

Maryland Consortium Provides Template for Joining InCommon

MEEC (the Maryland Education Enterprise Consortium) has entered into an agreement with InCommon, developing template agreements for MEEC members - both private and public - for joining InCommon. These template participation agreements have already been vetted by attorneys and have been approved by both MEEC and InCommon.

MEEC member institutions can visit www.incommon.org/MEEC for specific information, including how to join, or can email incommon-admin@incommon.org.

InCommon (www.incommon.org), operated by Internet2, provides for shared management of access to online resource for the U.S. education and research communities. All participants have common policies and technology, allowing identity providers to control the release of user information, and service providers to manage the authorization for their online resources. The result is a secure and privacy-protecting method for providing individuals with single sign-on access to protected or licensed online resources.

In addition, the InCommon Certificate Service offers unlimited server and personal certificates to higher education participants for one low annual fee.

InCommon now serves almost 300 higher education institutions, research organizations, and sponsored partners.