

Lessons learnt from OneLab Facility

the first opened federation of heterogeneous testbeds

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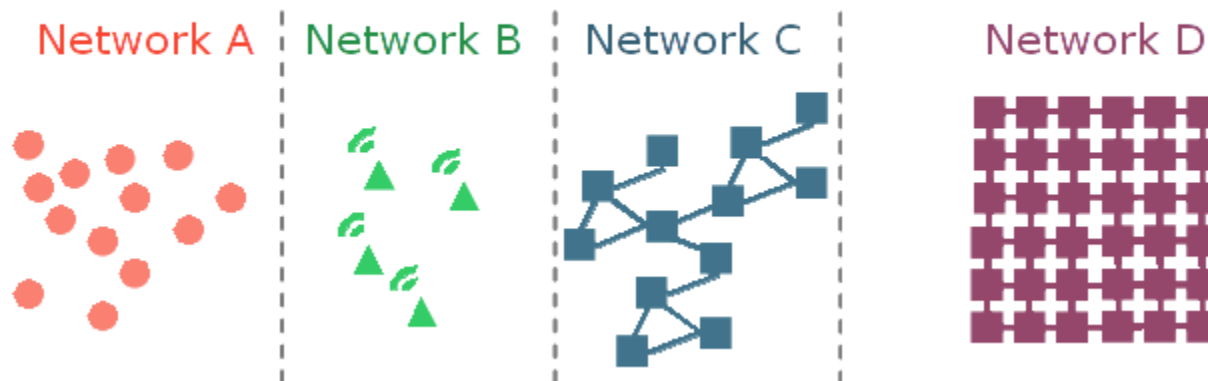
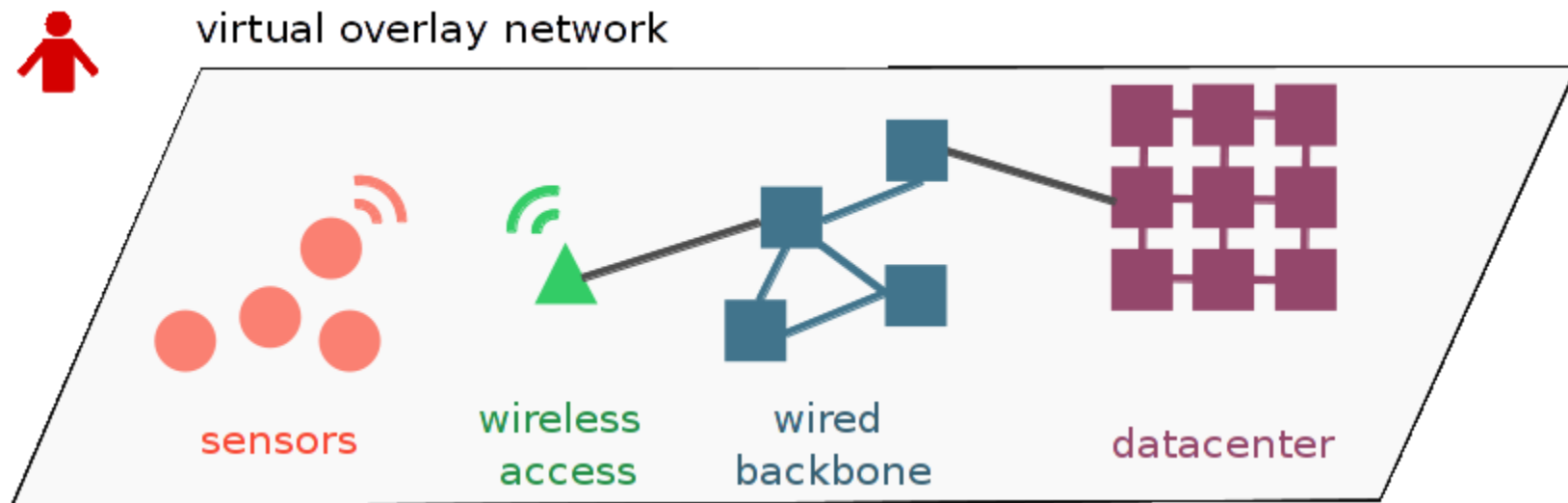
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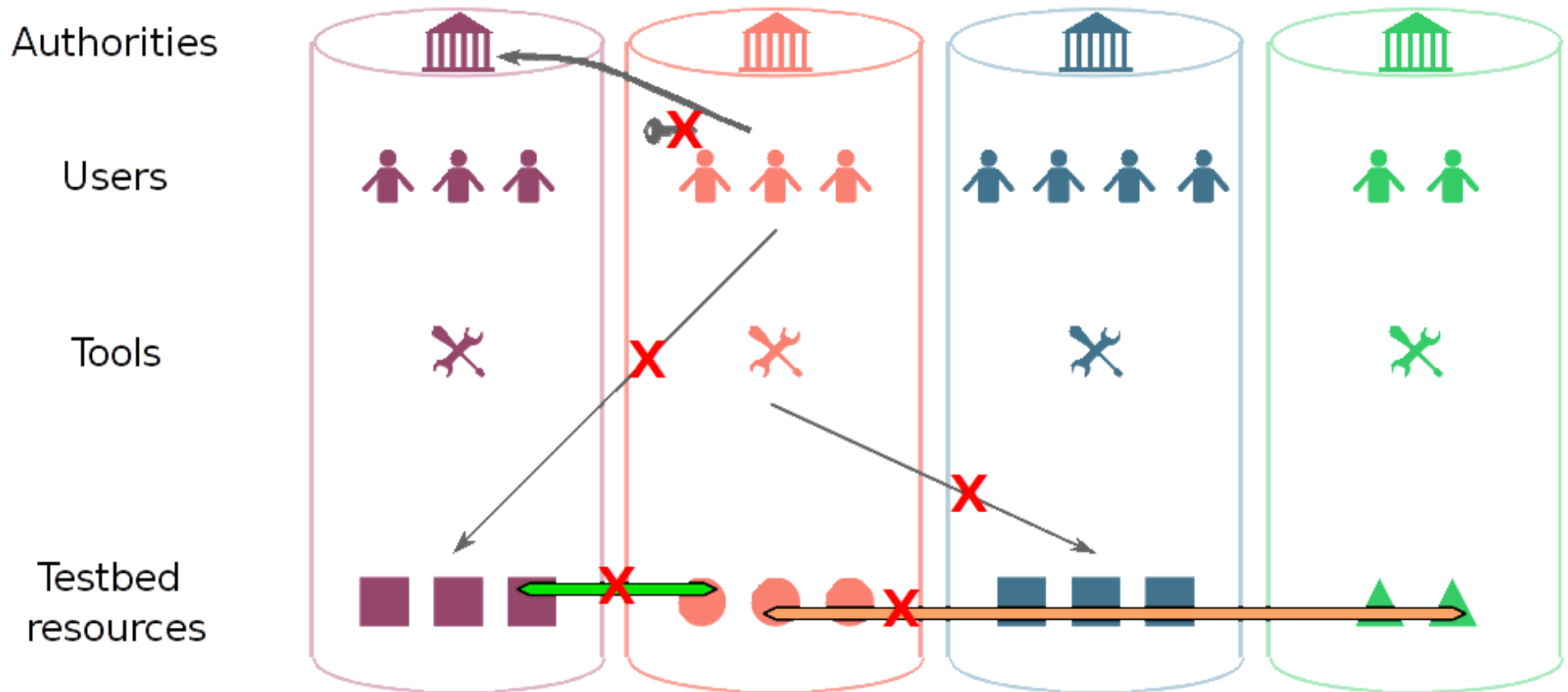
A playground for the future Internet

Federation empowers to run **services (and tests)** using resources provided by **autonomous** networks



How to federate?

