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AAI Attributes, Authorization, System Requirements, SWITCHaai Central Services

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- AAI Attributes
- Authorization
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- Virtual Home Organization (VHO)
- WAYF
- Resource Registry



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AAI Attributes

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Personal

Unique Identifier

Surname

Given name

E-mail

Address(es)

Phone number(s)

Preferred language

Date of birth

Gender

Group Membership

Home Organization Name

Home Organization Type

Affiliation (student, staff, ...)

Study branch

Study level

Staff category

Group membership

Organization Path

Organizational Unit Path

▪ Implementation of Attributes

▪ **Mandatory**

▪ **Recommended or optional**

▪ Based on

▪ **eduPerson Attributes**

▪ **“Schweizerisches
Hochschulinformationssystem”
(SHIS)**

▪ **NO username, password**

http://www.switch.ch/aai/docs/AAI_Attr_Specs.pdf

Example with SWITCHaai Attributes

Attribute	Value
UniqueID	773443@aaitest.switch.ch
Givenname	Demouser
Surname	SWITCHaai
Affiliation	staff
Entitlement	http://unil.ch/aai/resources/biblio92 http://ethz.ch/res/12345
HomeOrganization	aaitest.switch.ch
HomeOrganizationType	others



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Authorization

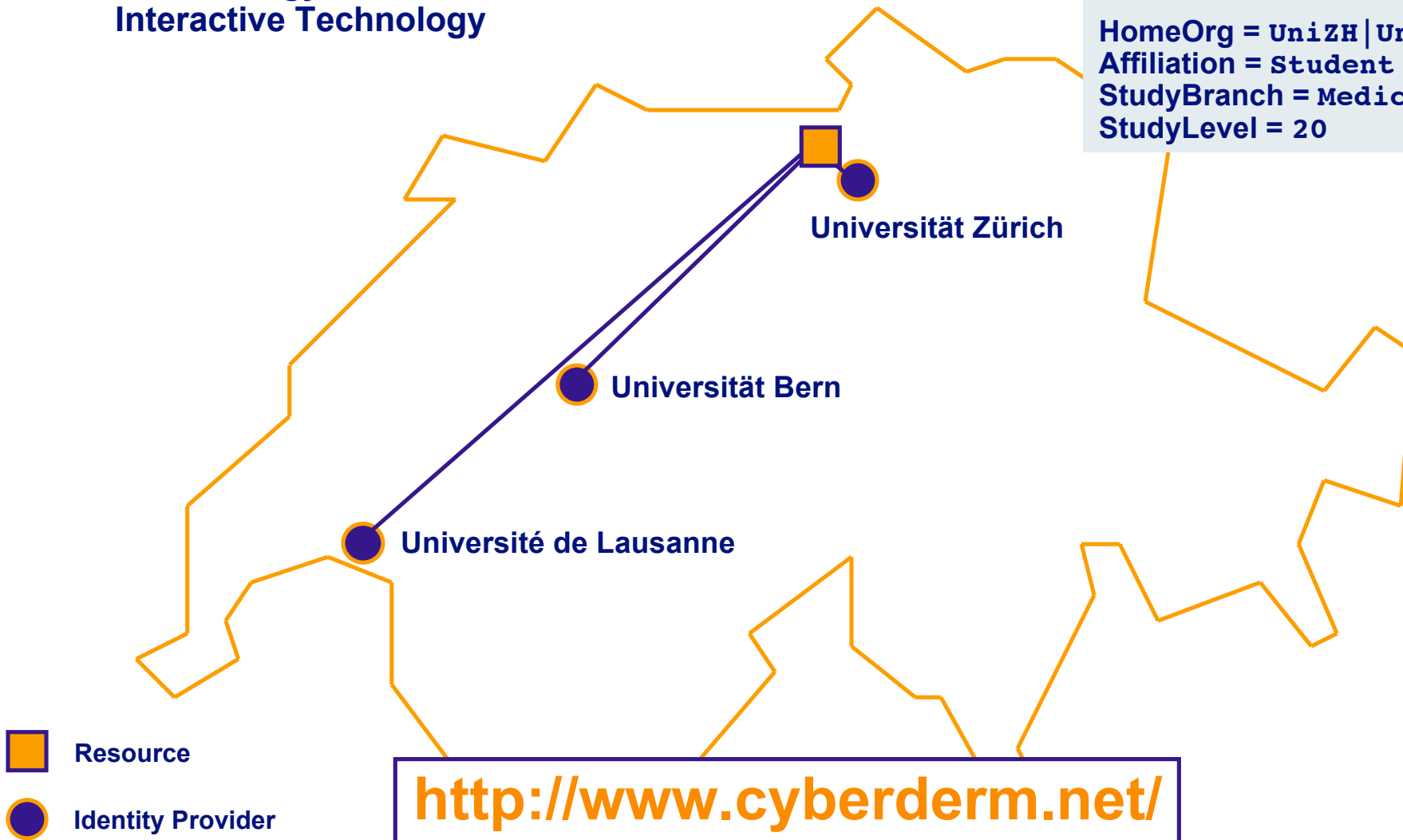
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Access Rules using AAI Attributes

