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IRIS Security

Trust Framework and Operational Security

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AAI and Security for IRIS

- High level requirements
- Identity Management
 - Authentication of our users with an appropriate level of assurance
 - Coupled with appropriate service authorisation mechanisms
- Policy
 - Rules of engagement and expectations for participation in the infrastructure
- Operational security
 - Supporting the prevention of incidents and coordinating incident response



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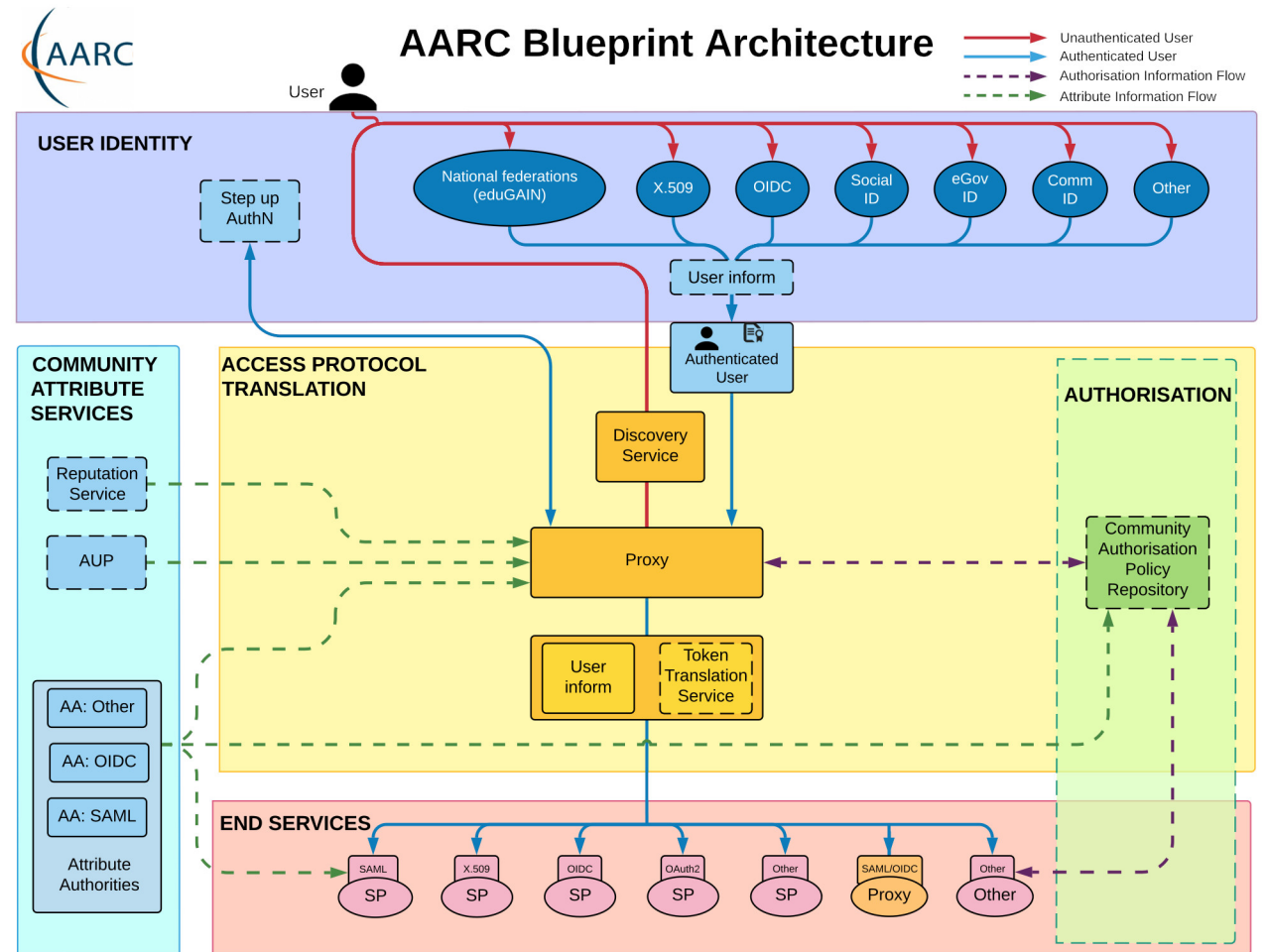
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AARC Blueprint Architecture