The issue with testbed isolation



Experimenters and tools

- User from an authority
 - Must be trusted among federated authorities
 - Should get access to federated resources
 - Need to execute an experiment across testbeds
- Tools
 - Have to enable these functionalities
 - Should provide a common interface for heterogeneous resources

Heterogeneous Resources

Federation of heterogeneous testbeds needs to

- **Expose the diversity of resources to users**
 - Description of the characteristics and capabilities of resources
 - Visualization and configuration of resources
- **Provide a unified way to interact with resources**
 - Discovering
 - Reserving
 - Configuring
 - Experimenting

Experiment Lifecycle

- ① User account & slice creation
- ② Authentication
- ③ Resource discovery
- ④ Resource reservation & scheduling
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SFA / MySlice

OMF / scripts

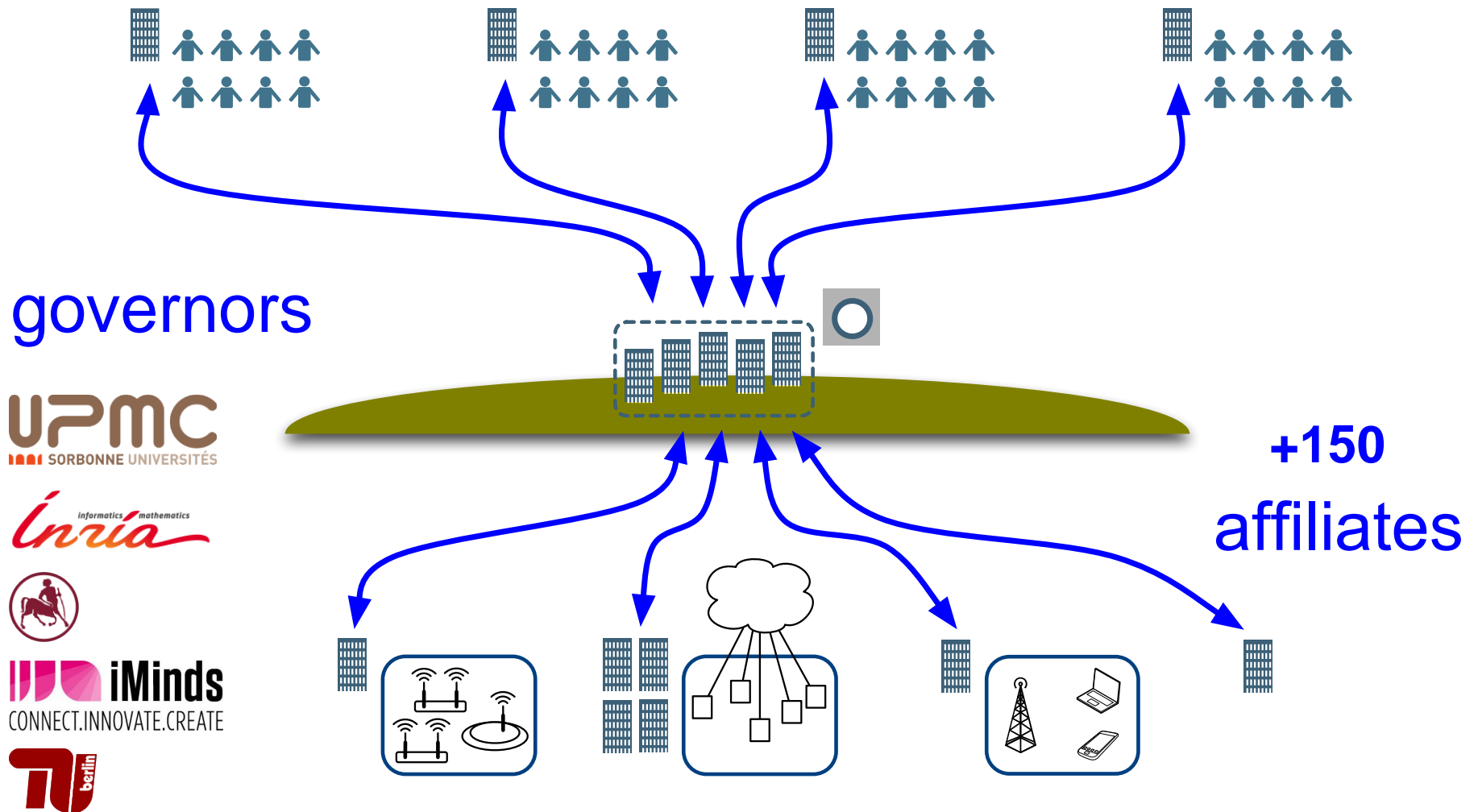
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Software components For Federation

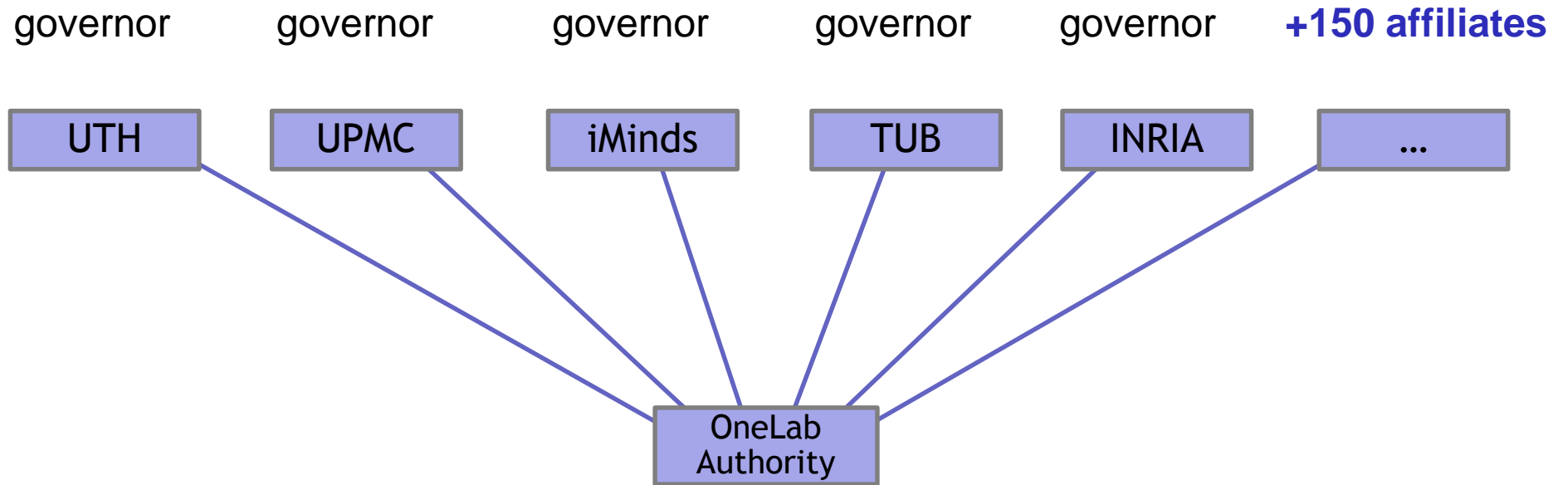
Slice-Based Facility Architecture (SFA)

- A **secure and distributed thin waist** to enable a global federation :
- **Naming** : uniquely identifies objects ; links ; requires sharing of namespace ;
- **Identity / Authentication** : X509 certificates ;
- **Authorization** : Non standardized credentials ;
- **Control plane API** : Manipulate objects and their associations ; authorization + policies ;
- **Data model** : Resource description; Independent from SFA.

