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AAA/AAI projects at University of Lausanne

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AAA projects at UNIL

1. UNIL.2 : Portail MyUNIL

- Delegation of authentication in my.unil.ch portal

2. UNIL.3 : AAA-auth

- Assurance Level
- Two-factor authentication

3. UNIL.4 : GridUNIL - Phase 2

- focusing on users needs

Assurance level Important documents

- "Assurance answers the question, "How sure am I that you are who you say you are?" In other words, how much confidence does a relying party have that the credential presented is in the possession of the person whose identity is being asserted."
- « OMB M-04-04 defines the required level of authentication assurance in terms of the likely consequences of an authentication error »
 - <http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/memoranda/fy04/m04-04.pdf>
- « NIST Special Publication 800-63 provides technical guidance to Federal agencies implementing electronic authentication »
 - http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/drafts/800-63-rev1/SP800-63-Rev1_Dec2008.pdf
- InCommon Identity Assurance Assessment Framework
 - http://www.incommonfederation.org/docs/assurance/InC_IAAF_1.0_Final.pdf
- Identity Assurance Profiles Bronze and Silver
 - http://www.incommonfederation.org/docs/assurance/InC_Bronze-Silver_IAP_1.0.1.pdf
- Incomon site (ass. level): <http://www.incommonfederation.org/assurance/>

Assurance Level Aspects to be considered

- Business, Policy and Operational Factors.
- Registration and identity proofing of Applicants.
- Tokens (typically a cryptographic key or password) for proving identity.
- Token and credential management mechanisms used to establish and maintain token and credential information.
- Protocols used to support the authentication mechanism between the Claimant and the Verifier. Security and Management of Authentication Events
- Assertion mechanisms used to communicate the results of a remote authentication if these results are sent to other parties.
- Technical Environment.

Identification and registration Situation at UNIL

- Regular student
 - Immatriculation process. Documents.
 - Taxes.
 - Validation of postal address (address of record).
- Employee
 - Enrollment process. Documents.
 - In Person Proofing.
 - Validation of postal address (address of record).
- Other persons
 - No registration process.
- Generic identities
 - No binding (or weak binding) to a physical person.
- Strong assurance
 - Strong Identification: In Person Proofing.
 - Two factor authentication.

Project Status

- UNIL.2 SAML Delegation
 - Tried both uPortal's and SWITCH's delegation libraries
 - More SSL issues than metadata/configuration issues
- UNIL.3 Two-Factor Authentication
 - Considering those 2nd factors: our CampusCard (Legic RFID), SMS, USB smartcard (SuisseID?), mobile app

Attributes for external users

- Our group management application allows AAI users as members -> internal LDAP
- IdP on internal LDAP -> replace LDAP query with SAML attribute query
- Publish unilMemberOf attribute for non-UNIL AAI users
- Portal example:
 - User authentication and attributes coming from another institution's IdP
 - Portal makes an additional attribute query to our IdP

Attributes for external users

Service provider

- SP configuration (requires v2.2 or greater)
 - Add a SimpleAggregation AttributeResolver:

```
<AttributeResolver type="Chaining">
  <AttributeResolver type="Query"/>
  <AttributeResolver type="SimpleAggregation" attributeId="Shib-
    SwissEP-UniqueID" format="urn:oid:2.16.756.1.2.5.1.1.1">
    <Entity>https://aai.unil.ch/idp/shibboleth</Entity>
  </AttributeResolver>
</AttributeResolver>
```

- Bugs
 - Superfluous attribute query when authenticated by our IdP (fixed in 2.4) [1].
 - Some attributes may get duplicate values through aggregation. Your application might choke on this.

Attributes for external users

Identity provider

- IdP configuration
 - Add a PrincipalConnector in attribute-resolver.xml:

```
<resolver:PrincipalConnector xsi:type="Direct"  
    xmlns="urn:mace:shibboleth:2.0:resolver:pc" id="saml2uniqueId"  
    nameIDFormat="urn:oid:2.16.756.1.2.5.1.1.1" />
```
 - (optional) Avoid attribute value duplication. The following example policy:
 - Only applies to mentioned entities;
 - Prevents the release of UniqueIDs NOT ending with @unil.ch.

