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**geteduroam**

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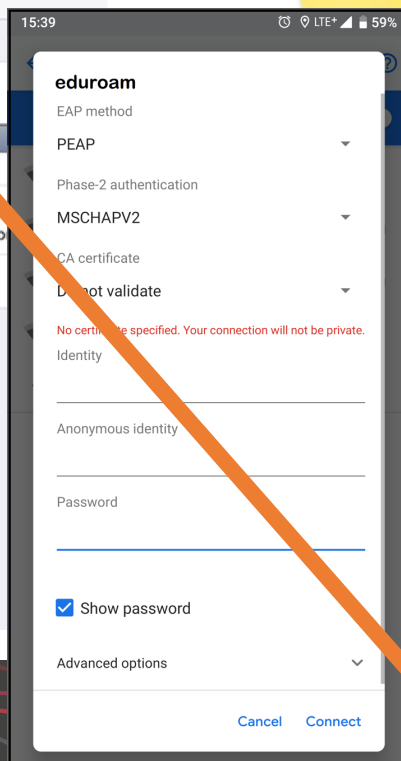
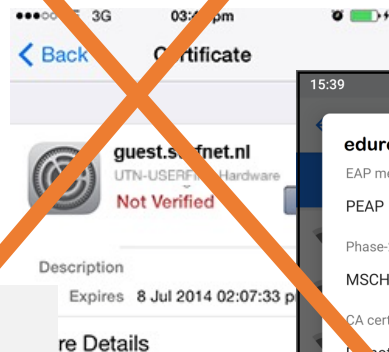
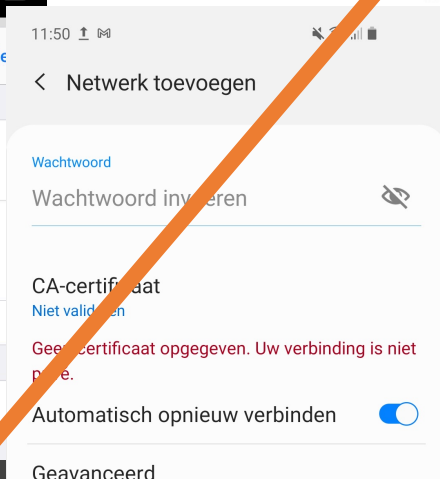
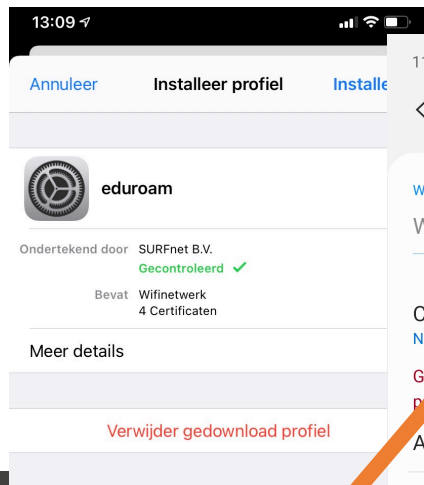
## geteduroam Goals

- Help users to easily and securely connect to eduroam\*
- Simple, single, unified Apps for all end-users and institutions, improving usability and security
- Server software to issue client certificates / pseudo-accounts

\* And other networks, like OpenRoaming™ as eduroam user, or govroam

# manually configuring eduroam\* is not 2023

- Need mutual authentication
- Properly set username, realm, EAP-type, ... error prone
- Want to go passwordless
- Can't manually add Passpoint networks
- ...



Password1234

\* or any other Enterprise Wi-Fi

# The geteduroam project

- Interesting, challenging and relevant
  - Pandemic
  - People working on it, internal and external changes
  - Changing landscape (ie. Android policy changes)
- eduroam is huge, diverse, it's hard to please everyone
  - Diversity in IdP settings (cause of bad App reviews...)
  - Try to consider the need/desires of everyone
    - Regions, NROs, institutions
  - Do very very careful testing
    - To be bug-free
    - Usability testing
  - A lot of communication



# Role of geteduroam Commons Conservancy board

- geteduroam established as Commons Conservancy project
  - Open governance model, shared legal infra
  - Similar community projects, such as eduVPN, SimpleSAMLphp, FileSender, IdentityPython
  - Allows anyone to contribute, donate
- Funding so far
  - NORDUnet
  - GÉANT
  - SURF
  - Stichting govroam NL
  - ... you? ;-)
- Fund and coordinate development, maintenance and roadmap of Apps, software



# The geteduroam project, technical aspects

- Relies on eduroam CAT portal for institution profiles, discovery
- Creating Apps is really challenging
  - Android is a very very very diverse ecosystem
  - API deprecations causing a vacuum, example: Android 10
  - Bugs, example: iOS 15
  - Limited APIs, example: ChromeOS, macOS
- Development and maintenance takes a LOT of time
  - New apps under development for 1.5y, still needs a lot of testing
  - Announcement of geteduroam Apps to community came 2y before publication, still some people were surprised
- Creating software is one, supporting it is another

