REFEDS Workplan 2013

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What About 2012?

- Policy Framework due for completion December 2012.
- Code of Conduct work in progress (see Mikael’s slides).
- PEER software complete, REEP in progress.
- Discovery Project ready for launch (screenshots on wiki).
- Huzzah!
- More ideas than we can handle.
- Have tried to include as much as possible – ambitious.
- Want to keep to no more than 6 overarching items per year for management.
- Draft workplan out for comments BY END NOVEMBER PLEASE.
AIM:
- To progress REFEDS position as an important player within the access and identity management space internationally.

OUTPUTS:
- 2 x REFEDS BOFs with specific community focus.
- [www.refeds.org](http://www.refeds.org) maintenance/development.
- Maintaining the REFEDS blog.
- 2 x standard REFEDS meetings.
- REFEDS PR material (newsletters, REFEDS map).

FUNDING:
€30,000.
AIM:
- To improve the understanding of the base assurance of federations and to improve the usage of federation infrastructure based on increased assurance understanding and implementation.

OUTPUTS:
- FOP Template.
- Assurance mapping tool.
- Recommendations for R&E assurance profile.
- International Code of Conduct.

FUNDING:
€30,000
AIM:
- To work on the recommendations put forward by the FIM paper.
- To offer an international forum where specific e-Research use-cases (i.e., LIGO) can be brought forward and discussed.

OUTPUTS:
- Recommendations on how federations should address the role of Attribute Authority (Provider).
- The specific work items will be listed in the paper (which is expected by end of Nov). Possible work items include, support for LoAs in existing federations, recommendations on attribute providers etc., Working group addressing the role of Attribute Authority / Provider within federations.

FUNDING:
- None allocated at present time.
AIM:
- To increase the exchange of metadata across federations and to improve the understanding of interfederation practices and process amongst federation members.

OUTPUTS:
- Recommendations from REEP pilot to the community.
- REEP website and pilot service.
- Enhanced MET interface in use with federations, IdPs and SPs.
- Report on federation scaling.

FUNDING:
- Currently €15,000, to be increased with ISOC funding.
AIM:
- To provide infrastructure and support for evolving ideas and areas in the REFEDS community.

GROUPS:
- Entity Categories?
- Federations beyond education and research?
- STORK and SAML Interop.?

FUNDING:
- None at present, working groups can propose that items be formalised and given funding as part of process.
Middleware Landscape in R&E

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We are all familiar with these questions:

- WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN REFEDS AND EMC2?
- WHY DO WE NEED 2 GROUPS?
- WHAT'S THE RELATION WITH GÉANT?
Let’s look at the various pieces
REFEDS is concerned with (inter)federations matters. This includes policies, best practices, technologies and tools to address inter-federation use-cases.

Funding available → easy to get things done
Structured workplan

Not a forum to just brainstorm about new ideas
EMC2 should address the application middleware area, should be a watching brief for new technologies and offer recommendations on them, should offer a forum for anybody to present ideas, prototypes etc.

Advisory role
‘Free’ format
Discussion forum for projects like TCS, SCHAC, etc.,

Voluntary forum
Not always necessary commitment available
GÉANT is an EC funded project, open to EU NRENs (and third parties, i.e. universities), with a scoped workplan.

- Funding available
- Structured workplan

- Not easy for outsiders to monitor progresses
- Big project, so big overhead
- Not always innovation comes first
Kantara – More eGov and LoA oriented

STORK e-Infrastructure for e-Identity

Others
eResearchers, data centres, libraries, etc.
REFEDS
(Inter)Federations

GÉANT

Other Groups

Recommendations
Templates
Best Practices
Tools/Pilots

Activity Plan
BUDGET 2013
Today

Session 1:
- REEP Planning
- Federation Scaling

Session 2:
- Attribute Providers
- FOP Template
- Code of Conduct
- Extending MET
- Entity Categories
- Assurance

Session 4:
- ???
- ???