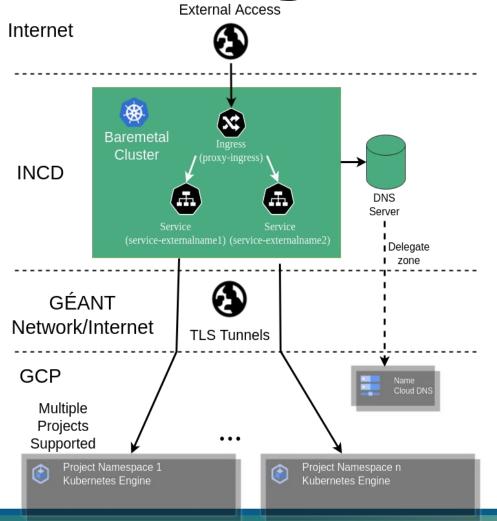








INCD integration with GCP



- Endpoints are exposed by INCD
- Endpoints are managed by proxies
- DNS via zones that can be delegated
- Projects can be moved to GKE
- Depending on project access can be:
 - Directed to INCD Kubernetes
 - Directed to Google GKE
- Tunnels between INCD and Google

Multiple different projects in GKE





















Thank you

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