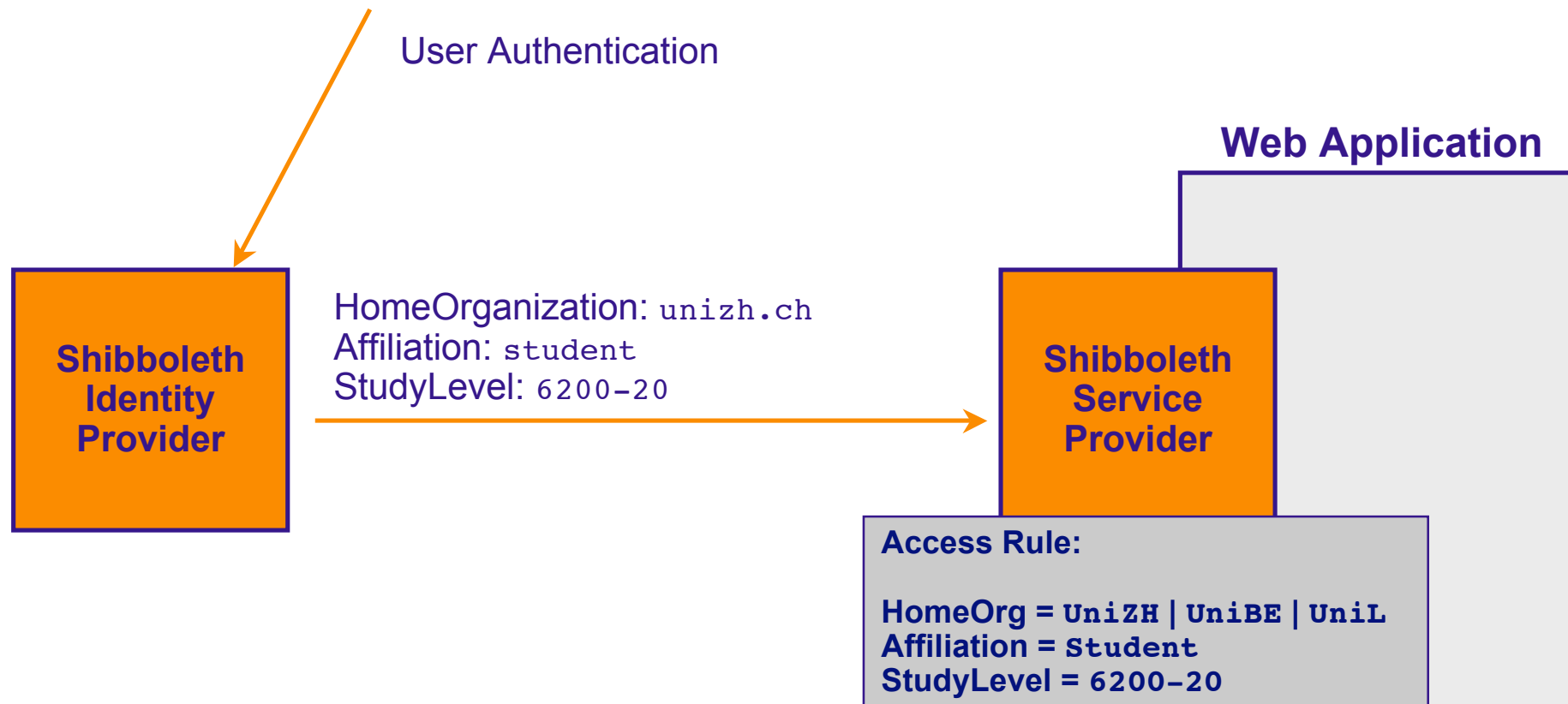
DOIT: Dermatology Online with Interactive Technology

Access Rule

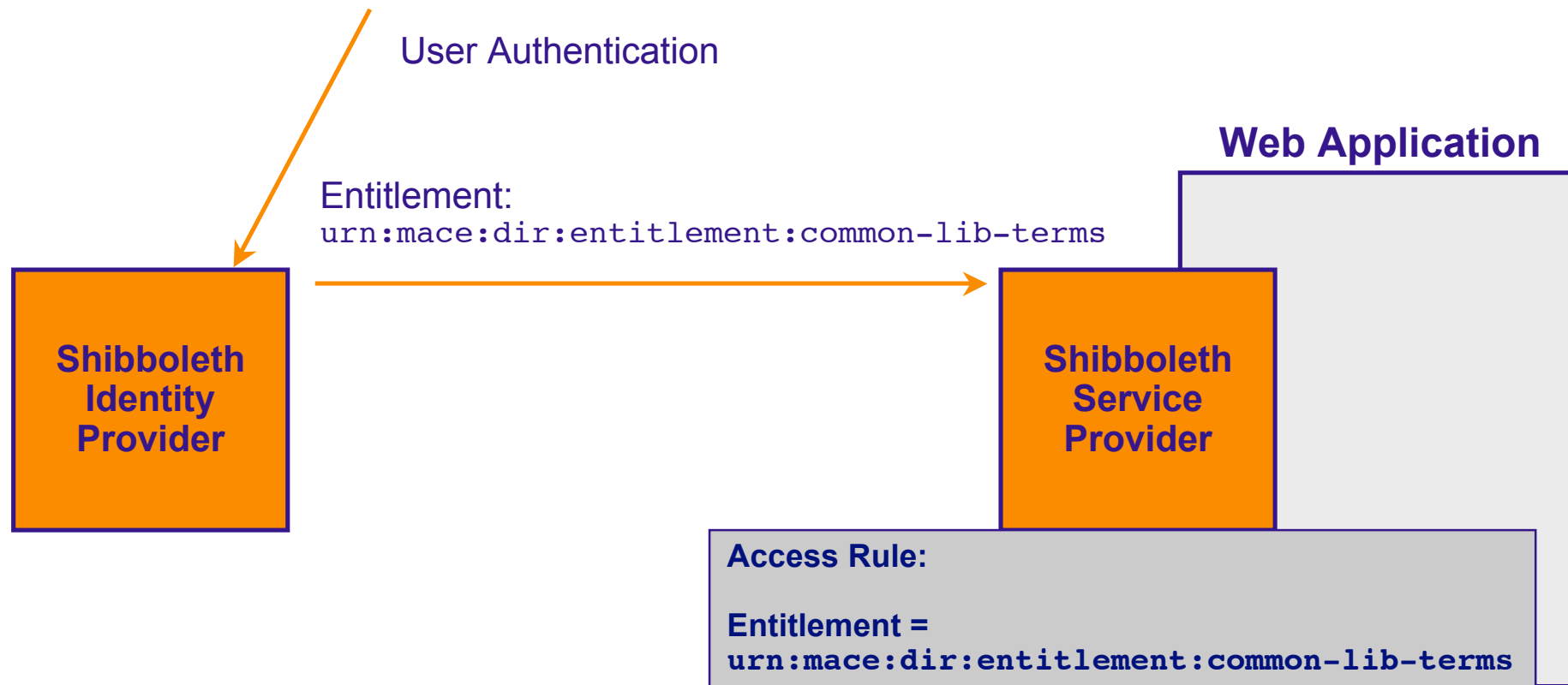
HomeOrg = UnizH | UniBE | UniL
Affiliation = Student
StudyBranch = Medicine
StudyLevel = 20



