



Authentication and Authorisation for Research and Collaboration

What is maturing under the broad-leaved AARC-TREE

Supporting access for research communities with the BPA

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“The Trust Roots That Make Research Grow”

We live in a federated world! With researchers collaborating across borders



Collaboration: an inherently-cross-domain issue .. and an AARC solution?



AuthN & AuthZ, architecture and trust should align with **collaboration structures**, and be **outward facing**: open, scalable, & multi-domain

Example from the LHC Computing infrastructure WLCG



170 sites

~50 countries & regions

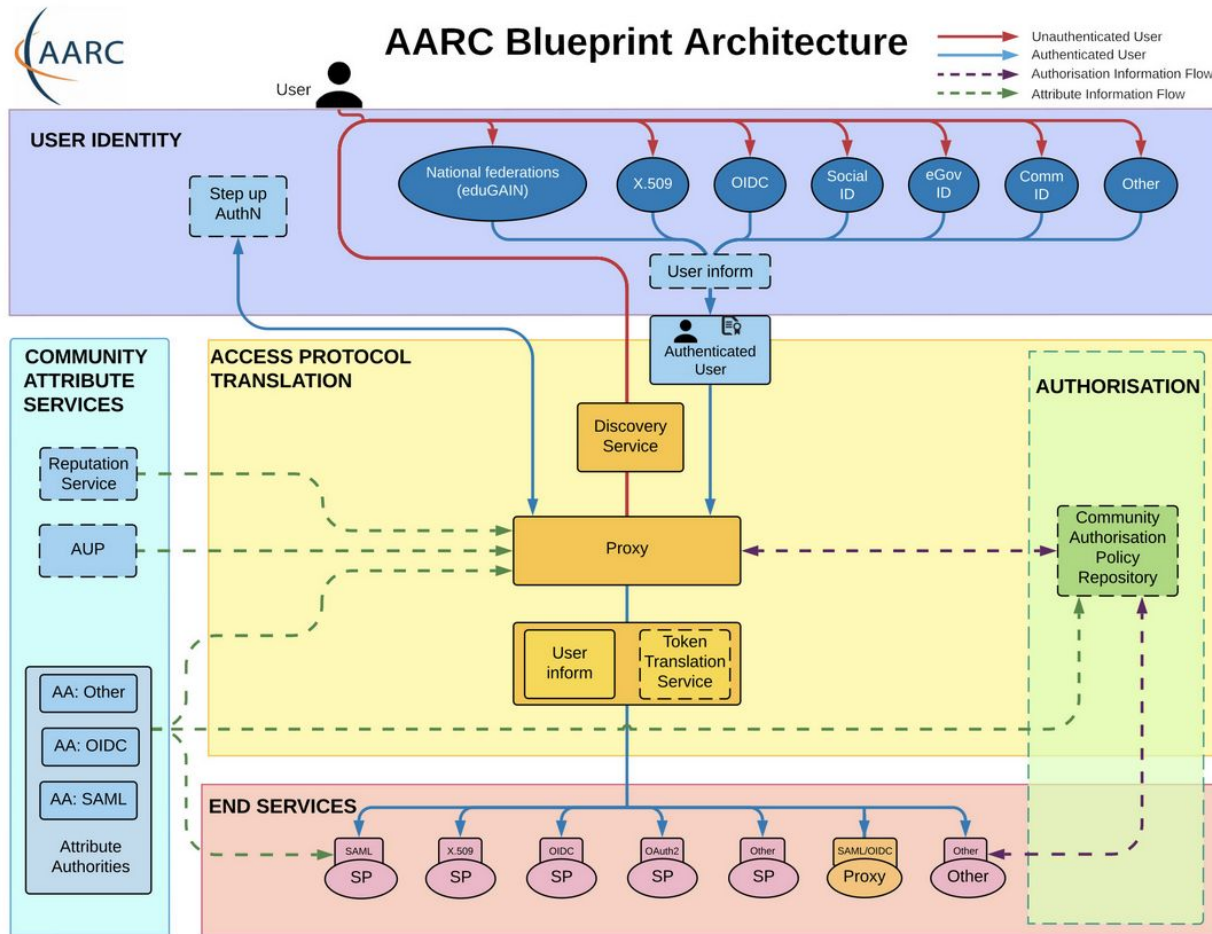
~20000 users

just *how* many interactions ??



people photo: a small part of the CMS collaboration in 2017, Credit: CMS-PHO-PUBLIC-2017-004-3; site map: WLCG sites from Maarten Litmaath (CERN) 2021

AARC Blueprint Architecture: one BPA many communities

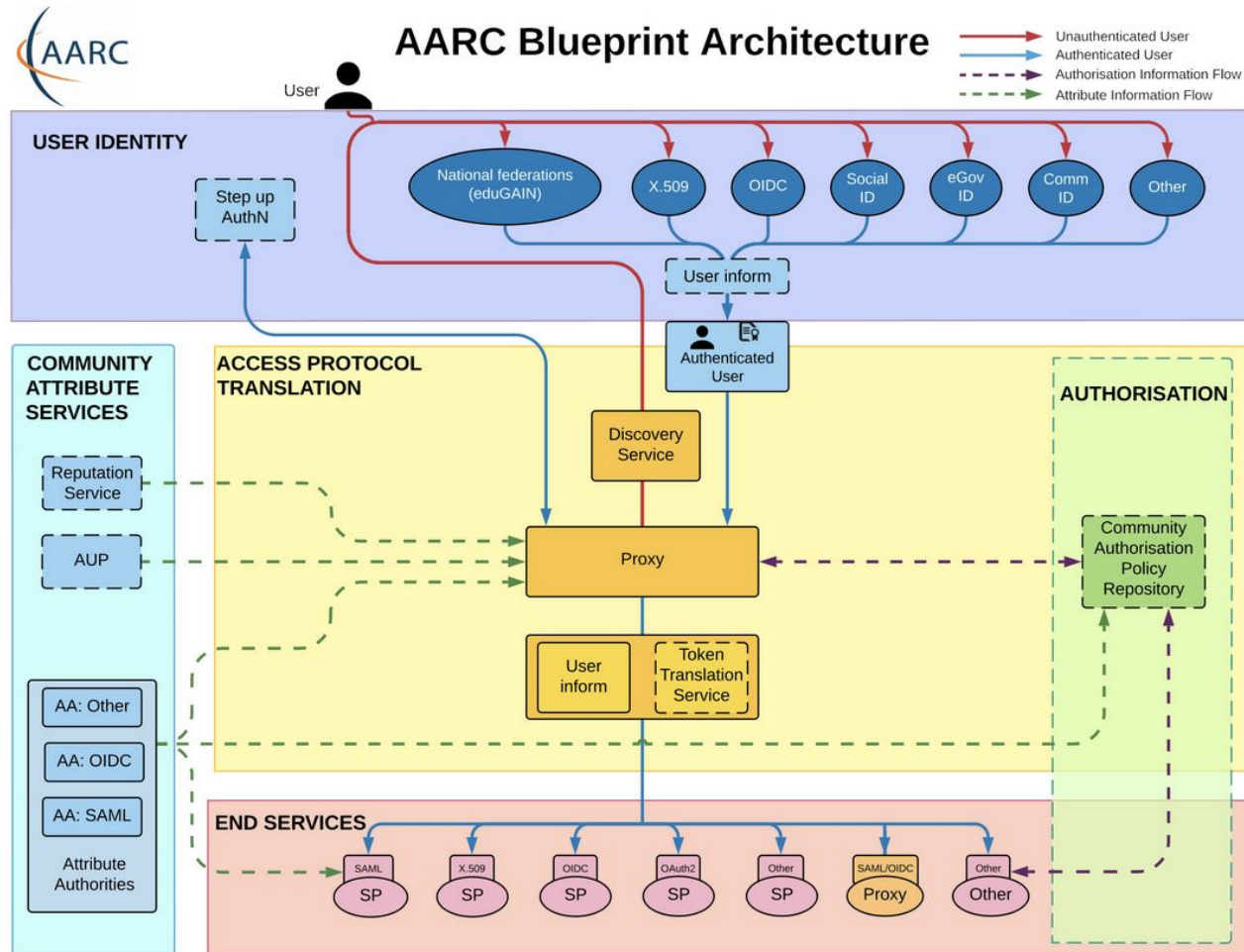


What is the AARC BPA?

The **A**uthentication and **A**uthorization For **R**esearch and **C**ollaborations **B**lue**P**rint **A**rchitecture provides a set of building blocks for software architects and technical decision makers who are designing and implementing access management solutions for international research collaborations. By design the AARC BPA is technology agnostic and provides an architectural design for those the deploy AAls.

Science Clusters, Research Infrastructures and e-Infrastructure Providers have been implementing their AAls using the AARC Blueprint Architecture in order to manage their users and the access rights to resources

Interoperability – more than just the nice colours



Not sure how to begin with the AARC Blueprint Architecture? There are plenty of guidelines available but it can be a minefield at first. You probably want to start by designing the high level approach of your infrastructure based on the AARC Blueprint Architecture. There are several general topics you should consider, such as Data Protection (AARC-G042) and Federated Security Incident Response (AARC-I051). Here you can find common questions matched to the relevant Blueprint Architecture component, along with links to guidelines that can help.

User Identity:

- How should I integrate Social Media Identity Providers? AARC-G008
- How should users link accounts, and how does that affect Assurance? AARC-G009
- How should services indicate that they would like users to authenticate with multifactor authentication, and how should my proxy forward that information? AARC-G029

Assurance:

- How should assurance information of external identities be calculated? AARC-G031
- What can I say about assurance of identities from social media accounts? AARC-G041
- How is assurance impacted by account linking? AARC-G009
- How should assurance information be shared with other infrastructures? AARC-G021
- Which Assurance Profiles should I use, there are so many! AARC-I050

Community Attribute Services:

- How should attributes from multiple sources be aggregated? AARC-G003
- How should I express the home institute of a user? AARC-G025
- How should I express the identifier of a user? AARC-G026
- What are the best practices for running my Attribute Authorities securely? AARC-G071
- Which Acceptable Use Policy should I use to facilitate interoperability? AARC-I044
- How should I infer the affiliation of a user? AARC-G057

Access Protocol Translation:

- Which best practices should I follow for my Token Translation Services? AARC-G004
- How should I translate from Identity Federation information to X.509 certificates? AARC-G010

Authorisation:

- How should I manage authorisation information from multiple sources? AARC-G006
- How should group and role information be expressed to facilitate interoperability? AARC-G002
- How should resource capabilities be expressed? AARC-G027

End Services:

- My service needs to act on behalf of the user – how should I handle credential delegation and impersonation? AARC-G005
- My services are not web based, how can I use identities from the proxy? AARC-G007
- How should Services hint which ID they would like users to use? AARC-G049
- Which Security practices should I follow? AARC-G014

Proxies:

- How can I ensure that my proxy is able to accurately claim that it supports best practices in Identity Federation? AARC-G015
- How should I express the home institute of a user? AARC-G025
- How should I express assurance information for users when interacting with another proxy? AARC-G021
- How can my proxy simplify the discovery process for end-users? AARC-G061
- How can my proxy route the user to the correct discovery service? AARC-G062

What next? Are you looking for a kick start with your policies? Take a look at the Policy Development Toolkit which provides a set of templates.

Personal Data	Protection Contact	Services (abide by)	processing personal data.
Privacy Policy	Infrastructure Management (for general policy) & Services (for service specific policies)	Users (view)	This can be used to document the data collected and processed by the infrastructure and its participants. Each service in the infrastructure, as well as the infrastructure itself, should complete the template.
		Services (abide by)	This policy defines requirements for running a service within the infrastructure.
		Users (abide by)	This is a template for the acceptable use policy that users must accept to use the Research infrastructure. It should be augmented by the Research Community.

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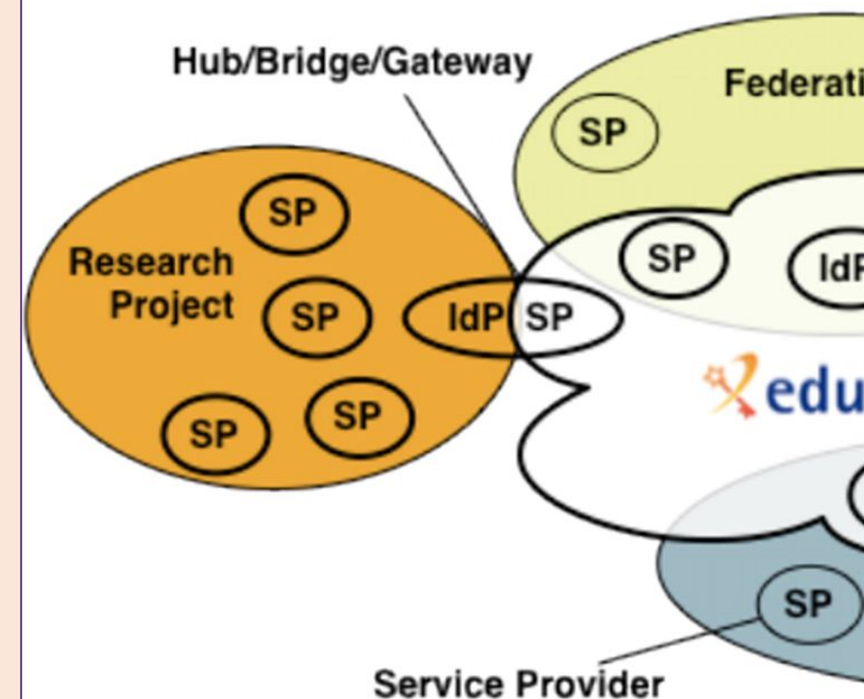
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An AARC BPA to enable federated access for eScience

- Access services using **identities from users' Home Organizations**, but **hide complexity** of multiple IdPs, federations, AA technologies
- **One persistent identity** across all the community's services through **account linking**
- **Access services based on role(s)** users have **in the collaboration**.
- For both **web** and **non-web** resources
- Integration of **guest identity solutions**
- **Support for stronger authentication assurance** mechanisms

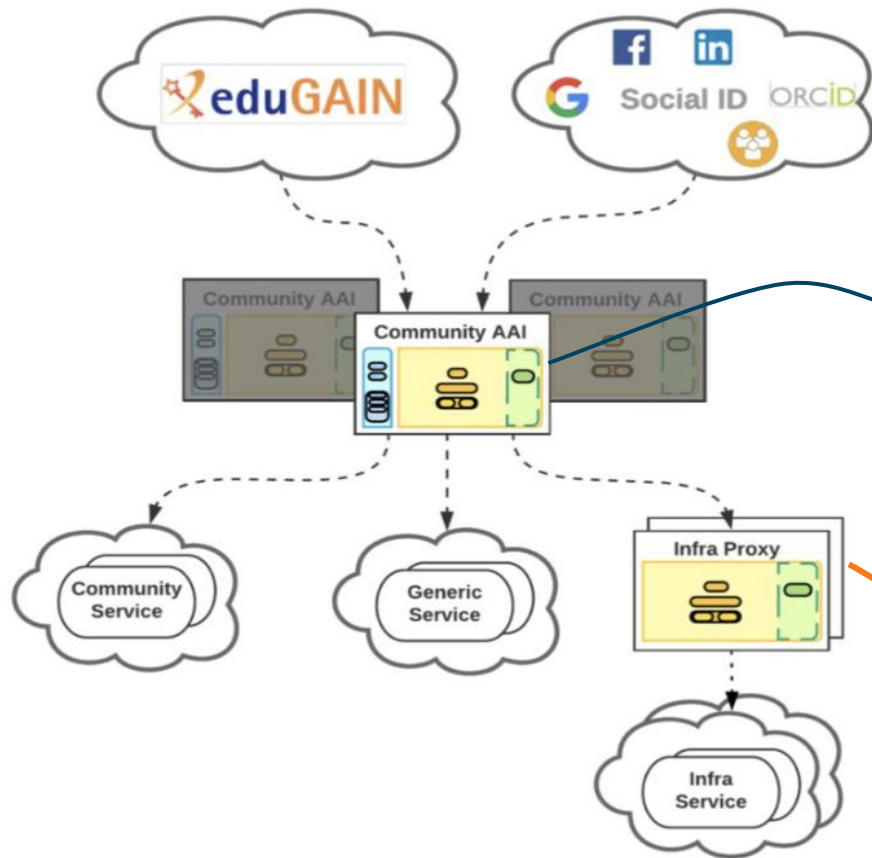
The AARC BPA: the IdP-SP proxy

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Graphics: Ann Harding and Lukas Hammerle (SWITCH) – from a long time ago now!

The Community AAI and the Infrastructure Proxy – structuring elements



Community AAI

The purpose of the Community AAI is to streamline researchers' access to services, both those provided by their own infrastructure as well as the services provided by infrastructures that are shared with other communities.

Infrastructure Proxy

The Infrastructure Proxy, enables Infrastructures with a large number of resources, to provide them through a single integration point, where the Infrastructure can maintain centrally all the relevant Policies and business logic for making available these resources to multiple communities

AARC TREE: new funding to enhance the impact of AARC



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Architecture

Policy

Guidelines

AARC TREE



AARC TREE Project

New funding for our community

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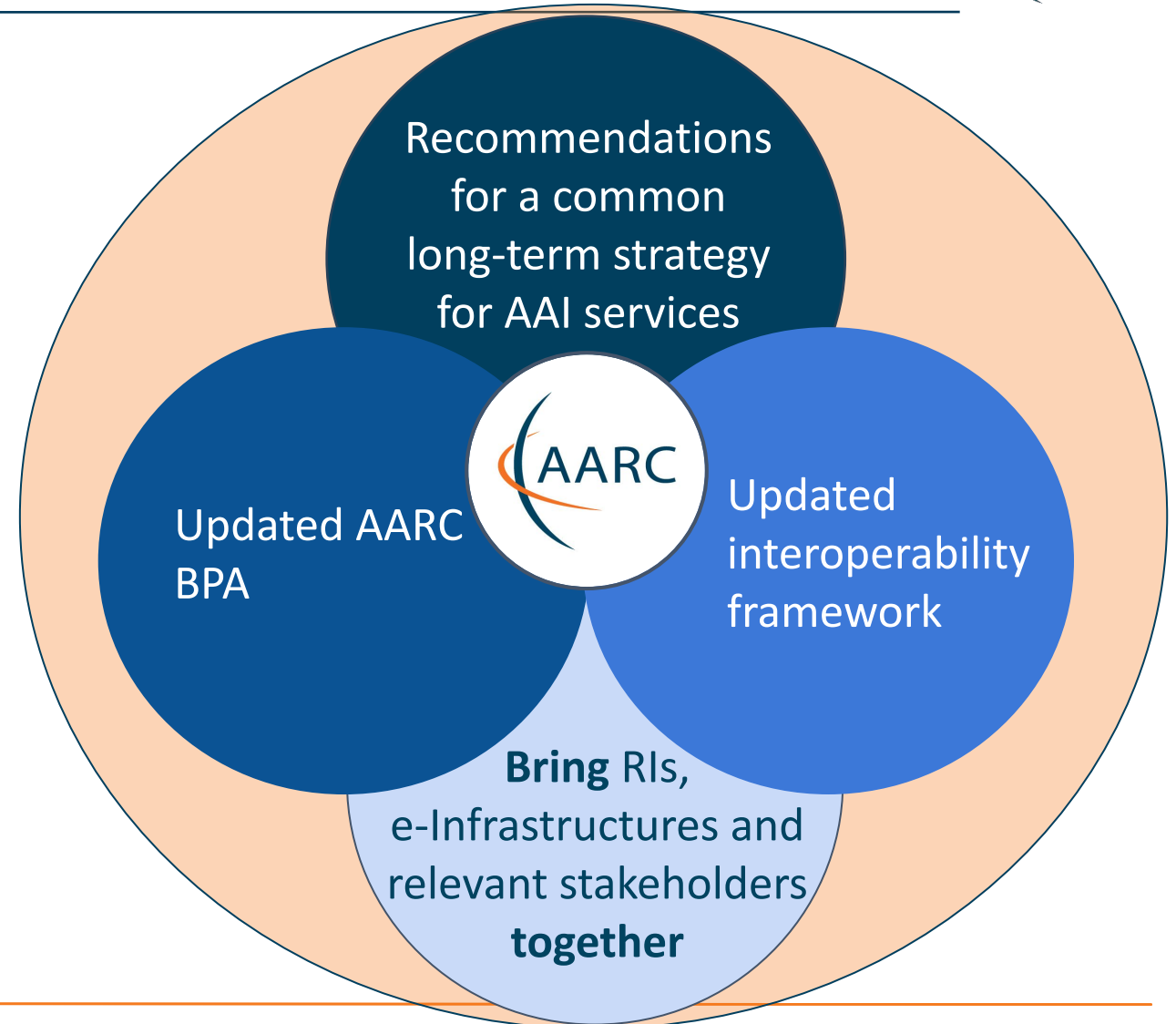
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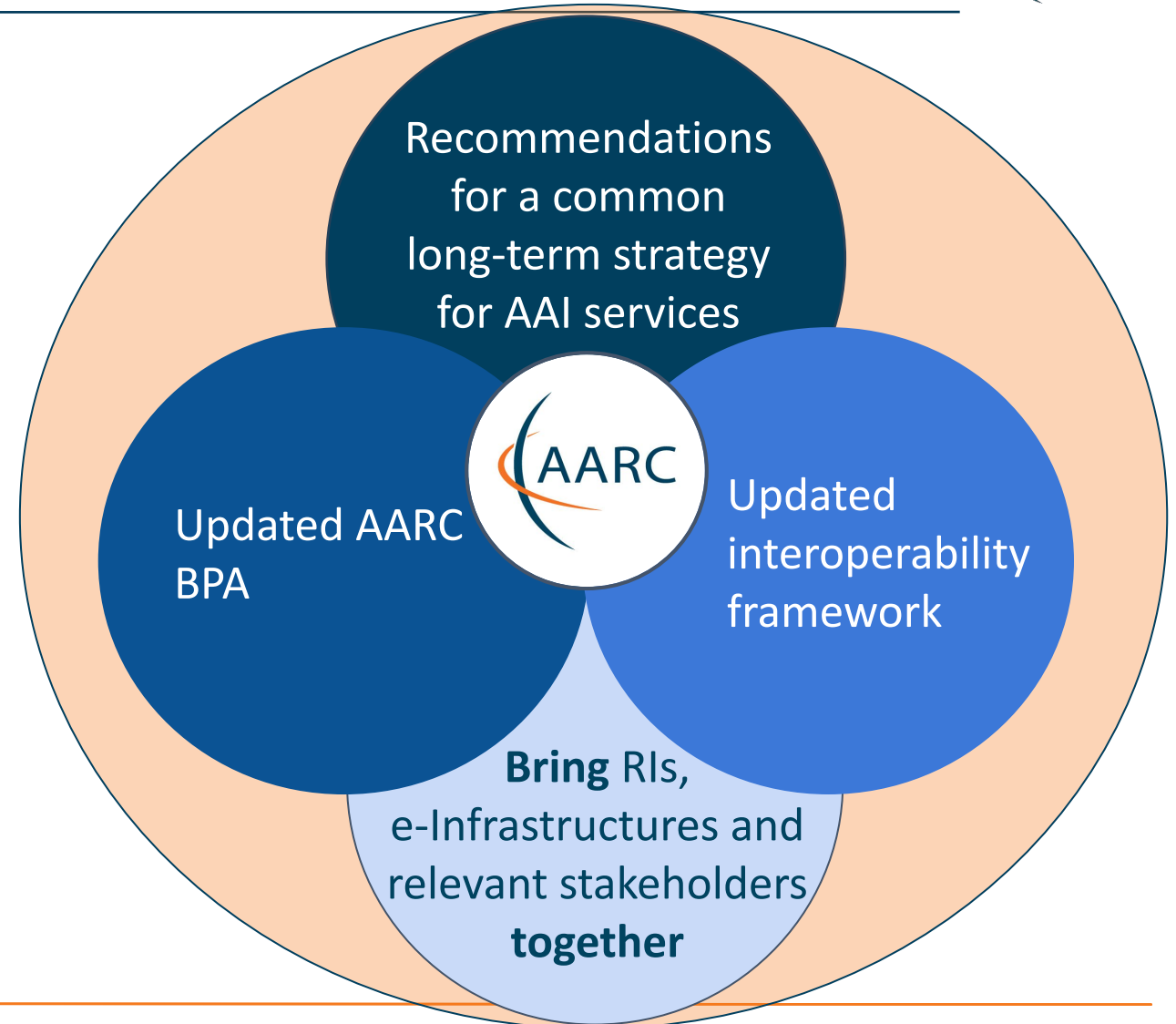
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**Make AARC3 a global activity
to engage
everyone interested in the
evolution of AARC BPA**



Challenges to address in AARC TREE

Interoperability with broader
provider base
(IdPs, eIDs, social IdPs)

Better uptake and integration
of the BPA

Requirements for assurance

Service account information

Digital wallets

Proliferation of AARC Proxies

AARC Community - open for all



AARC Engagement Group for Infrastructures

The forum of e/r-Infras that operate an AARC BPA complaint AAI.
It's a closed group on purpose as we want to get feedback from the hands on group.
They approve the AARC guidelines.