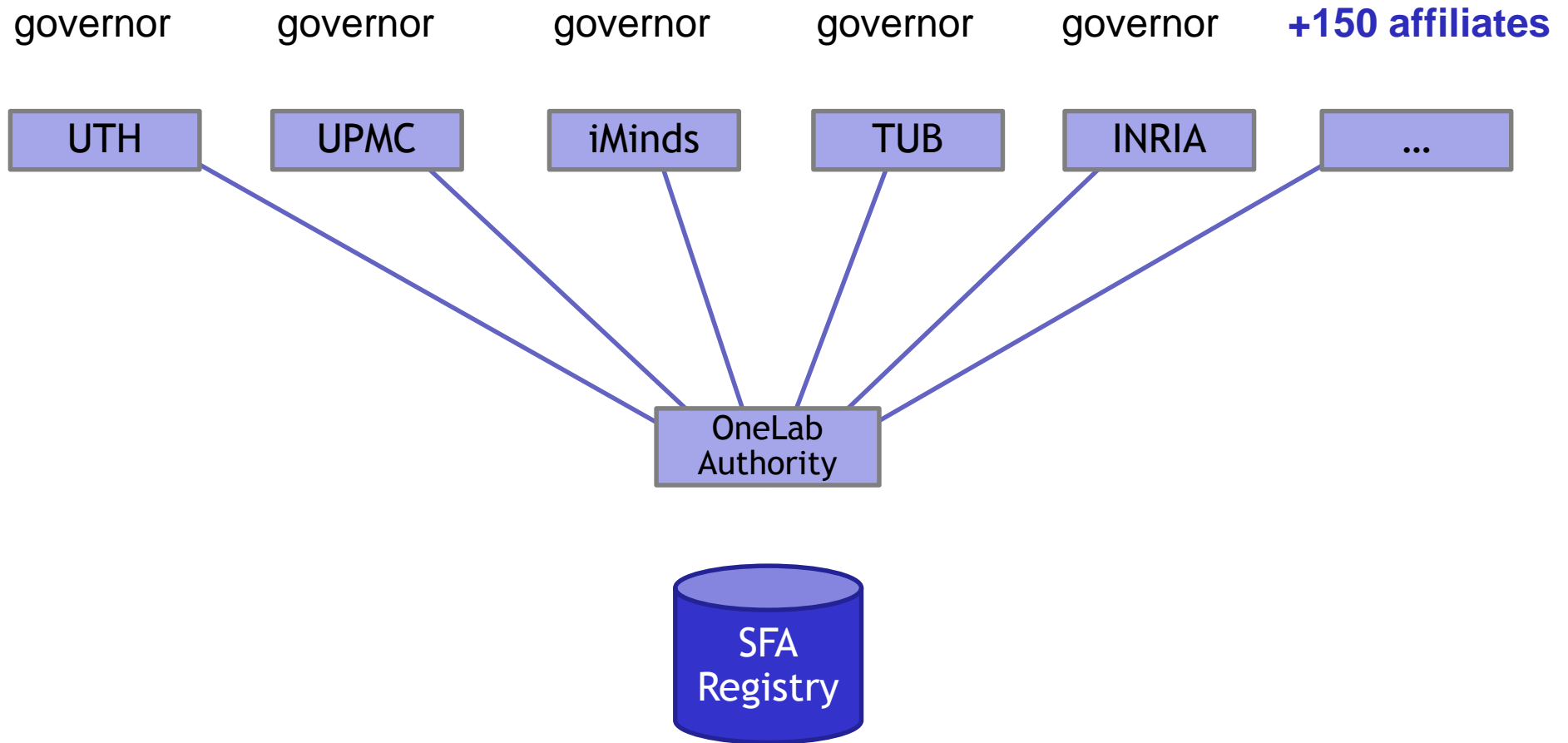
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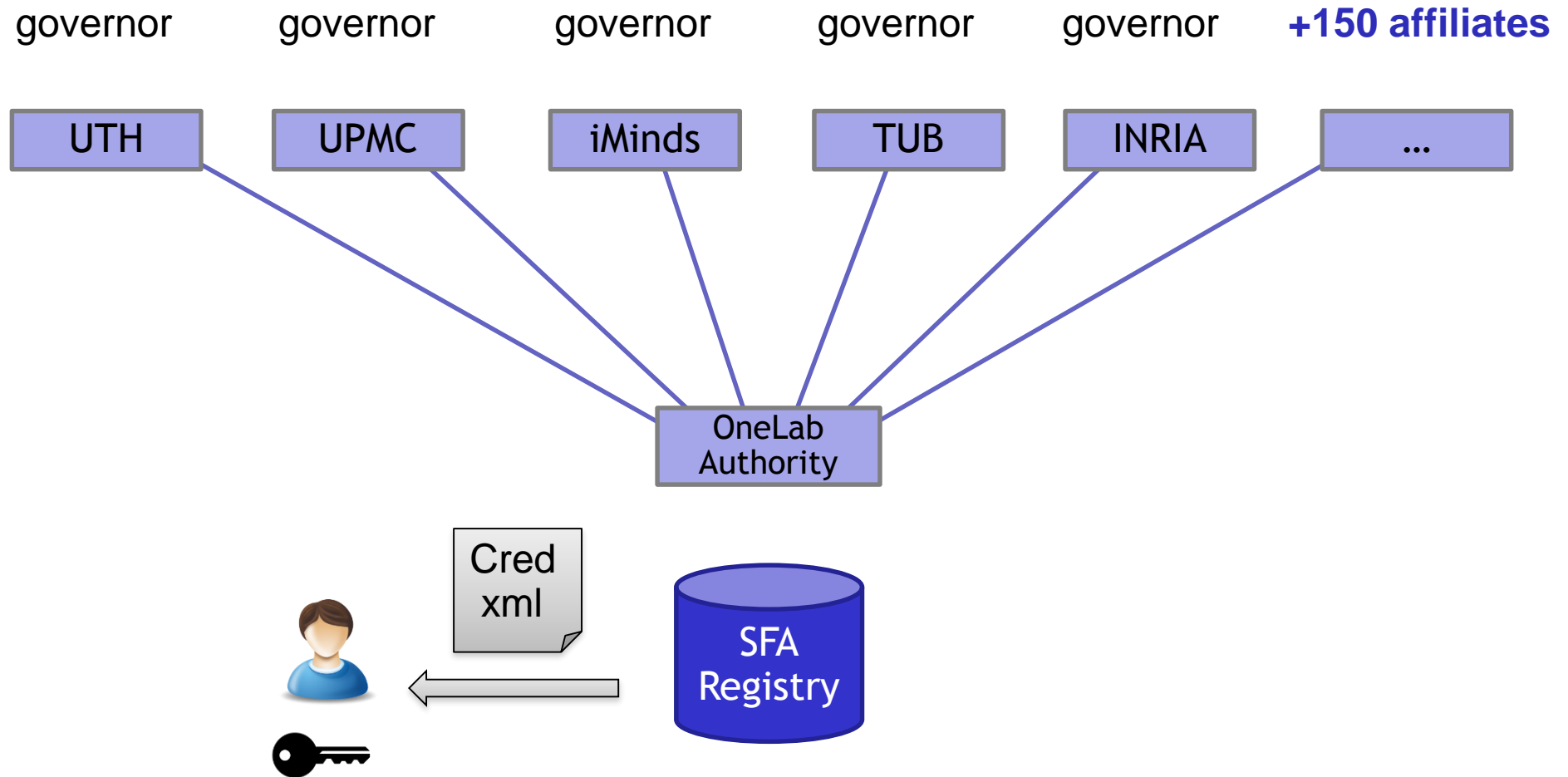
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