## (Hosted) Pseudo accounts

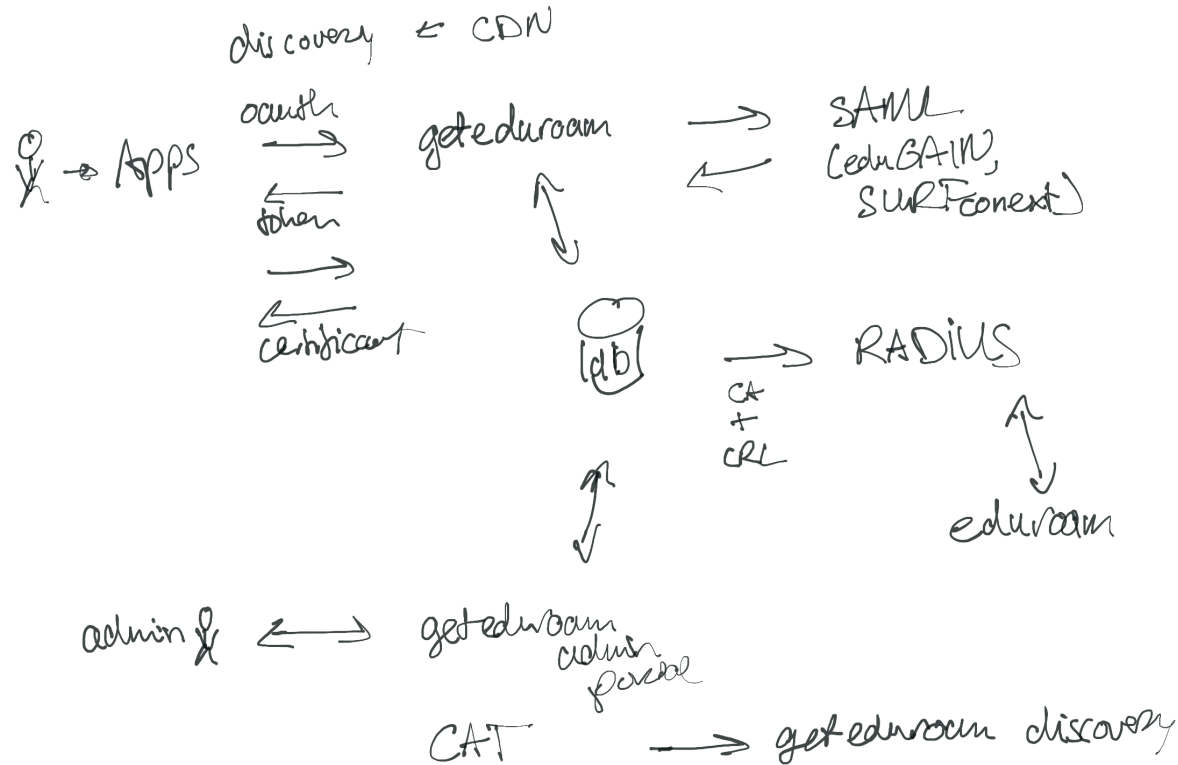
- The geteduroam clients configure mutual authentication, so even username/passwords are secure when configured via the Apps
- But client-certificates offer the best security
- Issue client-certificates as 'pseudo accounts' derived from (web, federated) authentication
  - Anything! eduGAIN, Shibboleth, SimpleSAMLphp, ADFS, Azure AD, Google Workspaces, ...
  - MFA
  - Auth process familiar to end-users
- Client certificates have a limited lifespan; clients warn users
- High success-rate in authentications