Technical WG

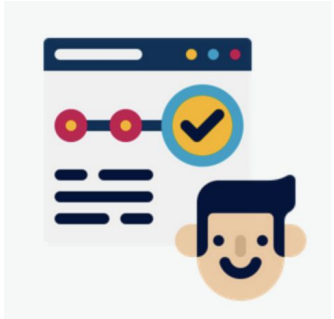
- Led by Nicolas and Christos
- Where technical guidelines are discussed
- Anybody can join the discussion:
<https://lists.geant.org/sympa/info/aarc-architecture>

Policy WG

- Led by Dave and David
- Supported by EnCo and IGTF
- Anybody can join the discussion:
policy@aacrc-community.org
<https://lists.geant.org/sympa/info/aarc-na3>

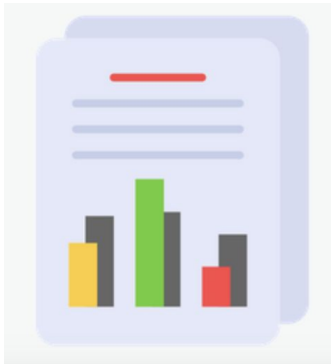
Right now in AARC TREE:

Time to engage ?



Use Cases Collection and Analysis

with the large ESFRI RIs, clusters, and national nodes to validate BPA effectiveness and act as a flywheel to increase its application



Compendium & Recommendations

Have the validators and use cases have a broader impact by promoting them as ‘community good practice’ examples – and telling the world about it.

Dedicated work package to collect requirements from (new) communities

Landscape
analysis of
AARC BPA
adoption

- Conduct an AARC BPA **adoption survey** among the RIs, online survey accompanied by the arranged conversations with the individual RIs
- Collect information on current deployment of AARC BPA AIs and adoption of guidelines

Result: **Landscape analysis of AARC BPA adoption (around December 2024)**

Use cases
requirements &
consultations

- Design and create survey (including technology and policy questions) based on [FIM4Rv2 paper](#), [Evolution](#), [EOSC AAI TF requirements](#)
- Engage FIM4R, AEGIS, EOSC AAI TF, National RIs, EU data spaces to capture requirements
- Discuss with our ESFRIs to get expectations & requirements via consultations, workshops etc

Result: **Use cases requirements described in a white paper (target Q1 2025)**

Handover to
Compendium

Key result in the '2nd year' (April 2025 - February 2026) is the **Compendium**

'compendium of AARC best practices' with recommendations for a common long-term strategy for AAI services in pan-European Research Infrastructures in Europe

- based on the use case input and researcher requirements
- promotes coherent and interoperable architecture and policy
- **iterate and validate** with the infrastructures at large

describe the road that collaborative research infrastructure AAI will take!

Part II: AARC BPA Technical Guidelines

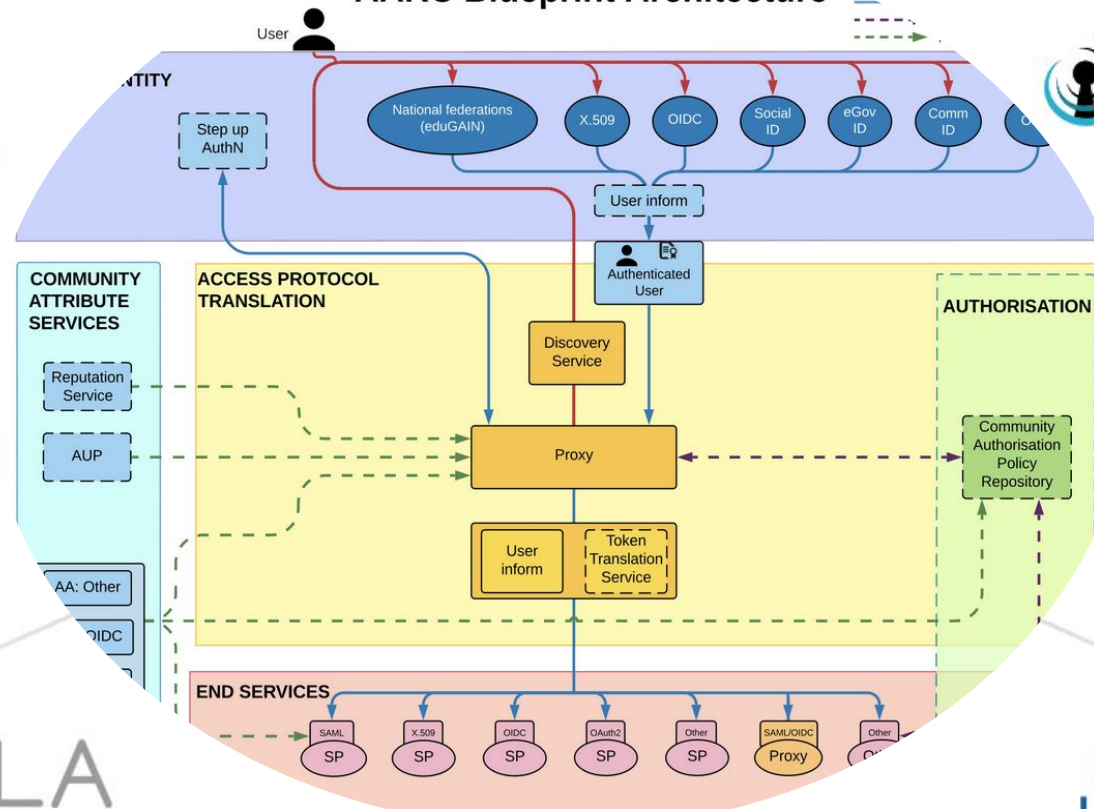




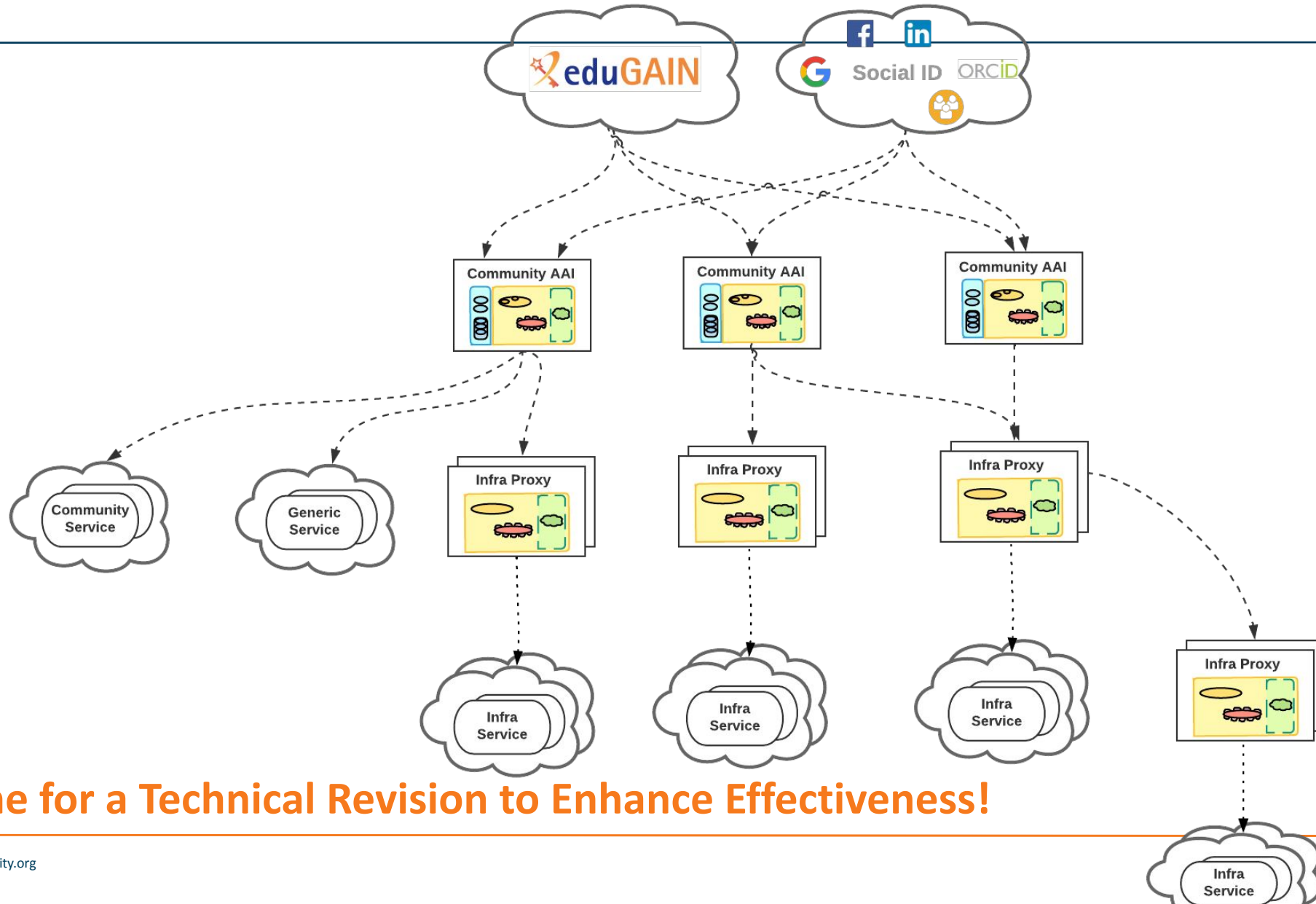
European Universities Alliances



AARC Blueprint Architecture



And of course with more AARC Compliant AAI come more proxies



... it's time for a Technical Revision to Enhance Effectiveness!

Community User Identifiers (CUID)

Problem

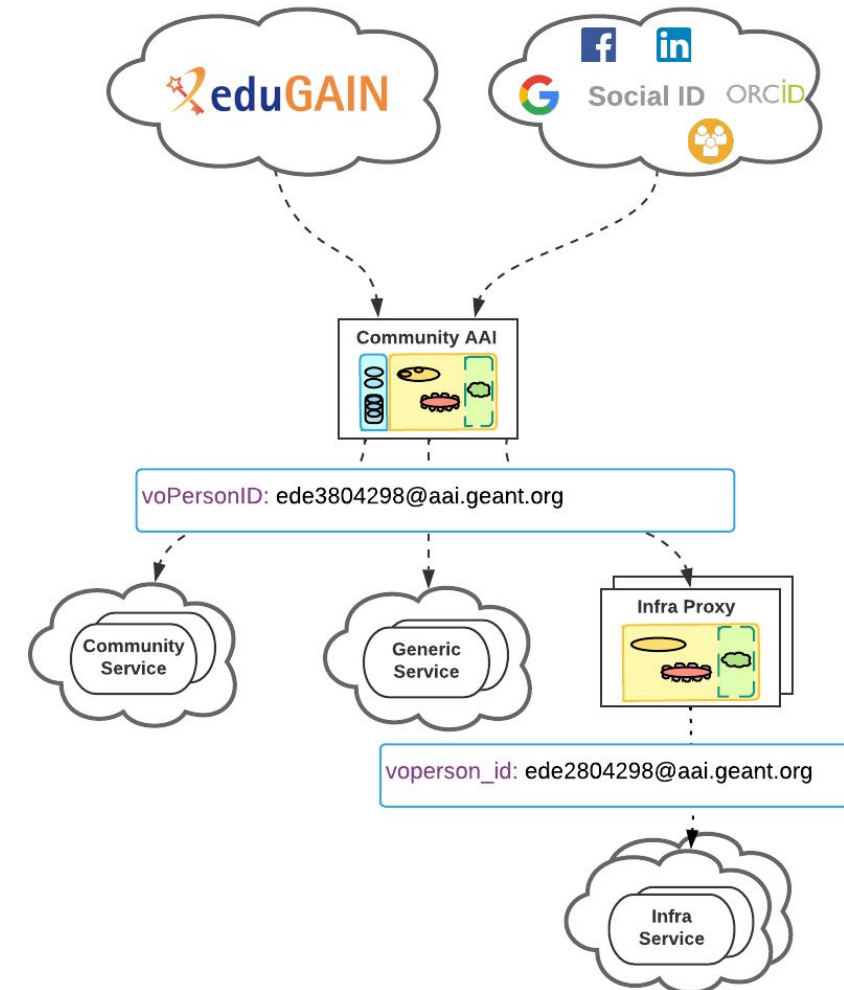
- How to identity the user uniquely and persistently across AAls that implement the AARC BPA

Guidelines

- [AARC-G026 - Guidelines for expressing community user identifiers](#)

Summary

- A subject identifier, where the subjects are generally but not exclusively natural persons.
- Identifies the subject across AAls
- Non-reassignable, persistent
- Managed by the Community AAI



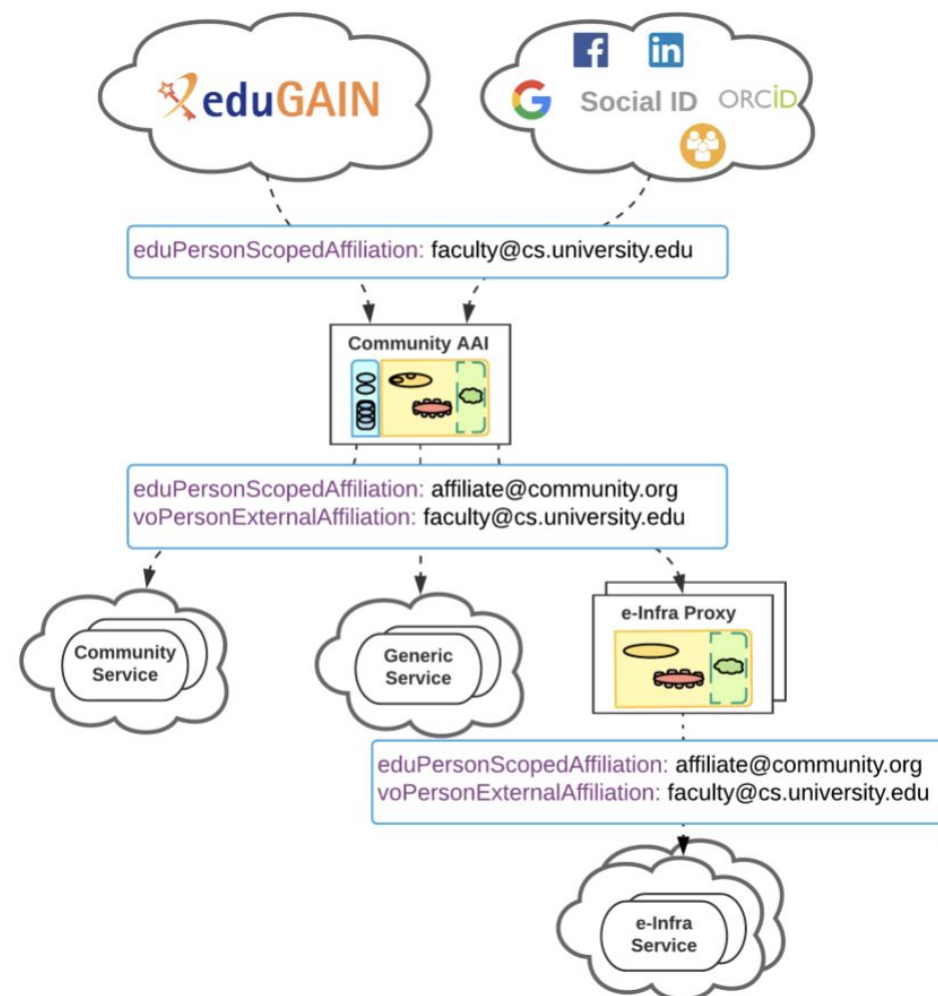
Authorisation and affiliation in community use cases

Problem

- How to communicate affiliation of a user with the community

Guidelines

- [AARC-G025 - Guidelines for expressing affiliation information](#)
- [AARC-G057 - Inferring and constructing voPersonExternalAffiliation](#)



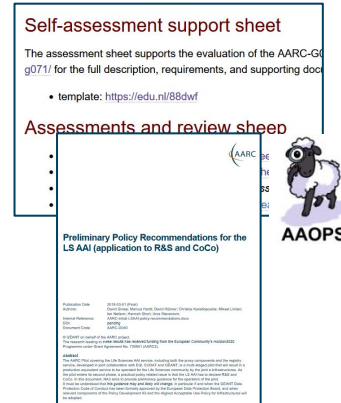
Parte III: How to Establish Trusted and Secure Operations



Policy and good practice underpinning the AARC Blueprint BPA

Infrastructure alignment and policy harmonisation: helping out the proxy

- **Operational Trust** for Community and Infrastructure BPA Proxies
- Increase acceptance of research proxies by identity providers through **common baselines**
- Review infrastructure models for **coordinated AUP, T&C, and privacy notices**, improving cross-infrastructure user experience (users need to click only once)



User-centric trust alignment and policy harmonization: helping out the community

- Lightweight community management policy template
- Guideline on cross-sectoral trust in novel federated access models
- Assurance in research services through (eIDAS) public identity assertion



How to establish secure operation for your (AARC BPA) proxy?

The Challenge

- How to securely operate proxies, attribute authorities and issuers of statements for entities?

Guideline

- [AARC-G071 Guidelines for Secure Operation of Attribute Authorities](#)

Summary

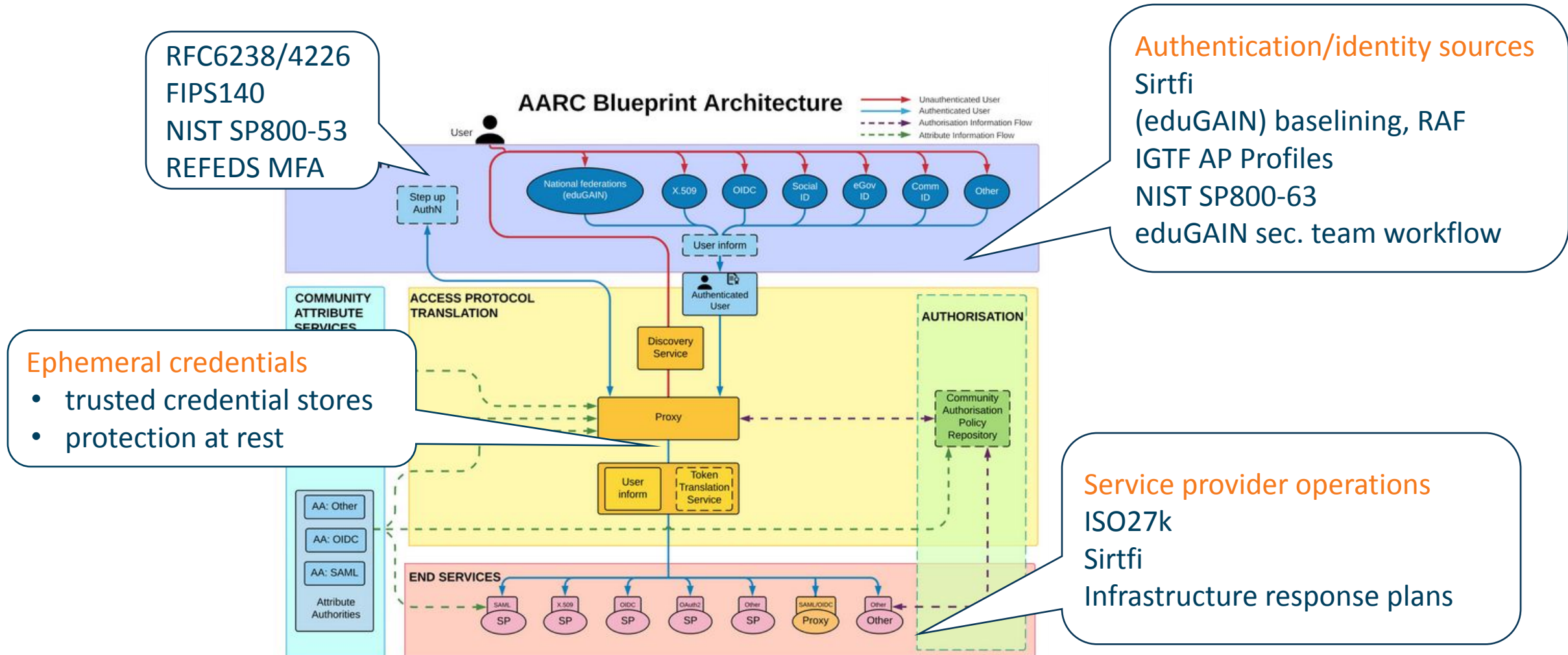
- Operational security processes and procedures
- Requirements on traceability, auditability, and logging
- Requirements on the secure operation
- Requirements on securing the interactions



Guidelines for Secure Operation of Attribute Authorities and issuers of statements for entities

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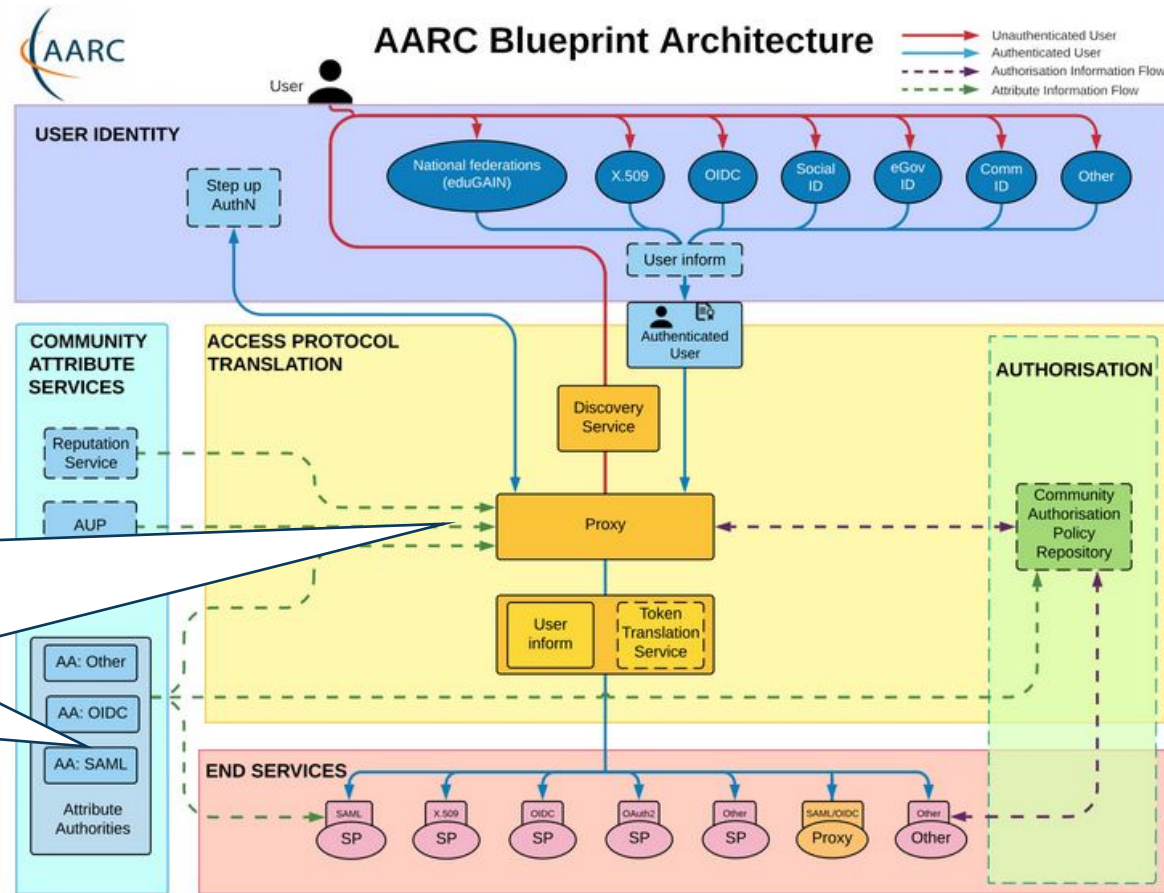
Operational guideline landscape for - proxy or source - AAI components



Operational security focus in the BPA: beyond just the IdPs

Community membership management directories and attribute authorities

- integrity of membership
- identification, naming and traceability
- site and service security
- protection on the network
- assertion integrity



Guidelines for Secure Operation of Attribute Authorities and other issuers of access-granting statements (AARC-I048, in collaboration with IGTF AAOPS)

When the AA is in a managed environment ...

