Managing identities

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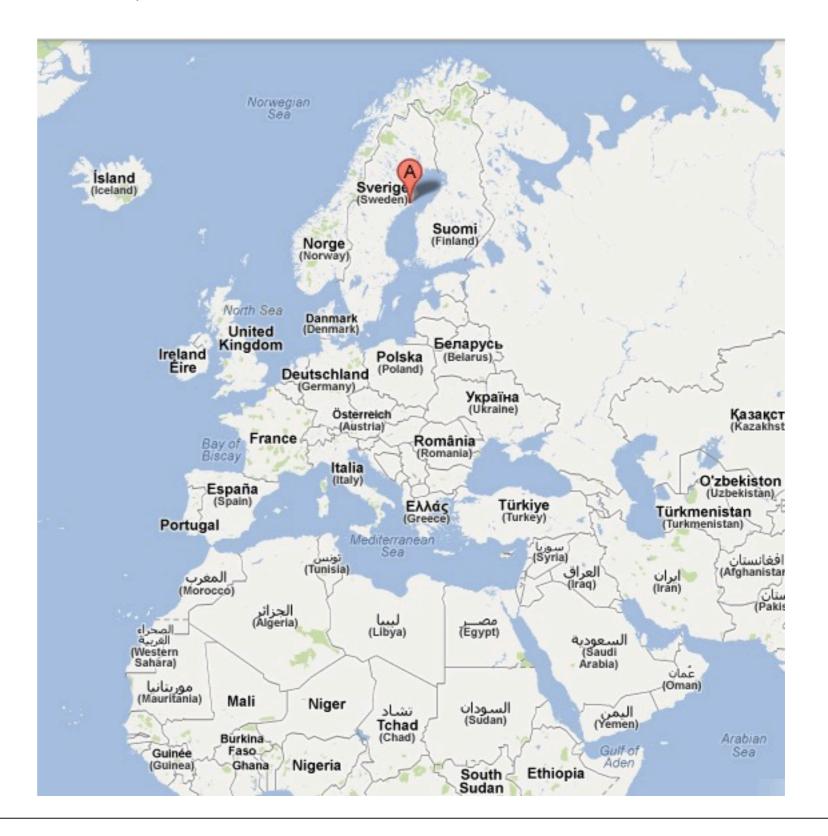
Who am 1?

- Got into networking in 1987
- Managed computer networks and network applications
- Worked with standardisation of directory technologies
- Software developer/Senior researcher

Umeå, Sweden

Latitude: 63° 50' North

Longitude: 20° 15' East



Topics

- WhyHow
- Future

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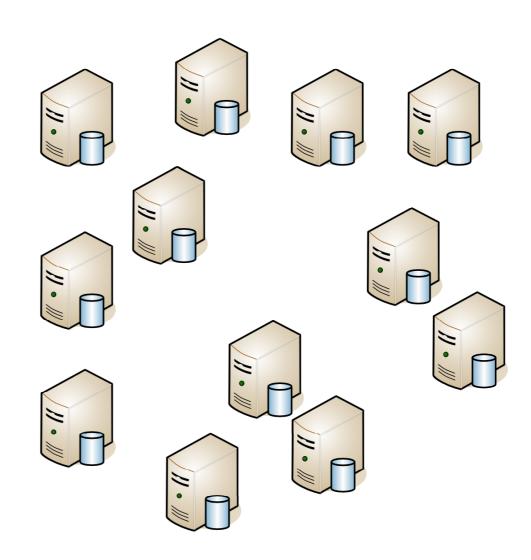
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A set of attributes and values

Why?

