InCommon Launches SP Category - Webinar Jan. 19

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InCommon is launching an innovative program that will enable federation of collaborative services for an important subset of the campus community, a new category of service providers called Research & Scholarship. Identity providers (IdPs) can release a minimal set of attributes to all service providers (SPs) in the Research & Scholarship (R&S) category, simplifying and streamlining user access at the SP while reducing administrative overhead at the IdP.

InCommon will host a webinar on Thursday, January 19, 2012, at 2 p.m. EST, to provide more information about the Research & Scholarship category. Details on joining the webinar are at the end of this message.

Complete information about this new category is on the InCommon wiki.

Service providers eligible for the R&S category include those that support research and scholarly activities such as virtual organizations and campus-based collaboration services. Participating IdPs will agree to release a minimal set of attributes to the R&S category (name, email address, user identifier, and user affiliation). This can be done with a one-time modification to the IdP's default attribute release policy, which will apply to the entire R&S category of SPs.

Currently, most identity providers (IdPs) share only an "opaque identifier" (that is, no attributes) by default. The R&S category provides a simpler and more scalable approach for IdPs than negotiating attribute release bilaterally with every service provider.

For more information, including guidance for IdPs and SPs, visit the InCommon wiki. You can send specific questions to info@incommon.org.

R&S Category Webinar

Thursday, January 19, 2012
2 pm ET / 1 pm CT / Noon MT / 11 am PT

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