Many of the recommendations are already implemented ‘implicitly’

- because common software implements it: e.g. signing SAML assertions and JWTs
- because a good data centre already has network monitoring and central logging in place
- because you signed up to Sirtfi (didn't you?) – so you collaborate in incident response
- because you have trained IT operations personnel looking after the service

And some are intuitive best practice

- like assigning a unique and lasting name to a group
- because implemented controls ought to be those that have been documented

Some items contain reminders about appropriate values and recommendations that are good practice - based on the relevant standards involved

Deployment guidance included ...

4.2. Attribute Management and Attribute Release

AMR-1

The Community must define and document the semantics, lifecycle, data protection, and release policy of attributes stored or asserted by the AA.

The community should follow the guidance from relevant policy documents. In particular, the Policy Development Kit has recommendations on Community Membership Management. It is recommended to use standardised attributes where possible, e.g. from eduPerson [EPSC] or SCHAC [SCHAC], and their semantics must be respected.

If Communities make modifications to the attribute set, their semantics, or release policies, it is recommended that they inform both their relying parties as well as the AA Operator thereof, since the AA operator may have implemented checks for schema consistency. The Community is ultimately responsible for the values and semantics of the attributes.

AMR-2

The AA Operator must implement the community definitions as defined and documented, for all the AAs it operates.

By implementing these requirements, the AA operator will support the chain of trust between Community and the RPs. An AA Operator must only host those communities for which it can implement the requirements.

AMR-3

It is recommended that the AA Operator provide a capability for the community to

AARC-G071 Example requirement: Attribute Assertions

AAS-3

If an AA Operator issues assertions containing a lifetime, this lifetime must be compliant with the Community policies, **as short as reasonably possible**, and the assertion must not be valid beyond the validity period of the attributes it contains. **The Community Management is responsible for the content of the assertion, as issued, during its entire lifetime**

AAS-4

Re-issuance of assertions must be based on information held in the AA at the time of re-issuance.

AARC-G071 example requirement: Operational Environment

OE-1

Through its personnel or by contractual measures, the AA Operator should ensure appropriate controls are in place over the security context.

OE-2

The AA must be located in a physically secure environment where access is controlled and limited to specific trained personnel.

OE-3

The protections on the AA and its operational environment, including the credentials of the AA administrators and operators, should **meet or exceed the requirements of all of the communities hosted in the AA.**

AARC-G071 Example requirement: Assessment and Peer Review



AR-5

The AA operator must **disclose and discuss**, on request, those aspects of their operational environment that are relevant to the evaluation of the security and trust by the Communities and Relying Parties.

AR-6

The AA Operator must be able and willing to **collaborate with affected organisations in the management of a security incident**.

AR-7

The AA Operator should review roles, rights, and access of its staff at least once per year.

AARC-G071 Example requirement: Relying Party Obligations “the other side”

RP-1

Relying Parties must, at the time of reliance, verify the integrity and validity of attribute assertions and any binding to a valid subject, to their satisfaction.

RP-2

Relying Parties must rely on assertions with an explicit lifetime only during their validity period.

RP-3

Relying Parties must assess the **risk of relying on assertions with no explicit lifetime** and should not rely on them for longer than the relevant industry standards for that type of assertion recommend.

RP-4

Any long-lived, non-revocable statements received from an AA must be appropriately protected for confidentiality and integrity, by proxies and other intermediate entities.

Links to (probably) most well-known AARC outcome for security ...



SIRTFI

REFEDS > SIRTFI

The Security Incident Response Trust Framework for Federated Identity (Sirtfi) aims to enable the coordination of incident response across federated organisations. This assurance framework comprises a list of assertions which an organisation can attest in order to be declared Sirtfi compliant. Visit our [Wiki](#) to discover how your organisation can prepare itself for Federated Incident Response with Sirtfi.

REFEDS' [Sirtfi Working Group](#) has been active since 2014 and combines expertise in operational security and incident response policy from across the REFEDS community. Work to publish and implement the Sirtfi Trust Framework is supported by the [AARC Project](#).

Security Incident Response Trust Framework for Federated Identity



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TITLE / REFERENCE: COEXISTENCE OF SIRTFI v1 AND SIRTFI v2

Coexistence of Sirtfi v1 and Sirtfi v2

original Sirtfi specification, herein Sirtfi v1, continues to be valuable and will not be deprecated with the introduction of Sirtfi v2. The Sirtfi v1 entity attribute value of <https://refeds.org/sirtfi> will continue to mean what it has always meant: an entity whose metadata contains this attribute has attested that it meets the assertions of Sirtfi v1.

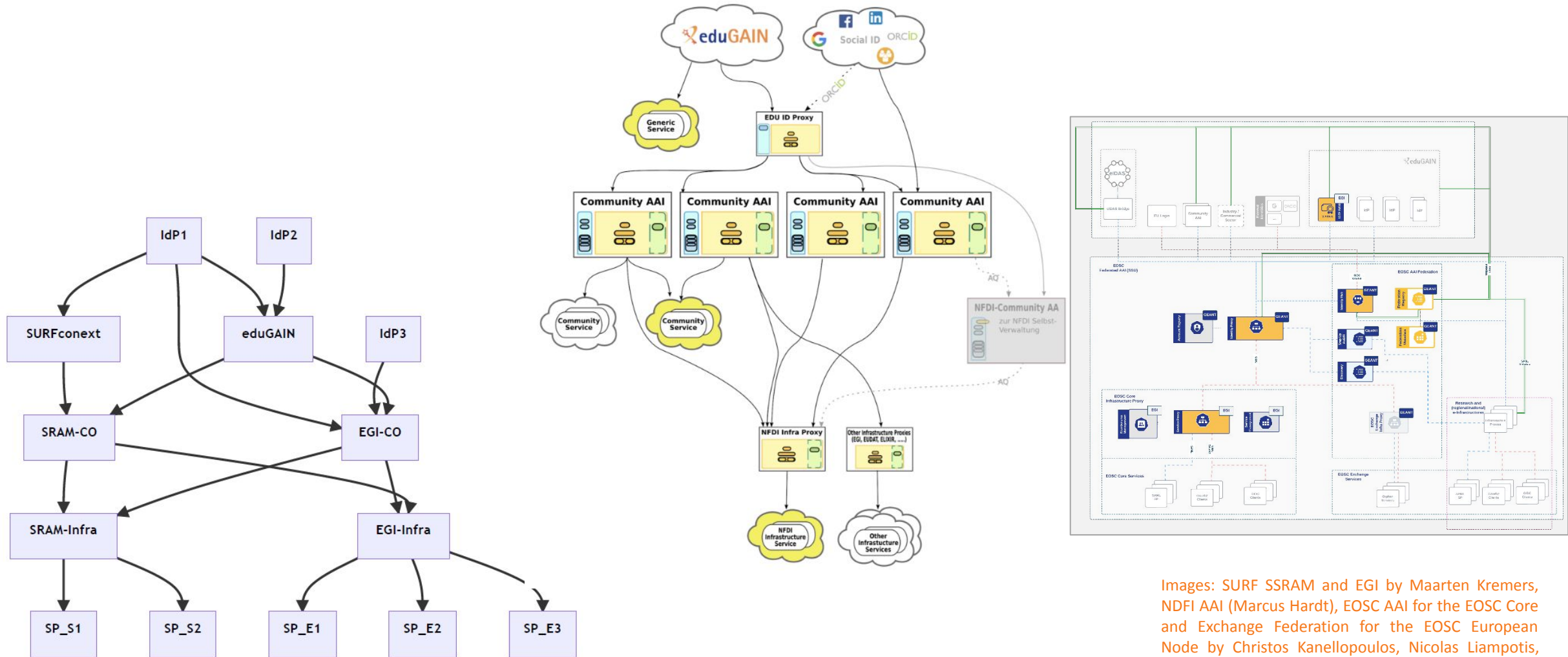
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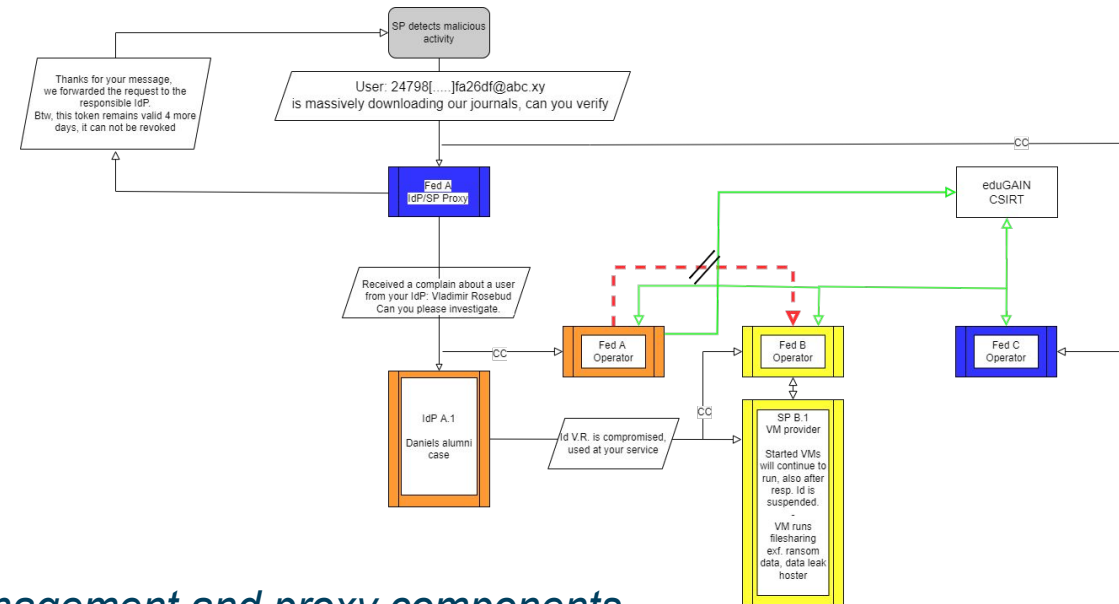
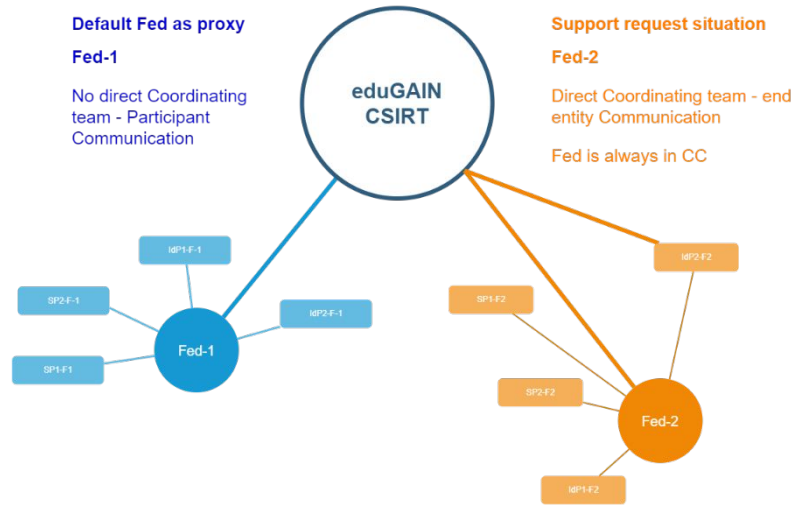
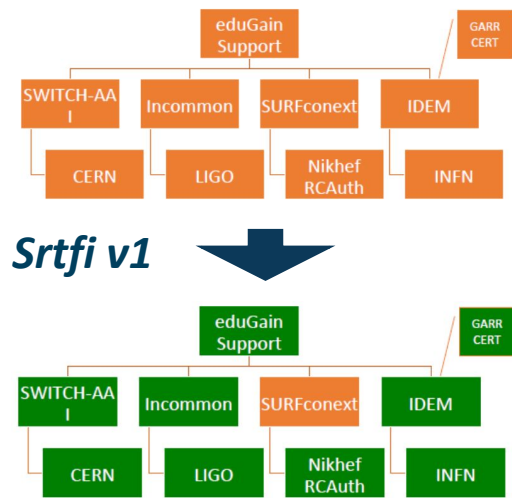
2. A new assertion, [IR3], was added that requires security contacts of entities participating in Sirtfi to be notified when a security incident investigation suggests that those entities are involved in the incident.

Our federated world is growing more complex



Images: SURF SSRAM and EGI by Maarten Kremers, NFDI AAI (Marcus Hardt), EOSC AAI for the EOSC Core and Exchange Federation for the EOSC European Node by Christos Kanellopoulos, Nicolas Liampotis, David Groep (June 2023 version)

Response and traceability across IdP-SP Proxies and the limits of Sirtfi



Guidelines for a joint **operational trust baseline** for membership management and proxy components, supplemented by policy guidance for sectoral federations with more specific policies where needed

- ‘How can we **convey the trust in what is in and behind the proxy?**’
- ‘How to provide **timely traceability** between services and identities through the proxy?’

Based on requirements from FIM4R, WISE, and the proxy operators in AEGIS.

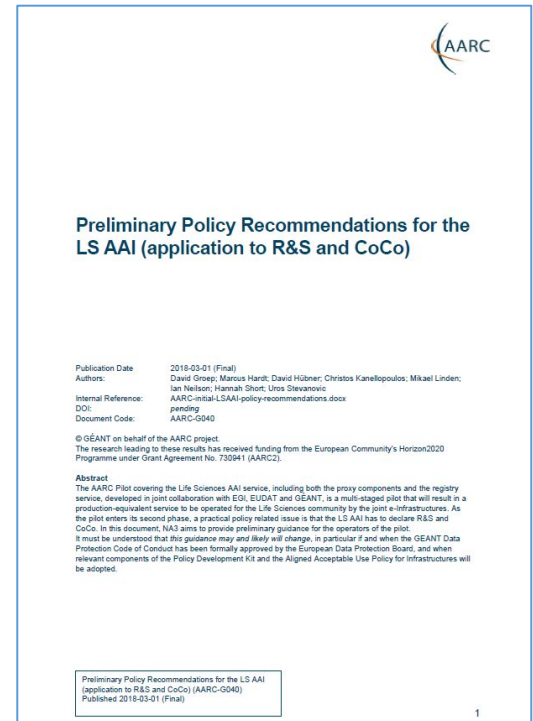
Proxies have more challenges as well: AUPs, T&Cs, Privacy notices, ...

For large 'multi-tenant' proxies

- some subset users in some communities use a set of services – how to present their Terms and Conditions and their privacy policies, so that users
 - only see the T&Cs and notices for services they will access
 - this does not need to be manually configured for each community
 - is automatically updated when services join

For community and dedicated proxies

- when new (sensitive) services join, who needs to see the new T&Cs?
- can we communicate existing acceptance of T&Cs to downstream services?



beyond AARC-G040

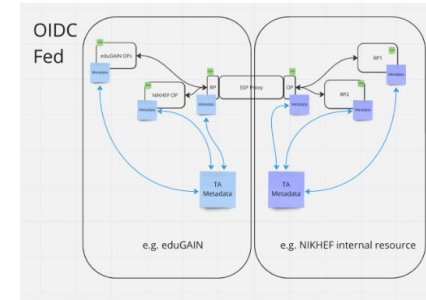
What is an acceptable user experience in clicking through agreements?
What is effective in exploiting the WISE Baseline AUP? What do researchers need?

'with fewer clicks to more resources'

Helping out the community: the policy toolkit for communities & trust

“small to mid-sized communities do not have the resources to maintain a bespoke community management policy”

this leaves communities *and SP operators* unclear about trust assurance level of members



Today's BPA proxy links attributes **as well as** trust

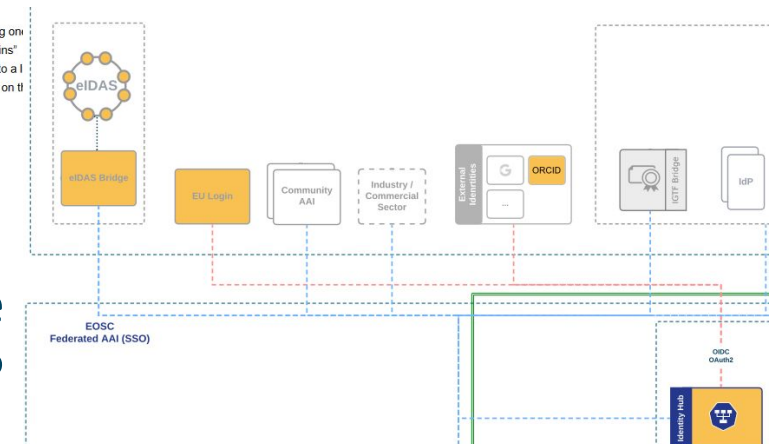
David Groep:
Raise of hands
Who knows about

- Proxy: most in the room
- OIDC federation: few in the room
- Bridge PKI (public key infra): 1

What was the problem that triggered this session?
Proxies are wonderful, they can be opaque and expose things to the outside world.
Proxy into eduGAIN using SAML, token translation, attribute transformation, augmentation
Membership services?

OIDC world, to amalgamate a set of RPs
Essentially overloading the proxy with two roles, technical role of translating on another (+ augment of claims), but also bridging trust between both "domains"
In OIDC federation, you can chain metadata statements not by publishing to a I hierarchies, trust anchors who can sign intermediates . multiple signatures on tl

Membership Management Policy	Infrastructure Management	Research Community (abides by)	This policy template defines how Research Communities should manage their members, including registration and expiration.
Acceptable Authentication Assurance	Infrastructure Management	Research Community, Services (abide by)	This is a placeholder for the Infrastructure to determine rules for the acceptable assurance profiles of user credentials.



And what about assurance: we'll have more, and maybe more reliable, sources of assurance in the near term?

Production Implementations of the AARC BPA

EOSC and MyAccessID as Real Life Examples



Production Implementations: EOSC

EOSC Access Federation

Registers, maintains, and publishes the trust anchors and the associated metadata for all the entities in the EOSC Federated AAI. Provides common horizontal functionalities.

Identity Hub

Provides user authentication and consistent user information to services in the EOSC Federated AAI.