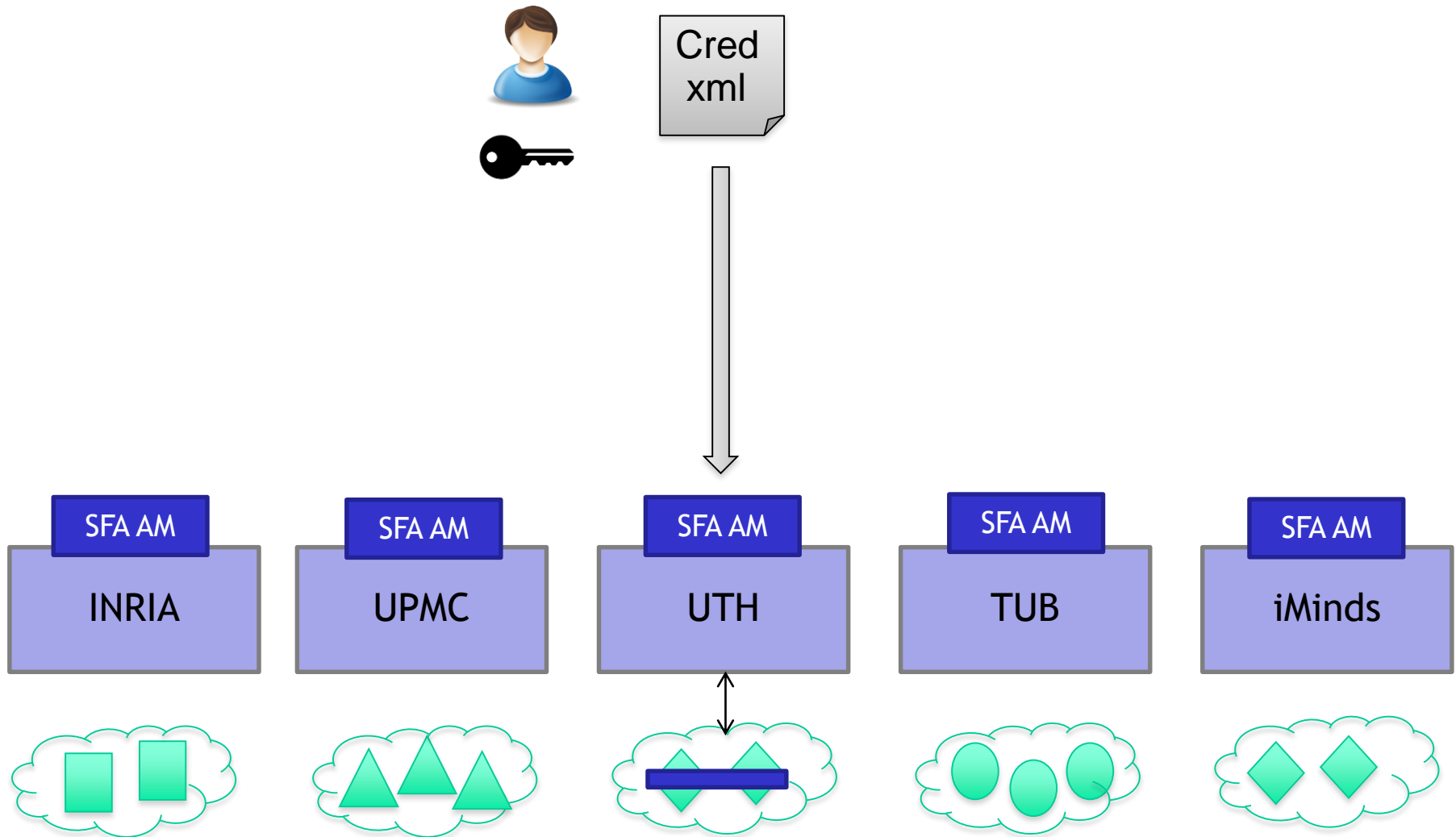
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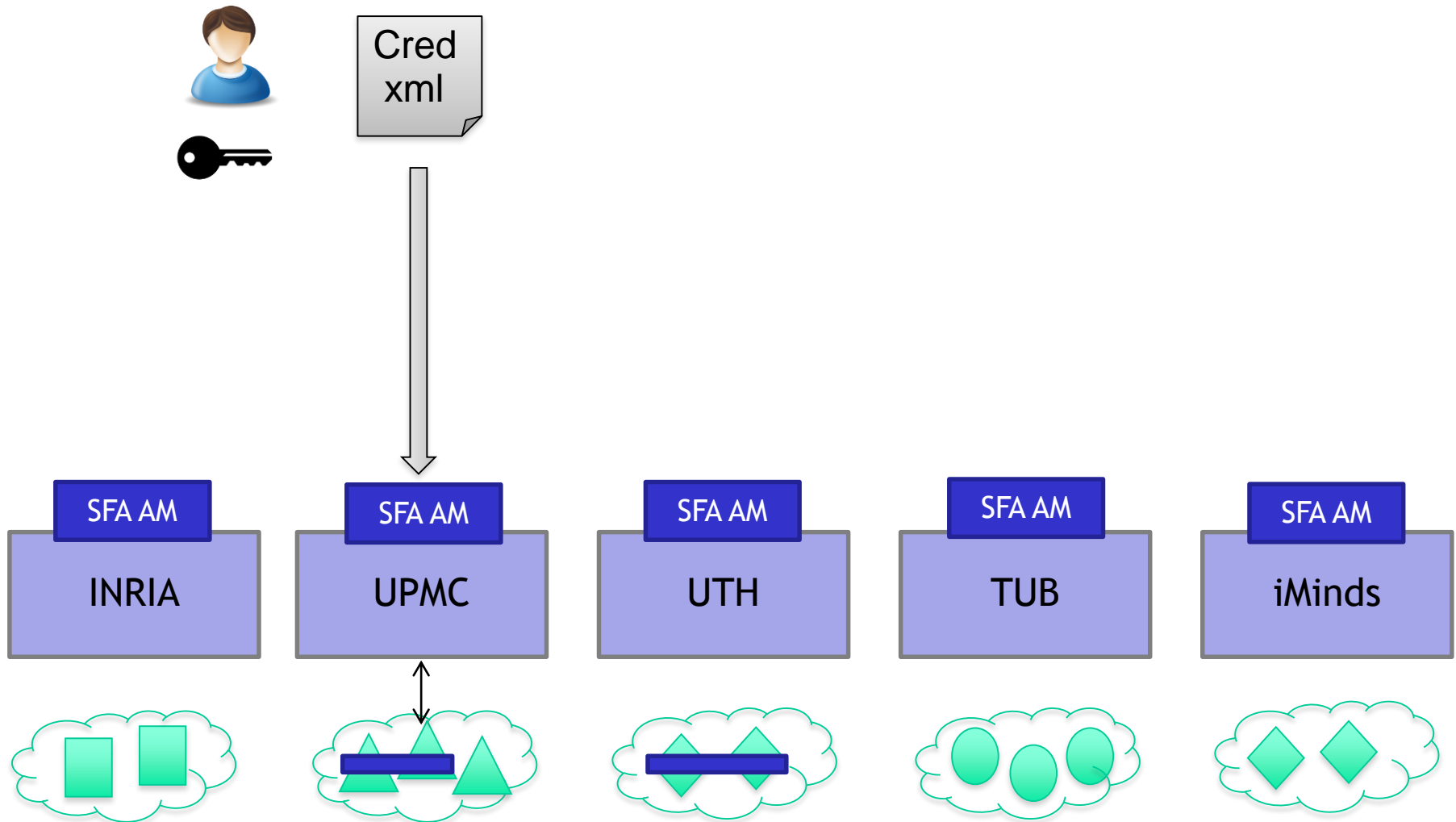
SFA authentication of users