Attributes for external users

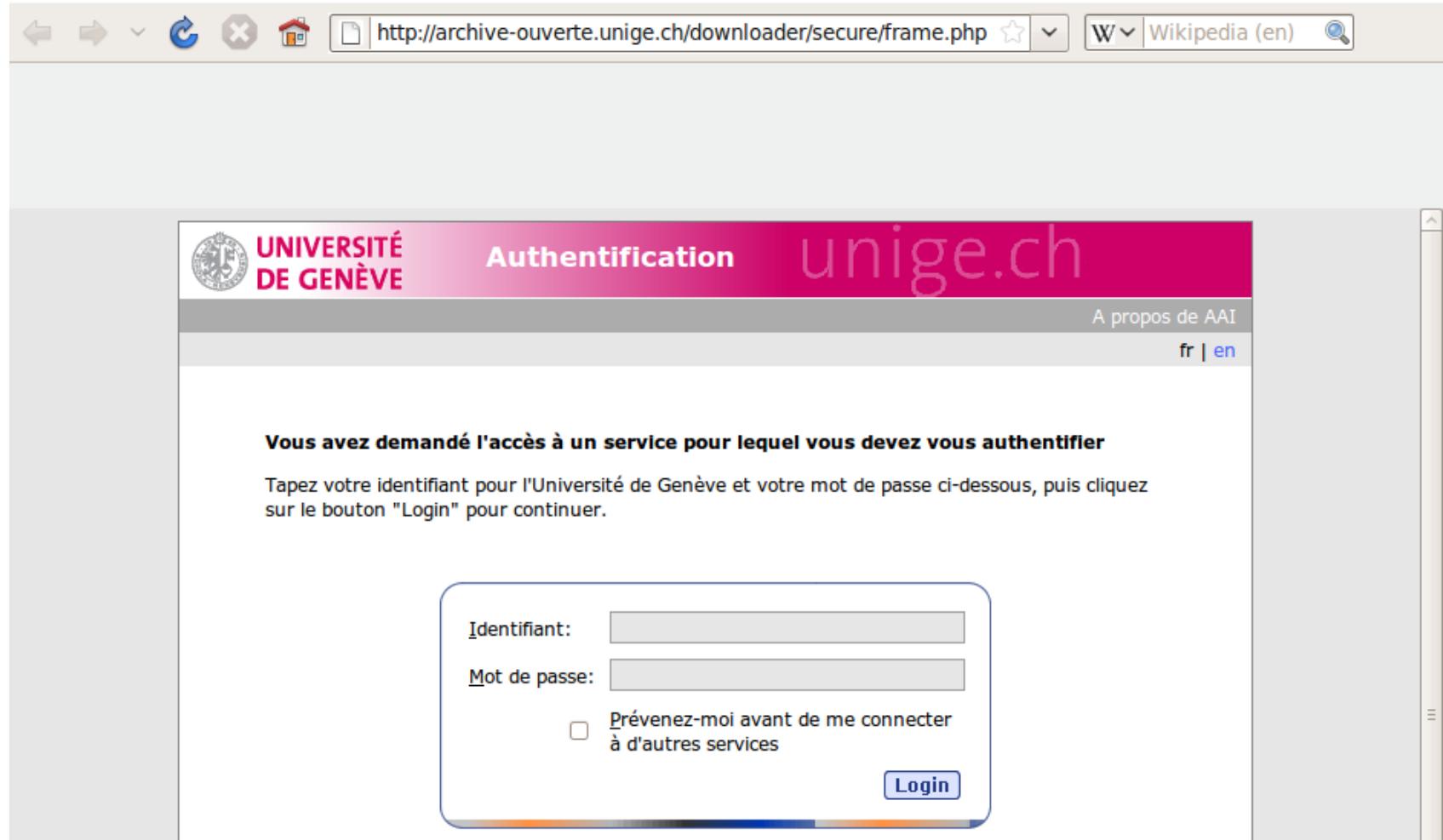
Example attribute filter policy

```
<AttributeFilterPolicy id="afp_for:externalUniqueID">
  <PolicyRequirementRule xsi:type="basic:AND">
    <basic:Rule xsi:type="saml:AttributeRequesterInEntityGroup" groupID="urn:mace:switch.ch:SWITCHaaI" />
    <basic:Rule xsi:type="basic:OR">
      <basic:Rule xsi:type="basic:AttributeRequesterString" value="https://xenos.unil.ch/shibboleth" />
      <basic:Rule xsi:type="basic:AttributeRequesterString" value="https://my.unil.ch/shibboleth" />
      <basic:Rule xsi:type="basic:AttributeRequesterString" value="https://mydev.unil.ch/shibboleth" />
      <basic:Rule xsi:type="basic:AttributeRequesterString" value="https://mytest.unil.ch/shibboleth" />
    </basic:Rule>
  </PolicyRequirementRule>
  <AttributeRule attributeID="swissEduPersonUniqueID">
    <DenyValueRule xsi:type="basic:NOT">
      <basic:Rule xsi:type="basic:AttributeValueRegex" attributeID="swissEduPersonUniqueID"
      regex=".*@unil\.ch$"/>
    </DenyValueRule>
  </AttributeRule>
</AttributeFilterPolicy>
```

Clickjacking Protection for the IdP (1)

- Clickjacking [2]:
 - Hijacking mouse clicks on a web page.
 - User clicks on an invisible object that lies on top of what he sees.
 - Abused to trigger actions on a site where the user is logged in.
 - Your site could be vulnerable if it can be displayed in a frame or iframe.
- Why protect the IdP?
 - Login form could be abused
 - Framed login page example [3]
 - "Next Generation Clickjacking" at BlackHat Europe 2010 featured some scary examples [4]

Framed login page example



The screenshot shows a web browser window with a framed login page. The top bar includes standard navigation icons (back, forward, search) and a URL bar showing <http://archive-ouverte.unige.ch/downloader/secure/frame.php>. To the right of the URL bar are links for "Wikipedia (en)" and a magnifying glass icon.

The main content area has a pink header bar with the University of Geneva logo, the text "UNIVERSITÉ DE GENÈVE", "Authentification", and "unige.ch". Below this is a grey navigation bar with links for "A propos de AAI", "fr | en", and a vertical scroll bar on the right.

The central content area contains the following text:

Vous avez demandé l'accès à un service pour lequel vous devez vous authentifier
Tapez votre identifiant pour l'Université de Genève et votre mot de passe ci-dessous, puis cliquez sur le bouton "Login" pour continuer.

Below this is a login form with rounded corners, enclosed in a blue border. It contains the following fields and controls:

- Identifiant:** A text input field.
- Mot de passe:** A text input field.
- Prévenez-moi avant de me connecter à d'autres services** (Checkmark option)
- Login** (A blue rectangular button)

Clickjacking Protection for the IdP (2)

- X-Frame-Options HTTP header

- Designed by Microsoft; supported by IE8, Safari 4, Chrome 2 and NoScript (Firefox extension)
 - JSP example:

```
<% response.addHeader("X-Frame-Options", "deny"); %>
```

- JavaScript

- Frame buster example:

```
if (top!=self) {  
    top.location.replace(self.location.href);  
}
```

- Can be circumvented [2,4]

References

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