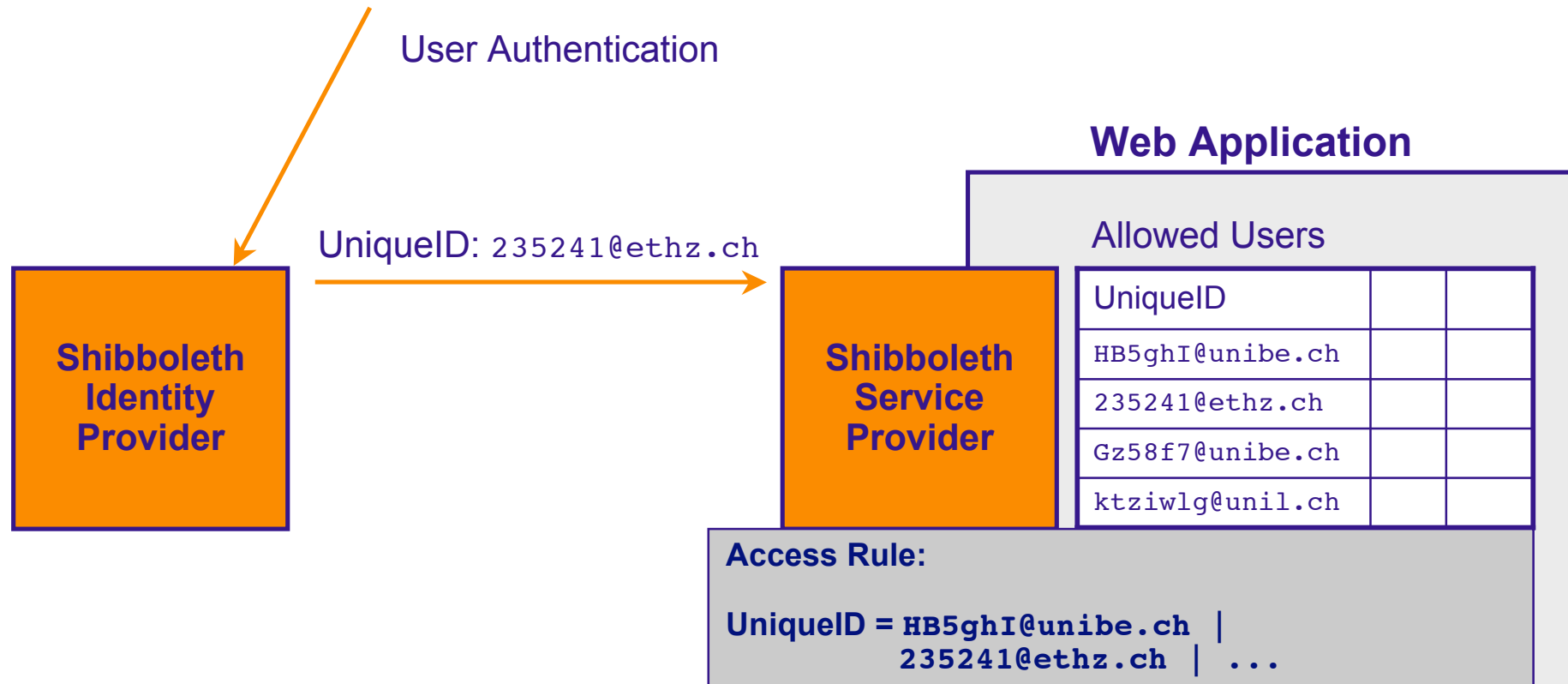
Authorization I: Group membership



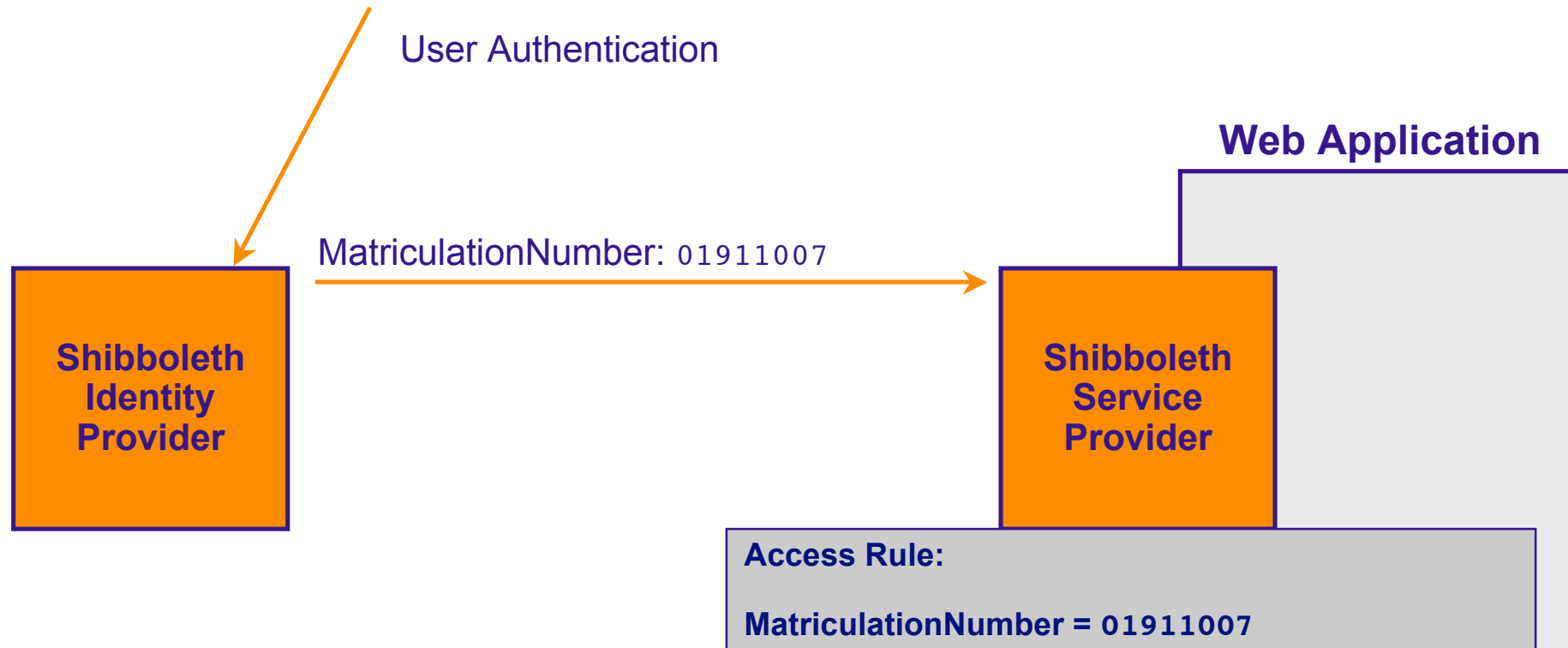
Authorization II: Entitlement



Authorization II: Individual User



Authentication IV: Additional Attributes





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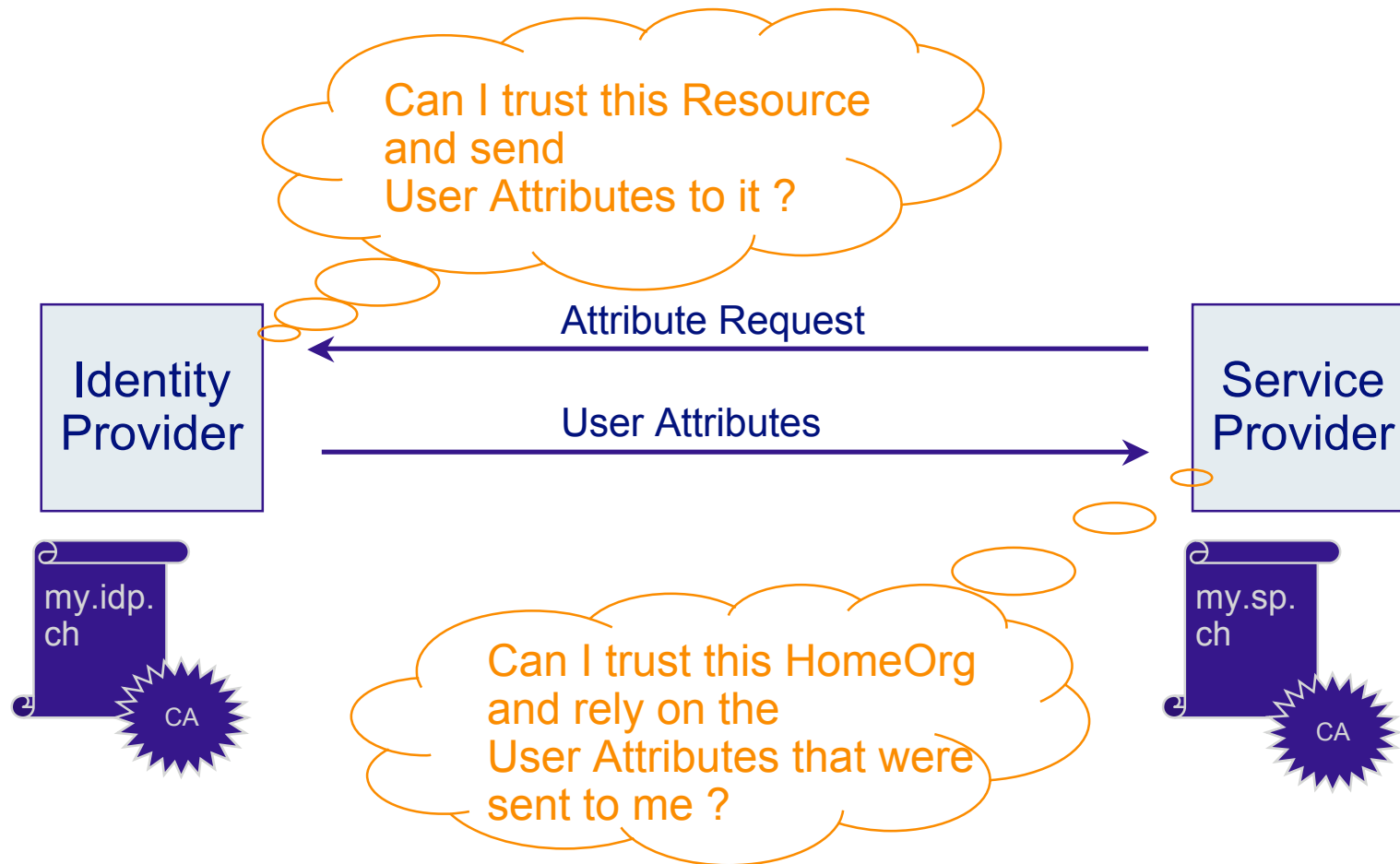
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System Requirements

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- Cookies
 - Browser redirect
 - SSL
 - JavaScript (if not available: additional click necessary)
- ⇒ Basic features of any modern Web Browser

