InCommon makes possible trustworthy academic collaboration that reaches far beyond what a single organization can do on its own, through identity and access management technologies and services that are integrated across the globe. Learn how you can participate:

- READ THIS FIRST: Things to Consider When Joining the InCommon Federation
- Join the InCommon Federation
- Get Started after Joining the InCommon Federation
- Onboarding Services in the InCommon Federation
- Working with User Data
- Adopt SAML 2.0 Deployment Profile

**Meet Baseline Expectations**

Get help with meeting the requirements of Baseline Expectations 2. Check out the annotated BE2 Implementation Guide; find the answers you are looking for in the BE2 FAQ.

**GET NIH Ready**

Follow this NIH-readiness resource page: get the latest on NIH’s initiative to standardize and streamline federated access to NIH resources and what you need to do to meet its requirements.

**Support Research & Scholarship (R&S)**

Do your part to help combat the COVID-19 pandemic: configure your identity provider to support the REFEDS Research and Scholarship category to rapidly connect your researchers and scientists with international collaborations:

- What is REFEDS R&S?
- What do I need to do to support R&S?
- Research resources: apply for R&S category
- R&S Adoption Dashboard

**Working with InCommon Metadata**

Use the Federation Manager to upload and publish your metadata to the InCommon Federation:

- Manage metadata with the Federation Manager
- Sign into Federation Manager

**InCommon Metadata Service**

Retrieve IdP and SP metadata in InCommon and R&E federations around the world.

- Using the InCommon Metadata Service
- Download InCommon Metadata

**Working with the Discovery Service**

Configure the discovery service to help your users easily find their home organizations during federated single sign on.

- Learn about the InCommon Discovery Service

**Best Practices and References**

Help the InCommon Federation help you get the most out of being InCommon. Learn and adopt Federation best practices.

- Adopt SAML 2.0 Deployment Profile
- Declare Qualification and Support with Entity Categories
- Understand SAML Metadata and Its Use in InCommon
- Handle Federated SSO Errors with Error Handling Service
- Federation Best Practices
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