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# Gemini Re-platforming Project Implementation Cut-Over Preparation July 2012

# Implementation Cut-Over Preparation

- The proposed implementation cut-over date of GRP is the weekend of 7<sup>th</sup> June 2013.
- Xoserve and NG continue to work together to develop the implementation plan which includes estimating timings of necessary activities.
- Estimates will be refined during three planned implementation dress rehearsals (iDR) starting in March 2013.
- A further iDR is planned as a contingency if unexpected circumstances means that an earlier iDR cannot be completed.

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# Gemini System Availability During Cut-Over

- The Gemini System will be unavailable to all Gemini Users from 2am on Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup> 2013.
- Initial estimates indicate that the Gemini System will be inaccessible for approximately 12 hours whilst the implementation cut-over plan is completed.
- A number of checkpoints have been added to the plan to ensure quality criteria are met. A back-out plan has been established in the event of unforeseen circumstances where a 'roll-back' to legacy Gemini is needed. An allowance 8 hours has been given to this activity.
- If the implementation cut-over goes to plan the system outage will be from 2am and return at 2pm on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June. If a back-out is required the system will be available from 10pm at the latest.
- External Users are invited to respond to Xoserve with any impacts to business processes that the system outage will introduce. Comments should be sent to [GRPcommunications@xoserve.com](mailto:GRPcommunications@xoserve.com)

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# Next Steps

GRP will return to the UK Link Committee in August to provide an update on the implementation cut-over plan and to summarise any feedback we receive.

If you have queries, please contact Andy Earnshaw on 0121 623 2820 or Andrew Boyton on 0121 623 2363.

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