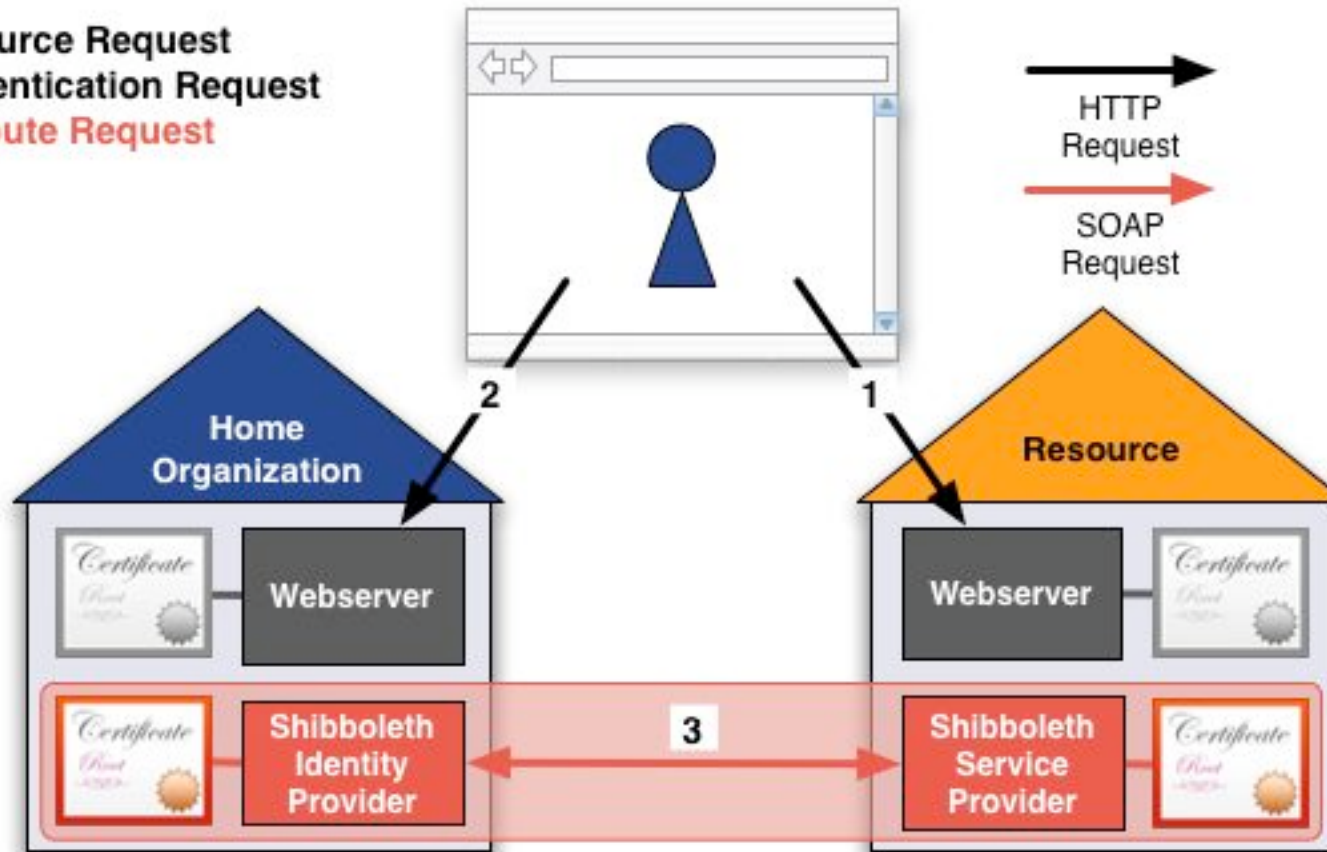
Requirements II - X.509 Certificates



⇒ Mutual authentication of Identity Provider and Service Provider

Requirements III - X.509 Certificates

- 1. Resource Request
- 2. Authentication Request
- 3. Attribute Request



⇒ Shibboleth and web server may use different X.509 certificates

- ❑ Currently accepted Certificate Authorities (CAs) in SWITCHaai
 - ❑ SWITCHpki: SwissSign, SCS (Cybertrust Educational CA)
 - ❑ Thawte: Server CA, Server Premium CA
 - ❑ Verisign: Class 3 CA
 - ❑ TC TrustCenter: Class 2, Class 3

