Canadian Access Federation: Trust Assertion Document (TAD)

Purpose

A fundamental requirement of Participants in the Canadian Access Federation is that they assert authoritative and accurate identity attributes to resources being accessed, and that Participants receiving an attribute assertion protect it and respect privacy constraints placed on it by the asserting Participant.

To accomplish this practice, CANARIE requires Participants to make available to all other Participants answers to the questions below.

Canadian Access Federation Requirement

Currently, the community of trust is based on “best effort” and transparency of practice. Each Participant documents, for other Participants, their identity and access management practices, which they can confidently meet. Each Participant should make available to other Participants basic information about their identity management system and resource access management systems registered for use within the Canadian Access Federation. The information would include how supported identity attributes are defined and how attributes are consumed by services.

Publication

Your responses to these questions must be:

1. submitted to CANARIE to be posted on the CANARIE website; and
2. posted in a readily accessible place on your web site.

You must maintain an up-to-date Trust Assertion Document.
1. **Canadian Access Federation Participant Information**

1.1.1. Organization name: University of Manitoba

Information below is accurate as of this date: March 10, 2016

1.2 **Identity Management and/or Privacy information**

1.2.1. Where can other Canadian Access Federation Participants find additional information about your identity management practices and/or privacy policy regarding personal information?

   http://umanitoba.ca/computing/ist/accounts/claimid.html

   http://umanitoba.ca/admin/vp_admin/ofp/fippa/

1.3 **Contact information**

1.3.1. Please list person(s) or office who can answer questions about the Participant’s identity management system or resource access management policy or practice.

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2. Identity Provider Information

Two criteria for trustworthy attribute assertions by Identity Providers are: (1) that the identity management system be accountable to the organization's executive or business management, and (2) the system for issuing end-user credentials (e.g., userids/passwords, authentication tokens, etc.) has in place appropriate risk management measures (e.g. security practices, change management controls, audit trails, accountability, etc.).

2.1 Community

2.1.1. As an Identity Provider, how do you define the set of people who are eligible to receive an electronic identity? If exceptions to this definition are allowed, who must approve such an exception?

Employees (faculty and staff), students (registered), and retirees with benefits are eligible. Exceptions must be sponsored by a full-time employee and the request must be signed by the sponsor and the head of the sponsor's department.

2.1.2. What subset of persons registered in your identity management system would you identify as a “Participant” in SAML identity assertions to CAF Service Providers?

Faculty, Retired Faculty, Staff, Students

2.2 Electronic Identity Credentials

2.2.1. Please describe, in general terms, the administrative process used to establish an electronic identity that results in a record for that person being created in your electronic identity database? Please identify the office(s) of record for this purpose.

When a student accepts the admissions offer in the Student Records database or a person is entered into the Human Resources database, automated processes create an identity for them in the Identity Management database. For a sponsored account, the sponsor submits an application form to the Accounts Office and the Accounts Administrator creates the identity. The Registrar is the office of record for students and Human Resources is the office of record for employees and retirees.

2.2.2. What authentication technologies are used for your electronic identity credentials (e.g., Kerberos, userID/password, PKI, ...) that are relevant to Canadian Access Federation activities? If more than one type of electronic credential is issued, how is it determined who receives which type? If multiple credentials are linked, how is this managed (e.g., anyone with a Kerberos credential also can acquire a PKI token) and audited?

UserID / Password For Wireless we have TTLS and PEAP.

2.2.3. If your electronic identity credentials require the use of a secret password or PIN, and there are circumstances in which that secret would be transmitted across a network without being protected by encryption (e.g., “clear text passwords” are used when
accessing campus services), please identify who in your organization can discuss with any
other Participant concerns that this might raise for them:

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2.2.4. If you support a “single sign-on” (SSO) or similar campus-wide system to allow a single
user authentication action to serve multiple applications, and you will make use of this to
authenticate people for CAF Service Providers, please describe the key security aspects
of your SSO system including whether session timeouts are enforced by the system,
whether user-initiated session termination is supported, and how use with “public access
sites” is protected.

The SSO system will be dedicated to authenticating library users to Service Providers.

2.2.5. Are your primary electronic identifiers for people, such as “NetID,”
eduPersonPrincipalName, or eduPersonTargetedID considered to be unique for all time to
the individual to whom they are assigned? If not, what is your policy for re-assignment and
what is the interval between such reuse?

Identities are deleted, and therefore can be reassigned, only if the person is no longer
affiliated with the University and there are no resource accounts affiliated with the identity.
Resource accounts for systems that store financial records are never deleted and so the
affiliated identities will not be reused. For resources whose accounts may be deleted, the
waiting period is five years after the individual account has been disabled (shut down).

2.3 Electronic Identity Database

2.3.1. How is information in your electronic identity database acquired and updated? Are specific
offices designated by your administration to perform this function? Are individuals allowed
to update their own information on-line?

