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Attending

Ken Kingenstein, Internet2 (stand-in chair)
Tom Barton, U. Chicago
Steven Carmody, Brown
Jim Leous, Penn State
Renee Frost, Internet2
Ann West , EDUCAUSE/Internet2
Steve Olshansky, Internet2
Emily Internet2 (scribe)

New Action Items

[AI] (SteveO) will ask Michael about the ability of a COmanage instance to accept logins from both federated and non-federated sources.
[AI] (Michael and SteveO) will give TomB, Steven and Jim collabmin status on the COmanage demo, and also provision Jim with an account if needed.
[AI] Jim will talk about next steps for COmanage and CIC when he addresses the CIC Tech Forum the morning of 7-Oct-09. He will try to provide an email report in time for the COmanage session at FMM 4:30pm Central Time on 7-Oct-09.

Carry Over Action Items
[AI] (Everyone) review their carry over action items (see list below) and inform the group if their AIs are done, are still relevant or should be closed.
[AI] (Ken) will work on slides, including Steven's enhanced slides showing sequencing on the flows, and send them out to the list.
[AI] (Ken) will talk with Gwen to explore a COmanage demo geared to iPlant.
[AI] (Ken) will speak to the French and Spanish regarding their potential work on collaboration tools.
[AI] (Ken) will forward to the list notes from his recent discussion with International partners.
[AI] (Ken) will ask the Dutch if they want to participate in the project management group for the preproduction pilot.
[AI] (Ken) will iterate with Mike LaHaye and Dan Pritts on moving the preproduction pilot toward some production use for projects of limited duration.
[AI] Tom and Michael will edit the PowerPoint diagrams to clarify issues.
[AI] (Ken) will work on COmanage scripting.
[AI] (Digant and SteveO) will put together a demo video.
[AI] (Digant) will register the Sympa bug in the COmanage JIRA for our reference, and follow up with Sympa developers/maintainers.
[AI] (Digant) will verify that Confluence is working with COmanage
[AI] (Digant) will incorporate the user dashboard that Steven designed into COmanage.
[AI] (Ken) will send an outline to Steven, Tom and Digant as a basis for talking to NSF about collaboration with HUBzero.
[AI] (Ken) will draft an email to interested parties who could be helpful in COmanage testing.
[AI] (Steven and Jim) will flesh out the existing developer domestication guidelines in the wiki.
[AI] (Ken) will ask his contact at the Norwegian Federation about Foodle.
[AI] (Bob) will provide to the list background on user stories.
[AI] (Ken) will talk with Lois about Fluid involvement in improving the COmanage GUI, scheduling it for later in the year.
[AI] (Chris) will contact Atlassian and try to obtain a timetable for Jira domestication. (Ken) will provide some wording for this communication with Atlassian.
[AI] (Bob) will send links to the group on the invitation problem.
[AI] (Ken) will send a note to his contact at OOI to explore their level interest (after the COmanage alpha is ready).
[AI] (Ken) will ping Frank Siebenlist from Argonne National Laboratory, who is interested in COmanage.

Discussion

Two FMM COmanage WG sessions, 5-Oct-09 and 7-Oct-09

Monday's session -- focus on a COmanage demo and discussion of collaboration space in general.
Wednesday's session -- plan is to invite use cases and talk more about design.

Collaboration Developments Around the World

There are Swiss efforts focus on aggregating attributes from multiple sources into the VO.

Chad will demo a Shib VO service at the Shibboleth WG session Monday afternoon. This approach involves wrapping Shib around the SWITCH system-wide groups manager.

Neal W. from Australia inquired about the COmanage appliance. He will be at FMM.

French are doing collaboration platform work around SYMPA.

There are also ongoing efforts in Norway and France.

The hope is to talk about how these efforts could work together. Ideally, the various efforts should have a common set of blueprints and ask the same things from application developers.

Bob has communicated with the founder and CEO of Gluu (www.gluu.org). They are an IdP, a service and have joined the Kantara Initiative. They might be interested in contributing to COmanage.

Ken met with NSF staff to talk about wikis and COmanage, and SteveO will be setting up a follow up phone call among key players on both sides.

In UK there is a lot of interest in TWiki. There is a JISC funded project to develop plug-in for TWiki, that works like the plug-in Confluence.

Tao of Attributes

The Tao of Attributes Workshop discussions were useful. There was discussion of how the location for COmanage service (VO standalone, a relying party site, an IdP operating collaboration services, portal operating collaboration services) could affect issues of how much provisioning is needed, consent requirements, potential for data spills, etc. Presentations are on the workshop website http://middleware.internet2.edu/tao-of-attributes/agenda.html

There were Microsoft representatives present and there was discussion on how claims-aware applications (Microsoft term) are like domesticated applications.

Discussed timeframe for next version of ADFS; they will have another release candidate this year.

Next Steps for the Current COmanage Work

Michael, SteveO, Heather and Ken talked on 1-Oct-09. Michael has made good progress on the pilot instance at co.internet2.edu. Michael has integrated Open Meeting (web conerencing). He has also integrated Bedework as an event calendar and a personal groups scheduler.

NSF, for their wikis, wants to enable internal logins from NSF staff and federated logins from external world. SteveO noted that in the past there was discussion of this related to the Internet2 federated wiki (spaces.at.internet2.edu) and this was not possible.
SteveO will check with Michael.

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There would be a great deal of value at this point in getting one or two groups onto COmanage to provide real world feedback.
Suggestions: MACE, international collaboration call, AMSAC, a group within the Bamboo project. Ken will initiate further discussions about this and the support issues involved.
Individuals on this call should do as much testing of the COmanage service as possible. Michael and SteveO will address some issues with access.

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Jim noted that he is presenting next week at the CIC Tech Forum.

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Jim mentioned another interesting collaboration has approached him, a group that has funding from DOE to study biomass fuels.

*Next COmanage Meetings: at FMM 5-Oct-09 and 7-Oct-09