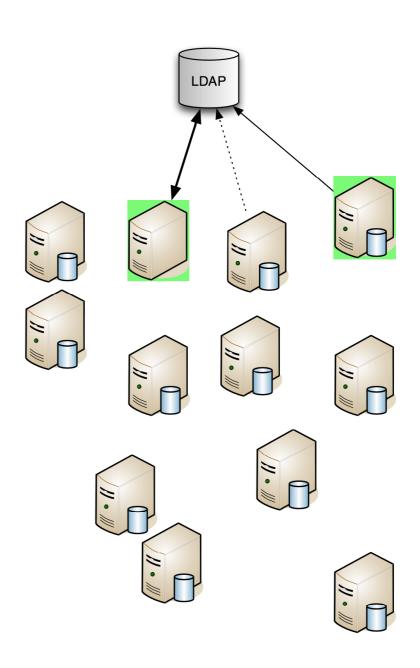
Historic progression late '80

 A set of completely autonomous systems



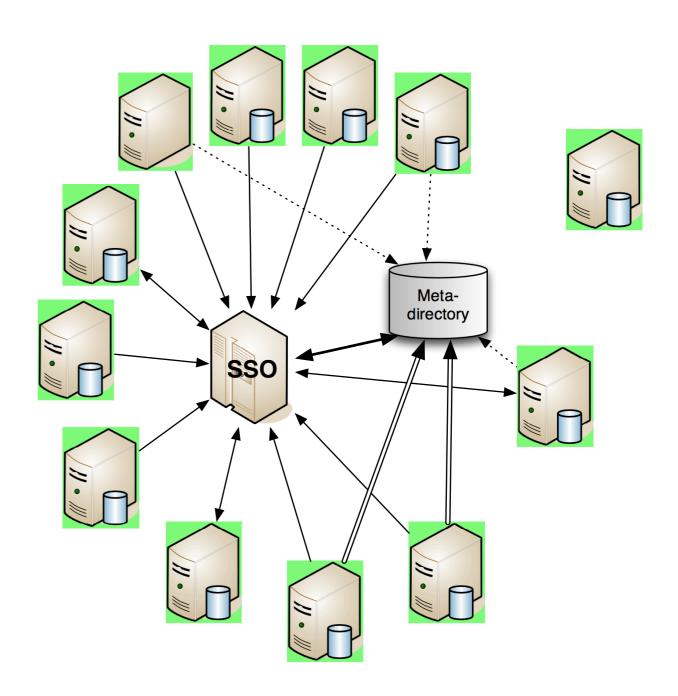
Ist transition

- mid '90
- Some know how to use LDAP
- LDAP is populated manually



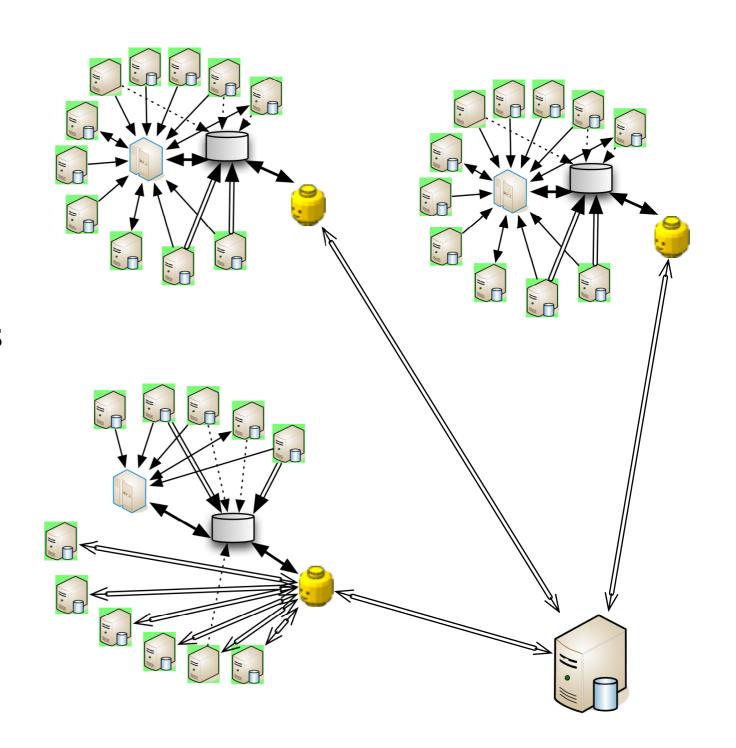
2nd transition

- 2007
- Single-Sign-On ubiquitous in-house
- Extra info from LDAP

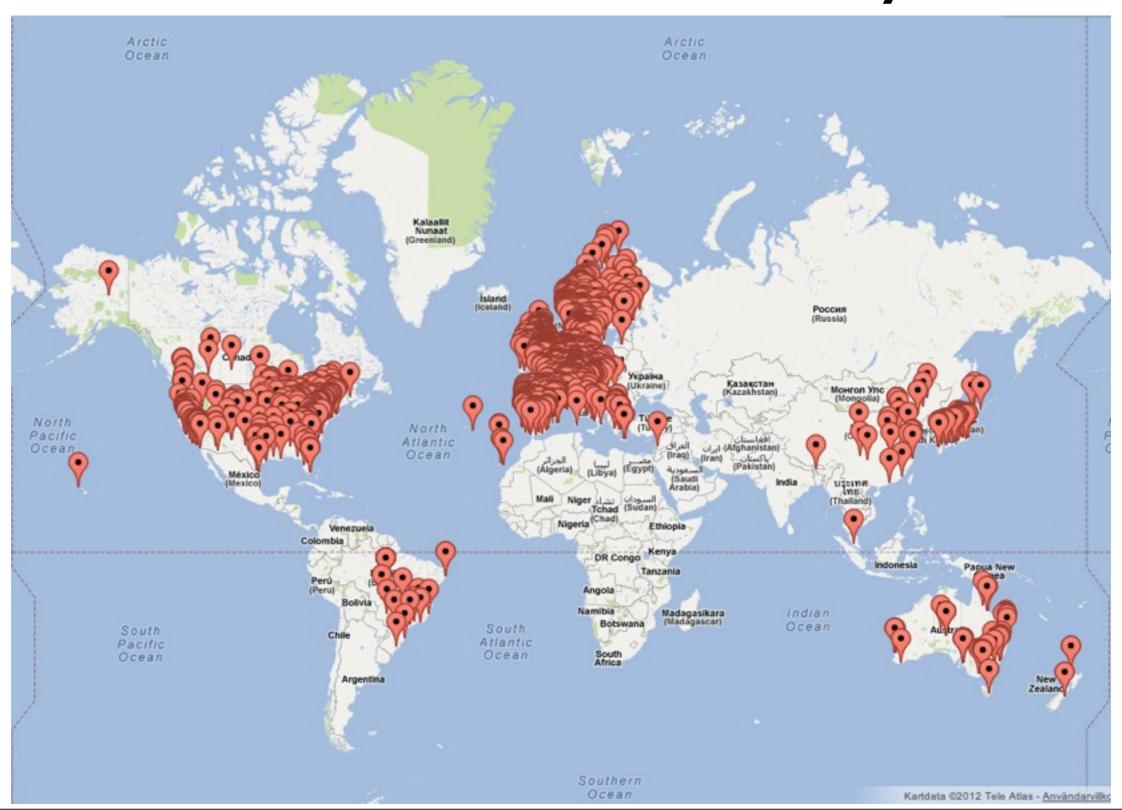


3rd transition

- today
 - Identity federations
 - SAML
 - Eduroam



IdPs over the world as seen from Norway



Driving forces

- Ist & 2nd transition
 - Centralized cheaper than decentralized
- 3rd transition
 - User convinience and economy of scale

Eduroam



Eduroam status

- 43 member NROs
- > 5300 service locations + 400 (Au, Nz)
- 250 M successful authN (~6% international) may 2011- april 2012
- eduroam is ranked as 27th most widely used SSID (5th most frequent operator SSID)

Why!

- Enables trustworthy exchange of information between federations
- Reduces the costs of developing and operating services
- Improves the security and end-user experience of services
- Enables service providers to greatly expand their user base
- Enables identity providers to increase the number of services available to their users



SWAMID offers quality assured and secure identification of employees, students, alumni and other associated in higher education in Sweden, in the Nordic countries, in the rest of Europe and also in North America and Asia.

The eduGAIN service is intended to enable the trustworthy exchange of information related to identity, authentication and authorisation between the GÉANT (GN3) Partners' federations.