For students, employees, and retirees with benefits, automated processes update the
information based on updates from our Student Records and Human Resources
databases. For sponsored accounts, information is updated by our Accounts
Administrators. Individuals are not allowed to update their own information online other
than information such as challenge questions for password reset.

2.3.2. What information in this database is considered “public information” and would be provided
to any interested party?

Student and employee names and email addresses are published in an online directory
that is available to the public. Students are allowed to opt out of the directory so that their
information isn’t published.
2.4 Uses of Your Electronic Identity Credential System

2.4.1. Please identify typical classes of applications for which your electronic identity credentials are used within your own organization.

Wired and wireless access, email, internet access, some software access based on license agreements.

2.5 Attribute Assertions

Attributes are the information data elements in an attribute assertion you might make to another Canadian Access Federation Participant concerning the identity of a person in your identity management system.

2.5.1. Please describe the reliability of your identity provider attribute assertions?

Assertions are for staff, faculty, students, retirees and sponsored accounts with a University domain name (@ad.umanitoba.ca, @umanitoba.ca, @myumanitoba.ca are the primary domain names).

2.5.2. Would you consider your attribute assertions to be reliable enough to:

a) control access to on-line information databases licensed to your organization?  
   Yes

b) be used to purchase goods or services for your organization?  
   No

c) enable access to personal information such as student record information?  
   Yes

2.6 Privacy Policy

Canadian Access Federation Participants must respect the legal and organizational privacy constraints on attribute information provided by other Participants and use it only for its intended purposes.

2.6.1. What restrictions do you place on the use of attribute information that you might provide to other Canadian Access Federation participants?

Organizational policy and federal and provincial regulations.

2.6.2. What policies govern the use of attribute information that you might release to other Canadian Access Federation participants?

Acceptable Use Policy and Procedures
FIPPA and PHIA Policy
2.6.3. Please provide your privacy policy URL.

FIPPA and PHIA Policy
http://umanitoba.ca/admin/governance/governing_documents/community/244.html

PHIA Procedures
http://umanitoba.ca/admin/governance/governing_documents/community/827.html

Use of Computer Facilities
http://umanitoba.ca/admin/governance/governing_documents/community/252.html

Use of Computer Facilities Procedures
http://umanitoba.ca/admin/governance/governing_documents/community/567.html
3. Service Provider Information

Service Providers, who receive attribute assertions from another Participant, shall respect the other Participant's policies, rules, and standards regarding the protection and use of that data. Such information must be used only for the purposes for which it was provided.

Service Providers are trusted to ask for only the information necessary to make an appropriate access control decision, and to not misuse information provided to them by Identity Providers. Service Providers must describe the basis on which access to resources is managed and their practices with respect to attribute information they receive from other Participants.

3.1 Attributes

3.1.1. What attribute information about an individual do you require in order to manage access to resources you make available to other Participants? Describe separately for each service application that you offer to CAF participants.

Wireless access for Eduroam users on campus from other institutions are authenticated by their own institution based on their own domain.

3.1.2. What use do you make of attribute information that you receive in addition to basic access control decisions?

None

3.1.3. Do you use attributes to provide a persistent user experience across multiple sessions?

No

3.1.4. Do you aggregate session access records or record specific information accessed based on attribute information?

No

3.1.5. Do you make attribute information available to other services you provide or to partner organizations?

No

3.2 Technical Controls

3.2.1. What human and technical controls are in place on access to and use of attribute information that might refer to only one specific person (i.e., personally identifiable information)? For example, is this information encrypted for storage in your system?

User access is role based and is restricted to those individuals authorized for the performance of their duties. Information is not encrypted for storage.
3.2.2. Describe the human and technical controls that are in place on the management of super-user and other privileged accounts that might have the authority to grant access to personally identifiable information?

Access to PII is role based and restricted. Super user and other privileged accounts are restricted to use by trusted System Administrators. Access is logged.

3.2.3. If personally identifiable information is compromised, what actions do you take to notify potentially affected individuals?

As required by organizational policy and federal or provincial legislation

4. Other Information

4.1 Technical Standards, Versions and Interoperability

4.1.1. Identify the SAML products you are using. If you are using the open source Internet2 Shibboleth products identify the release that you are using.

The Ellucian (Luminus) version of the Internet2 Identity Provider, version 2.4.0.

4.1.2. What operating systems are the implementations on?

Red Hat Enterprise ver 6.7

4.1.3. What versions of the SAML protocol (1.1 or 2.0) do you support in your implementations.

SAML 2.0

4.2 Other Considerations

4.2.1. Are there any other considerations or information that you wish to make known to other Canadian Access Federation Participants with whom you might interoperate? For example, are there concerns about the use of clear text passwords or responsibilities in case of a security breach involving identity information you may have provided?