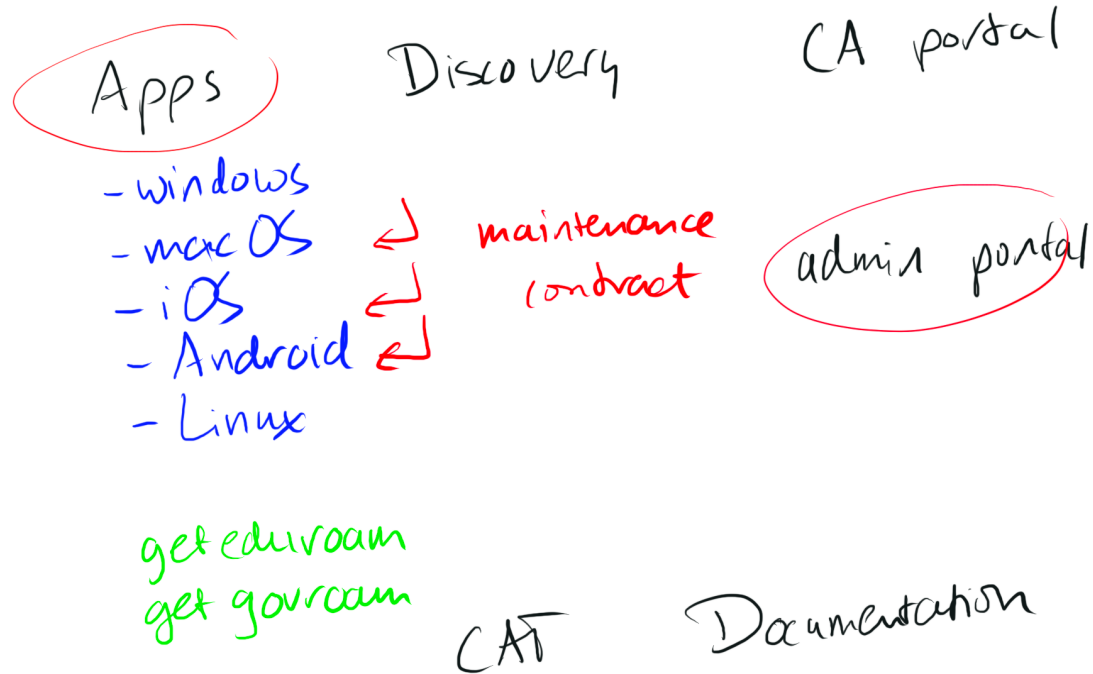
## (Hosted) Pseudo accounts

- Single purpose profiles/certificates: just eduroam
- Passwordless, no password change policies
  - However: need reauthentication/reissue
- Authorization is local, even if NRO or eduroam provides hosted geteduroam IdP (APs or local RADIUS can assign VLANs)
  - Even on eg. affiliation:  
i3diflzhn1xu4o5@student.institution.geteduroam.nl
- Security settings don't allow to be non-traceable

# geteduroam components



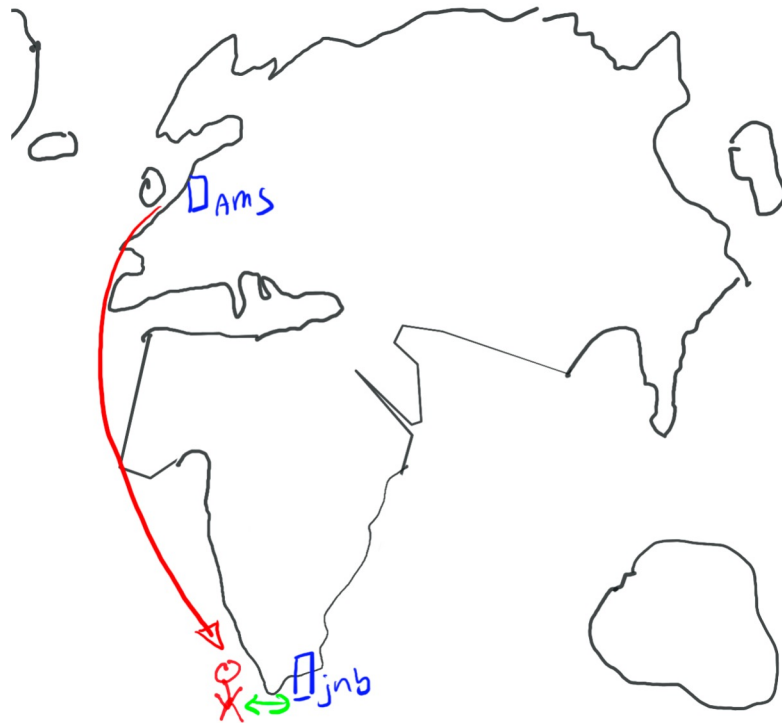
# geteduroam components and maintenance contracts





## geteduroam regional IdP authentication servers

- Like a global CDN, authentication close to the user
- Example: EU user visiting South-Africa, fast local authentication
- ... then we found out about non-blocking issues with dynamic peer discovery



