



Membership update

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Membership (1)

- Welcome CSTCloudFederation & safeID!
 - *72 eduGAIN members*
- Under assessment
 - Mexico / FENIX
 - Tajikistan / TARENA Identity Federation
- Candidates
 - AzScienceNet Identity Federation (Azerbaijan), eduID (Montenegro), iAMRES (Serbia), LIFE (Lebanese Identity Federation Ecosystem) (Lebanon), MAREN (Malawi)

Maintaining trust relationships in a growing eduGAIN environment

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Membership (2)

- New members since 2018:
 - *18 new members*
 - *RIF, RUNNet-AAI, SIFULAN, eduIDM.ma, CAFMoz, OMREN Fed, φEDUrus, FIDERN, PKIFed, RASH, LIAF, RoEduNetID, CARSI, Maeen, RicerkaNet IF, KRENA IF, CSTCloudFederation, safeID*
- 72 eduGAIN members

More numbers!

- SG meeting attendance
 - *20 federations never attended a SG meeting*
 - *36 federations didn't participate in any of the last 4 SG meetings*
- REFEDS annual survey 2019
 - *45/82 responses received*

So, what can we do?

- Meeting planning
 - Time zones
 - Events
 - Encourage team updates
- Change membership procedure
 - Candidate assessment process
 - No exclusion from voting
- Building Relationships
 - Mentoring / buddying
 - Regional focus groups
 - More use of Slack
- Compliance / Validation testing
- Improve the baseline trust

So, what can we do?

Need to look at underlying reasons why federations don't trust other federations

Maybe a regular newsletters or some form of regular info

Create a catalog of public services

Send more people from "usual suspect" federations to events like APAN, South American and African meetings, to start building connections there.

introduce regular yearly audit with clear ranks/marks for certain level of quality (not only for following baseline)

mini-trainings in identity management, events to share national projects.

Create regional workshops for different levels of knowledge

install-a-thon/configure-a-thon streamed as a technique to highlight how to do something (pick a topic)

Glad to collaborate if a Latam group shows up



So, what can we do?

Try ask regular report non participation federations.

I wonder about Slack, being interactive it does not work so well across time zones

Presentation of available services and specially those provided by some NRENs. It can motivate the community to get more involved.

Technical bootcamp webinars/meetings.

More information on why we should trust each other.. like what are the security features that allows us to trust each other?

Slack can be an intimidating place for new comers, because it has a lot of people and - to quote Heather - can be like drinking from a fire hose. Pairing people with a smaller group they can feel more comfortable asking "stupid" questions may help.

Maybe some people are just happy that eduGAIN simply works and don't have time for further interaction/participation? Some federations are understaffed, I guess...

Heather



Thank you

Any questions?

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