- Authentication and Authorisation for Research Collaboration
- Recently completed EU projects
- AARC BPA

“A set of software building blocks that can be used to implement federated access management solutions for international research collaborations”

- <https://aarc-project.eu/architecture/>



Identity Management: IRIS IAM

- IRIS IAM is very successfully operating as an AARC Blueprint Architecture identity proxy
- Part of UK Access Management Federation and eduGAIN
 - Provides access to global network of identity providers (IdPs)
 - Authentication by users' home institutions
- Capability to act as Identity Proxy of last resort
 - For users that don't have a suitable eduGAIN Identity Provider



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Context and requirements

- IRIS contains a range of resource providers with existing policy frameworks
 - Need to develop a framework that sits alongside these and enables secure distributed operations
- Some providers are already connected within the wider federated world
 - Particularly GridPP/WLCG
- However: it does represent a new community in its own right
 - And exists within a distributed, federated infrastructure landscape
- Establish the necessary policies to allow interoperation between resource providers, services and user groups
 - And relationships to existing policy

Policy Roadmap

- Policy underpins all other security activity
- Acts to engender trust both within an infrastructure, but also with neighbours
- IRIS IAM follows AARC Blueprint Architecture
- AARC Policy Development Kit is therefore excellent starting point

AARC PDK

- [AARC Policy Development Kit](#)
- 9 documents aimed at best practice bootstrap for infrastructures & communities deploying the AARC Blueprint Architecture
 - Federated IDPs with services/resources 'behind' an AAI Proxy
- Policies intended to co-exist with local policies where applicable



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WISE

- Wise Information Security for Collaborating e-Infrastructures
 - <https://wise-community.org/about-wise/>
- Global collaborative community of security experts
- People interesting in taking part are welcome!
- IRIS policy work takes place as part of WISE community
 - Benefit to IRIS of considerable experience
 - Benefit to WISE and wider community of new requirements and context
- Building on PDK in SCI-WG



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AARC Policy Development Kit

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Acceptable Use Policy	Infrastructure Management (for baseline) & Research Communities (for community specific restrictions)	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.

Challenges

- IRIS is a relatively new collaboration but with well established participants
 - What implications does this have?
- Well established policies in place at individual institutions
 - New operational workflows being developed
- Bootstrap security policy set
 - Challenge of deciding best order of work while governance structures being established
 - Infrastructure Security Policy provides foundation
 - Need to show end users AUP/Privacy Notice so these are a priority
 - Already established *working* versions to enable IRIS IAM

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Status

- IRIS Infrastructure Policy now approved
 - Provides high-level framework for other subordinate policies
 - Defines roles and responsibilities
- Review of working AUP and Privacy Notice underway in light of approval
 - IRIS IAM users sign AUP
 - Present AUP to other users to make them aware of provisions
- Drafting in progress on Service Operations Security Policy
- Work has begun on a risk assessment for services connected to IRIS IAM to inform the assurance profiles appropriate for IRIS
 - Informs Community Security Policy and Acceptable Authentication Assurance Policy



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Operational Security

- Operating a secure infrastructure
 - Depends on and works alongside Identity Management and Policy
- Capabilities and processes
 - Risk management
 - Patching
 - Vulnerability management
 - Security tools and monitoring
 - Access controls
 - Traceability (who, what, where, when, how)
 - Incident response

IRIS Operational Security capability

- IRIS Security Team
 - Membership from GridPP, Cloud, HPC
 - Common understanding of IRIS technology stacks
 - All active members agree to CSIRT Code of Practice
 - Share sensitive information appropriately within team
 - Key contact point with other CSIRTs
 - Jisc/Institutions/Other CSIRTs
- Communication channels
- Security contact information
 - GOCDB



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IRIS Operational Security capability

- Next steps
 - Communications challenge
 - Additional workshops and training materials
 - Build on access to threat intelligence for IRIS sites

- In the future
 - Service security challenge
 - Evaluate our procedures
 - IRIS IAM is a vital part of this process
 - Also backs MISP threat intelligence



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Distributed Research Trust and Security

- Within STFC in SCD and PPD we have people working on all areas of distributed security
 - Security Coordination
 - Identity Management
 - Trust and Policy
 - Operational Security
- Collectively many years of experience
 - National and international contacts
- Working to bring together a new team representing all these areas
 - Single point of contact to support communities in a distributed federated landscape





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Questions?