EOSC Core Infrastructure Proxy

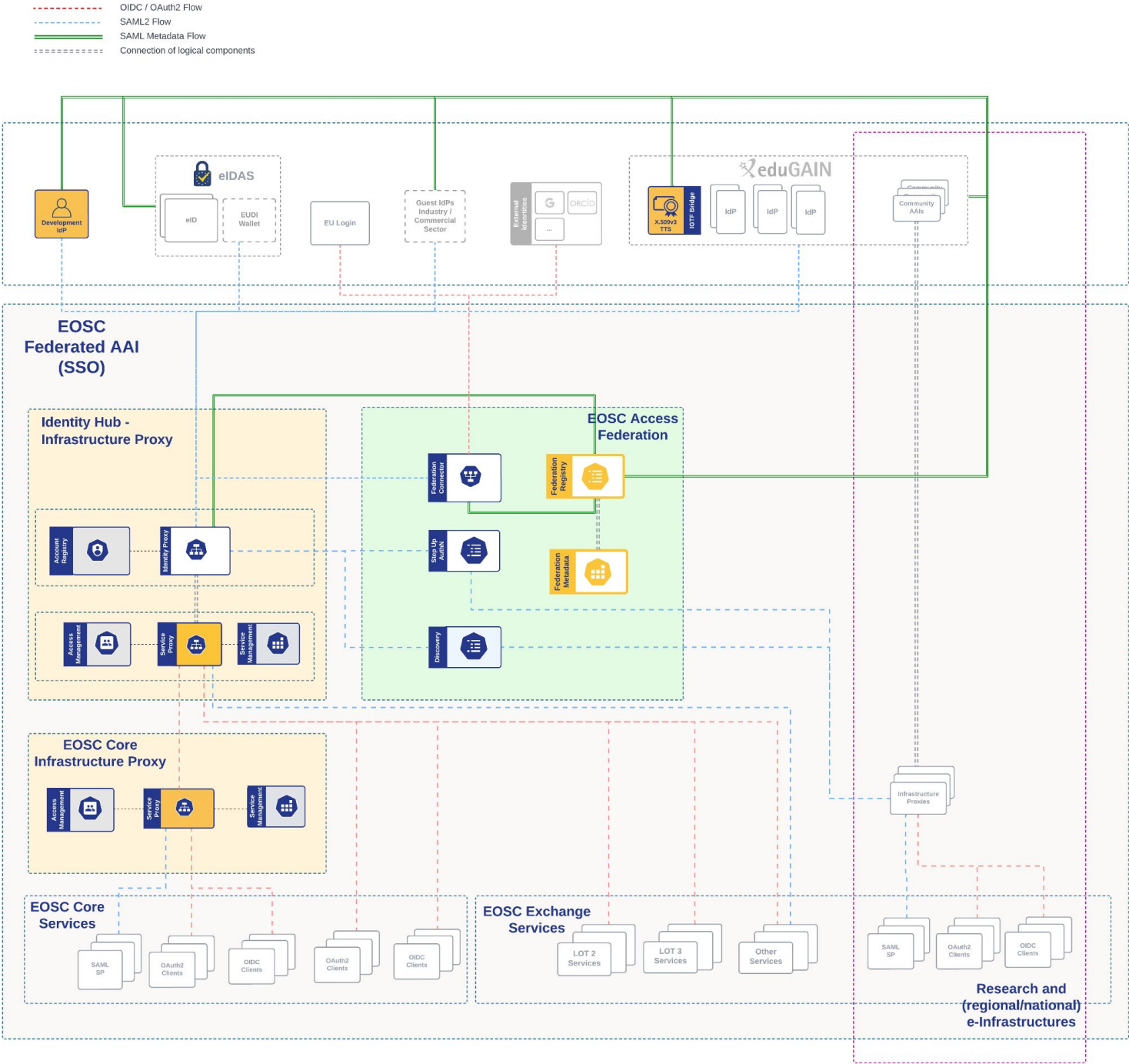
Connects the EOSC Core Services

EOSC Exchange Infrastructure Proxy

Connects the EOSC Exchange Services

X509v3 Token Translation Service (TTS)

Authenticates users with their X.509v3 credentials.



Production Implementations: MyAcademicID

MyAcademicID Service

The MyAcademicID Service was launched in November 2020 MyAcademicID Project

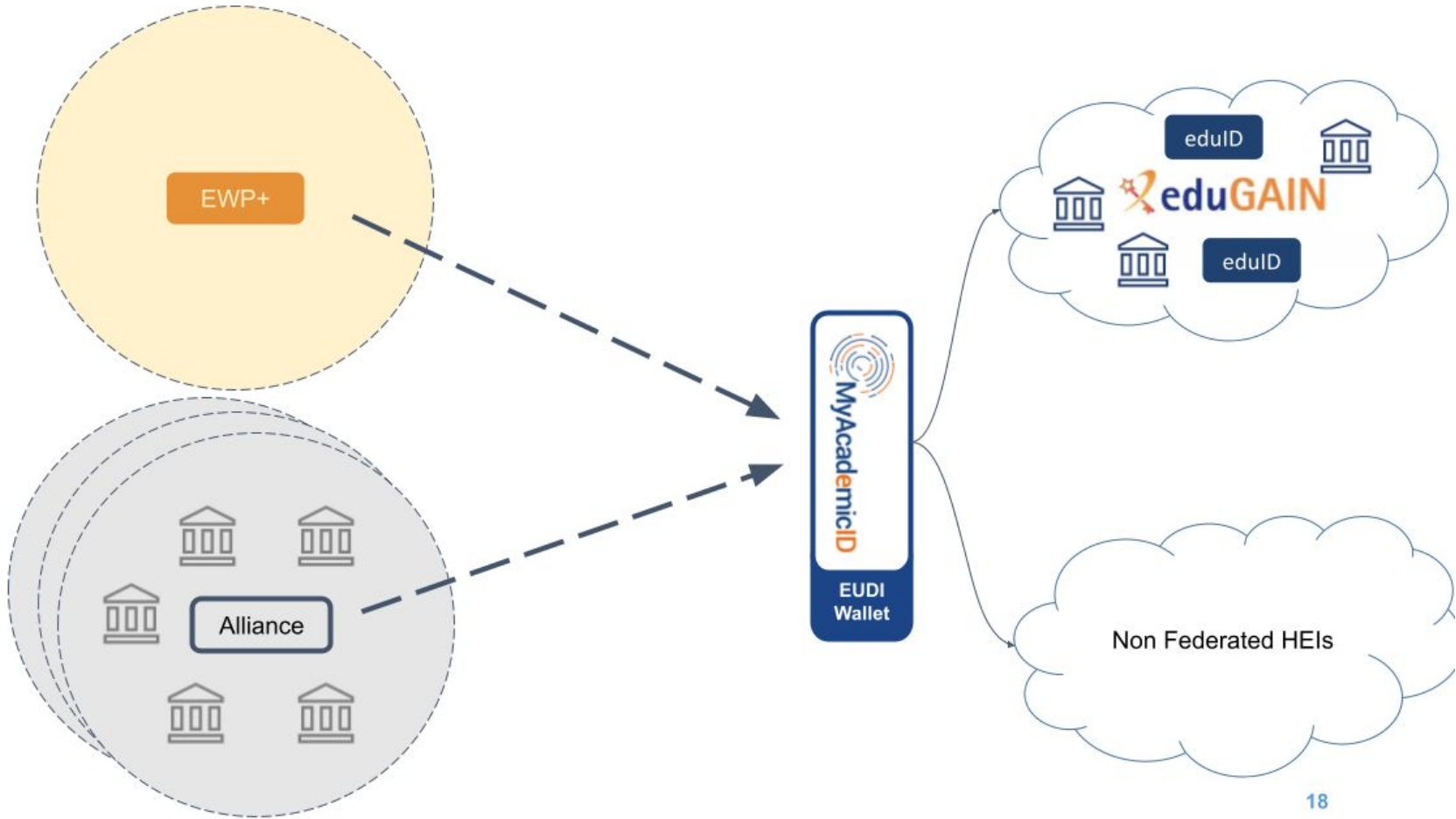
EWP+ / University Alliances

Provides an Authentication Proxy for the core Erasmus+ services (Online Learning Agreement, Dashboard, the Erasmus+ App).

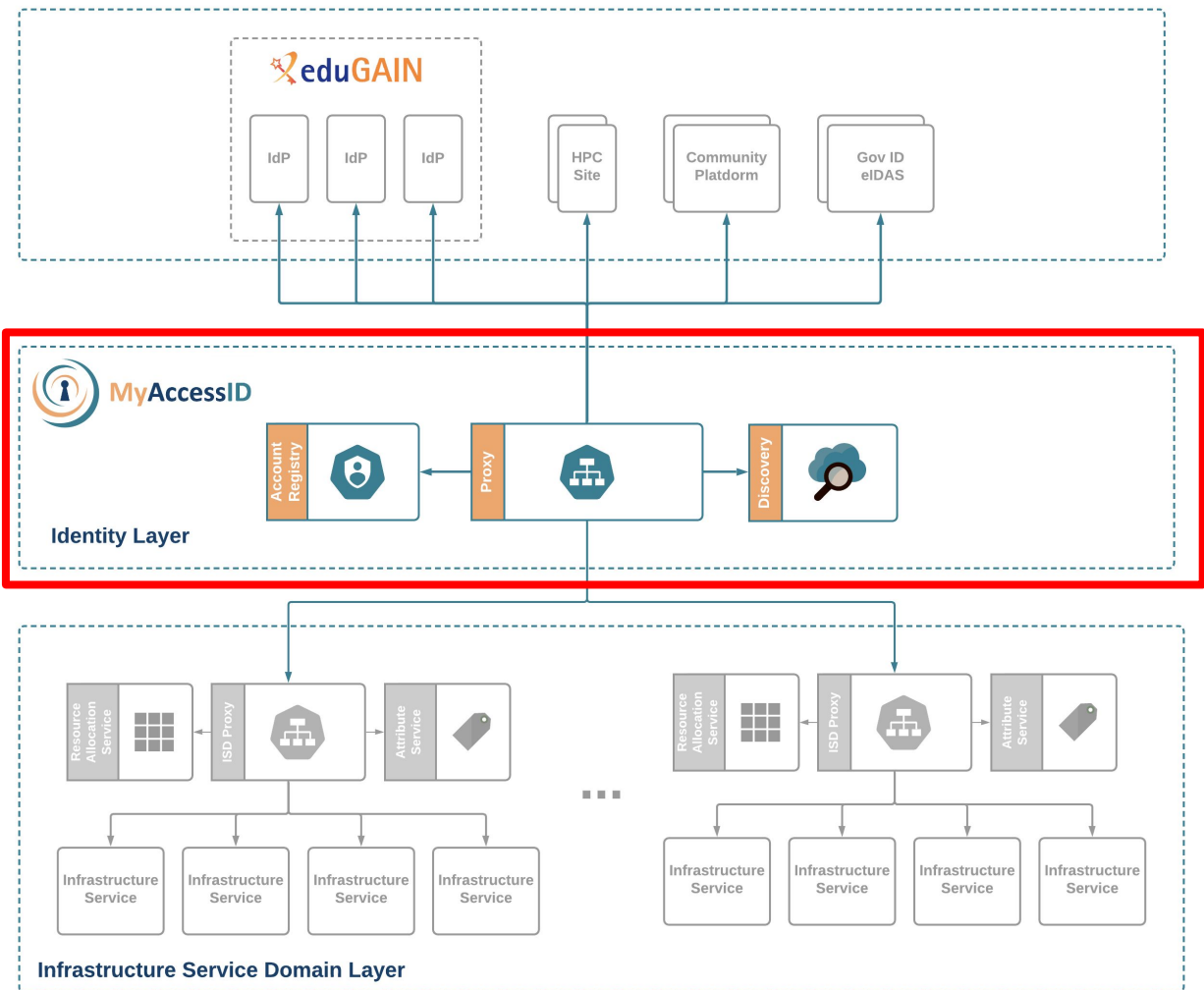
eduGAIN, eIDAS & Google Authentication

Supports authentication via eduGAIN, eIDAS and Google

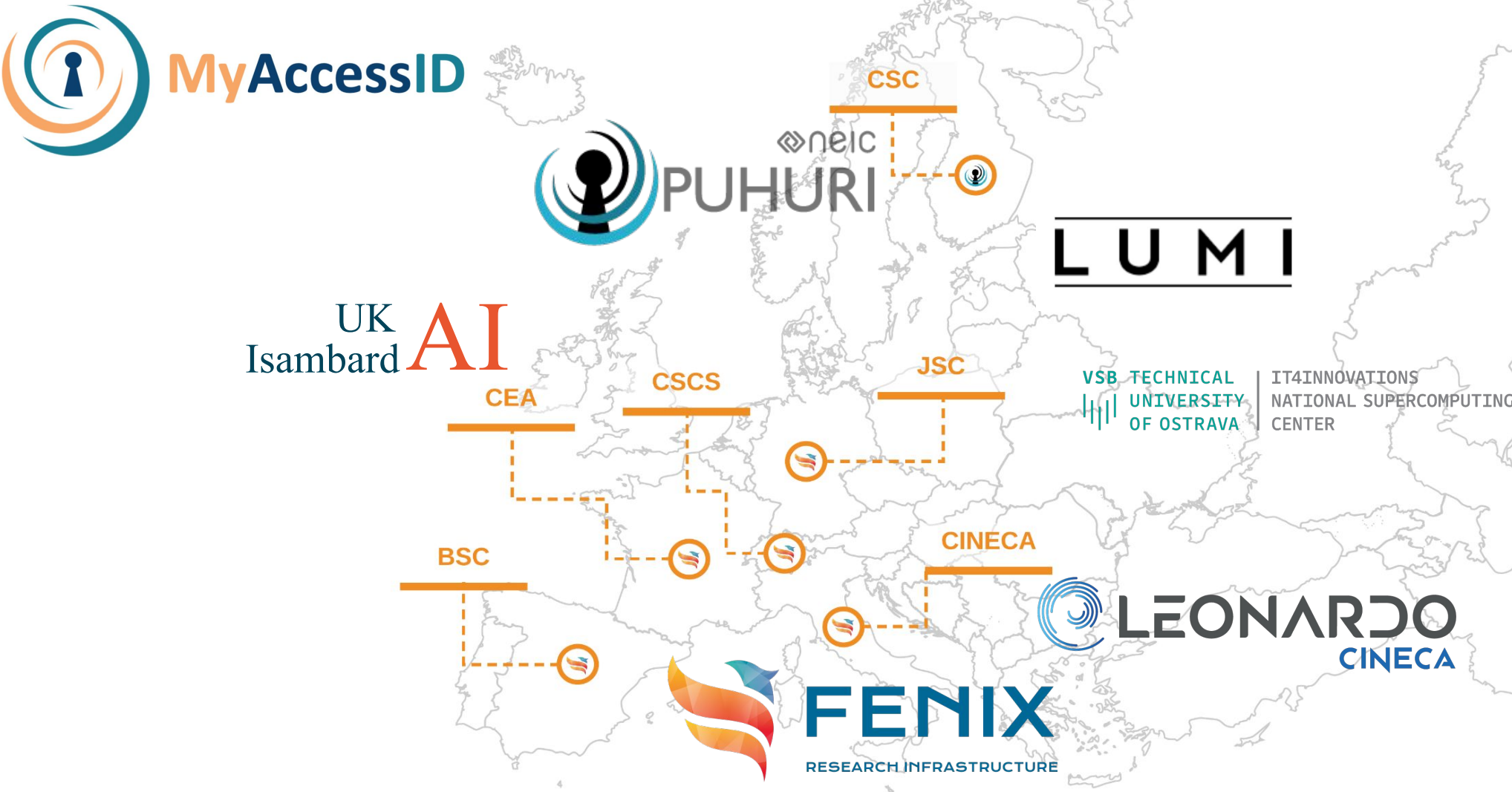
Provides a catch-all IdP of Last Resort



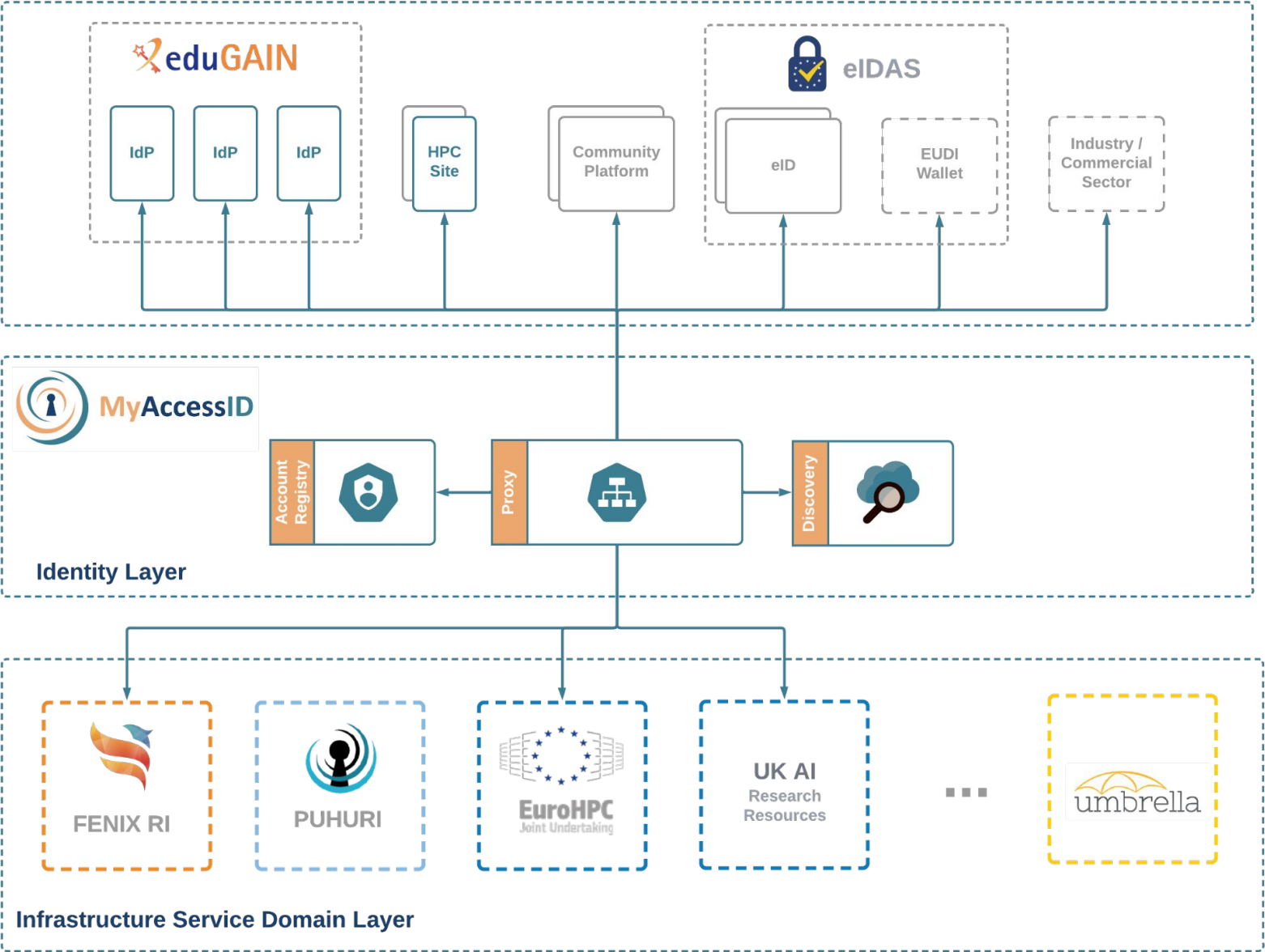
- HPC Datacenters are in the process of transforming to **Infrastructure Service Providers** with a **diverse Service Portfolio**
- These infrastructure services become available in different administrative and policy domains, which we call **Infrastructure Service Domains**
- **A common Authentication and Authorization Infrastructure** enables uniform accessibility to scientists and engineers at European scale



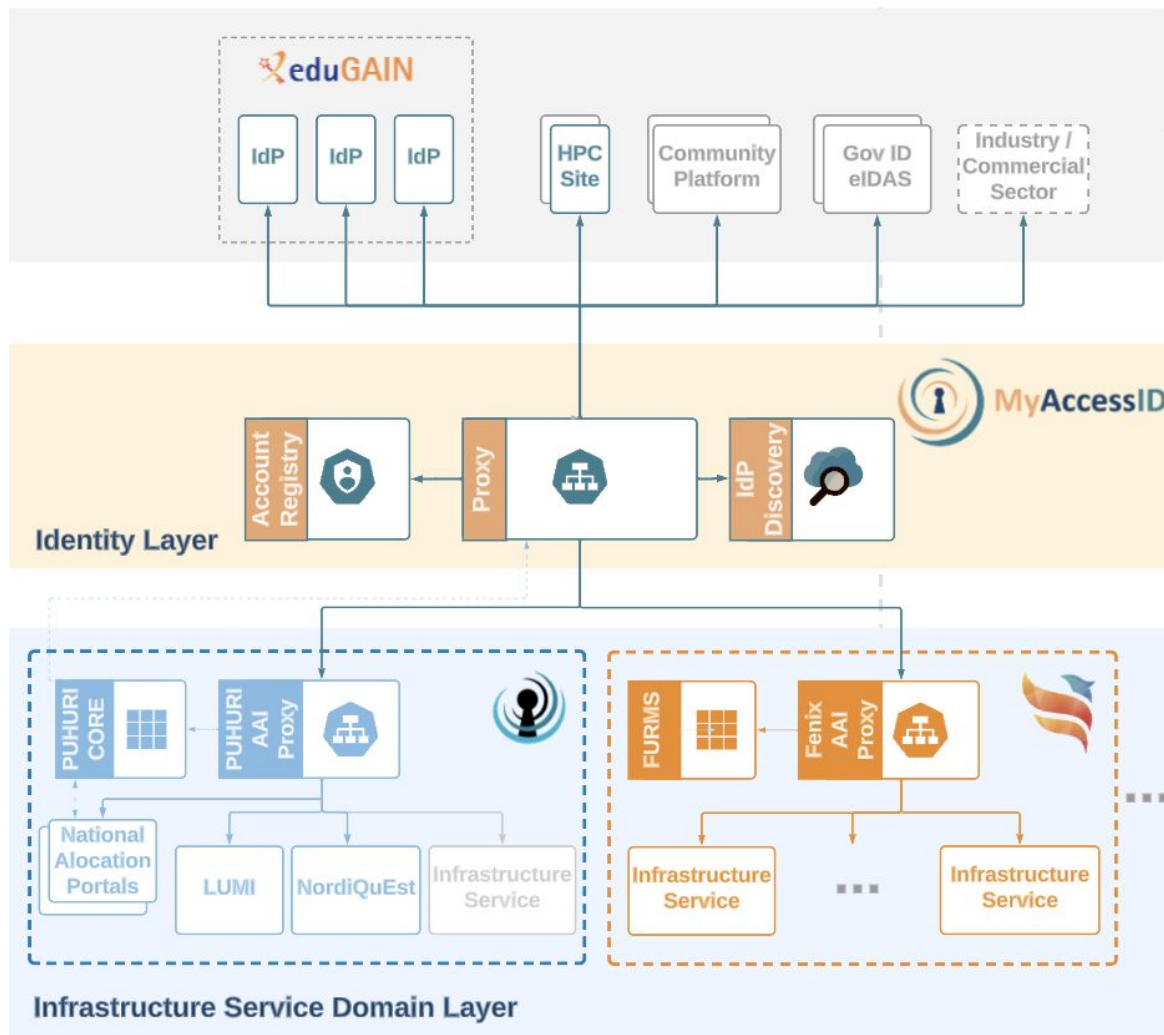
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Production Implementations: MyAccessID



Authorisation and affiliation in MyAccessID/Fenix example



Complex Required Attributes

Affiliation

description Specifies the person's affiliation. Possible values:

- member@bsc.es
- member@cineca.it
- member@cscs.ch
- member@fz-juelich.de
- member@humanbrainproject.eu

Access to many services connected through MyAccessID relies on authorizing member users based on affiliation with their home organization.

