2017: November

Greetings folks

This is the running update from the Executive Director. Have questions or comments? Suggest some added information or edits? Contact the ED colin at kantarainitiative dot org.

Hello everyone,

November was a busy conference month that started for me in Brussels with Kantara's European-based liaison partner EEMA with its annual ISSE conference and back to Brussels again the following week to keynote at the IAM Belgium conference. Kantara's very well attended pre-conference workshop to curtain-raise Kuppinger Cole's Consumer Identity World Tour 2017 in Paris, followed the week after where we were blessed with nearly a full slate of Working Group reps that updated attendees on activities. Thank you Mark Lizar from OCG, Thorsten Niebuhr from Wedacon, Come van Roolt from iWelcome, Justin Richer from Bespoke Engineering, Martin Sandren from Nixu, Keith Uber from Ubisecure, plus our member and liaison speakers, Katryna Dow from Meeco, Allan Foster from Forgerock and Joni Brennan from DIACC. Thanks also to Mike Acuri from Facebook who provided us an early insight into Facebook's Account Recovery application. And we finished a great day with well earned refreshments in a bar bistro close by. Thanks once again to sponsors Forgerock and Saviynt!

We used the event to formally announce the Consent Management Systems Best Practice work group, designed to draw in service providers in the space and converge their Best Practice, so if your organization is in this space, please join this work group to contribute your best practice and converge on the agreed outputs. Thank you members Welome and Digi.me for your directed funds to bring this most important work forward. As a general trend we are seeing interest in this group arise our of interest in Consent Receipt that topped our downloads again this month

Meanwhile, with the generous support of ID.me for supplying editing resources, Kantara has developed Service Assessment Criteria for the NIST SP 800-63-3 Guidelines for Digital Identity, for identity & credential service providers whose solutions are utilized by relying parties online. The work has just gone into public review. Given the few organizations offering 3rd party conformity assessment services for 63-3 or any other scheme, Kantara is extending the scope of Kantara's Trust Framework Operations Program. As you browse the new content on that link, please take our Survey regarding your current or planned compliance with Identity Management related standards. Help us to help you!

As we close in on the end of 2017, Kantara foresees 2018 as a very challenging year for the digital identity and personal data industry on both sides of the Atlantic - the GDPR & PSD2 pertaining to EU residents and changes in the way US federal agencies will procure digital identity credential services. It will be very challenging for Kantara too, as pressure is applied by policy makers on its Trust Frameworks services at the same time as industry demand for new projects to fill in the blank canvas in advance of formal standards relentlessly increases. What better way to open the year then, than with Kantara's first hosted conference in London, the International Privacy Summit, January 29th!

But first, it's holidays! Kantara wishes its members, partners and supporters Happy Holidays and a prosperous New Year.

Kind Regards,

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Around the Houses:

Marketing:

- You can always find us online: https://twitter.com/KantaraNews and https://twitter.com/UMAWG and https://twitter.com/KantaraCISWG.
- Want to start a Kantara local chapter in your town? We are happy to help. Just Contact us.

Program, Work Group and Discussion Group Updates:

- You can always keep up with the latest news from the Work Group and Discussion Groups directly off the Leadership Council's Blog.
- Kantara's Consent Receipt v1.1 is nearing the end of its public review. Last call for comments!
- @UMAWG has worked through the comments submitted in its second public review period, and is preparing UMA 2.0 for formal publication. Kantara’s UMA protocol is ranked 2nd in Kuppinger Cole’s top 10 trends for 2018. And 1st on Kuppinger Cole’s list? None other than Kantara’s Consent Receipt.
- See all of our Specifications, Recommendations and Reports here and awaiting your download from our Reports and Recommendations web repository.
- As always, if you have a query or question, staff are only too willing to assist. Contact them via email.

Events: See them here!

- This is a MUST if you are a service provider selling services into the EU - Kantara's first hosted conference in London, the International Privacy Summit, January 29th. Or lock in IPS18 to watch the action.

- Can't make it? Then see us and register at TIIIME in Vienna, Austria, Europe's IIW February 5-8th 2018. Experts from across the trust/identity/data protection space will meet at TIIIME 2018 in Vienna, Austria. Besides the well-established unconference there are two new events: Federation Boot Camp (All common architectures for X2Y identity Management in one hour. Crash course in SAML-based WebSSO and beyond (OIDC). If you are new on an FO team or planning to set up a new federation this is for you). And Open Source Software for Identity Management. Evaluating software, trying to improve or enhance existing products? Meet the experts! Tutorial "Shibboleth from an FO perspective" to get practical insight into metadata management and SP on-boarding, Tutorial "Keycloak": Open Source all-in-one IDM solution, Tutorial "Midpoint": Enterprise-scale provisioning, and a Presentation stream "Consumer to Contributor": use cases, updates, road maps and community building for various OSS projects.