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Federation policies

- SWAMID Federation Policy v2.0
- SWAMID Basic Identity Assurance Profile v1.0
- SWAMID eduroam Technology Profile v1.0
- SWAMID SAML WebSSO Technology Profile v1.0

Explicit trust

Kantara Identity Assurance Framework (IAF)

http://kantarainitiative.org/confluence/display/idassurance/Home

- Common Organizational Service Assessment Criteria
- Operational Service Assessment Criteria

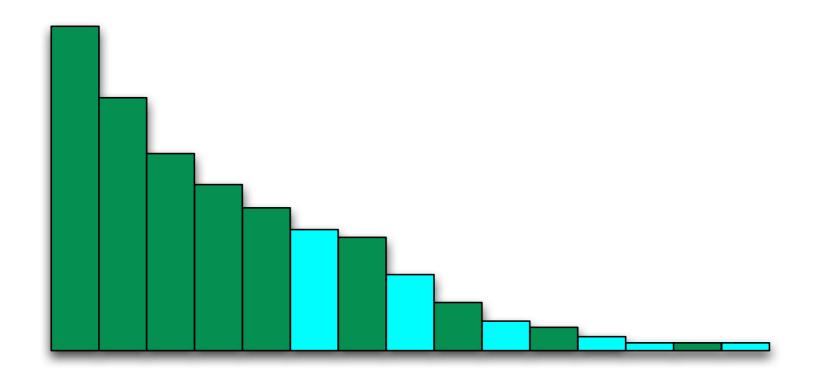
Trust in Security environment

IdM checklist

Some outstanding issues

Problem of scale

- A few services has many users
- Many services has few users



Which identity provider to use?

- OpenID NASCAR problem
- Where Are You From (WAYF)



Attribute releases

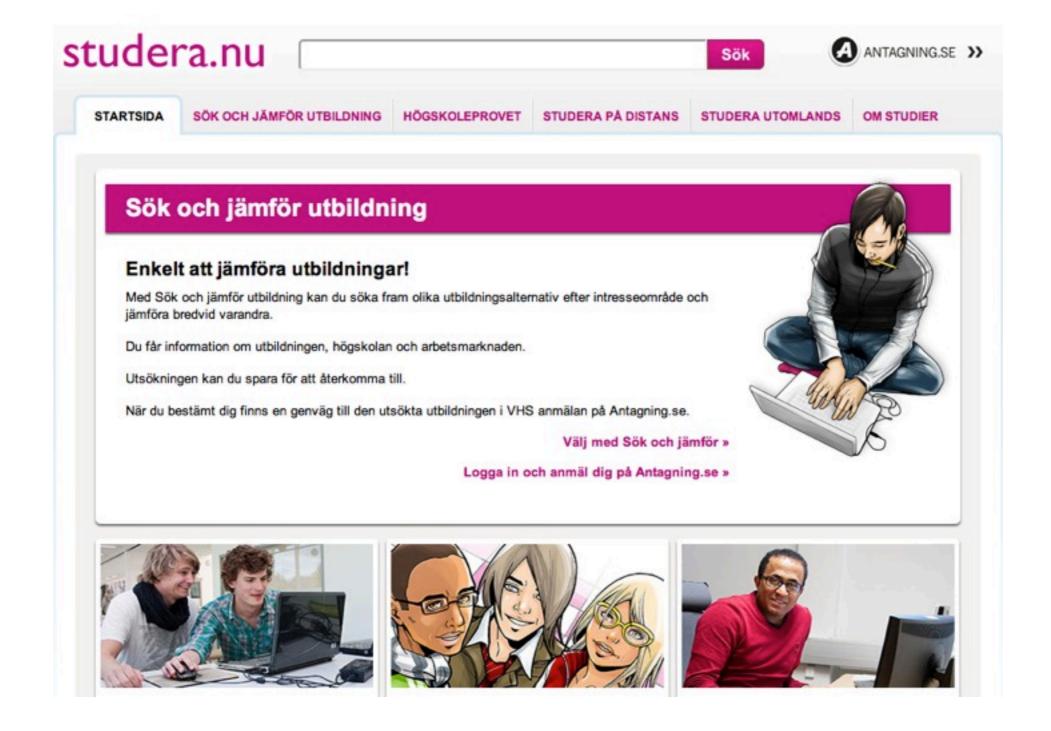
- Specific for every Identity Service provider pair
- Solution
 - Service categories