SFA access to resources



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SFAWrap - <http://www.sfawrap.info>

- Federate your testbed with the SFA community



- Handles most of the complexity (crypto, etc.)
- Testbeds focus on their specificities
 - Wrap an existing testbed
 - A base to build a new testbed
- Open community development model
 - Free software - Mutualized developments



Federate Heterogeneous Resources

SFA provides a common API for diverse resources

Heterogeneity of resources is expressed in **RSpecs** (xml files)

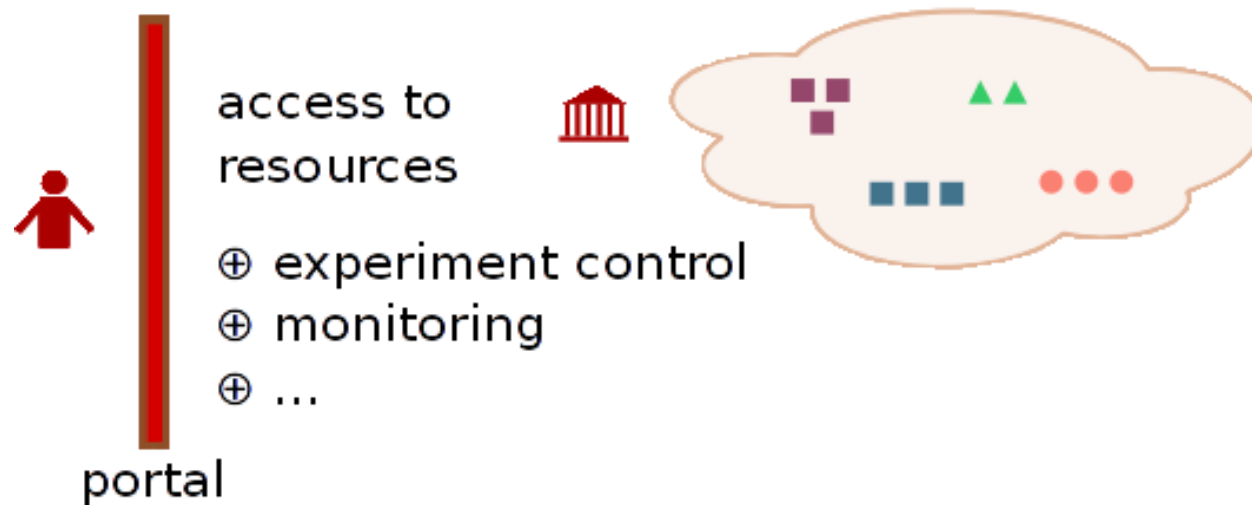
MySlice provides a single point of access to federated testbeds. It allows to browse, filter and reserve resources over these heterogeneous testbeds

OMF provides a common framework to describe, orchestrate, run and retrieve results of an experiment using heterogeneous resources

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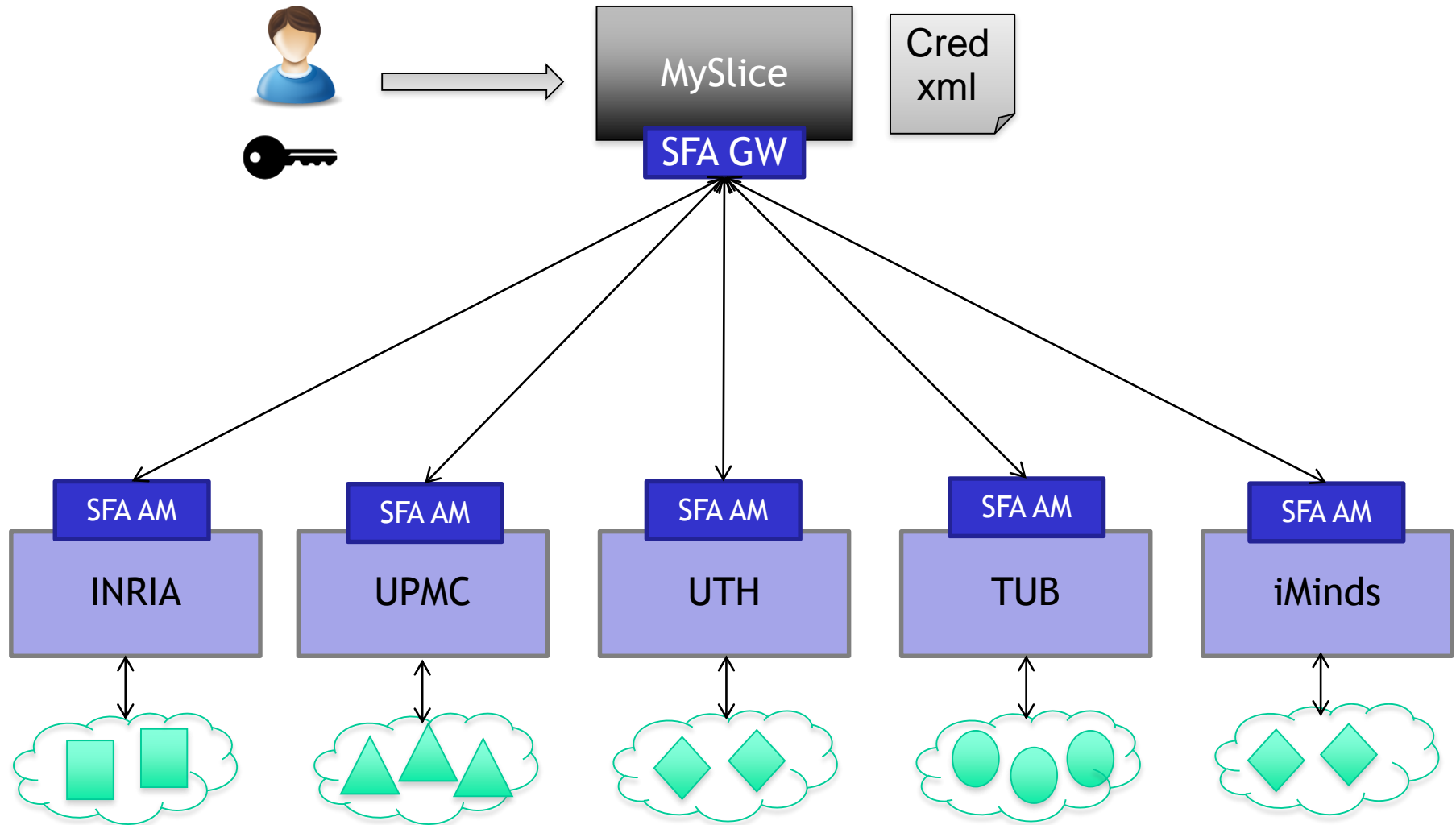
UI : The MySlice portal

