

user-attr-pairwise-id

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Overview

The **SAML V2.0 Pairwise Subject Identifier (pairwise-id)** is a user identifier attribute defined in the SAML v2.0 Subject Identifier Attributes Profile. It is a long-lived, non-reassignable, unidirectional identifier suitable for use as a unique external key specific to a particular relying party. Its value for a given subject depends upon the relying party to whom it is given, thus preventing unrelated systems from using it as a basis for correlation.

See: [SAML v2.0 Subject Identifier Profile - Pairwise Subject Identifier](#)

Use in the InCommon Federation

The [InCommon Technical Advisory Committee \(TAC\)](#) is developing adoption and implementation guidance for the SAML v2.0 Subject Identifier Attributes Profile. To learn more, visit the [TAC wiki](#).

See Also

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