SAML attribute(s) urn:oid:1.3.6.1.4.1.5923.1.1.1.9

OIDC claim eduperson_scoped_affiliation

OIDC claim location The claim is available in (select one or more)

- ☐ ID token
- ☒ Userinfo endpoint
- ☒ Introspection endpoint

OIDC scope eduperson_scoped_affiliation

origin Either:

- Assigned by the Identity Provider based on the user's origin
- Assigned by the MyAccessID based on the Identity Provider of the user

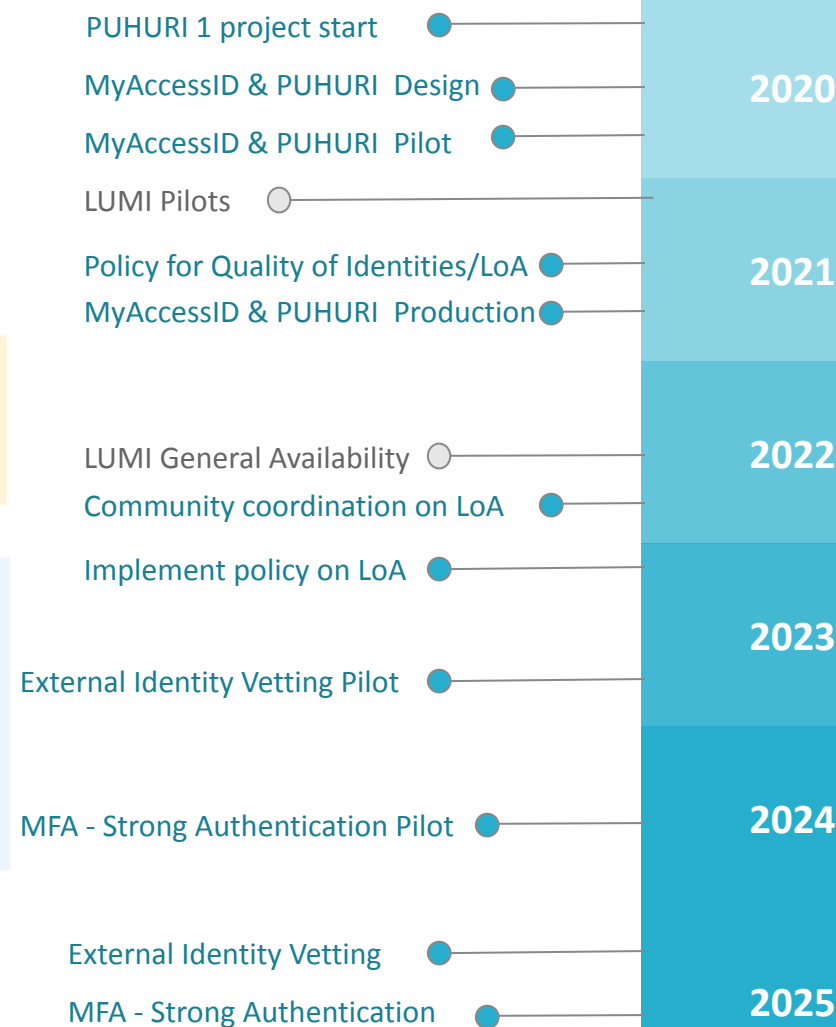
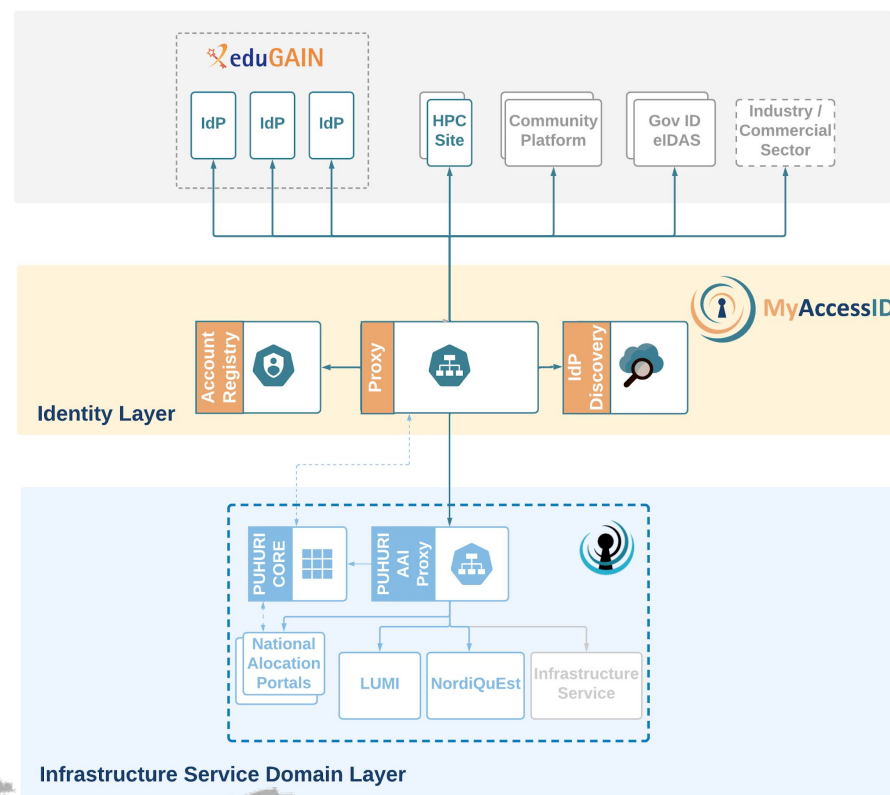
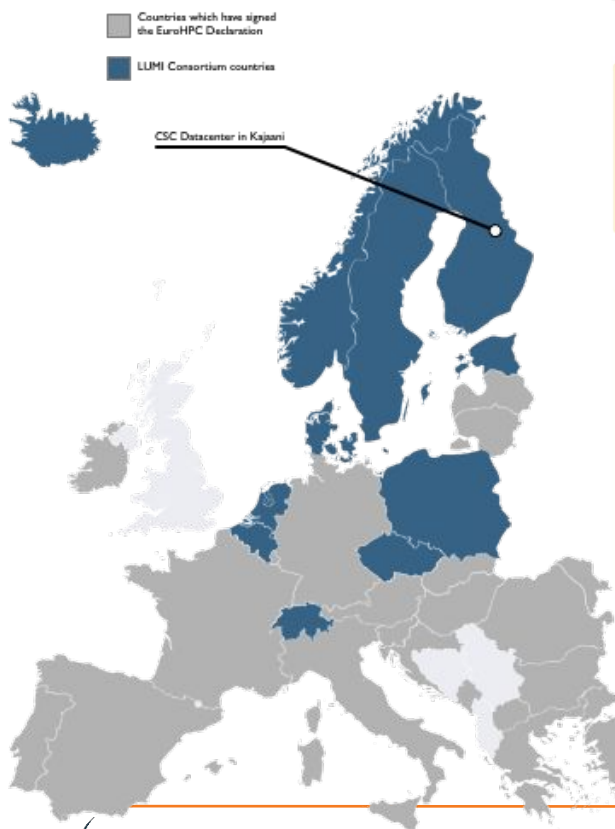
changes Attribute values can change.

multiplicity Multi-valued.

availability Always Mandatory ☒

example member@community.example.org

Level of Assurance in MyAccessID/EuroHPC



Assurance information in identity linking

Problem

- How to evaluate assurance information when linking identities

Guidelines

- [AARC-G031 - Guidelines for evaluating the combined assurance of linked identities](#)
- [AARC-G009 - Account linking and LoA elevation use cases](#)

Summary

- Identifier uniqueness: AND function → Cannot assert unique ID for the combined evaluation when one of the linked identities lacks it
- Identity proofing: resolves to the effective identity used
- **Step-up Identity proofing: if the identifier uniqueness and level of authentication are the same, LoA can be assigned to the weaker identity**
- Step-up Authentication: user may register a second authentication factor to enhance the strength of the authentication method and effectively the associated LoA

Level of Assurance in MyAccessID/EuroHPC

Plan

LoA requirements socialised within LUMI consortium and wider

LUMI requirements translated into LoA

Regular coordination with federation operators

MyAccessID warning message 1. March deadline

Start to work on alternative solution: Identity vetting

Deadline changed for later in 2023

Identity vetting through eduid.se implemented

LoA policy enforced

2021

2022

2023

Reality

Well accepted, half of the partners declared support by their federation already

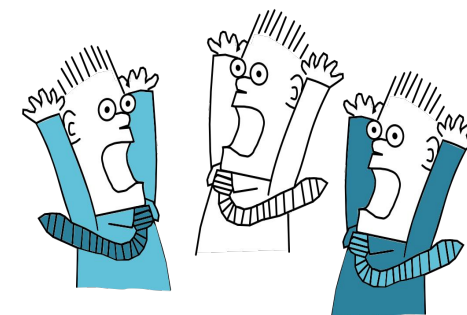
Well received, triggered internal discussion to adopt LoA in several federations

LoA tracking shows about 15% adoption

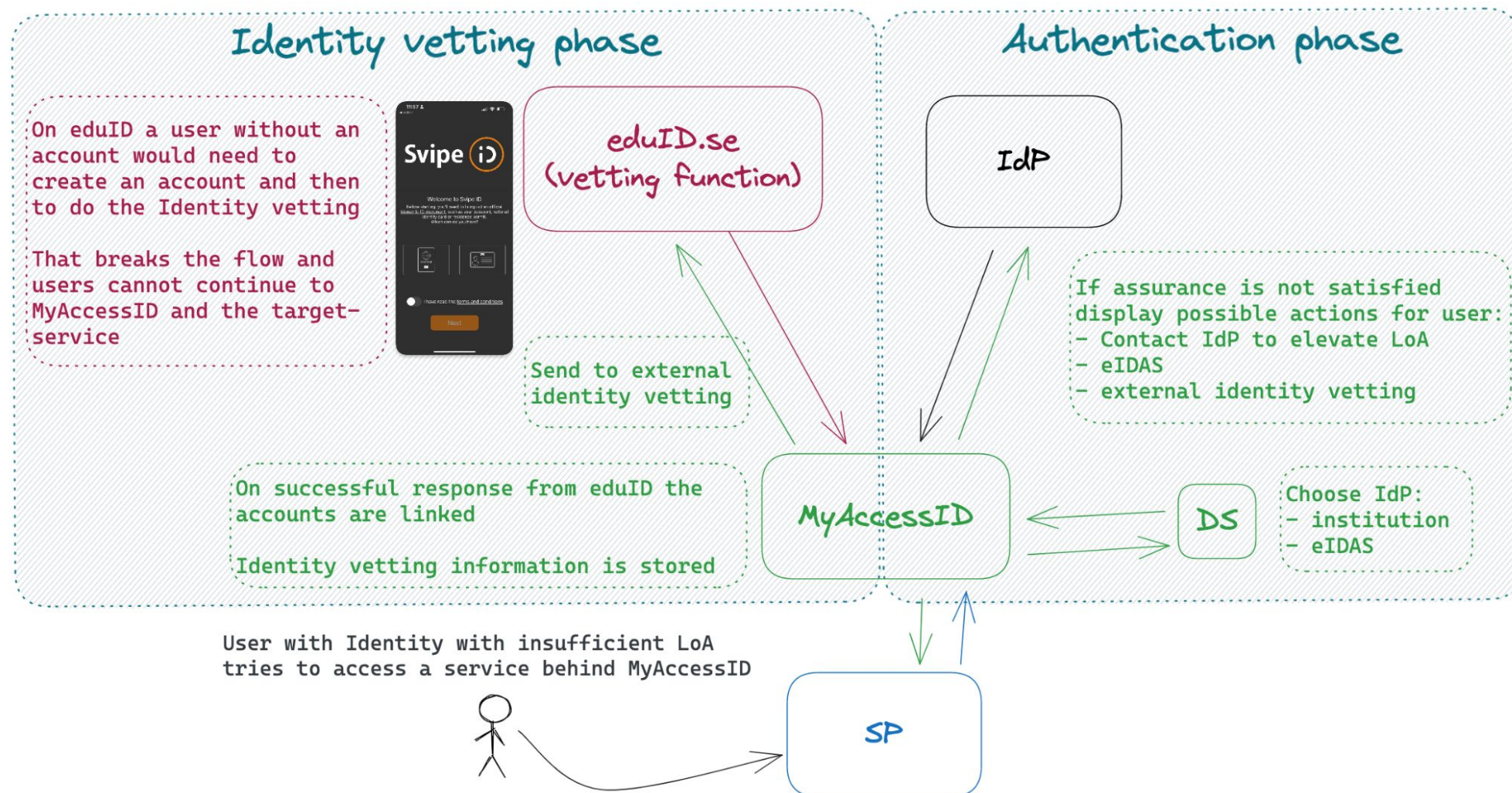
Users react

LUMI reacts

LoA tracking shows improvement 23% adoption



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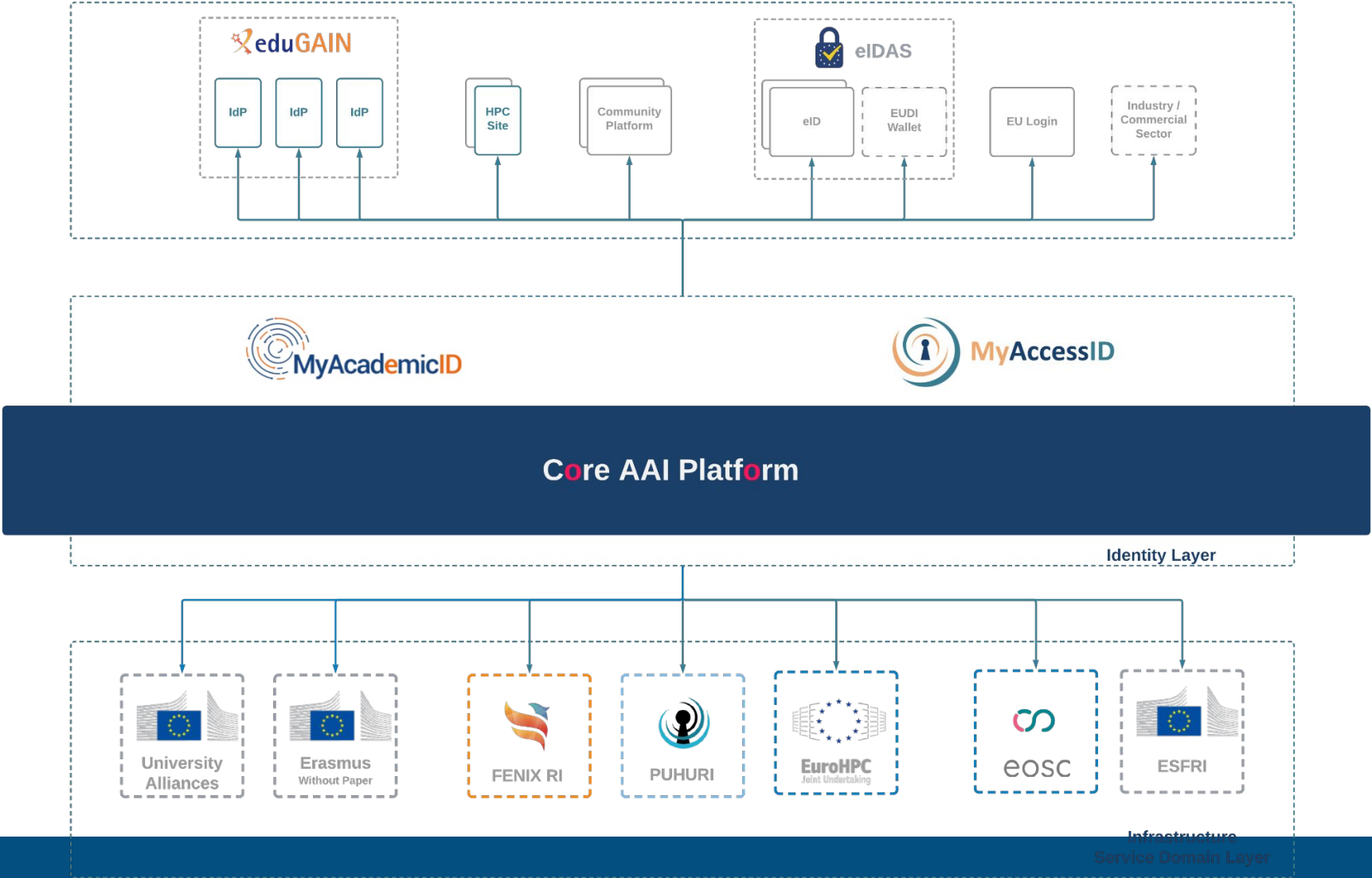




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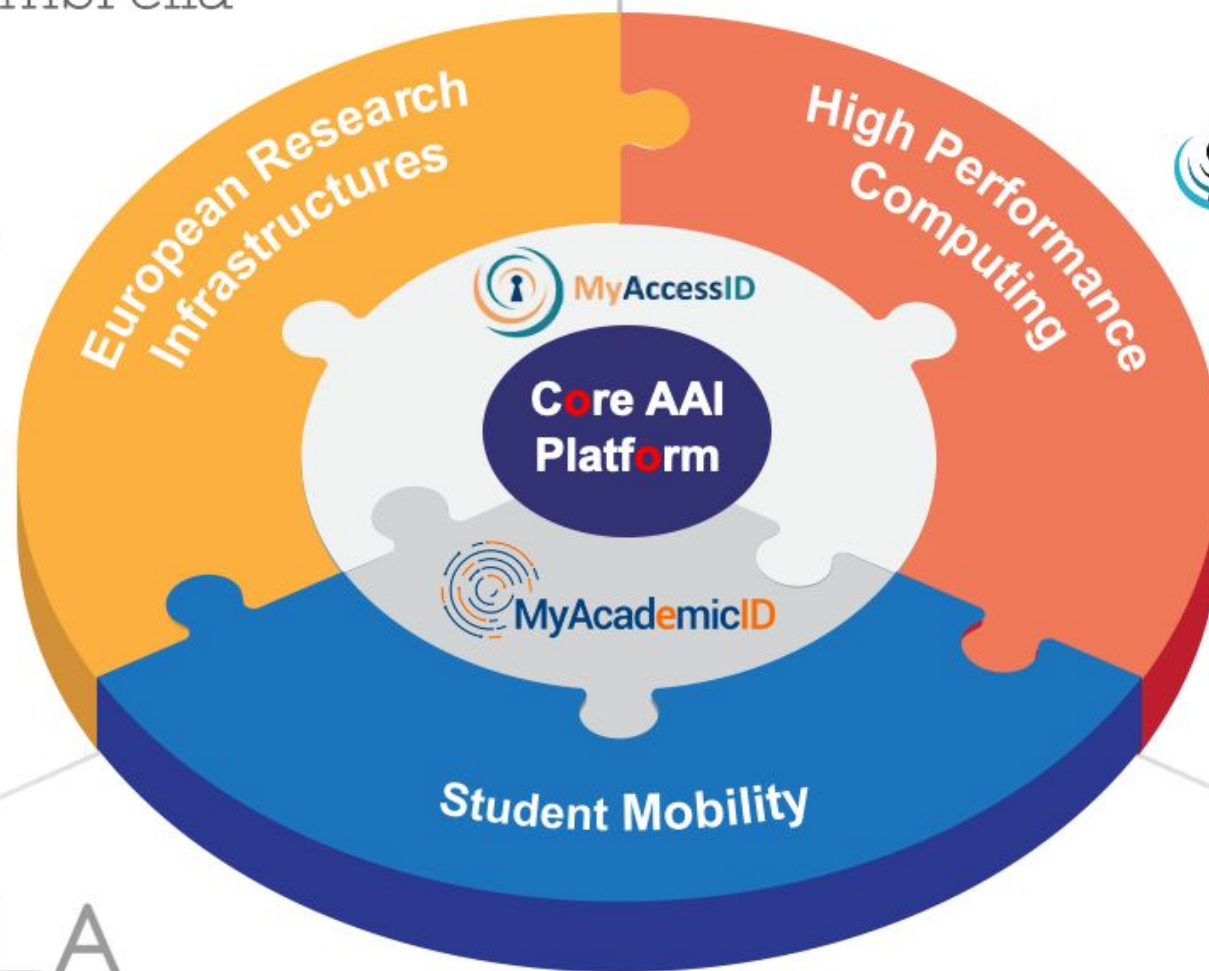
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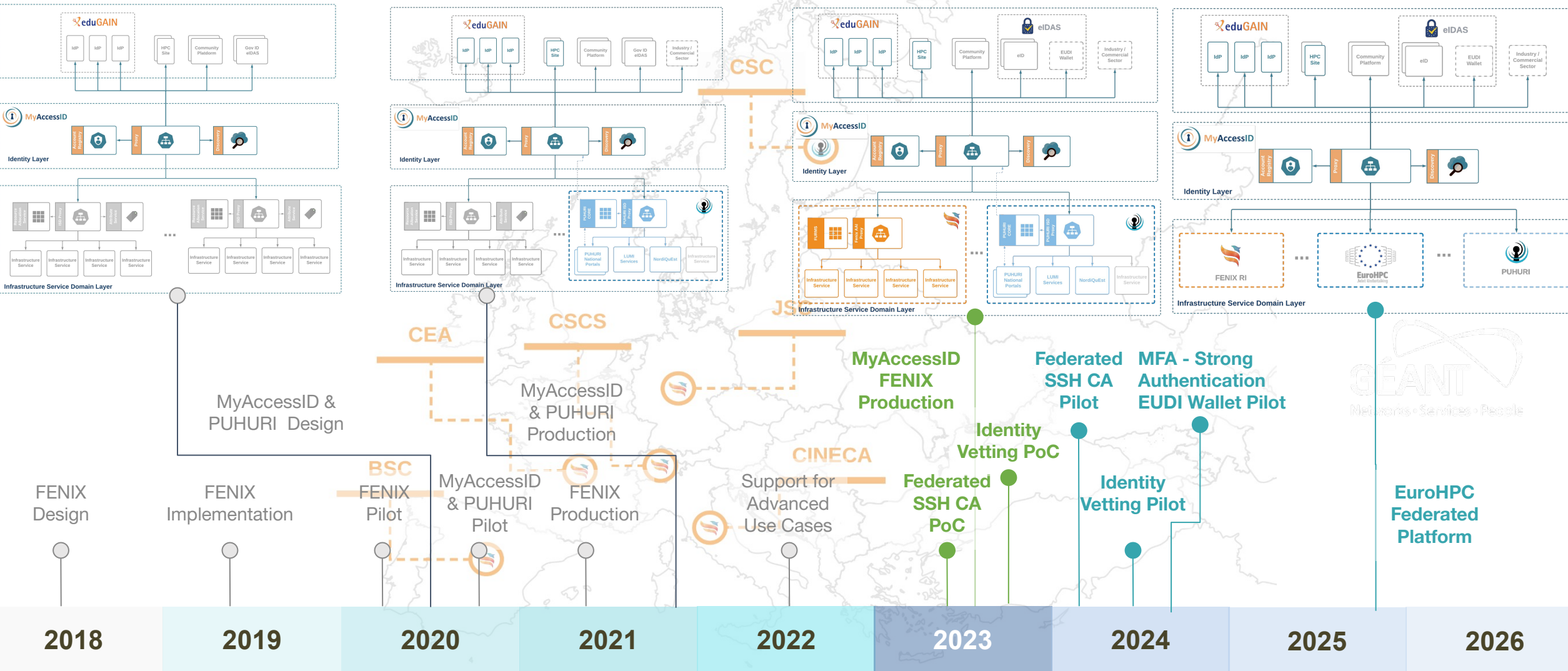