- ❑ Procedure defined to include additional CAs

<http://www.switch.ch/aai/certificates/>

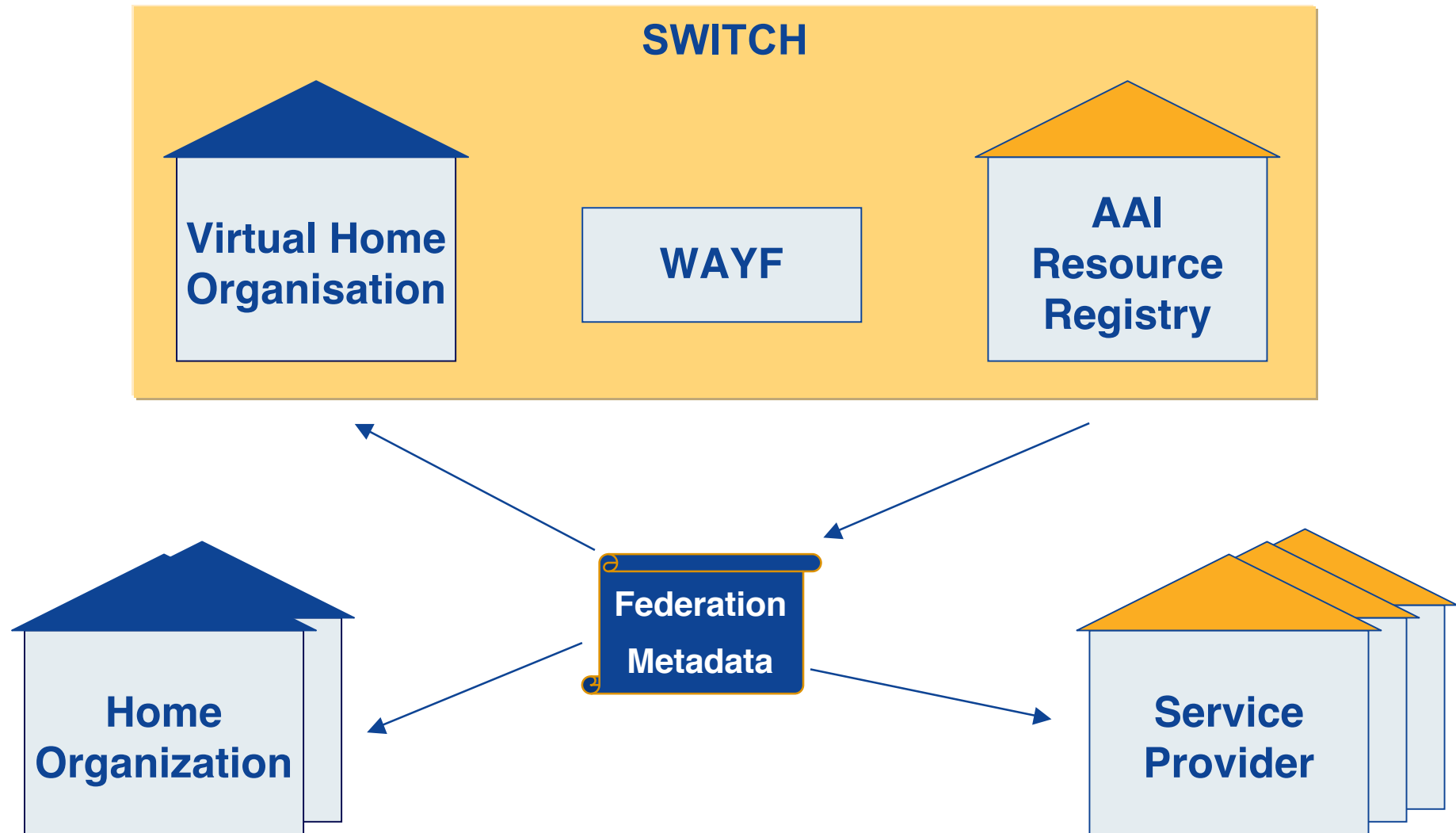


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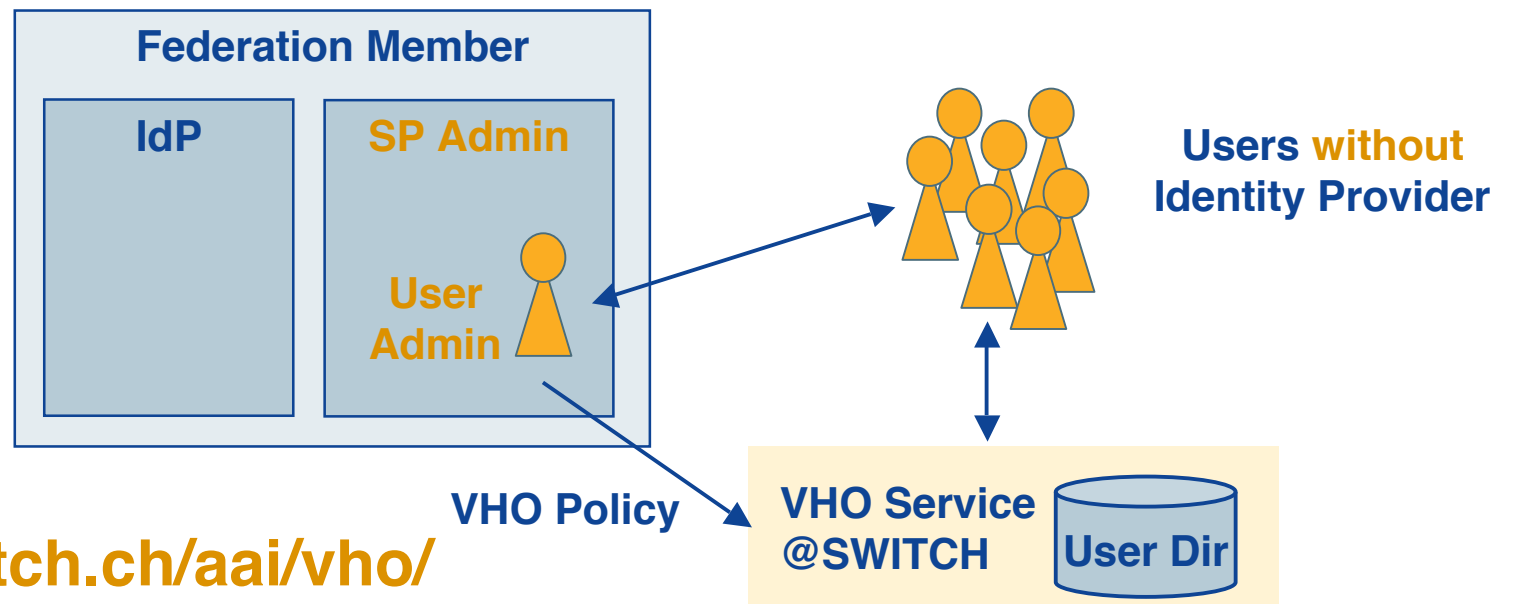
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SWITCHaai Central Services

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- SP can integrate users **without** an Identity Provider
- **SP Admin** accepts VHO policy & nominates User Admin
- **User Admin** allocates «AAI-enabled» accounts for users lacking an IdP
- *A VHO account is only of use for SPs under control of the SP admin. Third parties will not trust these identities.*



<http://www.switch.ch/aai/vho/>

IdP Discovery Service (WAYF)

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[About AAI](#) : [About SWITCH](#) : [FAQ](#) : [Help](#) : [Privacy](#)

Select your SWITCH^{aai} Home Organization

In order to access a Resource on host 'kelut.switch.ch' you must authenticate yourself.

Select the Home Organization you are affiliated with ...

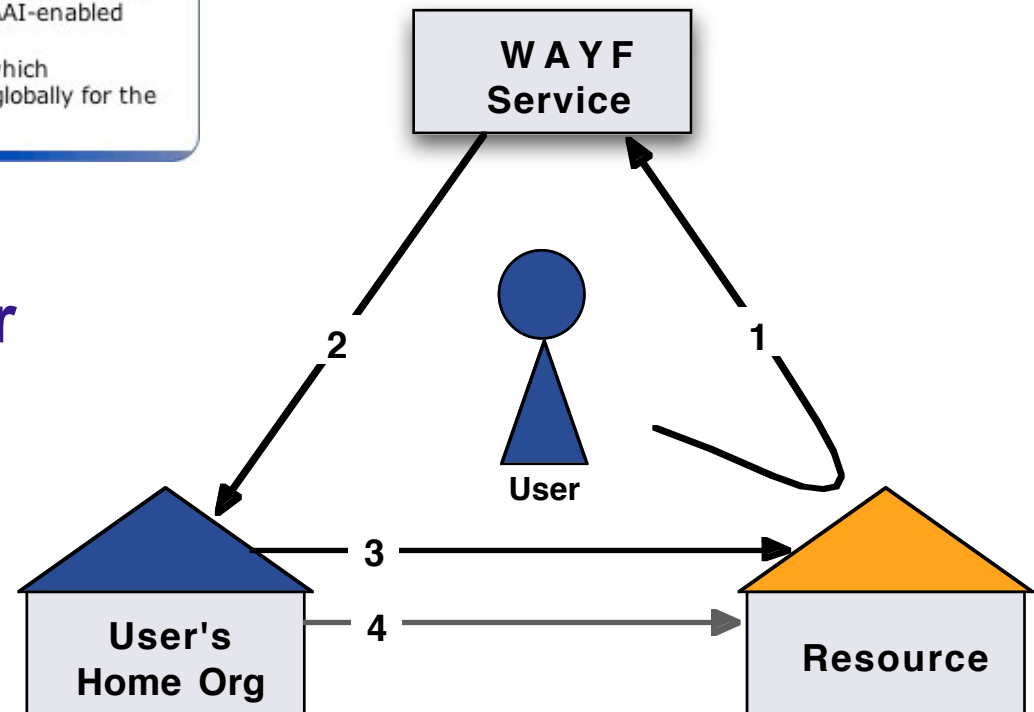
Remember selection for this web browser session.

