

BoF: Authorisation Community Developments

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SHORT ABSTRACT

This BoF will consist of several short presentations from people across the eResearch community on existing authorisation problems, ideas and developments, followed by an open discussion. We would like to discuss emerging activities, solutions, common needs, and if there is value in establishing a community of interest.

EXTENDED ABSTRACT

Dear eResearch users and builders,

Are there authorisation and access issues that are affecting your eResearch development and projects? Conversely, have you come up with a reusable or interesting model for authorising access to resources and content? If so the BoF facilitators would like to invite you to this meeting of minds and ideas.

This BoF session will take the format of a series of short presentations from people across the eResearch community on existing problems, ideas and developments, followed by an open discussion. No specific or technical outcomes are expected of the meeting, but if enough interest and synergies emerge we could propose a more regular meeting around authorisation problems, experiences, solutions, and infrastructure. Mature problems are emerging and we've identified a few with common needs. Do we continue the way we are, or is there value in getting together around common problems? We invite your contribution.

Please note that this session is not specifically about authentication, identity management, or "how a person logs in". "Authorisation" refers to what happens after that, protecting and granting access to data, resources and services. This is not solely a technical session but also addresses where technology requirements map to real world needs (facilities, collaborations, communities).

Regards,
BoF Facilitators.