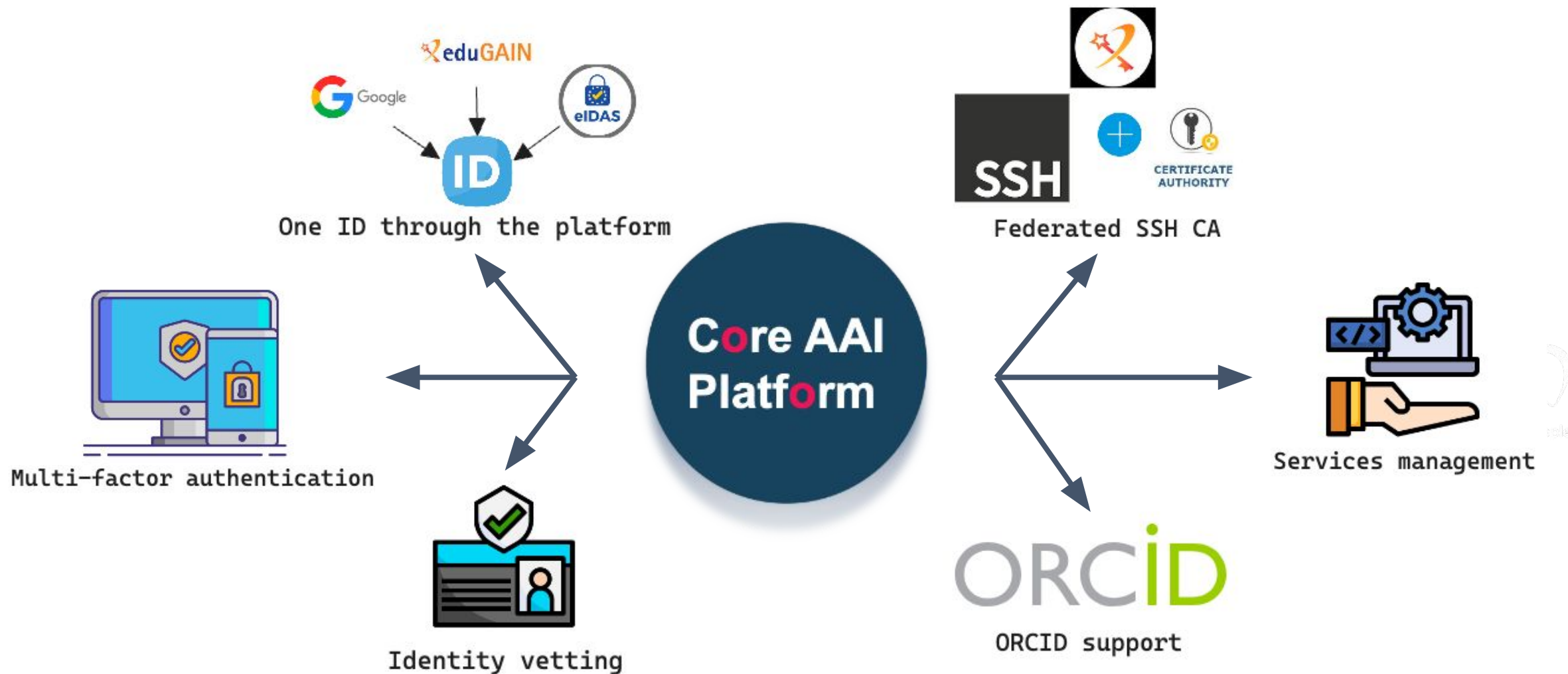
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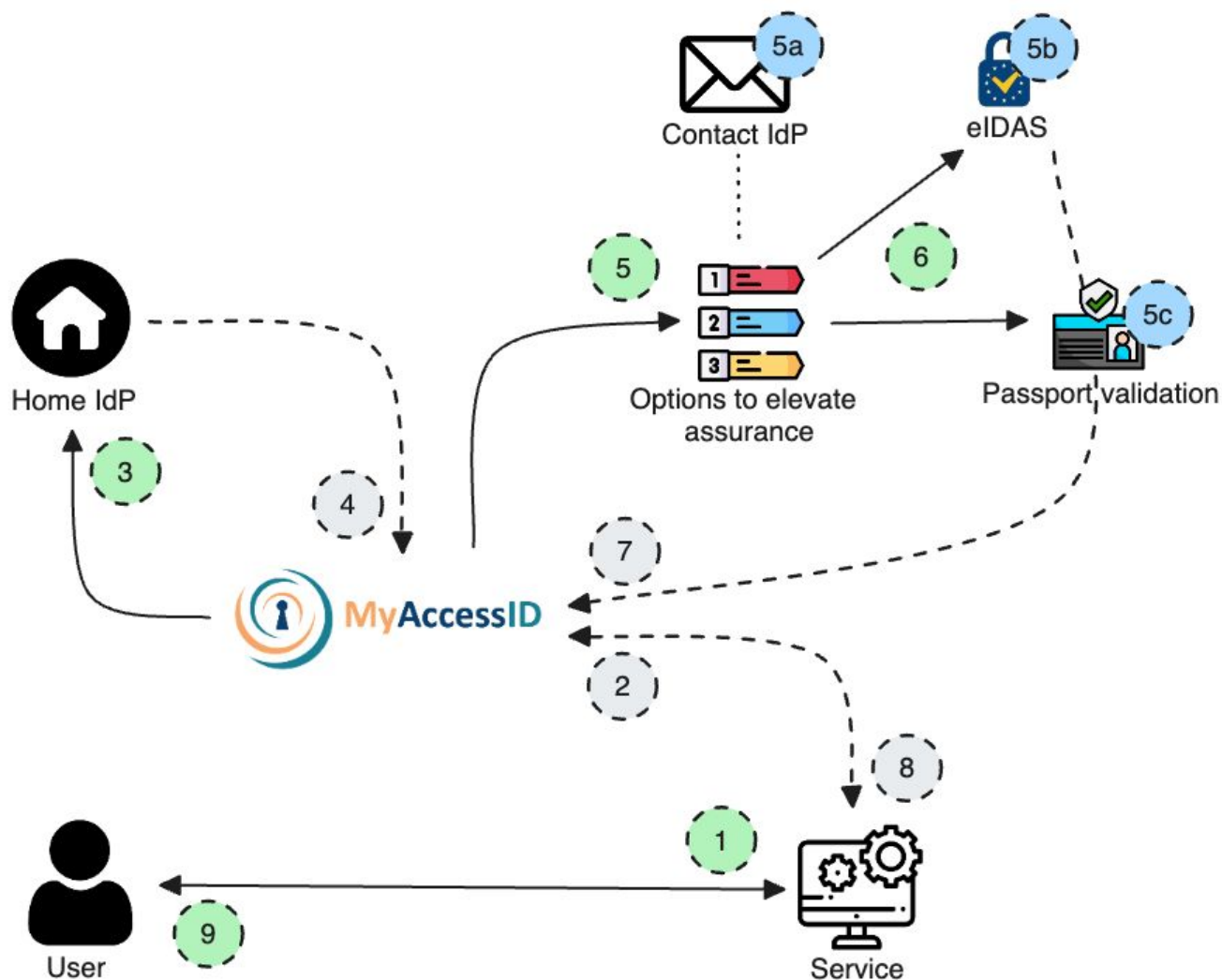
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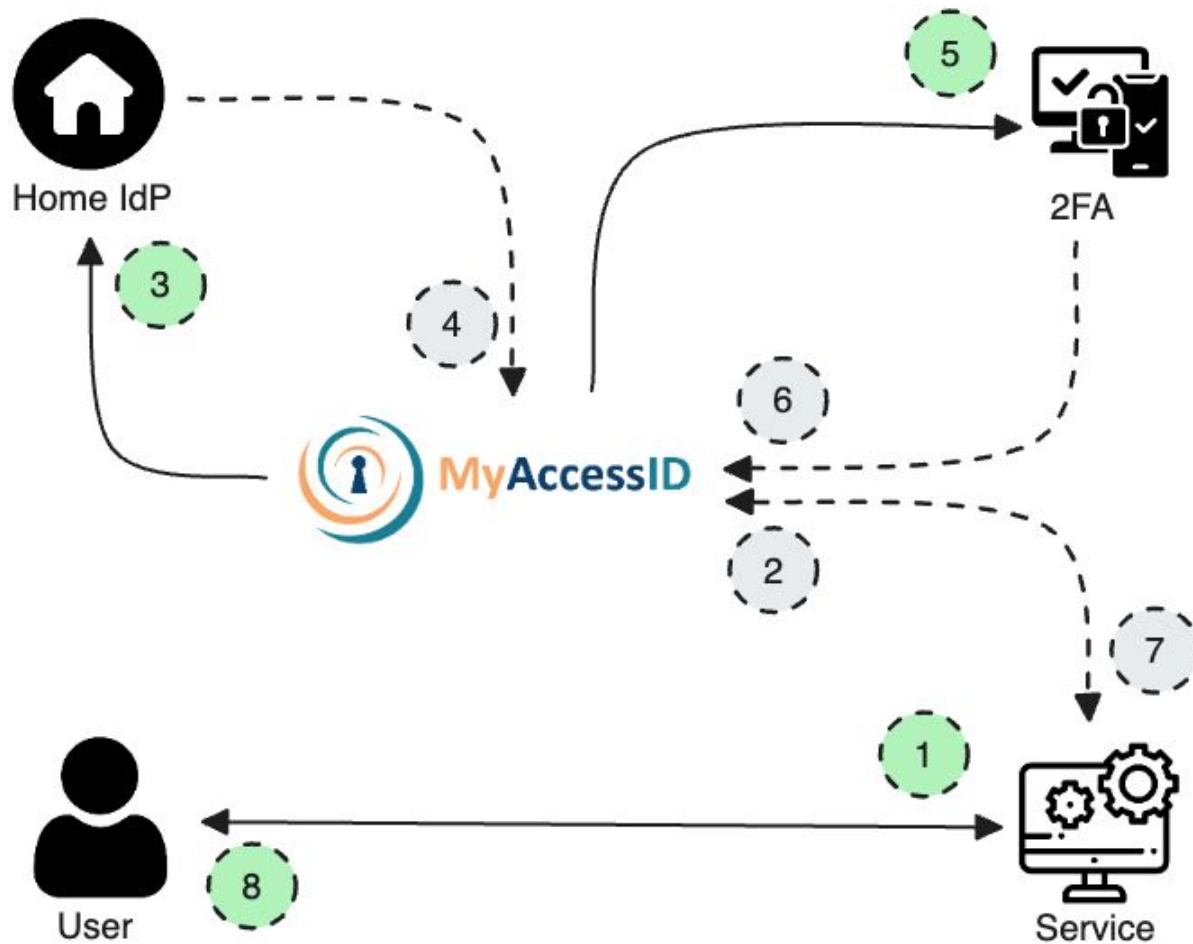


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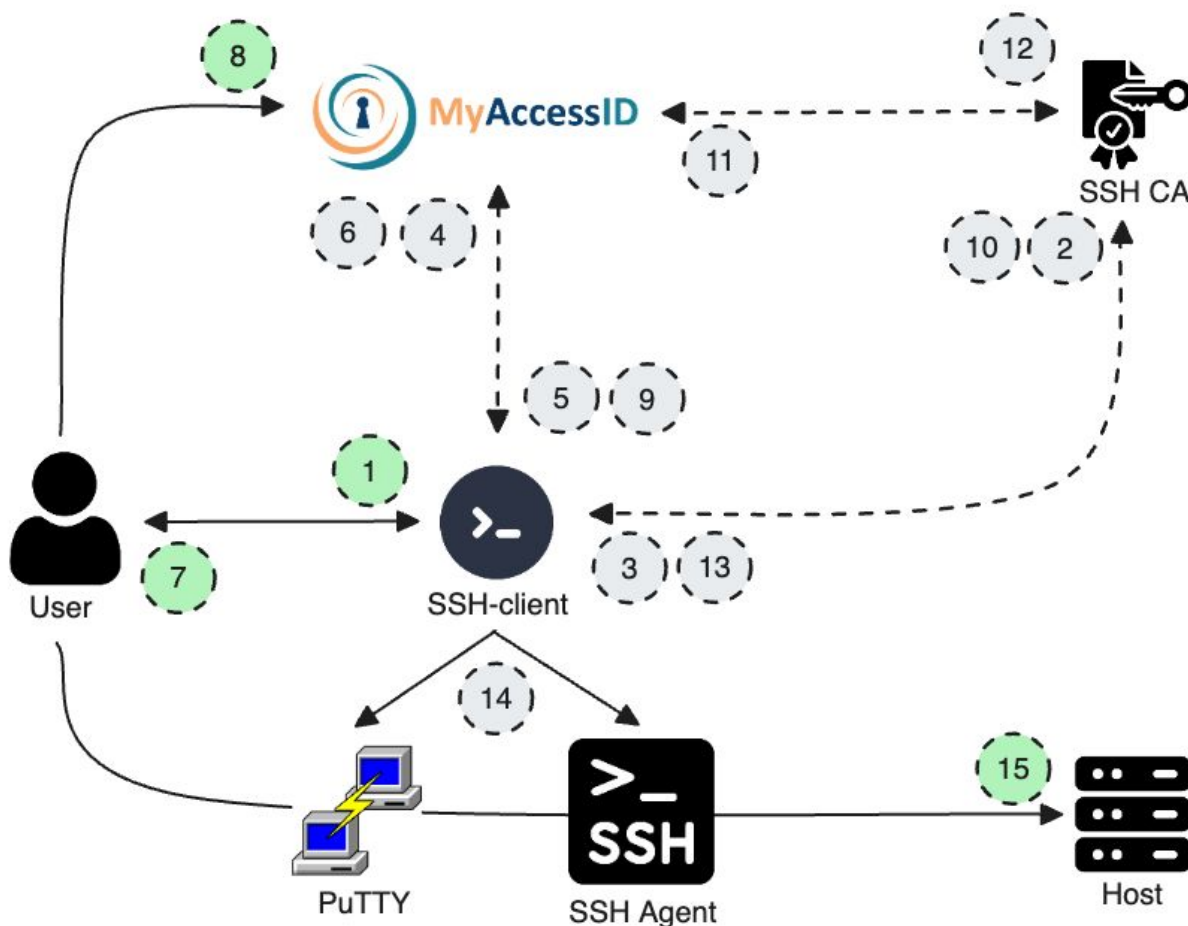
- 1 User accesses the target service
- 2 Service redirects the user to authenticate via MyAccessID expecting assured identity
- 3 MyAccessID lets the user to authenticate via user's home IdP
- 4 User authenticates to their home IdP with low assurance
- 5 MyAccessID redirects the user to options to elevate assurance of their identity
 - a) contact the IdP to help with identity verification
 - b) use eIDAS
 - c) use a governmental-issued certification
- 6 User chooses one mechanism and proceeds
- 7 MyAccessID verifies the assurance of the identity
- 8 MyAccessID provides assured identity information to the service
- 9 The target service lets user to access it

Multi-Factor Authentication



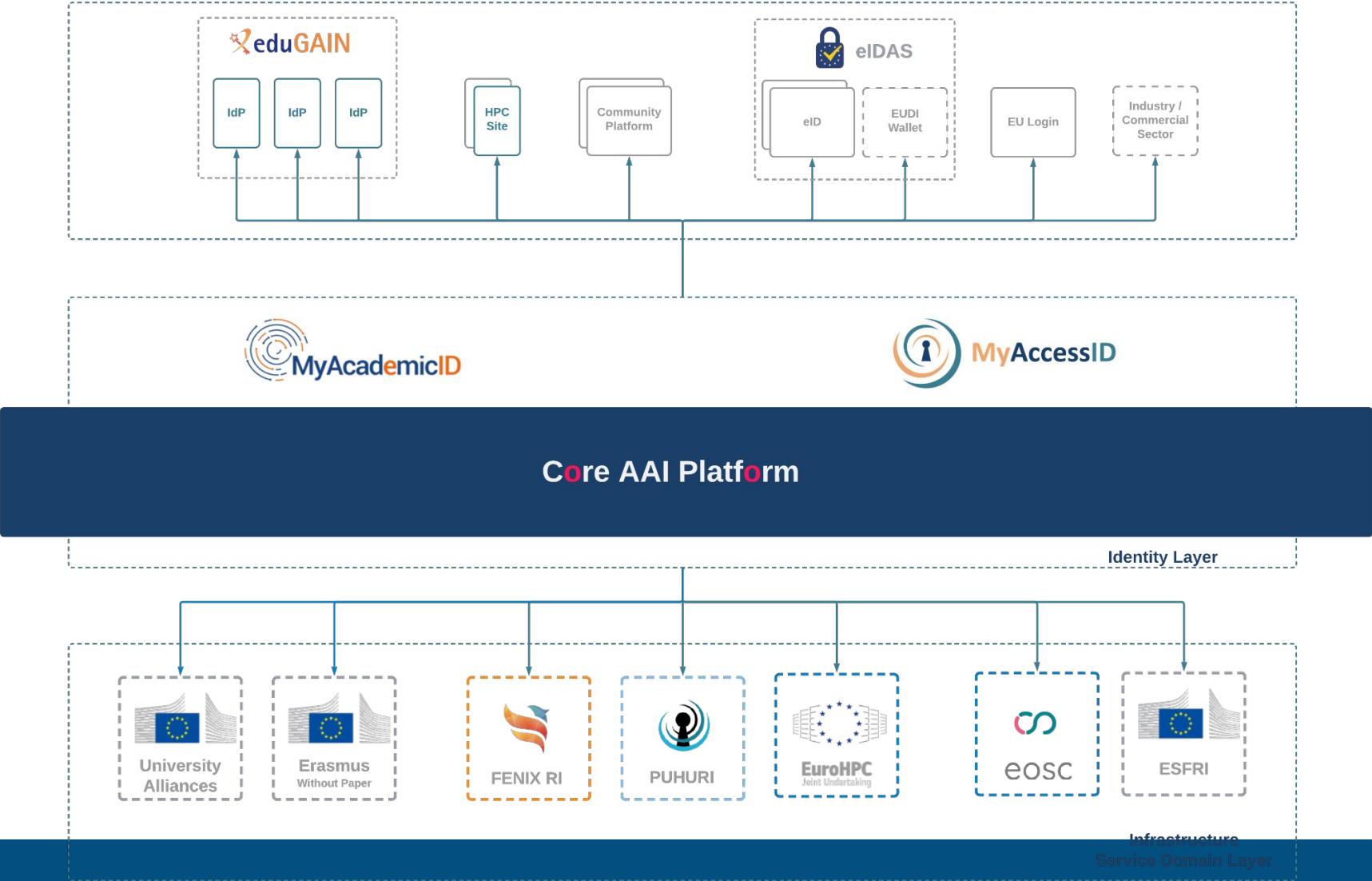
- 1** User accesses the target service
- 2** Service redirects the user to authenticate via MyAccessID requiring 2FA
- 3** MyAccessID lets the user to authenticate via user's home IdP
- 4** User authenticates to their home IdP without 2FA
- 5** MyAccessID checks if the 2FA has been provided so far and if not, it lets user to proceed with the 2FA through MyAccessID
- 6** MyAccessID verifies if 2FA was succesful
- 7** MyAccessID provides details about performed 2FA with the user's attributes to the service
- 8** The target service lets user to access it

The federated SSH CA

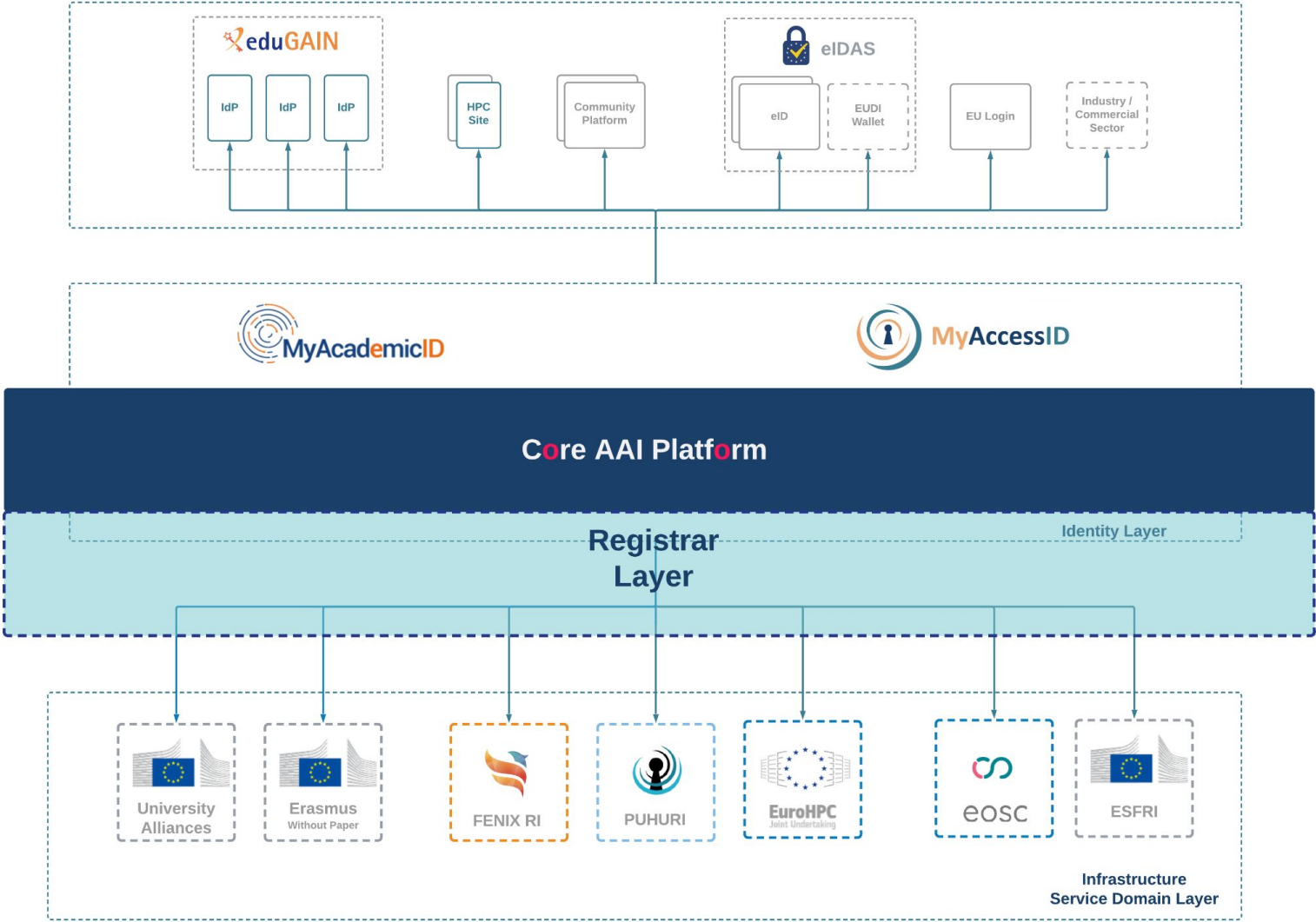


- 1 User uses the SSH-client
- 2 SSH-client retrieves configuration details from the SSH CA
- 3 SSH-client starts an OIDC device authorization flow
- 4 SSH-client starts polling MyAccessID waiting for user's authorization
- 5 SSH-client provides user with URL for authorization
- 6 User authenticates via MyAccessID and authorizes the operation
- 7 When authorized, MyAccessID polling returns access token to SSH-client
- 8 SSH-client provides SSH public key to SSH CA for signing it (send access token)
- 9 SSH CA uses access token to get user's attributes
- 10 SSH CA provides a signed SSH certificate back to SSH-client
- 11 SSH-client sets up the environment (depends on the user's OS)
- 12 User accesses the host with the signed SSH certificate

