

eduPKI Updates

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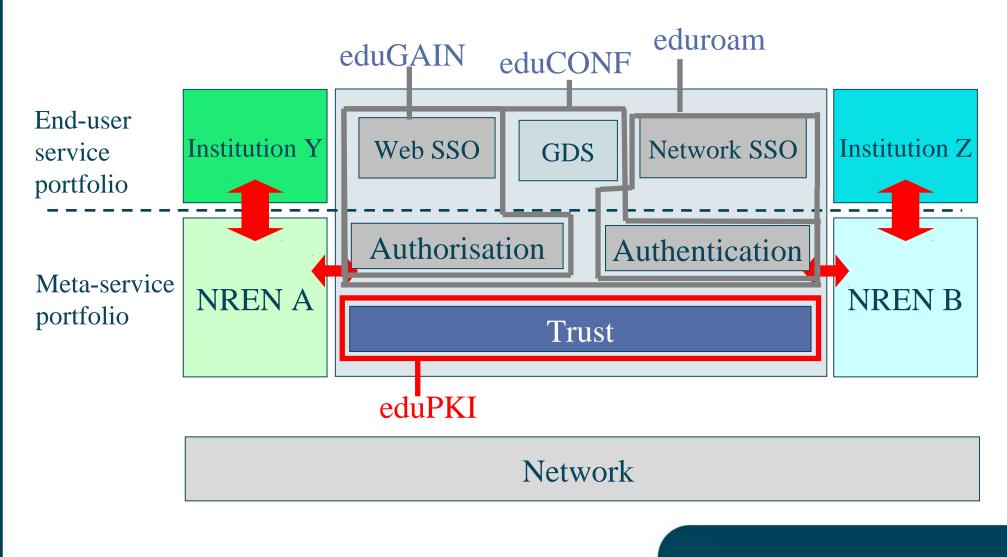
Outline



- eduPKI overview
- eduPKI as part of SA3
- What type of service are offered
- Main results

eduPKI and SA3 Service Portfolio





Josh Howlett's slide

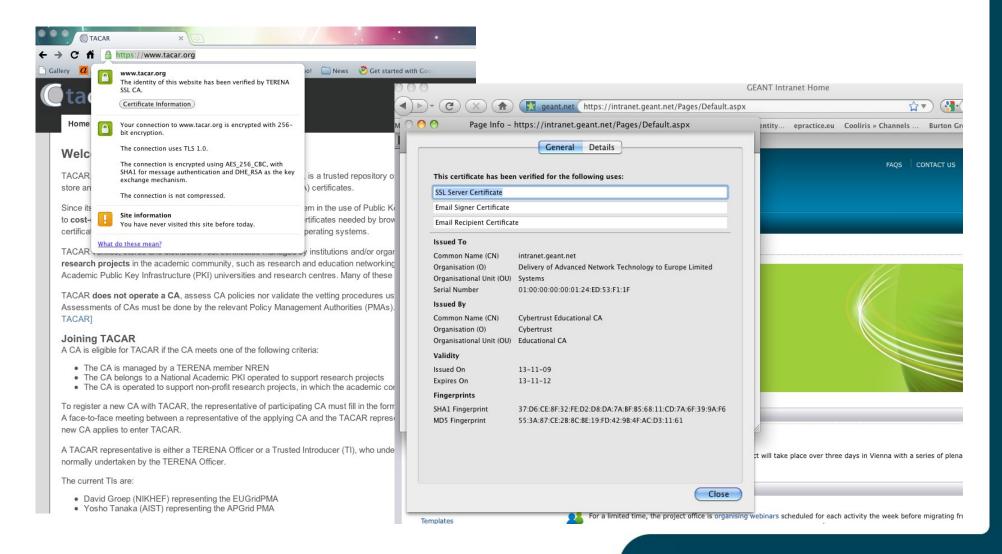
eduPKI Objectives



- eduPKI enables trust establishment in GN3 services:
 - Trust allows users to rely on a service;
 - Trust facilitates confidence in the security and integrity of GN3 services.
- eduPKI service objectives are to:
 - Support other of the project's services in defining their security requirements;
 - Provide them with digital certificates by federating existing NRENs certificates services;
 - eduPKI defines how the certificates look like;

Examples





eduPKI Strategic Value



- By coordinating and harmonising trust across GN3 services, eduPKI:
 - Ensures efficiency as trust is dealt by a group of experts;
 - Facilitates implementation of a cohesive technical and policy infrastructure;
 - Avoids duplications of effort in different activities;
 - Will ease the transition from the current project to the next one;
 - Consequently improves the end-users experience;

eduPKI Service Elements

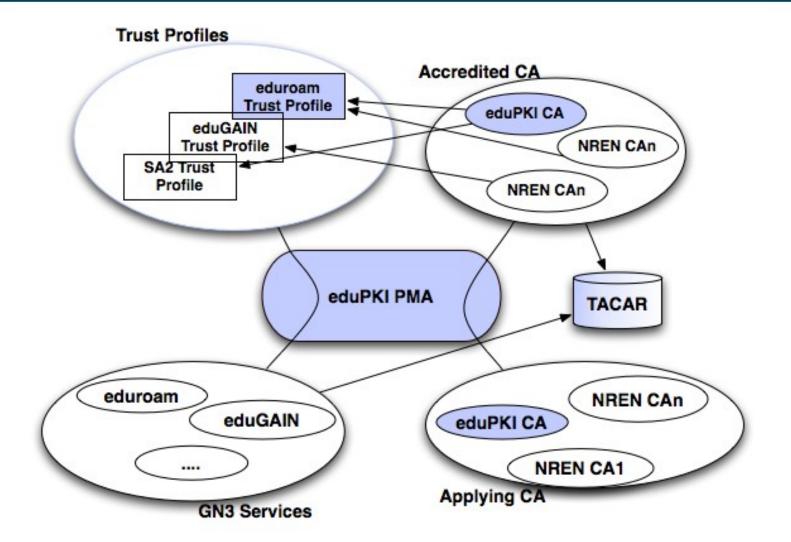


Policy Management Authority (PMA)

