

InCommon TAC Meeting 2020-04-09

April 9, 2020 Minutes

Attending: Eric Kool-Brown, Janemarie Duh, Matthew Economou, Heather Flanagan, Keith Wessel, Eric Goodman, Mary McKee, Mark Rank, Matthew Brookover

With: David Walker, Ian Young, Nick Roy, Albert Wu, Dean Woodbeck, IJ Kim, Ann West, Steve Zoppi, Jessica Fink, Dave Shafer, Les LaCroix, David Bantz

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T&I and Ops Updates

Moving metadata signing online - Was previously a mostly manual process taking two staff members 30-45 minutes per day. Implemented April 8. One minor hiccup with uploading the DIFF; otherwise, it has gone as planned.

WAYF service and discovery - had an outage of the InCommon discovery service. A school was failing to download the metadata and the logs didn't show requests getting through. Was a firewall rule causing an issue. That metadata client was making requests 18 times per second. Moving the discovery service off the metadata service. Planning to move to the latest version of SWITCH WAYF. No concerns from TAC.

Heather - Seamless Access consumes metadata from many sources. There are a couple of dozen entities that have registered different names with different federations, so they show up multiple times in a discovery service. Nick - have worked on that since we joined eduGAIN in 2015 and it remains a problem and has been hard to make progress.

TAC approved moving to a stock version of SWITCHWAYF as part of our move to separate the discovery service from the metadata servers.

REFEDS R&S push - Sent calls to action to participants to support REFEDS R&S to help with access to COVID-19 collaborations. 26 IdPs have done so, so total is now 156 IdPs supporting the category.

Also took the opportunity to discuss officially retiring the InCommon-only R&S category, which has been deprecated since no IdPs can join the category now and all SPs moved to REFEDS R&S when that was created. The plan would be conducting outreach and direct contact to the remaining 76 IdPs in the category to let them know, and do a blanket removal at some point.

No objections from TAC to retire InCommon-only.

InCommon COVID-19 response/actions - Accumulating those at <https://incommon.org/incommon-covid-19-responses/>

Adapting Exec and SA vetting process for working while Stay at Home - Former process involved contacting InC Execs at a published phone number and must talk to someone live. The process now is to leave a voice mail at that phone number with a one-time code for use in completing the process.

International Update

- REFEDS is not planning any virtual sessions in lieu of TNC-20 cancellation. The steering committee is discussing options.
- eduGAIN has scheduled drop-in open meetings. First is April 21, but it is 3 am ET. The second is May 19 at 8 am ET.
- Seamless Access - entity/attribute category WG - finalizing a proposal.
- IDPro - professional organization for IdM people. Right now mainly commercial people. Just published the first sets of papers in a series of topics in IdM. <https://www.idpro.org/body-of-knowledge>

IdP as a Service WG

- WG continuing to meet at the regular time
- Received good comments on the draft
- Also outlining recommendations

Report to Steering

- Janemarie attended the Steering call and provide an update on TAC's change of pace (e.g. not chartering new WGs). Will continue drafting the charter for the test federation WG.

Next Meeting - Thursday, April 23, 2020