A **portal** integrates the various tools and services



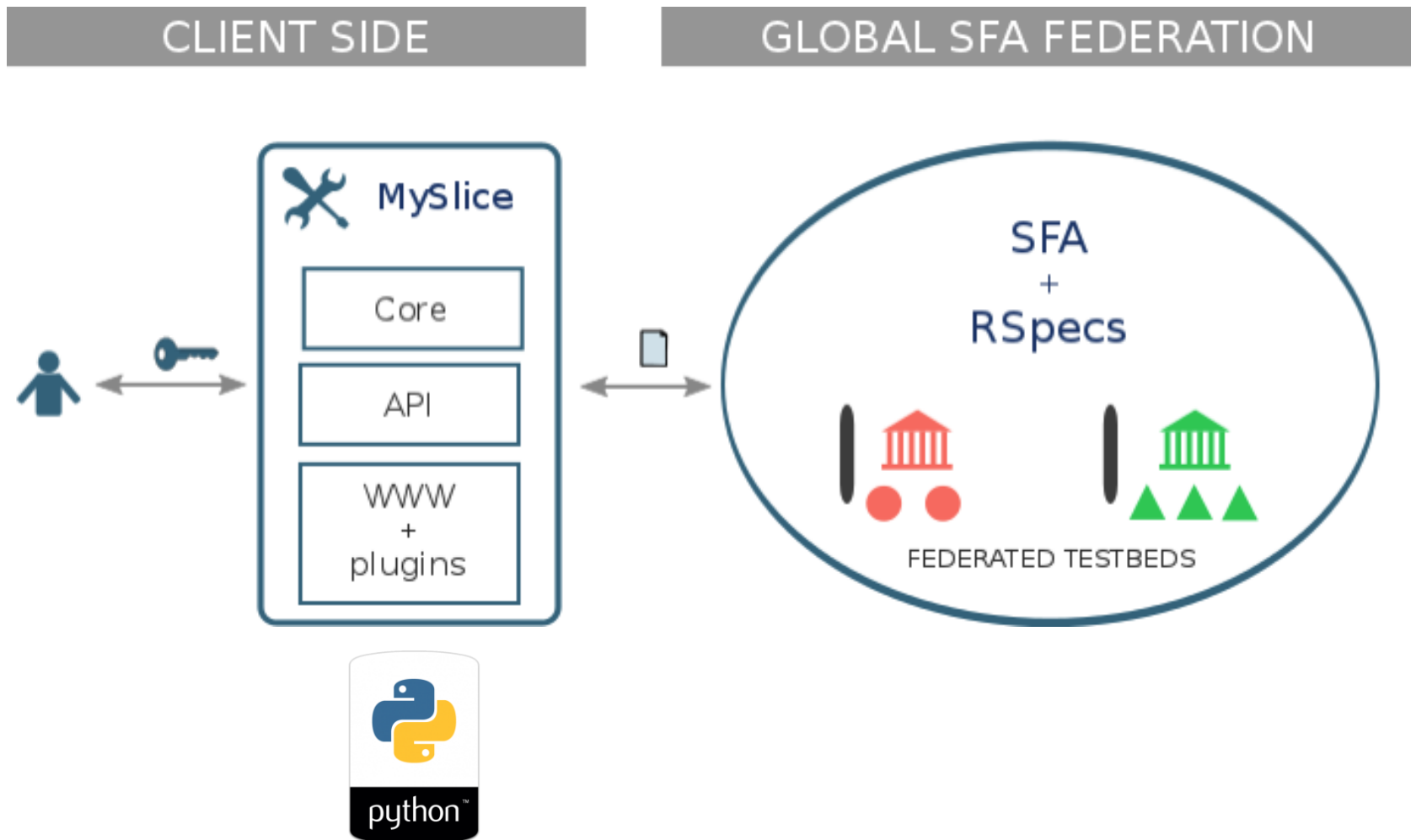
- organize and visualize data
- Designed to support the full **experimental lifecycle**
- Tight integration with **monitoring**

MySlice access to resources



OneLab Portal

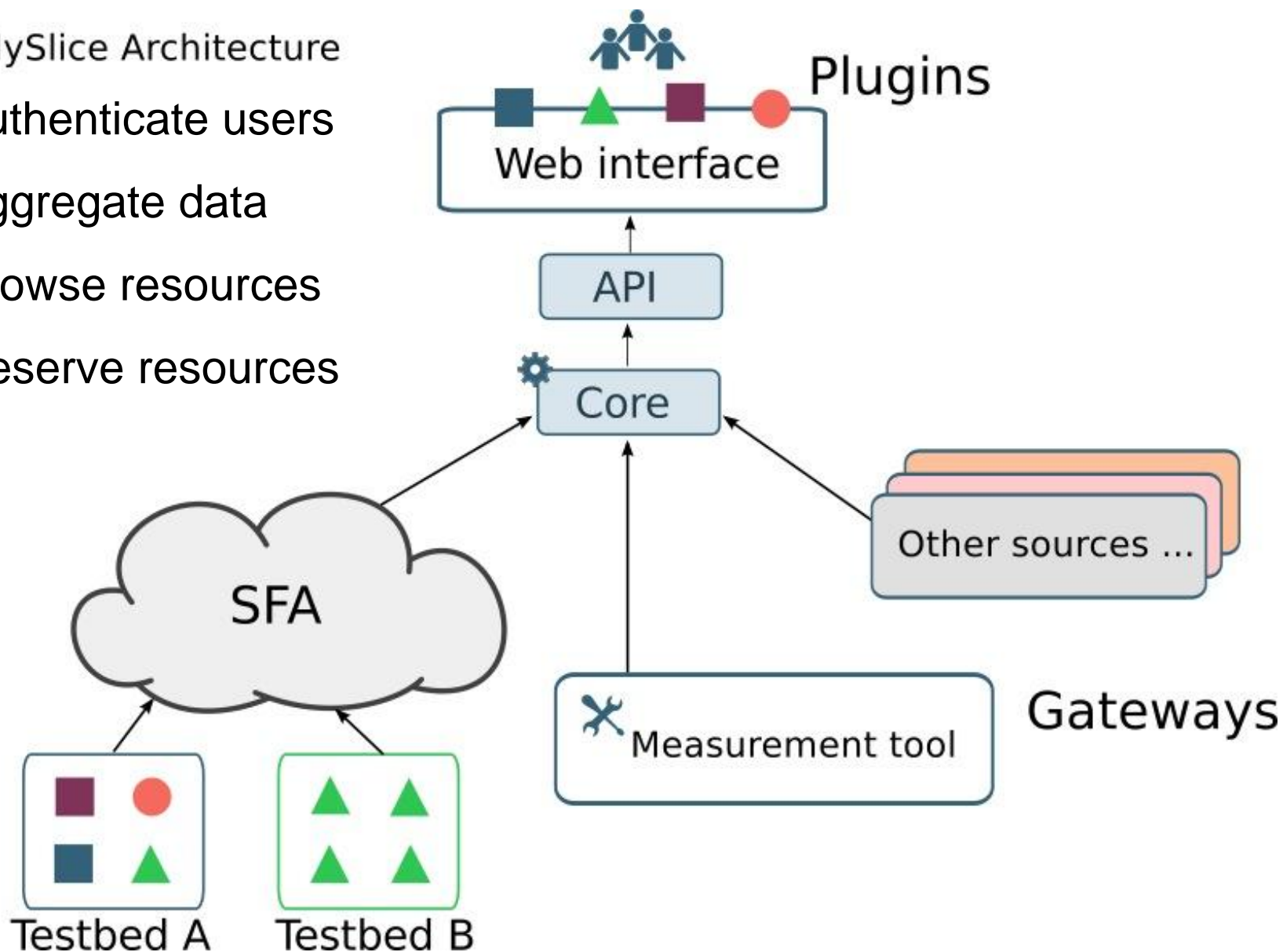
- Access resources through a Portal



OneLab Portal in Federation

MySlice Architecture

- Authenticate users
- Aggregate data
- Browse resources
- Reserve resources



OneLab Portal: Dashboard

EXPERIMENT



+ Create Slice

Your slices ⓘ

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[onelab.upmc.last_slice_test](#)
[onelab.upmc.production_slice](#)

MANAGEMENT



✓ Validate Requests

SUPPORT



✉ Contact

ACCOUNT



Logout

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OneLab Portal: resources



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Experiment > Slice: onelab.upmc.production_slice

