

Draft Process for the Assignment and Verification of Un-Affiliated IdP Tags

 This page should be taken as nothing more than a spur to further discussion.

The Challenges

- The REFEDs IOLR WG has developed a vetted list of requirements that an IdP would have to meet in order to serve the need for an Un-Affiliated IdP
- The WG wants to define a standard process by which federations can assess candidate Un-Affiliated IdP providers and tag the approved Un-Affiliated IdPs.
- The WG wants to assure the long-term stability of identifiers issued by Un-Affiliated IdP providers.
- The WG wants to assure that a person always has the option to migrate from one Un-Affiliated IdP to another.
- The WG wants to assure that Un-Affiliated IdP services are continuously available as long as they are filling a need for the Research and Scholarship community.

An Approach for Discussion

- The REFEDs IOLR Working Group will draft and seek community evaluation of a REFEDs-level Un-Affiliated IdP entity category
- The entity category tag will be defined as self-asserted
- People should be encouraged to establish accounts with more than one self-declared Un-Affiliated IdP
- The trustworthiness of self-asserted Un-Affiliated IdP tags should be addressed by the community of Refeds R&S relying parties in dialogue with Un-Affiliated IdP operators.