Service examples

SWAMID coverage

- All universities with more than 1000 FTE students are part of SWAMID
- ~ 97 % of all students and employees

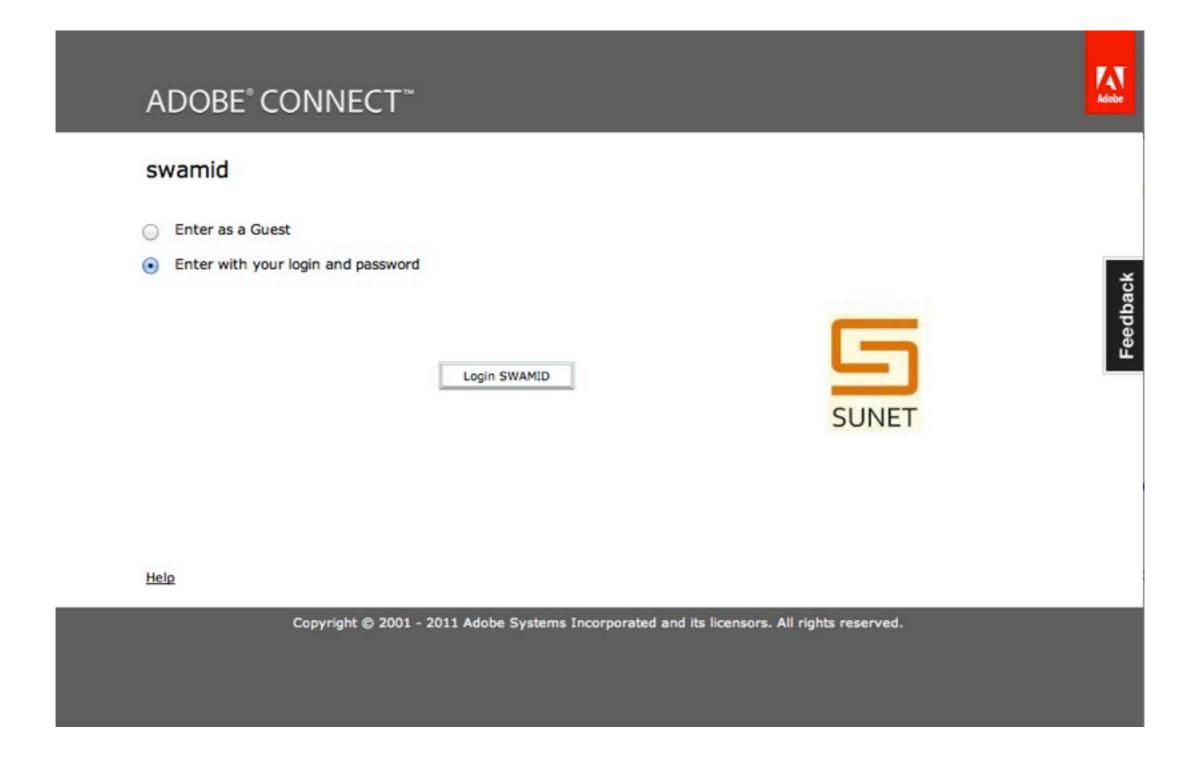
Studera.nu



NyA-webben Student administration

- Student admission system
- Base user
 - "urn:mace:swami.se:gmai:nya-dw:base:o=YY"
- Department user
 - "urn:mace:swami.se:gmai:nya-dw: department:o=YY:norEduOrgUnitUniqueNumber=ZZZZZ"