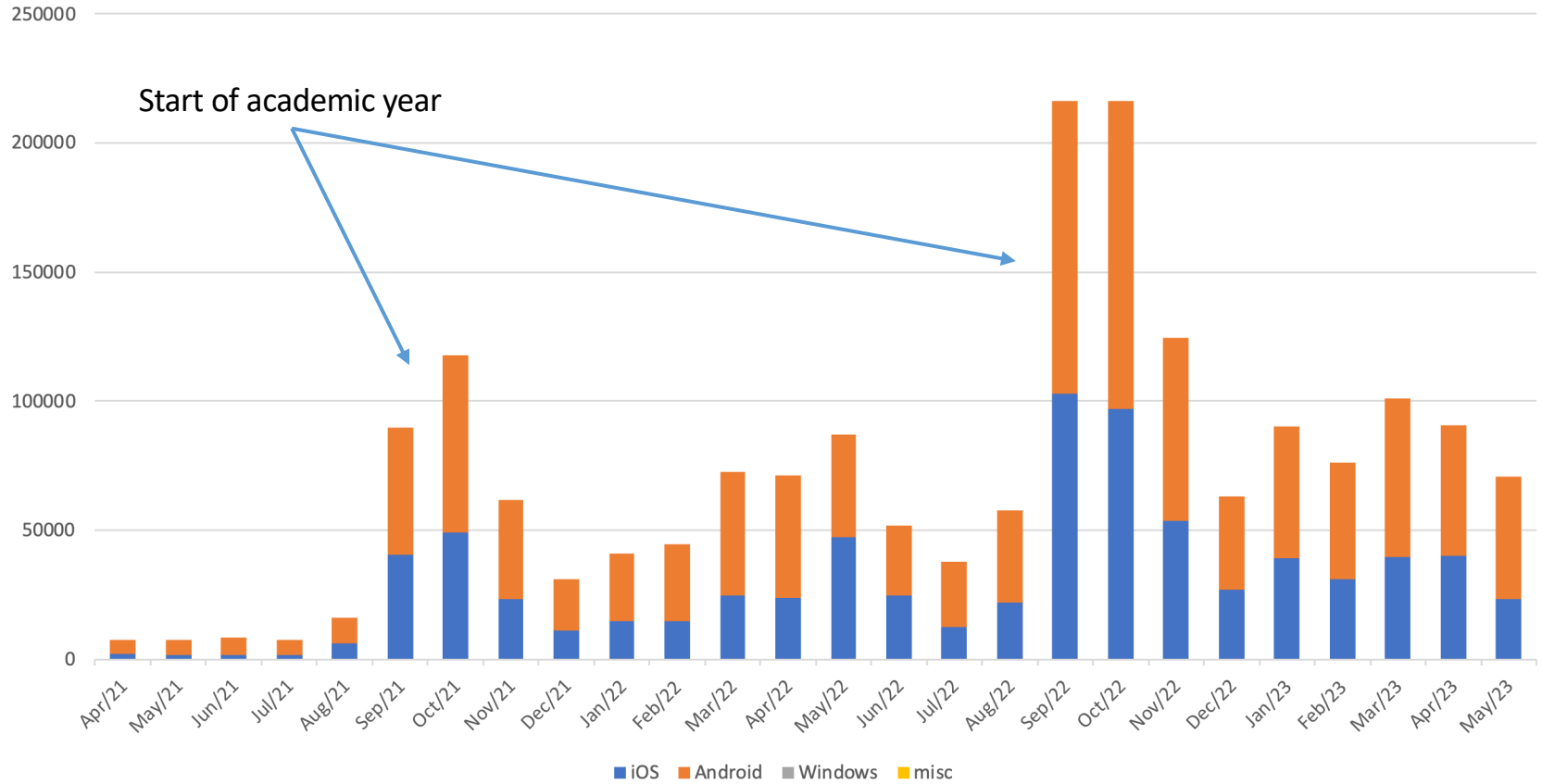
## Some numbers

- 255 eduroam + 63 govroam organizations published in discovery
- 72 NL + 22 International via eduroam OT
  - 38510 distinct users (mid may)
  - 113647 pseudo accounts (renewals, multiple devices)
  - ~300k authentications daily
- Several standalone deployments, institutions, NROs, something in ~16% of countries



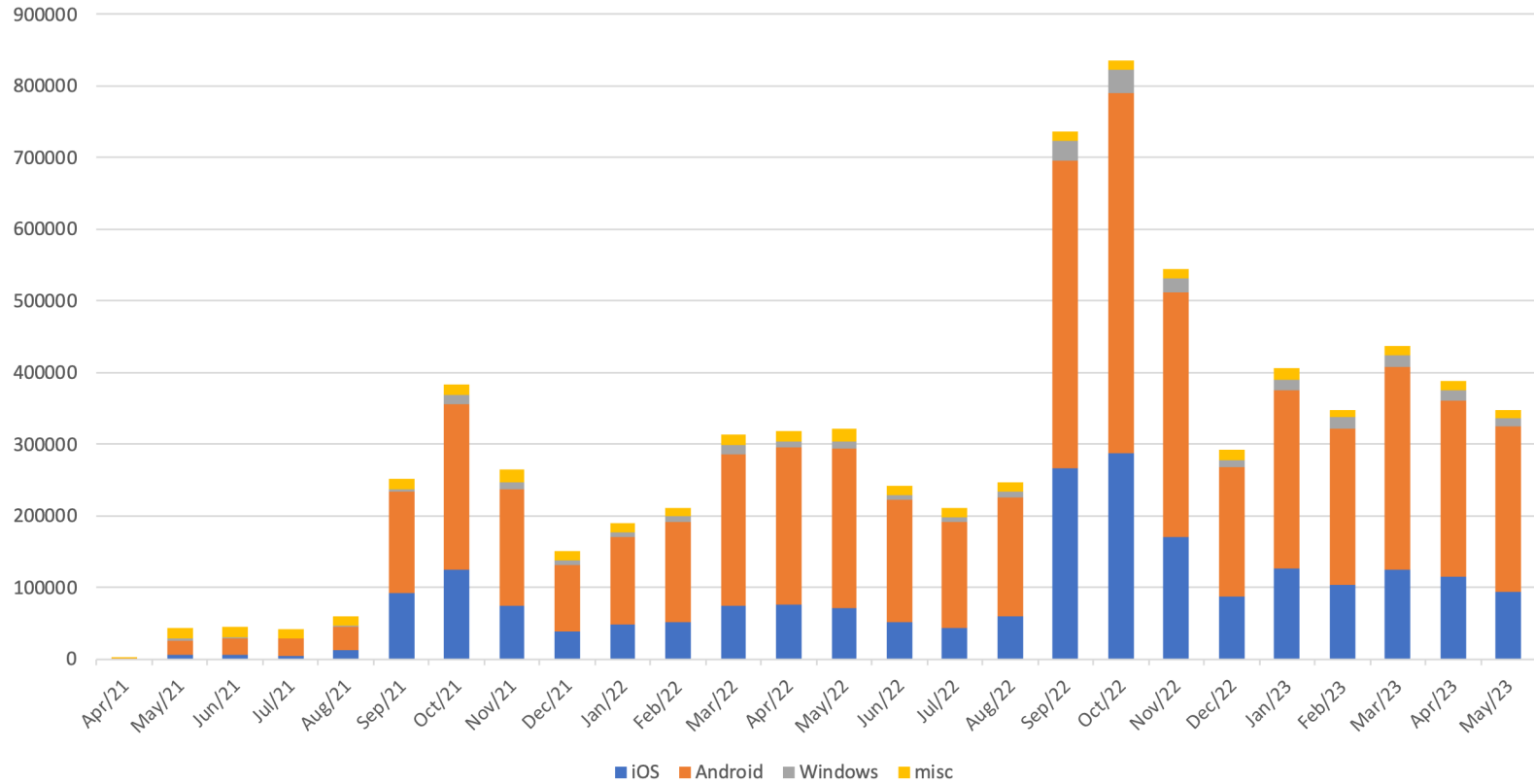
Malaysia has 126 institutions with pseudo-accounts!