Resources Users Information Tools

View: Available Reserved Unconfigured Pending **Apply**

Table Map Scheduler

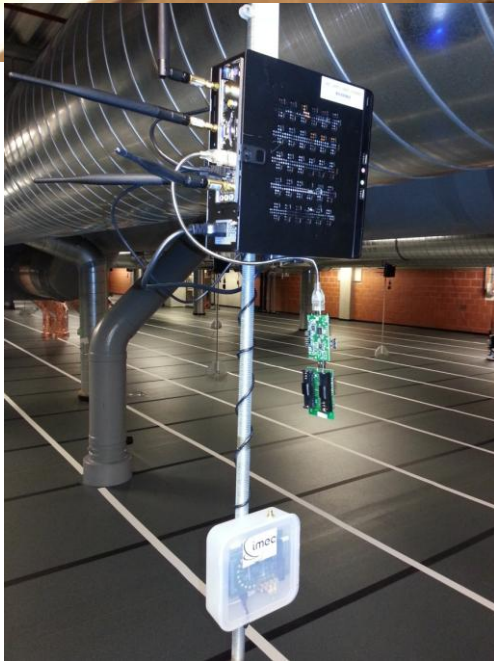
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Facilities

- IoTLAB
 - Strasbourg (dev)
 - Grenoble (dev)
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 - Lille (dev)
- NITOS
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THE ONELAB EXPERIMENTAL FACILITY

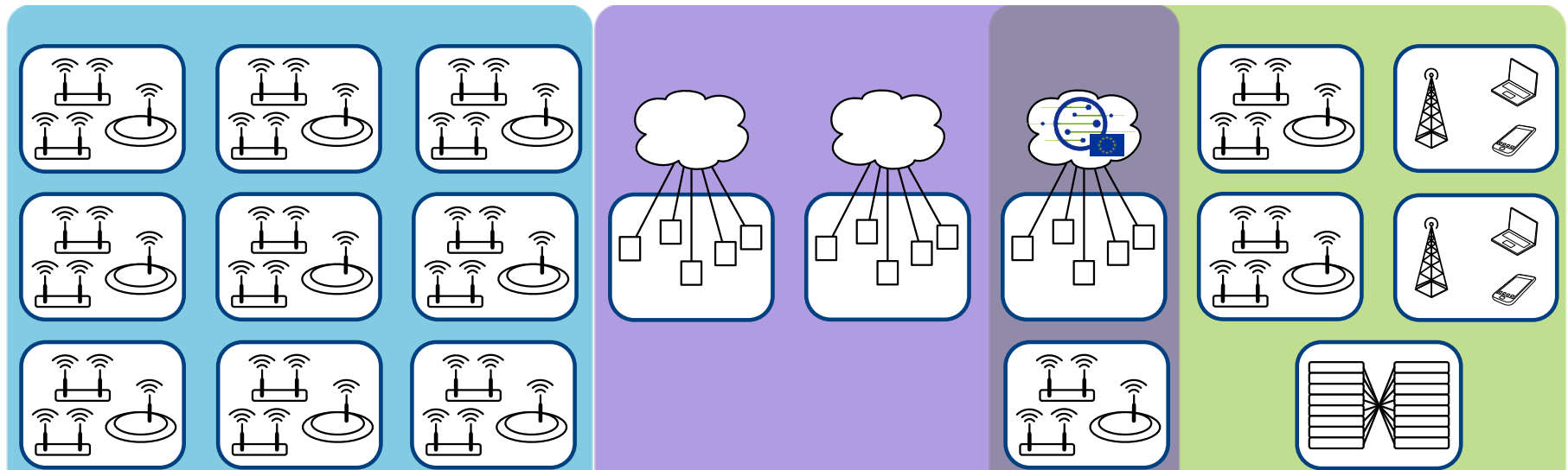
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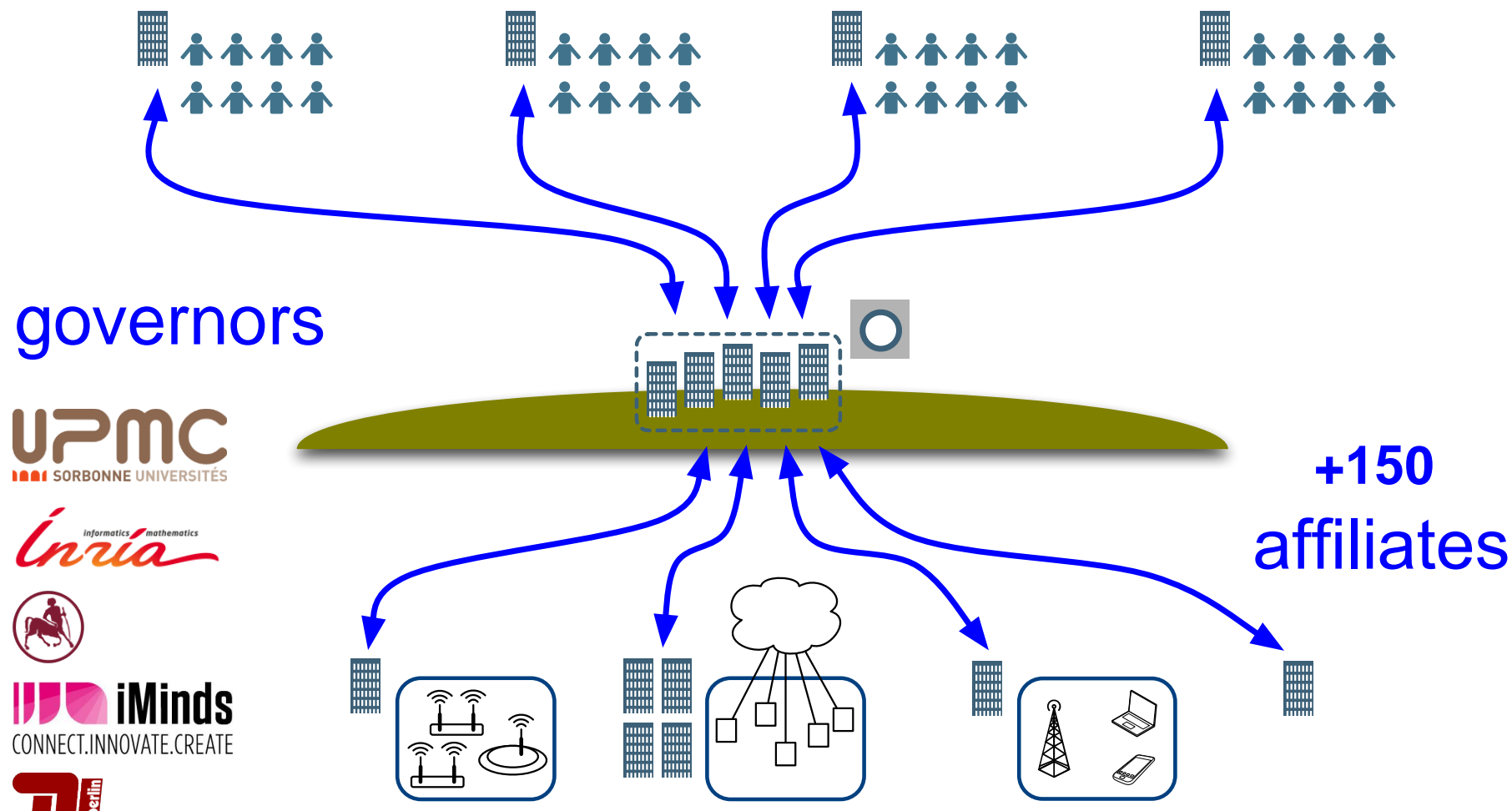
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OneLab Web site and Portal