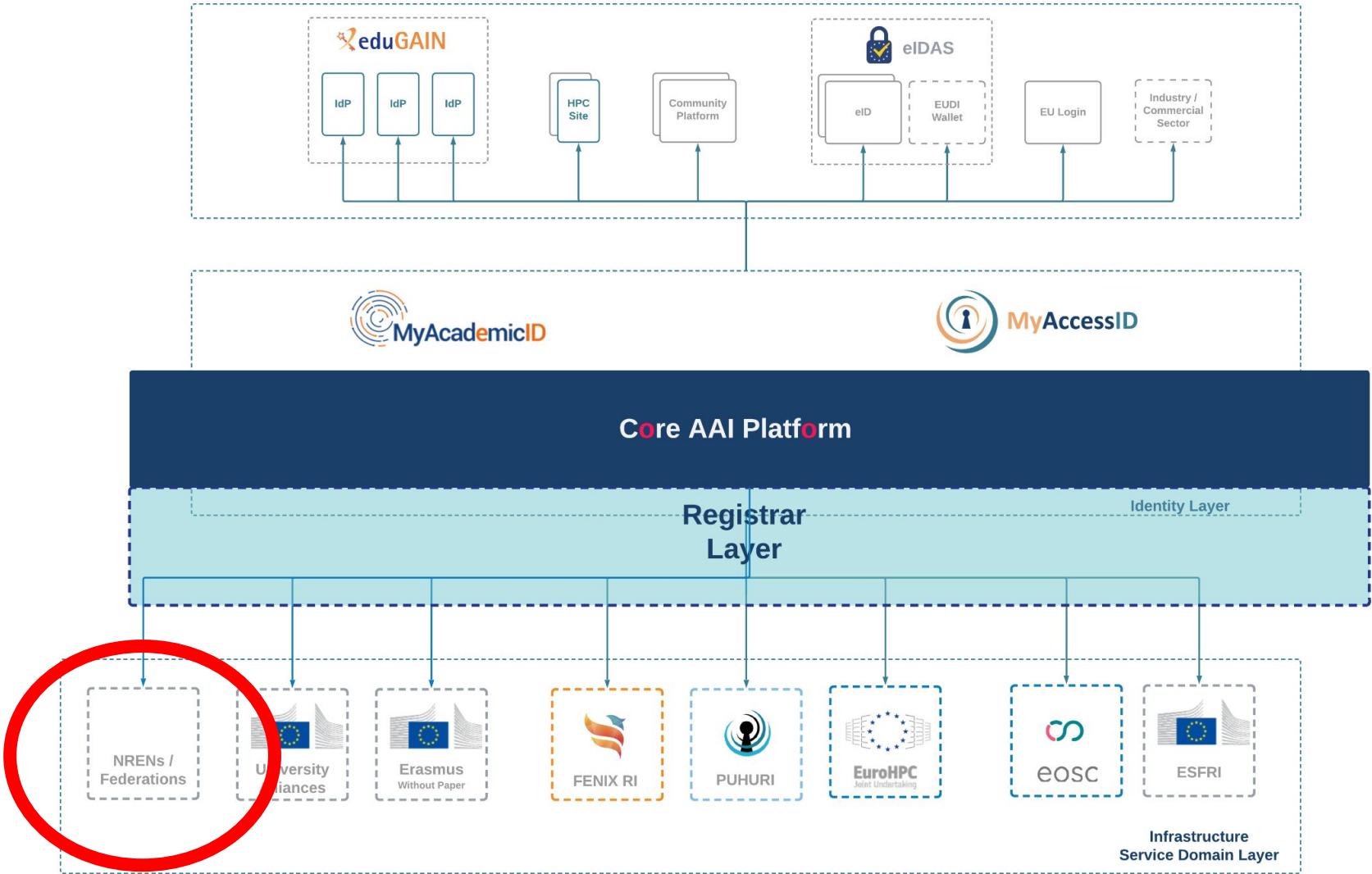
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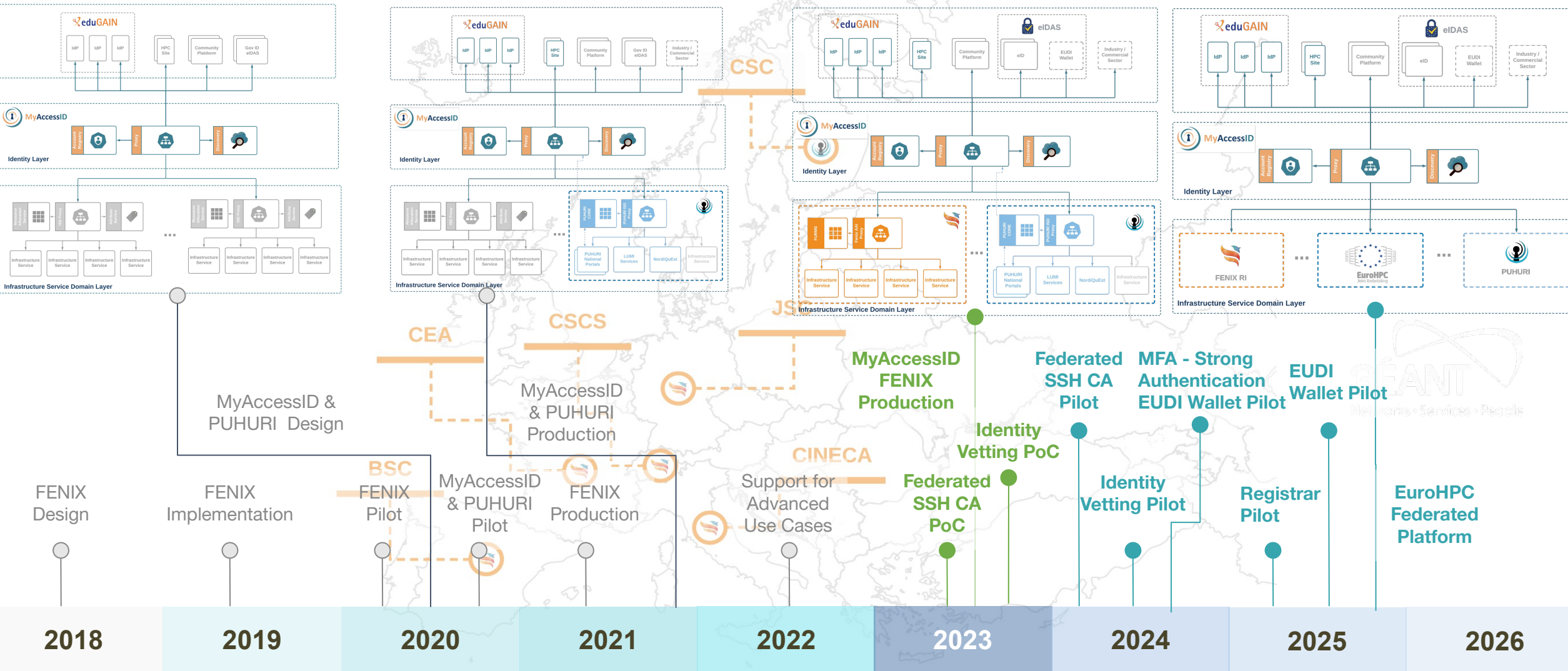
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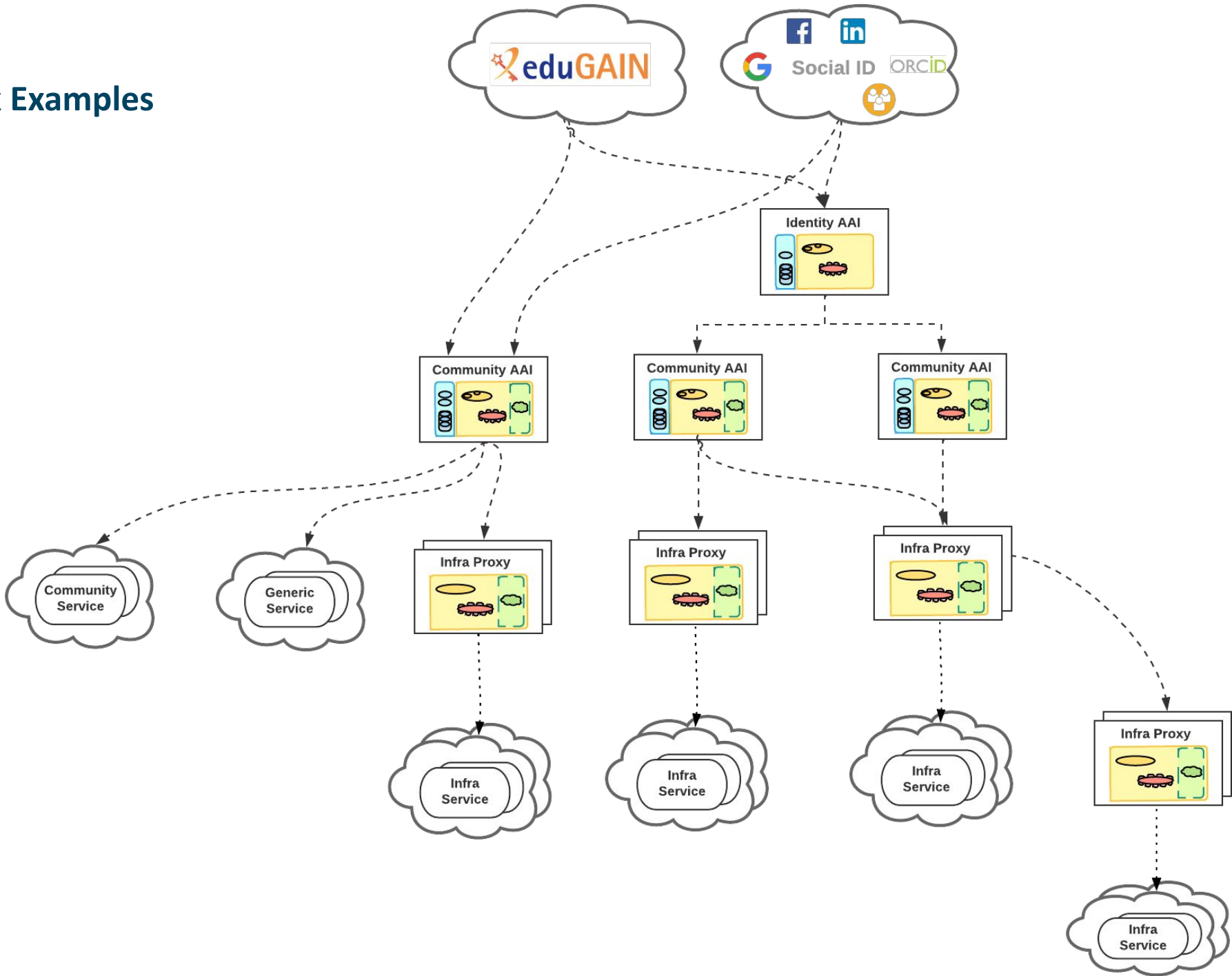
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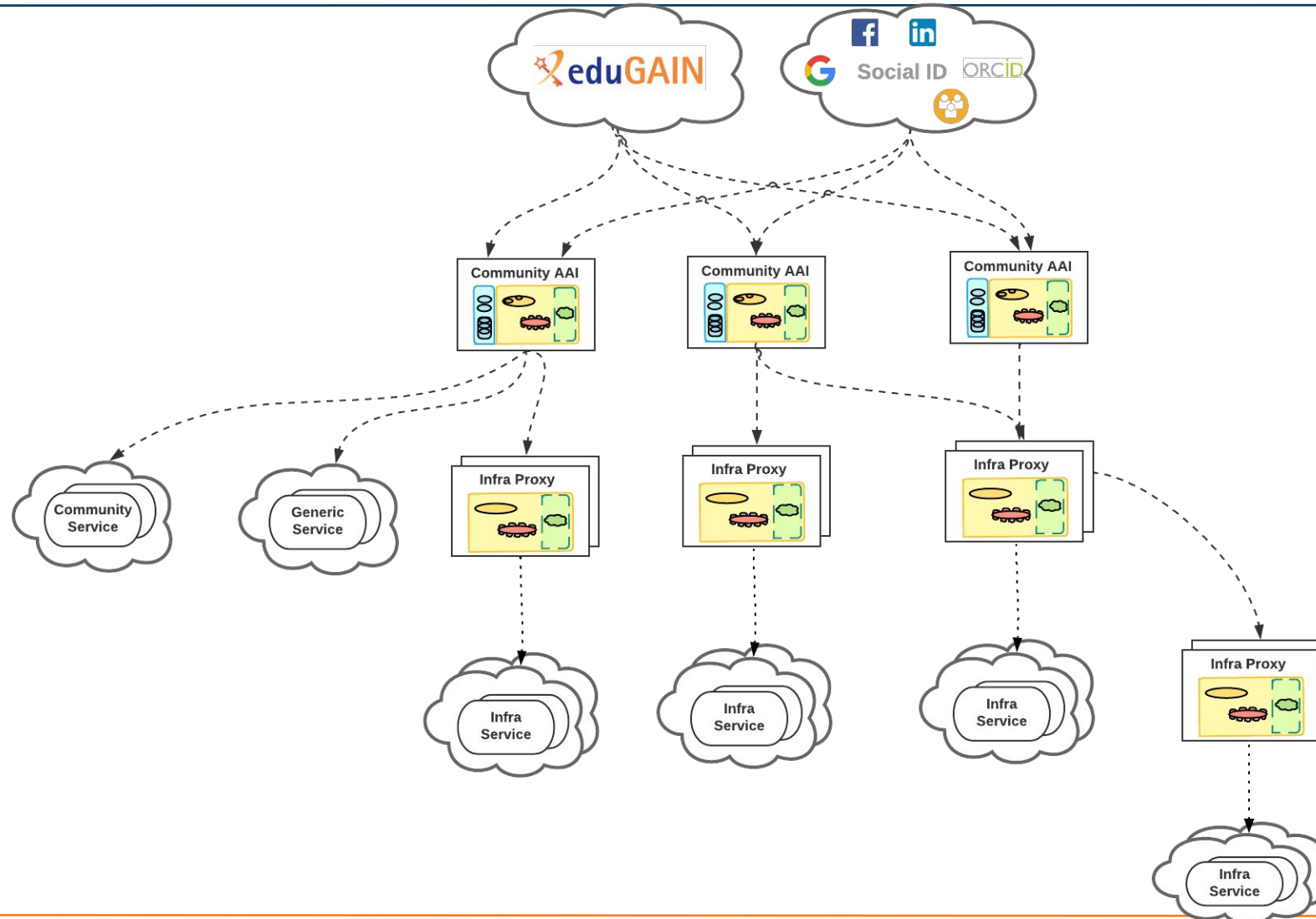
For Reference - Current Work in Progress



More complex Examples



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Problem

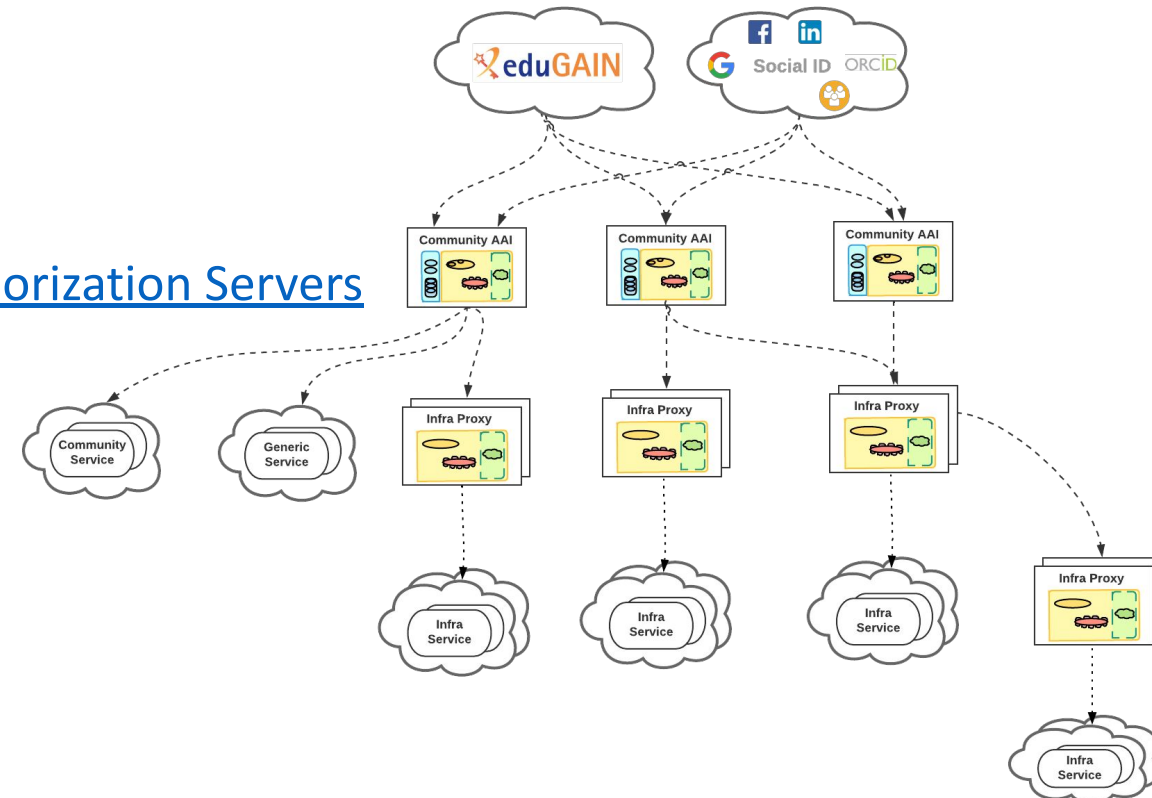
- How to convey meta-information about a token from an Authorization Server (AS) to the protected resource even when there is no direct trust relationship between the protected resource and the token issuer.

Guideline

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|-----------|--|
| LAST CALL | AARC-G052 OAuth 2.0 Proxied Token Introspection |
| WIP | AARC-G058 Establishing trust between OAuth 2.0 Authorization Servers |
| TODO | AARC-GXXX OAuth2 Token Profile |

Summary

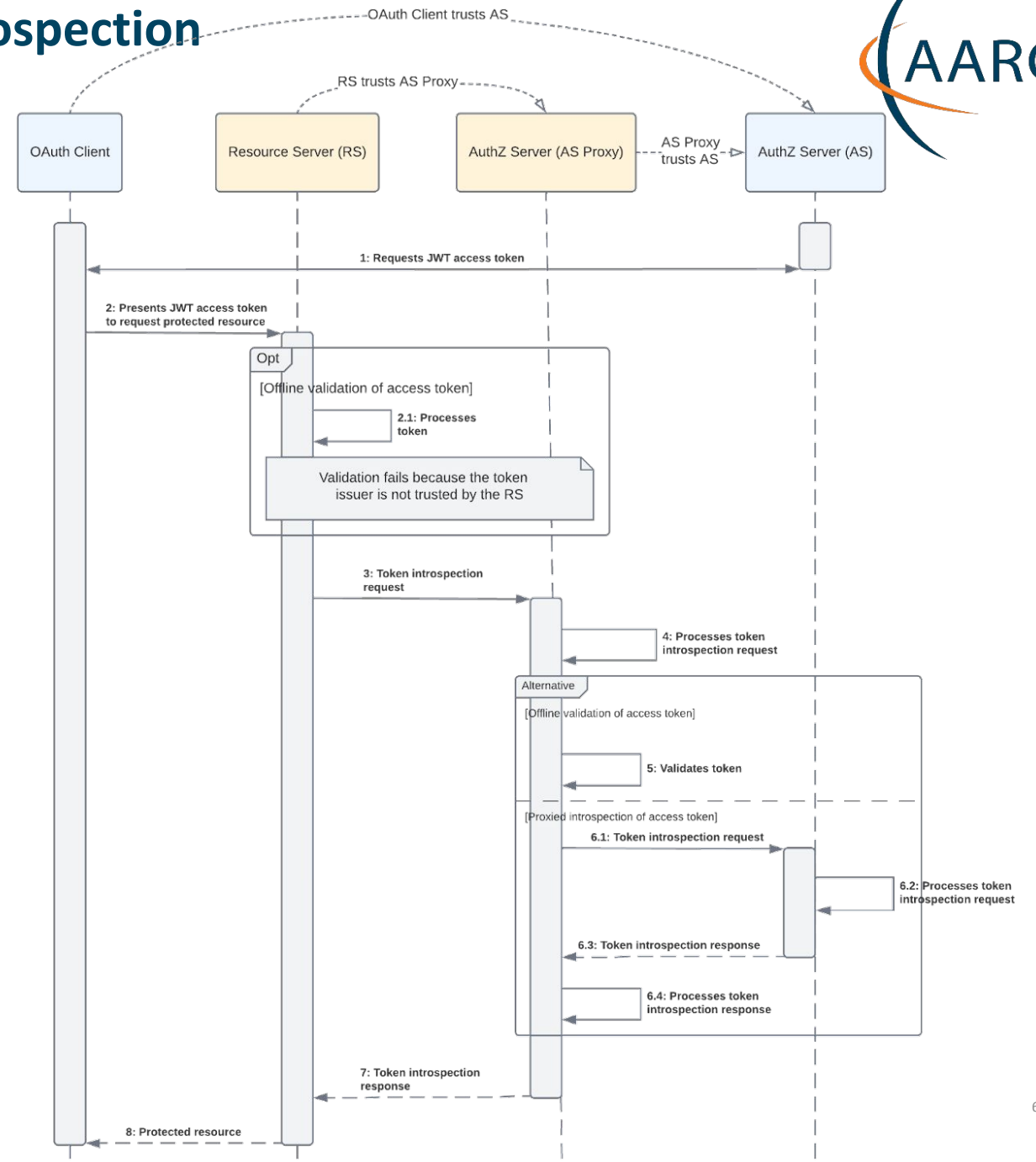
- Models for validating tokens across infrastructures
- Establishing trust across interfederations of AAls
- Speaking the same language



