Configure ADFS to consume InCommon metadata

Microsoft ADFS does not directly consume the InCommon metadata aggregate. However, there are numerous third-party tools that can help. One such tool is the ADFSToolkit



Recommended practice for AD FS deployments

AD FS IdP deployments are strongly encouraged to use ADFSToolkit or pysFEMMA to refresh and verify InCommon metadata.

ADFS Limitations

- AD FS will not consume an <md:EntityDescriptor> element that contains an expired
 certificate
- AD FS will check any CRLs or OCSP endpoints that might be contained in the certificate.
- AD FS will not consume two <md: EntityDescriptor> elements that contain the same certificate.
- AD FS will not consume an <md:EntityDescriptor> element containing more than one
 encryption key.
- AD FS will not consume an aggregate signed using an XML digital signature which does not
 include a public key supplied as a <ds:X509Data> child element, and will fail to consume
 metadata with any other key material present in the XML digital signature besides a single
 instance of this element. This item was introduced in a fix for CVE-2019-1006*



*You may be able to use ADFSToolkit or the attached XSLT to work around this problem. IF you use the XSLT, it is CRITICAL that you use some other method such as xmlsectool to verify the signature on metadata before stripping it and loading the metadata into ADFS, otherwise ADFS is susceptible to man-in-the-middle attacks.

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