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The OneLab Vision

We are approaching the era of the Multinet. Instead of the one Internet, we will have a multitude of parallel



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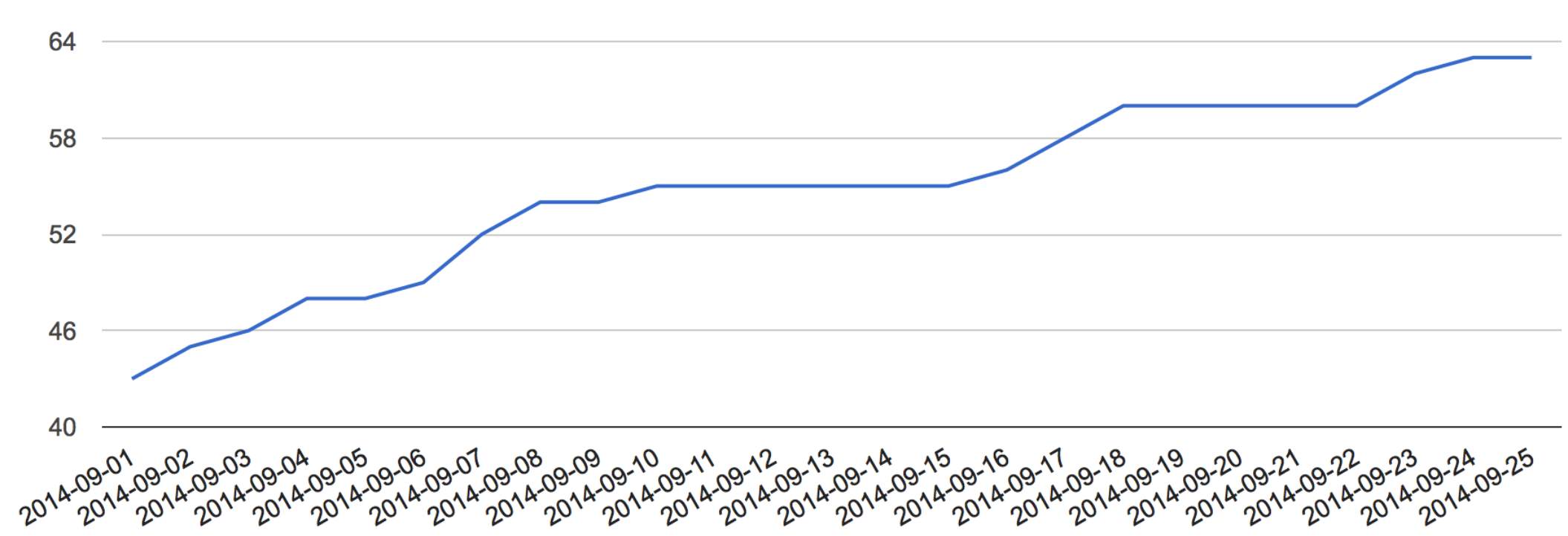
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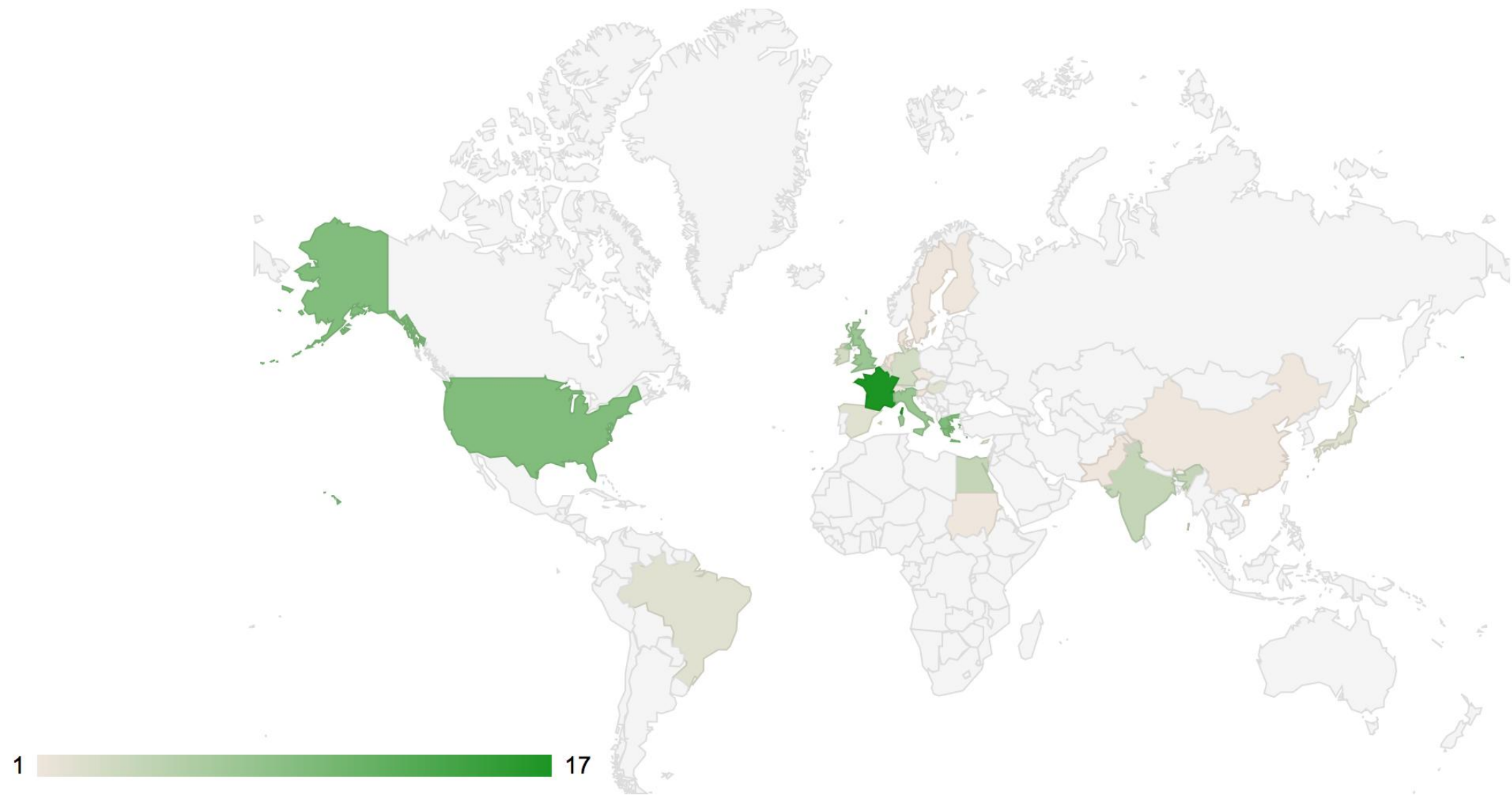
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Usage

Total number of users



Usage



LESSONS LEARNED

Lessons learned

- Understanding what is **nice to have** and **must have**, for the architecture and components was achieved mostly by doing, and was therefore a stepwise process,
- Elaborating a consensus de **facto standard** was a hard and tedious process but has finally been successful thanks to the effort of the community,
- Phasing the different developments to be able to demonstrate some **values at each phase** was instrumental but created a difficult coordination process among all activities,
- Convincing various communities about the **benefit of the federation** approach and incentivizing them to develop their own compatibility with the SFA architecture was time consuming
- Having to face different questions, that we understand, related to **servicing all needs**, including industry, SMEs, having a clear business model in mind with well identified revenues, disseminating towards all communities from researchers to public agencies is a hard task for a project that, at the end, has to deliver a service.

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