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### ***New members join InCommon Steering, which will expand its role***

Emeryville, Calif. – February 7, 2014 – Internet2 today announced the appointment of several leaders in higher education information technology to the InCommon Steering Committee, which moving forward will serve as the core of the newly expanded Trust and Identity in Education and Research program advisory group. Additionally new members have been appointed to serve on the technical InCommon Assurance Advisory Committee (AAC). In addition to the new members, both committees have new leadership.

The Trust and Identity in Education and Research program advisory group builds on the long-standing work of the InCommon Steering Committee. The expanded group will continue to oversee the business and policy affairs of InCommon trust services, the national U.S. research and education federation, as well as provide guidance for all of Internet2's broad investments in identity and trust initiatives.

"Internet2 will rely on community leadership from the Trust and Identity in Education and Research program advisory group to provide vision and direction for all of our trust and identity initiatives and programs," said Shel Waggener, Senior Vice President at Internet2. "The impact of the growing scope of these services is substantial and I'm very appreciative of this group's commitment, and particularly for the leadership provided over the last three years of the InCommon Steering Committee by University of Maryland Baltimore County CIO Jack Suess."

Klara Jelinkova, Senior Associate Vice President and Chief Information Technology Officer at the University of Chicago, is the new chair. Appointed to three-year terms are:

- Dennis Cromwell, Associate Vice President for Enterprise Infrastructure, Indiana University
- Susan Kelley, Chief Technology Officer, Yale University
- David Vernon, Associate Chief Information Officer and Director of Information Technology Services, Cornell University
- Melissa Woo, Vice Provost for Information Services and Chief Information Officer, University of Oregon
- Bill Yock, Director of Enterprise Information Services, University of Washington
- Steve Zoppi, Associate Vice President Systems Integration and Architecture, Internet2

Continuing participants include:

- Klara Jelinkova, Senior Associate Vice President and Chief Information Technology Officer, University of Chicago,
- Jack Suess, Vice President for Information Technology, University of Maryland Baltimore County
- Joel Cooper, Chief Information Technology Officer, Swarthmore College
- Mark Crase, Interim Assistant Vice Chancellor and Chief Information Officer, California State University System
- Michael Gettes, Assistant Director - Identity Services, Carnegie Mellon University,
- Chris Holmes, Associate General Counsel, Baylor University,
- John O'Keefe, Vice President and Chief Information Officer, Lafayette College.

"I'm pleased to welcome such talented and dedicated colleagues to the expanded Trust and Identity group, building on the work of InCommon Steering," Jelinkova said. "I would also like to thank Ardoth Hassler from Georgetown, Craig Stewart from Indiana, and George Strawn from the federal government for their service the past three years. We will miss their leadership and depth of knowledge."

Taking the helm of the InCommon Assurance Advisory Committee is Steve Devoti (University of Wisconsin-Madison). He succeeds Mary Dunker (Virginia Tech), the founding chair of the AAC, which guides InCommon's Assurance Program. New AAC members include Warren Anderson (LIGO), David Crotts (Virginia Tech), and Chris Spadanuda (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee), with Jacob Farmer (Indiana University) reappointed. Continuing on the AAC are Doug Falk (National Student Clearinghouse), Trisha Craig (Duke University), Chris Holmes (Baylor University), and Debbie Bucci (federal government).

"Over the past two years, the AAC has helped launch our identity assurance program," Jelinkova said. "Mary Dunker played a huge role in its success, including leading Virginia Tech to become the first university certified at the Silver level. We cannot thank her enough. I would also like to thank Scott Koranda (LIGO) and Steve Kurncz (Michigan State University), who are also departing, but played key roles in the formation of the assurance program."

The Assurance Advisory Committee provides oversight of the InCommon Identity Assurance Program, reviews applications for certification and advises the Trust and Identity in Education and Research program advisory group.

For more information about the Trust and Identity in Education and Research program advisory group and the Assurance Advisory Committee, see <http://www.internet2.edu/products-services/trust-identity-middleware/>

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