## App downloads (new users) per month





discovery access per month

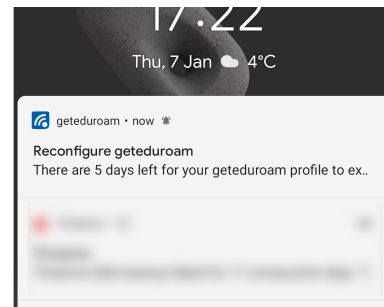
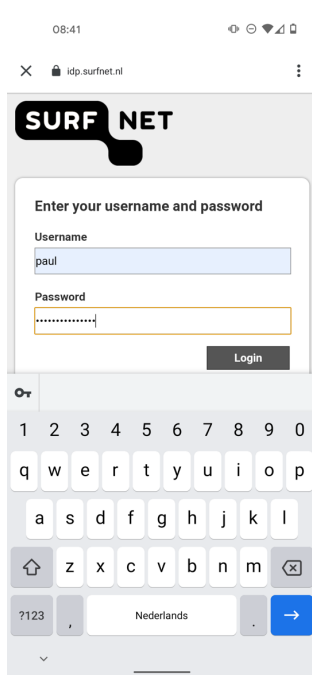
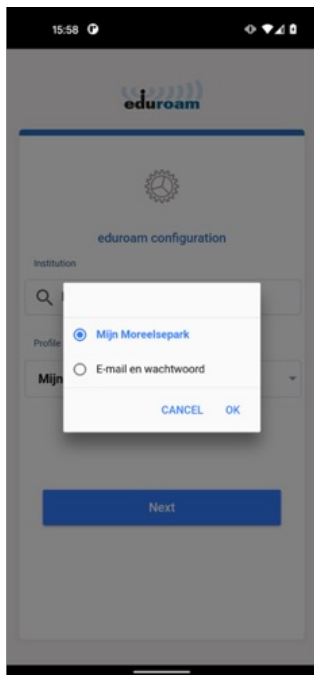
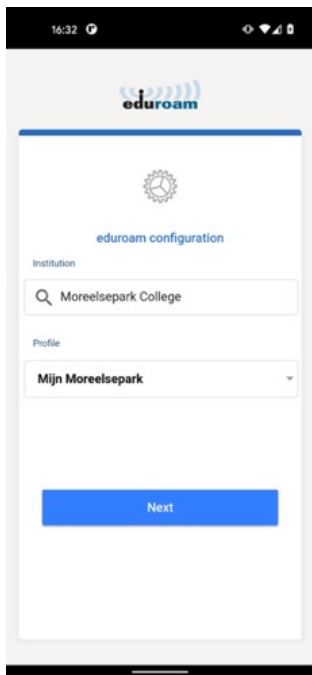


## Measurement of success

- Not performing telemetry or anything privacy intrusive
- Institutions claim the burden on the helpdesk is reduced, fewer configuration mistakes
- Pseudo-accounts get a near 100% authentication success-rate

*“I believe that geteduroam reduces the number of support calls, both during onboarding and in incidents. One indication of this is the rapid adoption of geteduroam by our helpdesk colleagues, which was not the case with previous installers. I have no evidence to suggest that we are setting the bar too high with geteduroam or that it would result in a shift to mobile data. In summary, I have a very positive impression, and the fact that you have incorporated privacy by design also contributes to this.” – C. Houthuijs, Vonk*

# App workflow



Mobile browser for  
web/pseudo-accounts



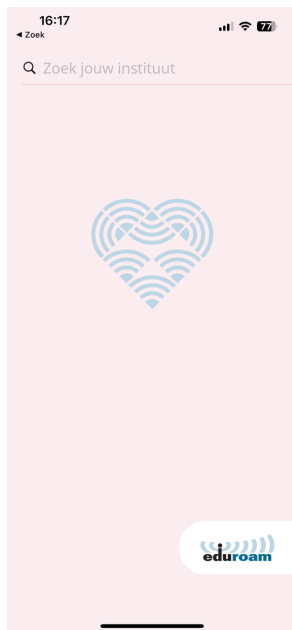
# App workflow, regular accounts

The workflow consists of the following steps:

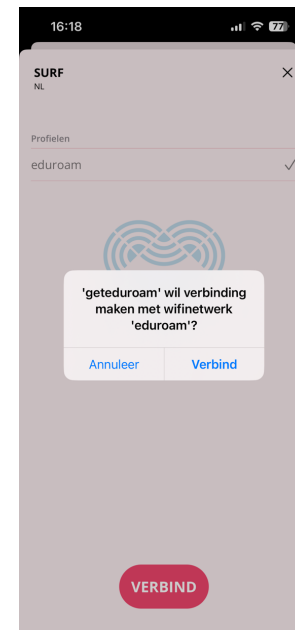
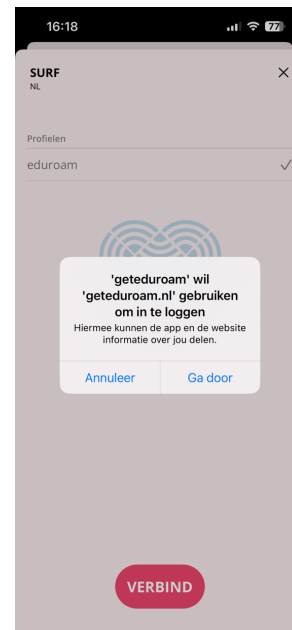
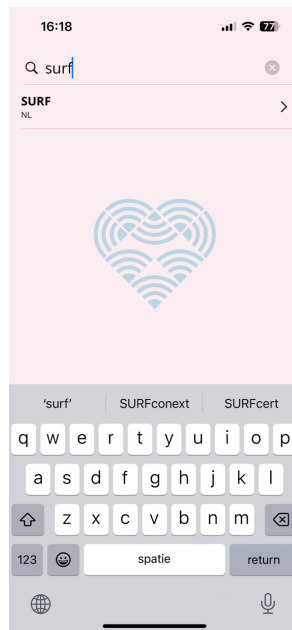
- Institution Selection:** The user selects an institution from a list or search results. The search bar shows "Select an institution...".
- Search Results:** The user searches for "SUR", showing results like "Sur Vocational College", "CNRS - Institut de Recherche sur la Catalyse UMR...", "CNRS de GIF SUR YVETTE - Délégation Ile de Fra...", "SURF", "SURFnet", "SURFsara bv", "Geological Survey of Austria", "Geological Survey of Slovenia", and "INSHEA SURESNES".
- Username and Password Entry:** The user enters their username "paul.dekkers@surf.nl" and password. A "CONNECT TO NETWORK" button is visible.
- Validation:** The user is prompted to provide information. The username is marked as incorrect with the message "The username is incorrect". A "Next" button is shown.
- Success:** The user is notified that Wi-Fi is now configured on their device. A thumbs up icon and the message "Enjoy using eduroam!" are displayed, along with an "Ok" button.

Input validation

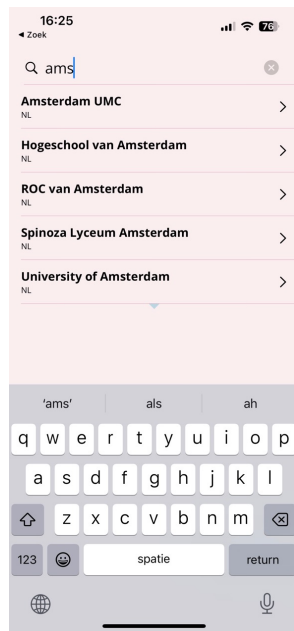
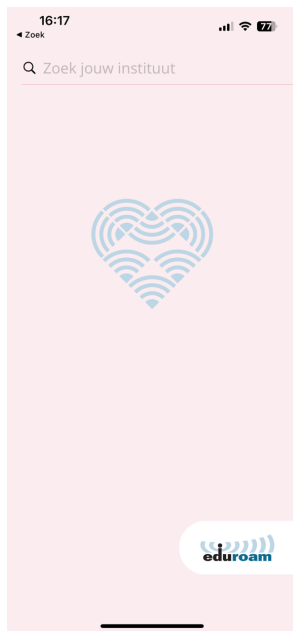
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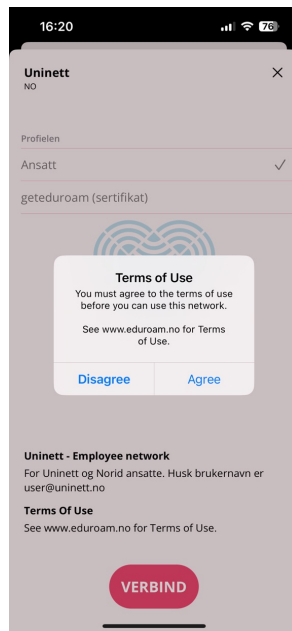
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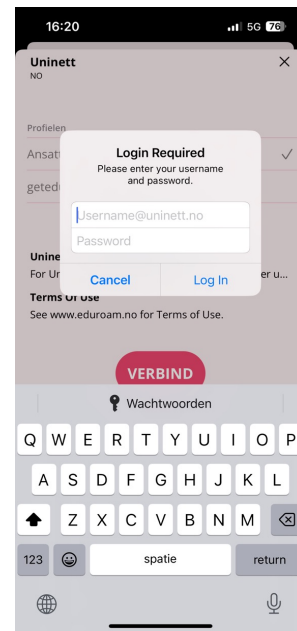
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discovery