- ▶ SWITCH recommends [importing the 'SwissSign Root CA Certificate'](#) into your web browser. That way, your web browser can seamlessly establish secure connections to AAI-enabled web servers.
- ▶ The [SWITCH](#) Foundation operates the Swiss Education & Research Network which guarantees high-speed connectivity to the Internet and to science networks globally for the benefit of higher education in Switzerland.

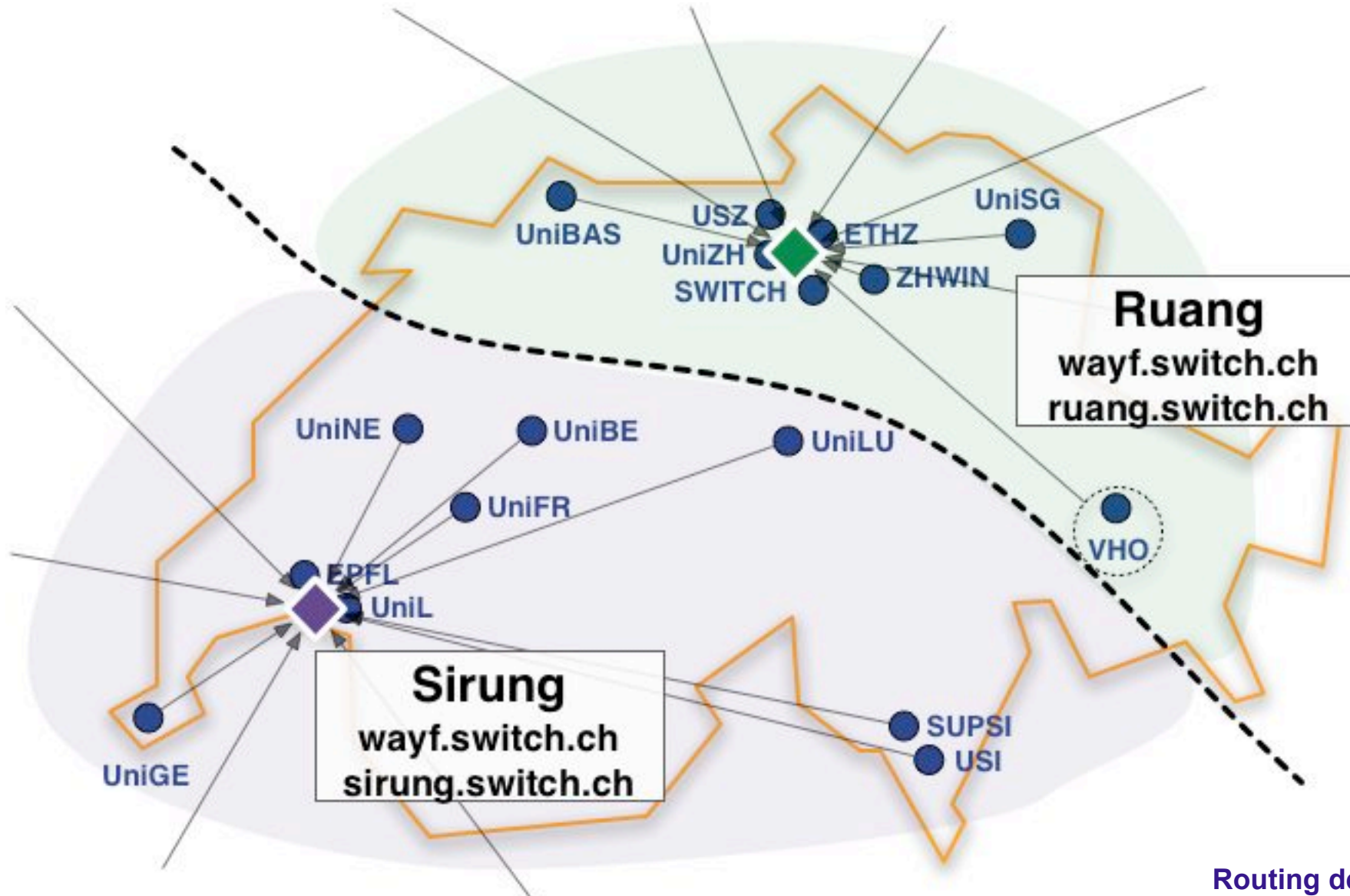
Facts about WAYF:

- Stateless requests
- Two requests per visit
 1. (Show drop-down list)
 2. Redirect User to IdP