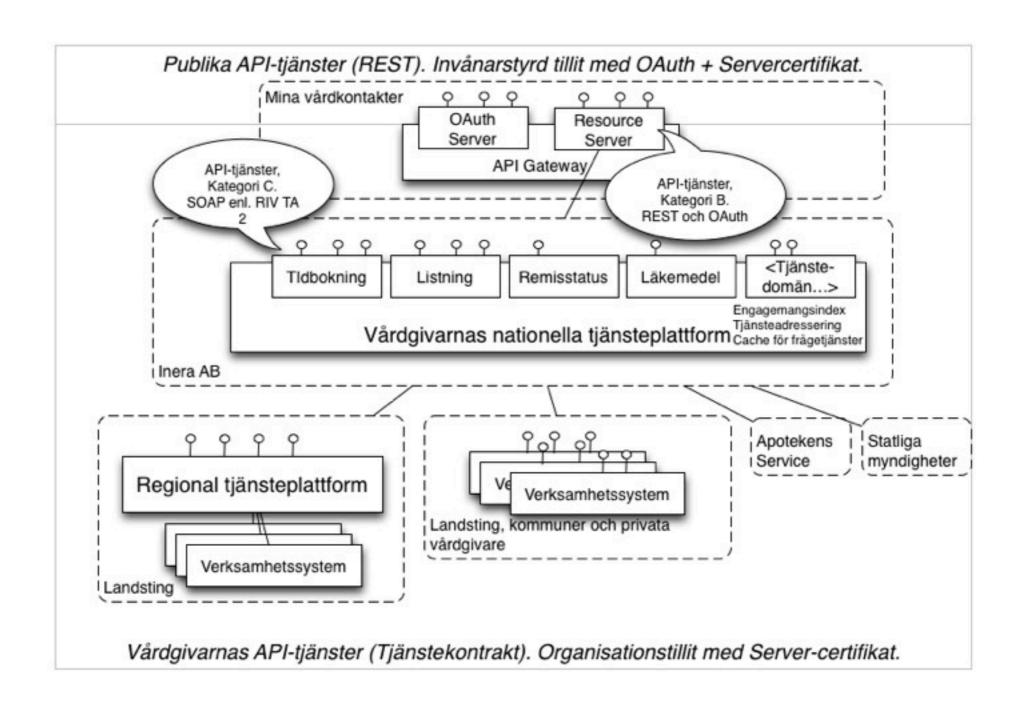
Adobe Connect



BOX.COM

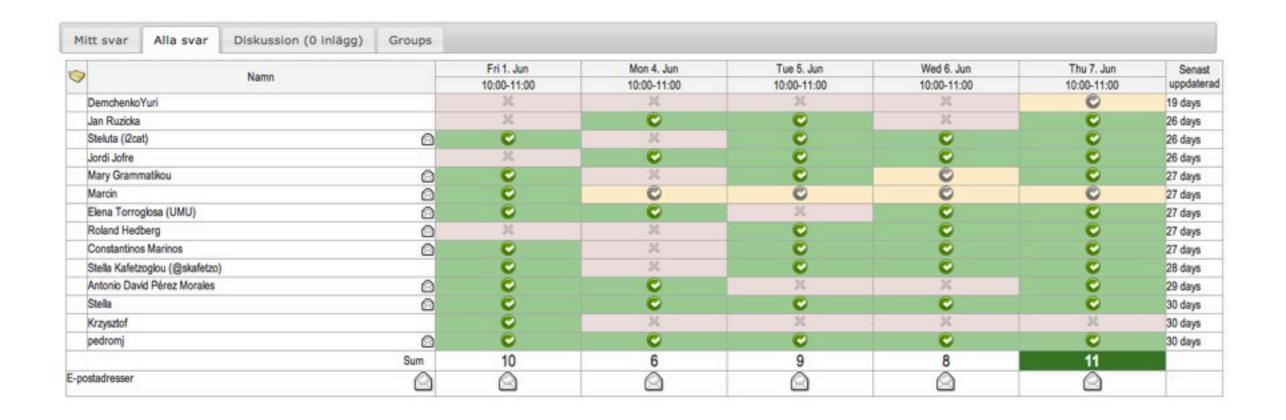
 Business agreement between SUNET and BOX.COM

Hospital contact



Foodl

https://foodl.org/





Non-web

Project Moonshot is a JANET(UK)-led initiative, in partnership with the GEANT project and others, to develop a single unifying technology for extending the benefits of federated identity to a broad range of non-Web services, including Cloud infrastructures, High Performance Computing & Grid infrastructures and other commonly deployed services including mail, file store, remote access and instant messaging.

The great divide

- Higher Education and public services
 - SAML2
- Social services
 - OpenId/OAuth2/OpenId Connect

Conclusion

- Get your identity management in order
- Document and secure your IdM process
- Join the Identity federations