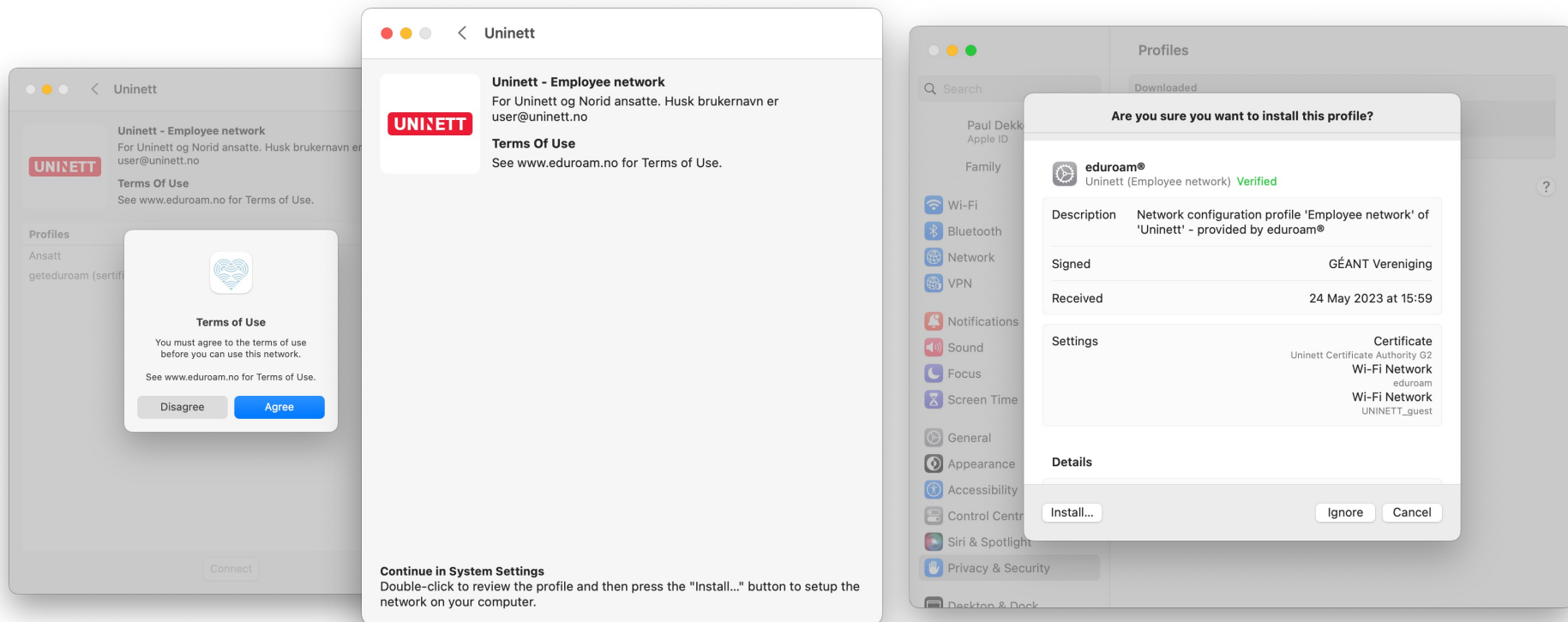
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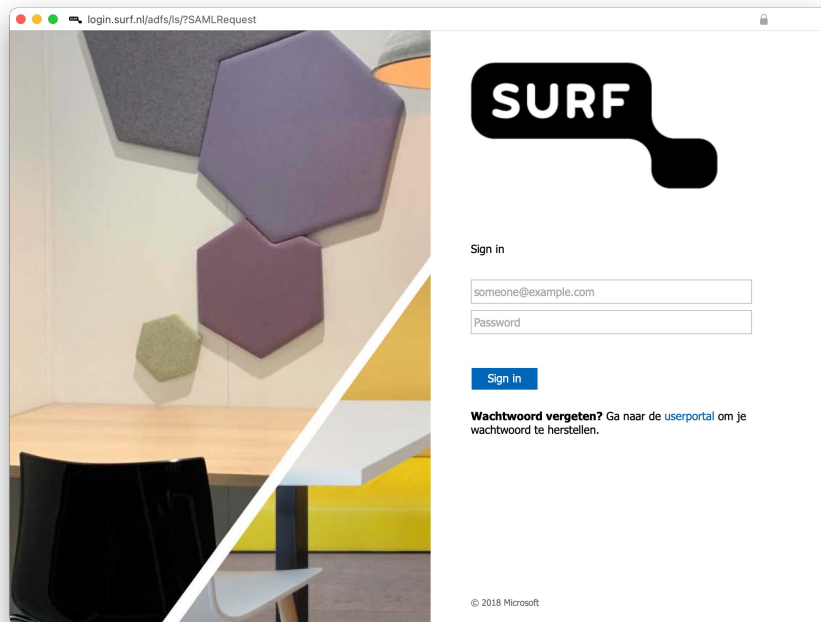
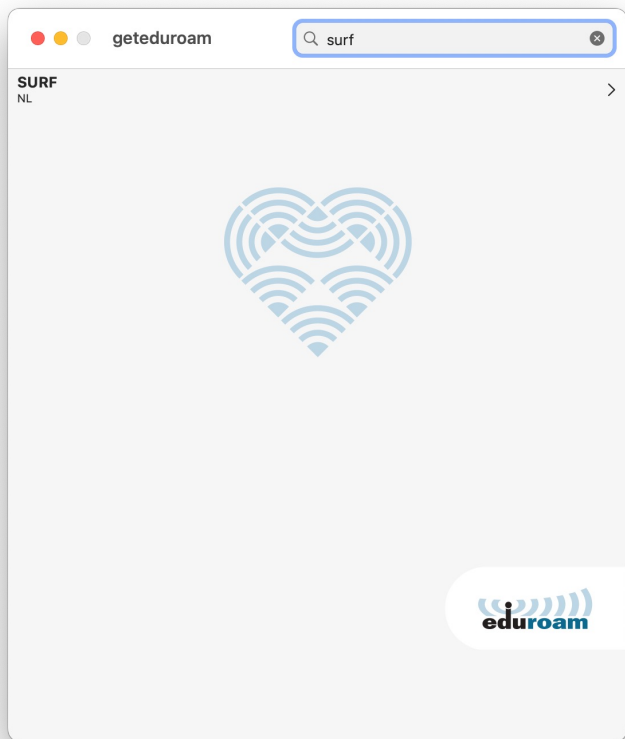
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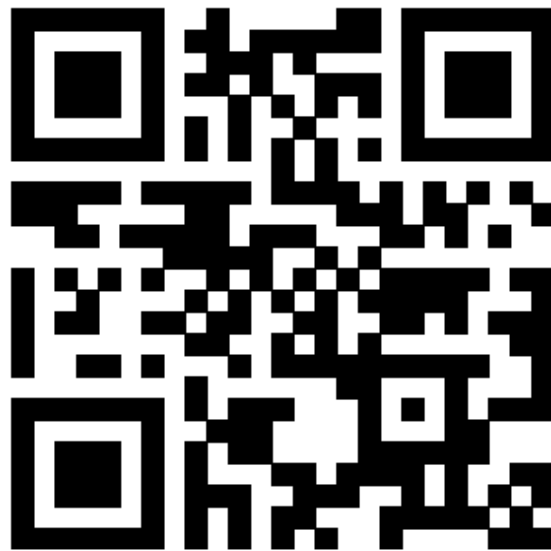
# new App (Test) versions, iOS & macOS