- Interacts with GN3 services to assess their security requirements;
 - And offers solutions to address them (trust profiles);
- Interacts with NRENs CAs to engage them;
- A dedicated Certification Authority (eduPKI CA)
 - For test purposes and to support those NREN users that cannot rely on any national CA service;
- An enhanced version of the existing TACAR (TERENA Academic Certificate Authority Repository)
 - To list the CAs participating in eduPKI
 - Used by the services' operators;

eduPKI Service Provision





The coloured elements belong to eduPKI

eduPKI Target



- eduPKI targets GN3 (pilot) services:
 - Supporting them defining their trust requirements;
 - Facilitating access to digital certificates whenever needed;
- eduPKI targets NRENs:
 - NRENs are invited to participate by enabling their CAs to issue certificates in accordance with the eduPKI procedures.
 - This ensures continuity to users;
- eduPKI does not target end-users directly!

Main Results



- eduPKI Business Case
 - Approved in May 2010;
- eduPKI governance and procedures in place;
 - Sept 2010;
- eduPKI cooperation with eduroam:
 - Very successful
- At the moment discussion initiated with SA2 and eduGAIN
- eduPKI Pilot phase:
 - Started in the summer 2010, ending in Feb 2011
- eduPKI service starts on 1 March 2011.

eduroam use-case

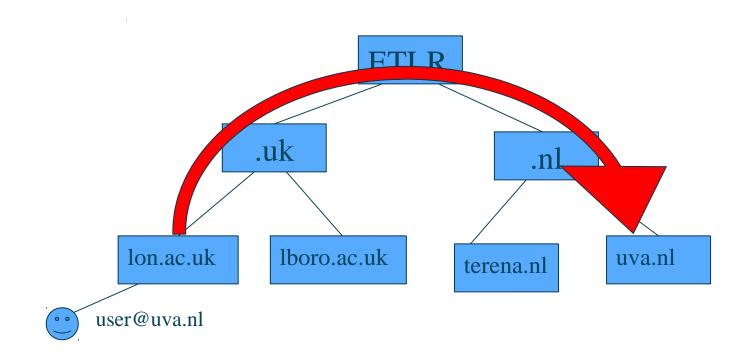


- eduPKI collaboration with the eduroam resulted in:
 - eduroam trust profile
 - Hence new certificates for the eduroam hierarchy;
 - To date only eduPKI-CA issues these certificates:
 - But discussion is started to engage TCS and DFN-PKI;
- The process is completely transparent to end-users:
 - Only eduroam operators are involved;
- The usage of eduPKI certificates will:
 - Increase eduroam scalability;
 - Offer better security;
 - Change the trust model

eduroam Trust Model Today



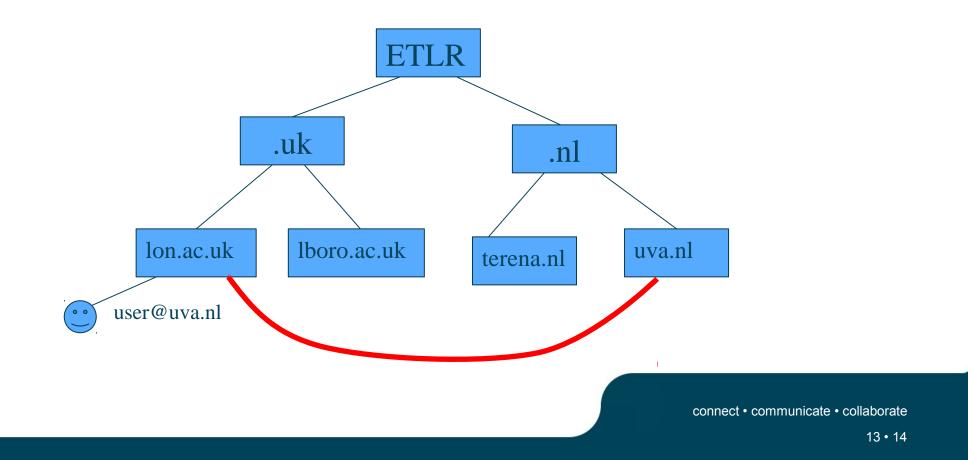
- eduroam's current trust model follows a "transitive approach":
 - Each node in the hierarchy trusts the ones it connects to;
 - Information travels through the whole hierarchy;



eduroam Trust Model Tomorrow



- The future eduroam trust model will follow a "look-up approach":
 - Nodes will be able to use the information in the certificates to establish direct connections with each others;



References



- eduroam Trust Profile:
 - https://www.edupki.org/fileadmin/Documents/eduPKI-Trust-Profile-foreduroam-certificates-1.0.pdf
- eduPKI governance documents:
 - https://www.edupki.org/documents/pma-related-documents/