Technical Documentation for InCommon Participants

Welcome. Here you will find technical information and other resources to help you deploy, maintain, and enhance your participation in the InCommon Federation. For more information about InCommon, including current initiatives, recent announcements, legal documents, etc., please see the InCommon Federation home page.

- **How To...**
  - How to Get Started in the InCommon Federation
  - How to Apply for the Research and Scholarship (R&S) Entity Category
- **Entity Categories** to indicate certifications and other properties of IdPs and SPs that are registered within the federation
- The **Federation Manager**, used to manage the information you provide to the federation about your IdPs and SPs
- **Federation Services**, both those used internally and those available for your use
  - Metadata Services
  - Discovery Service
  - Error Handling Service
  - Gateway Services
  - Authn and Authz Services
- **Federation Technical Guide** to help you prepare your IdPs and SPs for use within the federation
- **Metadata Administration** for Site Administrators
- **Recommended Practices**
- **Resources for Service Providers**
- **SAML**, the Security Assertion Markup Language used within InCommon
- **Incident Handling**, information about InCommon’s Computer Security Incident Response Team (CSIRT), including how to interact with it when necessary. Also includes reports about operational incidents that are not security-related.

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