## One More Thing: new App (Test) versions, iOS & macOS

### iOS & macOS TestFlight



[edu.nl/4m63v](https://edu.nl/4m63v)

Feedback? [testflight@eduroam.org](mailto:testflight@eduroam.org)

# Linux client, Incubator project

## Linux CLI



edu.nl/pdfue

```
~/Repos/geteduroam-linux on oauth [!?] via v1.20.4 via impure (nix-shell-env) took 7s
$ make run
go build -o geteduroam-cli cmd/geteduroam/main.go
./geteduroam-cli
Please enter your organization (e.g. SURF): development
Found the following matches:
[1] Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies
[2] Janet Development IDP
[3] Max Planck Institute for Human Development
[4] Southwest Educational Development Center
[5] UK federation (Development)
[6] Development server
Please enter a choice for the organisation: 6
Opening the browser. Please authorize the client...

Your eduroam connection has been added to NetworkManager with the name eduroam (from Geteduroam)
~/Repos/geteduroam-linux on oauth [!?] via v1.20.4 via impure (nix-shell-env) took 11s
$ make run
go build -o geteduroam-cli cmd/geteduroam/main.go
./geteduroam-cli
Please enter your organization (e.g. SURF): surf
Found the following matches:
[1] SURF
[2] SURFnet
[3] SURFsara bv
Please enter a choice for the organisation: 1
Opening the browser. Please authorize the client...
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Feedback? [feedback@eduroam.org](mailto:feedback@eduroam.org)

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Dashboard

Configuration >

Pseudo accounts

User accounts

Administrator >

Search

dekke002@surf.nl

Pseudo accounts

Filters (2)

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357 results

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# Future

- Continuous, sustainable development and maintenance for
  - Apps
    - Android
    - iOS
    - macOS
    - Linux
    - Windows
  - Server-side, features, ease installation
    - CA portal
    - Admin portal
  - Documentation
  - Hosted service, integration
- Investigate support/demand for
  - managed devices, eg. via SCEP
  - new platforms (ChromeOS)
  - ...



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