⇒ **The WAYF guides the user to his Identity Provider**

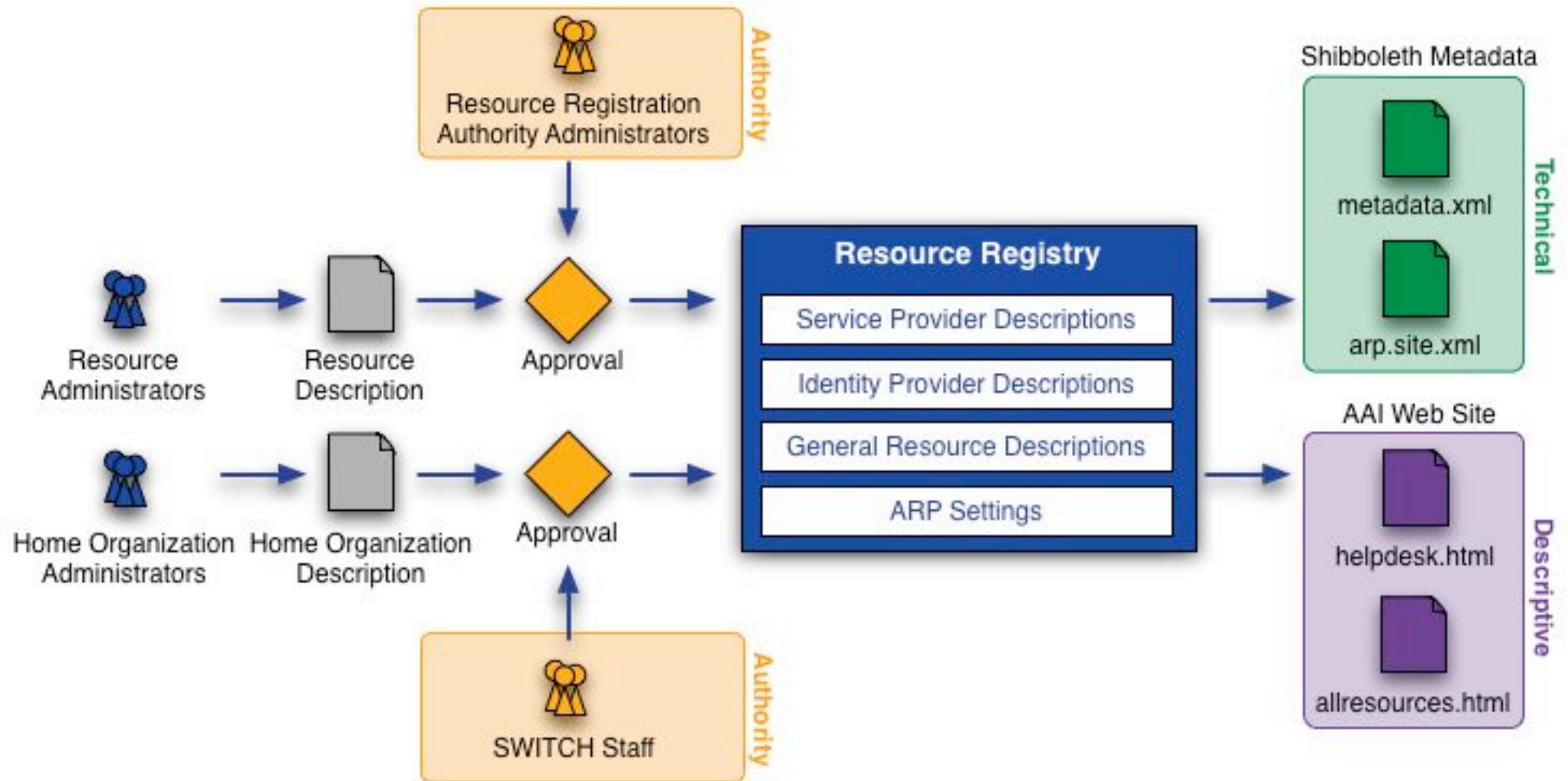


SWITCH Federation WAYF Service



Routing dependent

Resource Registry Processes



Before an SP/IdP description becomes part of federation metadata, it must be approved by an authority first

- **Make use of the its features**
- **Provide descriptions in multiple languages**
- **Attribute Requirements**
 - Which attributes does your application really need?
 - Which attributes are just desired?
 - Explain why, use the description
- **Intended Audience**
 - For which IdPs is your SP relevant?

<https://aai-rr.switch.ch>

Output of Resource Registry

- **Metadata**, see <http://www.switch.ch/aai/metadata/>
- **Configuration files** for IdPs (ARP) and SPs (shibboleth.xml, ...)
- **Helpdesk webpage** shows helpdesk contacts for your SP



users from institute(...)

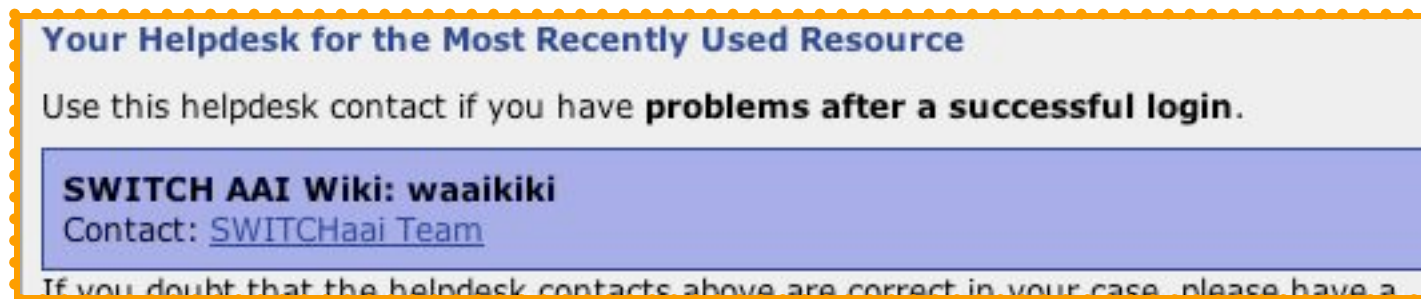
SWITCH AAI Wiki: waaikiki

No Helpdesk web page specified

- ▶ [Show contact persons](#)
- ▶ [Show requested attributes](#)
- ▶ [Show intended audience](#)

For 1 SWITCH AAI Wiki: waaikiki

- **Public Resource list**, see <http://www.switch.ch/aai/participants/>



Your Helpdesk for the Most Recently Used Resource

Use this helpdesk contact if you have **problems after a successful login**.

SWITCH AAI Wiki: waaikiki
Contact: [SWITCHaai Team](#)

If you doubt that the helpdesk contacts above are correct in your case, please have a