

Federation 2.0 Working Group Meeting Notes

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Wednesday, June 22, 2022

Attending: Judith Bush, Dedra C, Richard F, David W, Lucy L, Alan B, Tom B, Craig L, Laura P

Regrets:

Agenda:

1. Debrief discussion in Trieste
2. What remains to be done before we close down this working group?
3. AOB

Trieste debrief:

- Fair # of attendees had read the report before the meeting.
- Dedra got the impression that some attendees felt that she and Alan were not representative of “their” community.
- Governance aspect was seen by some as a giant external authoritarian thing.
- Ann W asked attendees which of the main messages (of the three on the slide) people agreed with. About ½ agreed with the first bullet. About ⅓ disagreed.
- Nicole/Heather said more discussion is needed to move the document forward.
- Nicole H pointed out that most national feds don’t have sufficient resources to do much of anything
- Positive comments about eduGAIN Futures work, with the caveat that that is prospective at this point

Reactions:

- Report has initiated the right type of conversation, notably around resources and priority.
- WG members see that the report actually addressed the right things, but that leaves the attendees’ reactions still to be explained
- If there is a second consultation, how does REFEDS engage in the work called for in the report? Will anything this WG does be discounted because we are seen as not representative of the REFEDS community?
- Is there a path in which eduGAIN grows into the main governing body?
- Follow up with Nicole/Heather about next steps?

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- Or, if REFEDS would convene further groups to rework or take the report forward, isn't that a version of what this WG intended to happen? Should we say that we're done?
- Work with the Global CEO Forum to act on the report.
 - Kevin & Klaas have begun working with them to raise their understanding of the importance of federation.
- Resource starvation is a consequence of lack of appropriate representation, ie, too many of those controlling resources are not part of the community or do not see themselves as belonging.
- Identify champions who can drive this. Their buy-in within a subsequent Consultation would be critical. Compare with Valter Nordt's solo act in getting eduGAIN going.

Are we done?

- Scope of next steps required is beyond what this WG can do.
- WG doesn't have a mandate to do the next thing.
- [Tom] Speak with Kevin & Klaas about whether they'd like to do a Valter act, and if so if they'd like some changes to the report to help.
- [Tom] Write a cover letter saying that our work is done, we stand by our recommendations, there is a set of intermediate steps to get there, we're encouraged by the reactions to the report thus far. Encourage further work on both the Fed2 Report and the eduGAIN Futures report. Thank the community for their participation.

Decision: this WG is now closed! Though Tom has a couple of clean-up items to accomplish: the two action items noted above and one below.

[Tom] Notify Nicole & Heather of intent to close WG and send cover letter to refeds list before sending the cover letter.