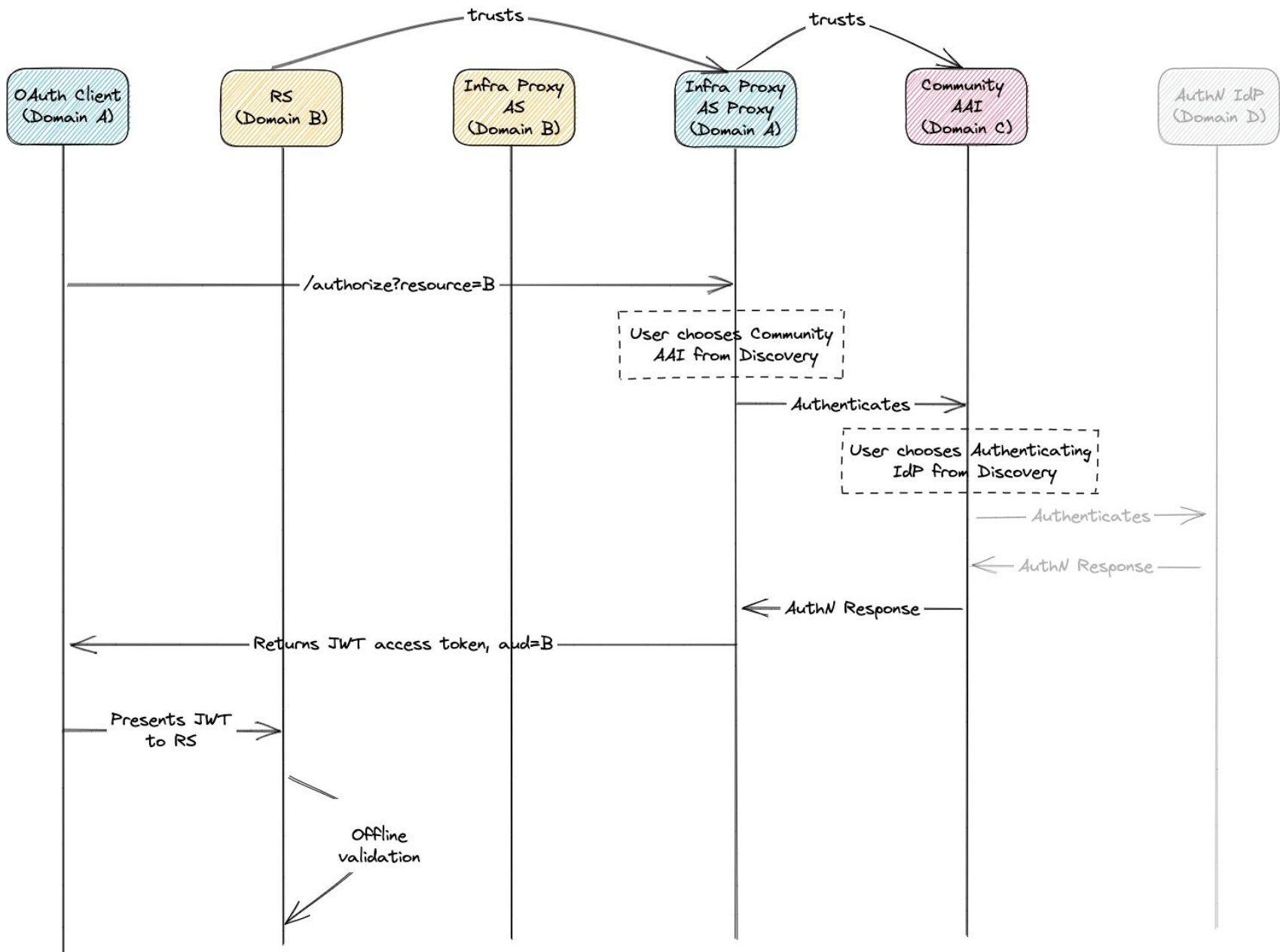
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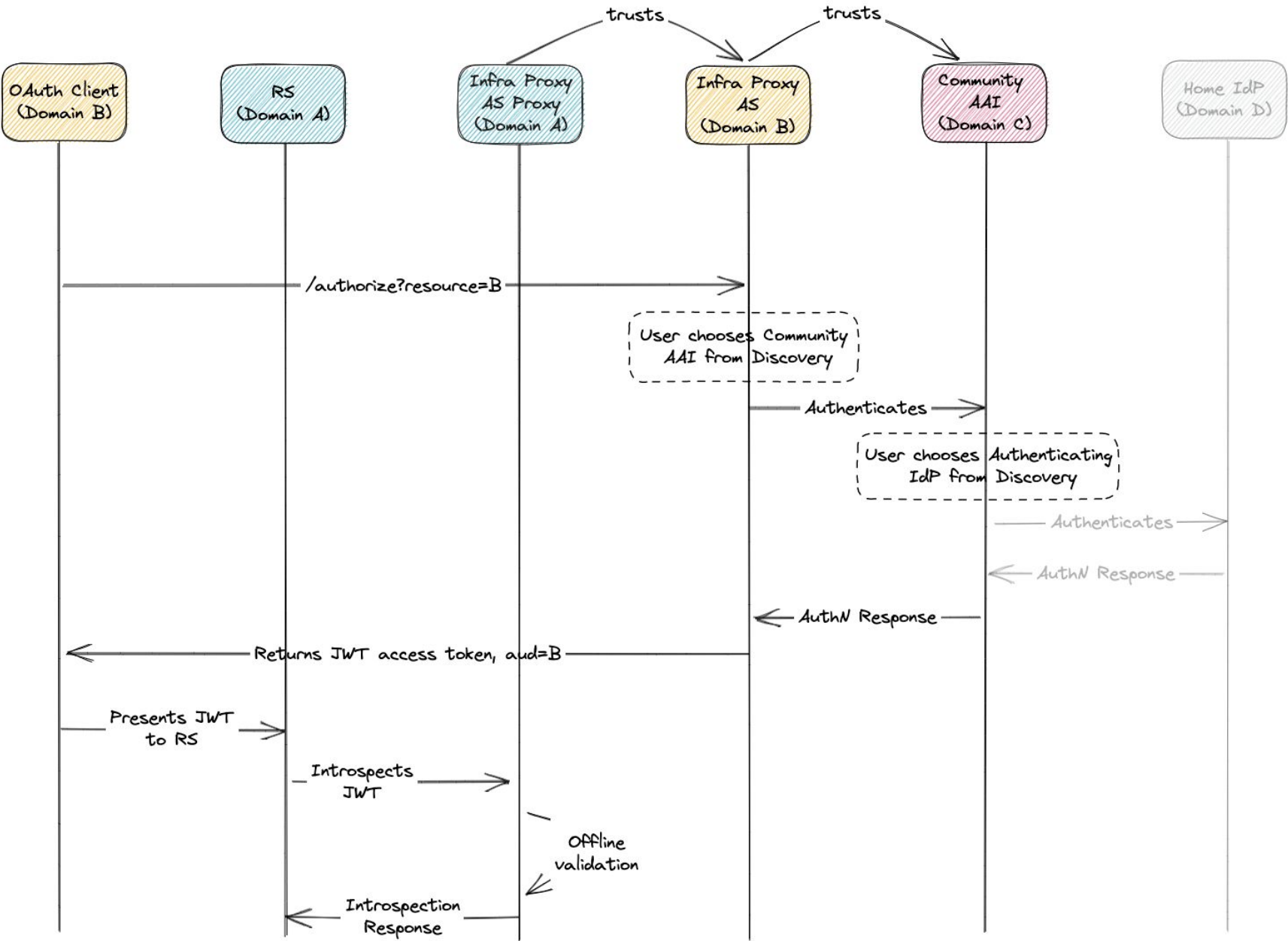
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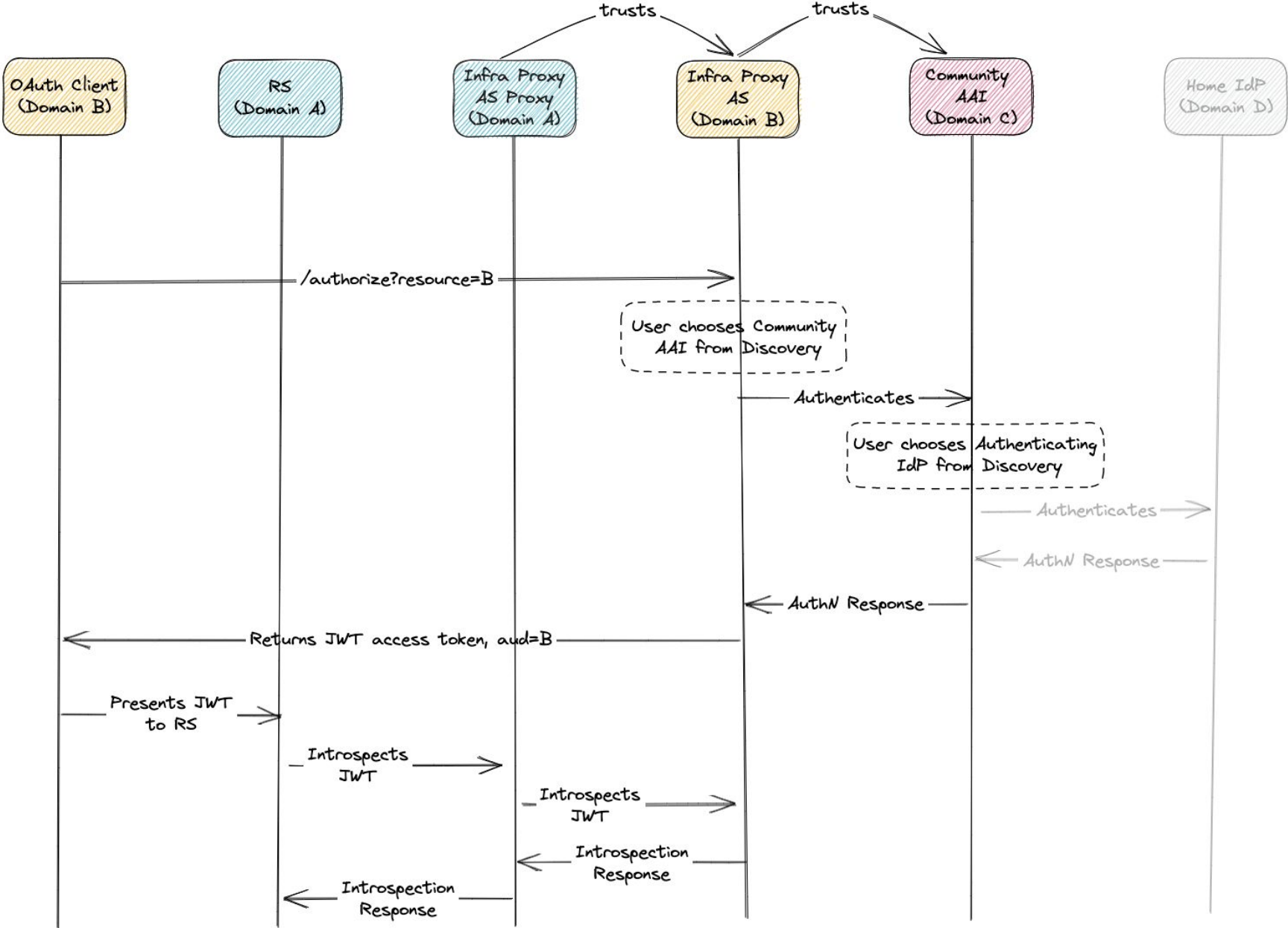
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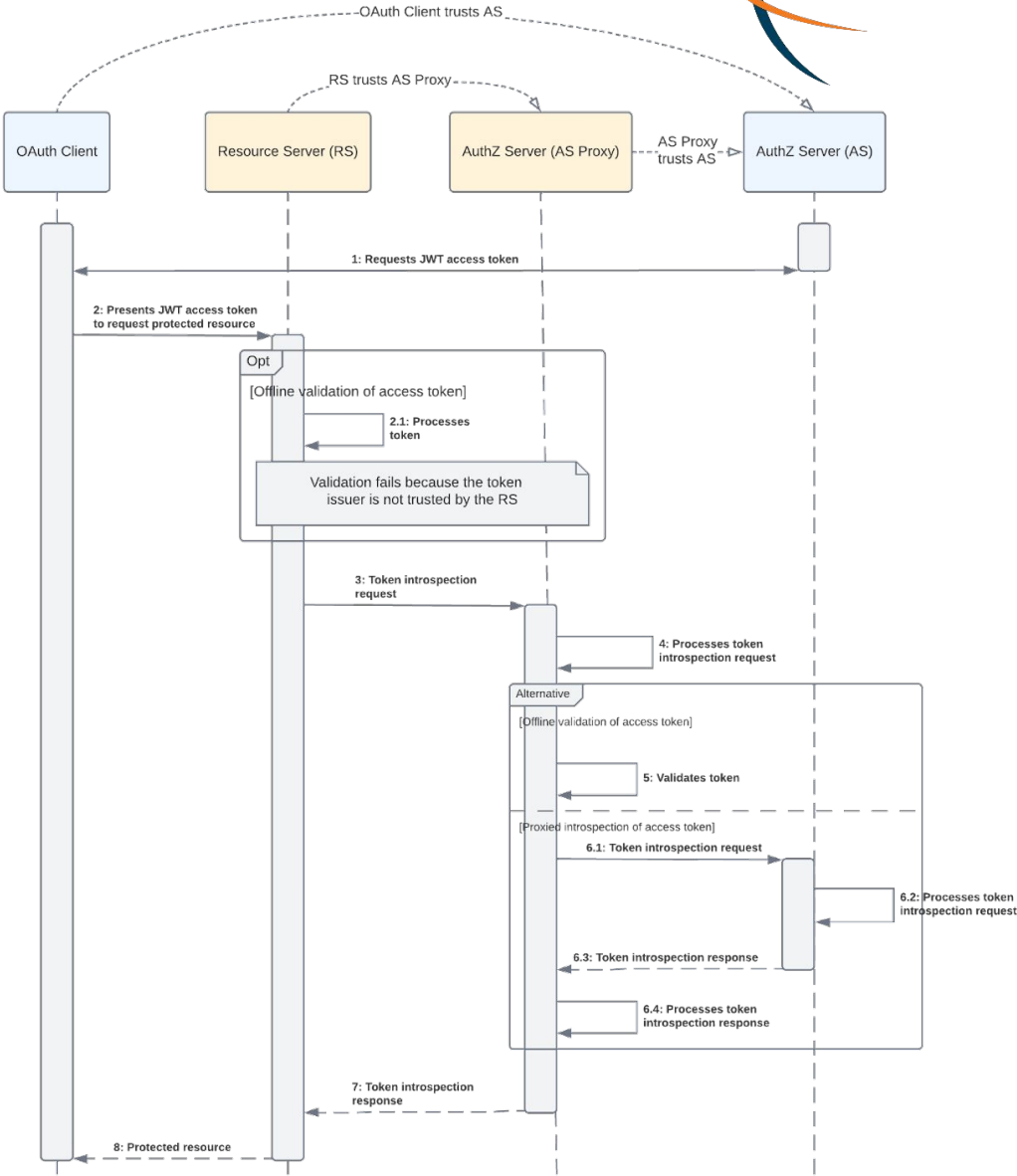
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AARC-G052 OAuth 2.0 Proxied Token Introspection



Approach	Advantages	Disadvantages
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Evolve the BPA to address the more complex (and the simpler) worlds

guidelines for harmonising expression of community user attributes

- **reduce inconsistencies** between implementations
- improve **interoperability & end-user usability** across research community communities and infrastructures

Extend AARC BPA

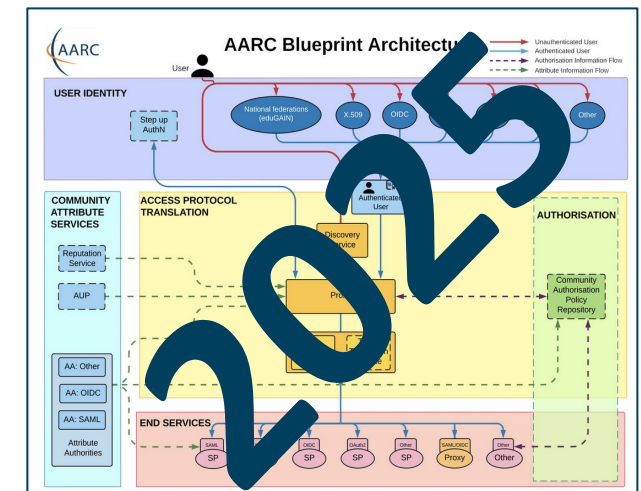
- improve **scalability**
- leverage emerging standards like **OpenID Federation**

Authorisation guidelines

- best practises to enable efficient & effective **sharing of federated resources**

Decentralised identities

- guidance for **digital wallets** linked to BPA



How to *express* community identity attributes?

- “How to express the **identifier** of a user?”
→ [AARC-G026](#)
- “How to express the **groups and roles** of a user?”
→ [AARC-G069](#) (was [AARC-G002](#))
- “How to express **resource capabilities** of a user?”
→ [AARC-G027](#)
- “How to express the **home institute** of a user?”
→ [AARC-G025](#)
- How to express user **assurance** information when interacting with another proxy?”
→ [RAF](#) & [AARC-G021](#)

[AARC-G056](#)

AARC profile for expressing community identity attributes

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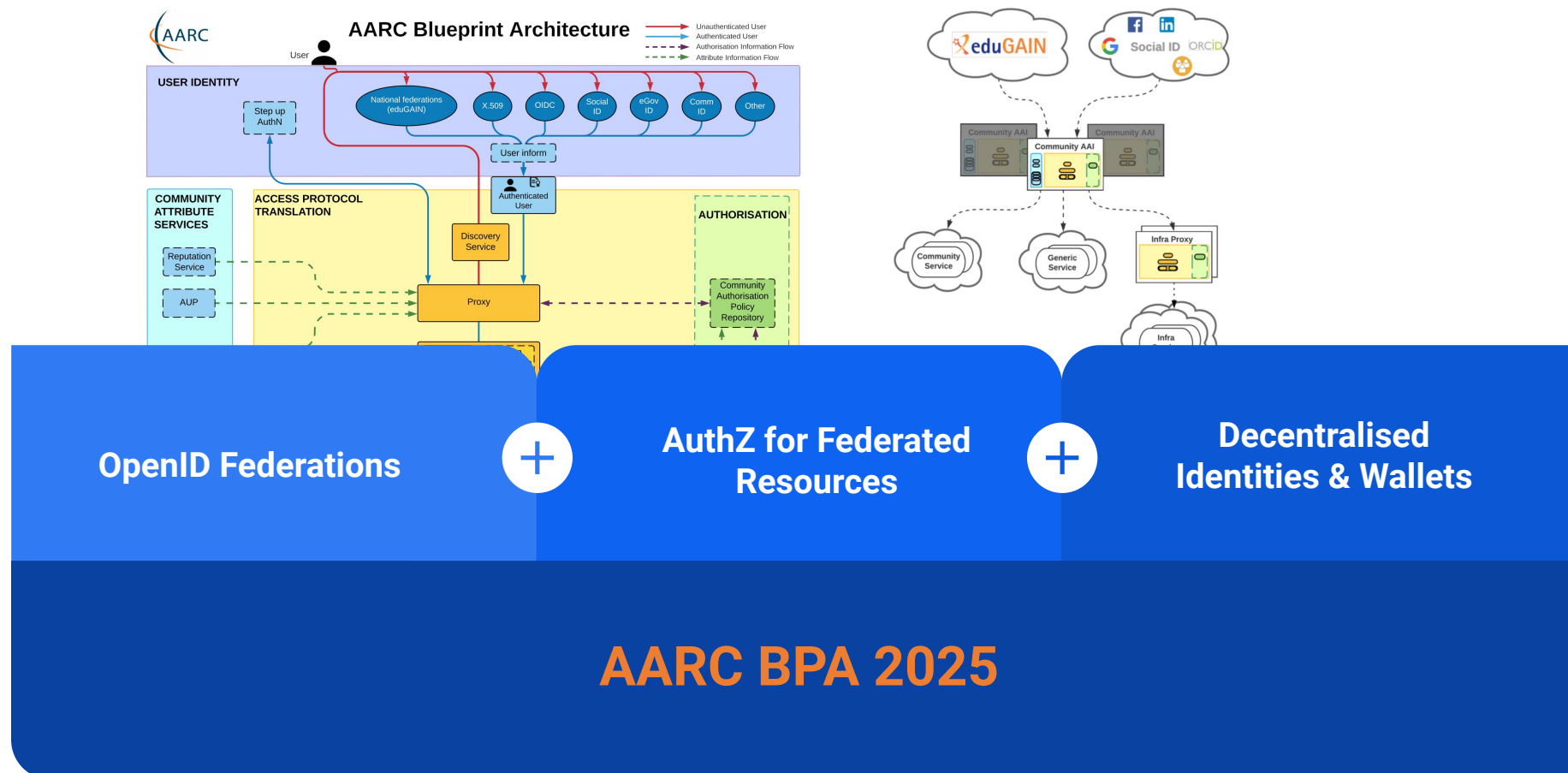
Abstract

This document defines a profile for expressing the attributes of a researcher's digital identity. The profile contains a common list of attributes and definitions based on existing standards and best practises in research & education. The attributes include identifiers, profile information, community attributes such as group membership and role information, as well as information about the authentication event and the identity assurance.

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Additional resources



<https://youtu.be/Xpwb6BNxNW4>

Blocks that can be used to implement federated access management solutions for international research collaborations. The Blueprint Architecture lets software architects and technical decision makers mix and match tried and tested components to build customised solutions for their requirements.

The final version consists of five component layers grouped by functional roles:

- User Identity:** services which provide electronic identities that can be used by users participating in international research collaborations.
- Community Attribute Services:** components related to managing and providing information (attributes) about users, such as community group memberships and roles, on top of the information that might be provided directly by the identity providers from the User Identity Layer.
- Access Protocol Translation:** defines an administrative, policy and technical boundary between the internal/external services and resources.
- Authorization:** contains elements to control the many ways users can access services and resources.
- End-services:** where the external services interact with the other elements of the AAL.

Not sure how to begin with the AARC Blueprint Architecture?
There are plenty of guidelines available but it can be a minefield at first. You probably want to start by designing the high level approach of your infrastructure based on the AARC Blueprint Architecture. There are several general topics you should consider, such as Data Protection (AARC-G002) and Federated Security Incident Response (AARC-I051). Here you can find common questions matched to the relevant Blueprint Architecture component, along with links to guidelines that can help.

Community Attribute Services:

- How should attributes from multiple sources be aggregated? AARC-G003
- How should I express the home institute of a user? AARC-G005
- How should I express the identifier of a user? AARC-G026
- What are the best practices for running my Attribute Authorities securely? AARC-G048
- Which Acceptable Use Policy should I use to facilitate interoperability? AARC-I046
- How should I infer the affiliation of a user? AARC-G057

Access Protocol Translation:

- Which best practices should I follow for my Token Translation Services? AARC-G004
- How should I translate from Identity Federation Information to X.509 certificates? AARC-G010

Proxies:

- How can I ensure that my proxy is able to accurately claim that it supports best practices in Identity Federation? AARC-G011
- How should I express the home institute of a user? AARC-

User Identity:

- How should I integrate Social Media Identity Providers? AARC-G008
- How should users link accounts, and how does that affect Assurance? AARC-G009
- How should services indicate that they would like users to authenticate with multifactor authentication, and how should my proxy forward that information? AARC-G029

Assurance:

- How should assurance information of external identities be calculated? AARC-G011
- What can I say about assurance of identities from social media accounts? AARC-G041
- How is assurance impacted by account linking? AARC-G009
- How should assurance information be shared with other infrastructures? AARC-G021
- Which Assurance Profiles should I use, there are so many! AARC-I050

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