AAI: systematically addressing the attribute release problem

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CLARIN

 Every scholar in the Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) in every EU and Associated country should have direct single sign-on access for research purposes ... made available by public bodies.

 because of licensing, personalised services, group collaboration etc.

How

- home organisations provide identities
 - one account, single sign-on, security, easier for services
- home organisations->national federations
 - -> inter-federating
- CLARIN SPF

Requirements

- user identifiable to the same real person in time
 - retention policy or non-reassignable
- basic attributes e.g., required for authz.

Problems

- requirements on the identity provider
 - registration policy differences
- attribute release problem
 - Research&Scholarship entity category
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State-of-the-art

- not technical problems!
- 2.5 thousand Identity Providers
- improving coverage has resulted in minimum requirements

What can be done

- create a tool that simplifies life of service providers
 - monitoring
 - reporting issues

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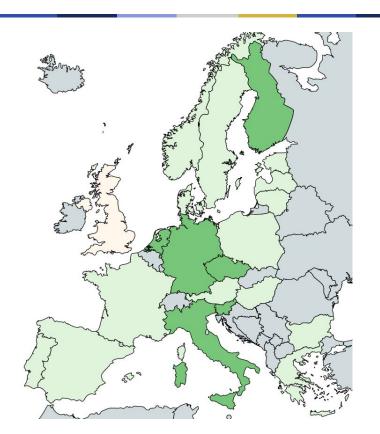
- create a tool that simplifies life of identity providers
 - once attribute release fixed, fix it for all CLARIN service providers

Attribute Aggregator

software that collects <u>names of</u>
<u>attributes</u> that were released by an Identity Provider to a Service Provider and processes them

Attribute Aggregator

- script that can be integrated with the most used federation software - Shibboleth
- script that can be used with any federation software
- web application that collects and visualises the results



9 participating service providers

- 1x LINDAT/CLARIN
- 1x CLARIN.IT
- 1x CLARIN.SI
- 2x CLARIN-D
- 3x CSC-IT Center for Science
- 1x CLARIN-ERIC

PLEASE JOIN!

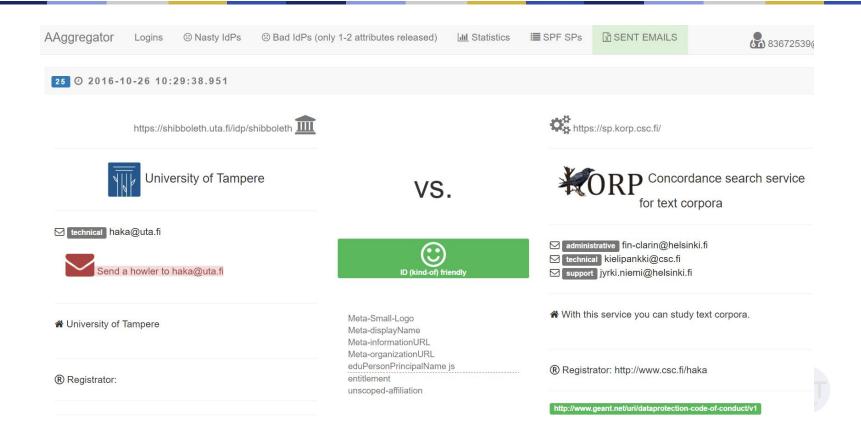


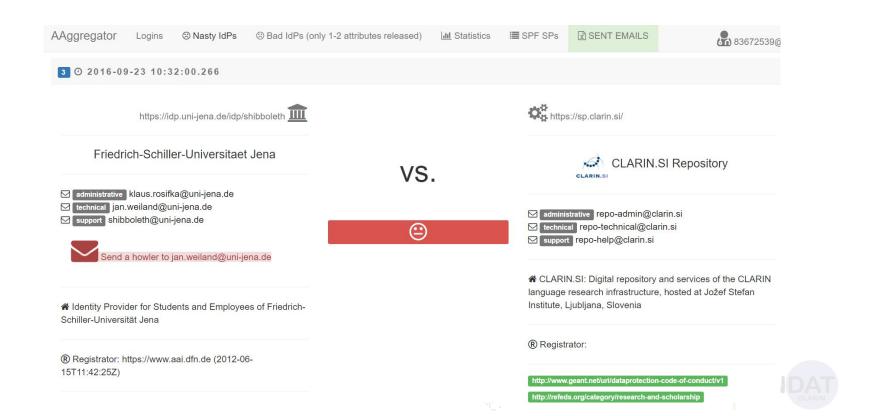
- https://lindat.mff.cuni.cz/services/aaggreg/
- open source
 - https://github.com/ufal/clarin-sp-aaggregator
 - https://github.com/ufal/lindat-aai-attribute-aggregator
- deployed at the end of April 2016
 - imported statistics from LINDAT/CLARIN

- IdP count increased to 181
 - at least one user from that IdP has tried to connect to one of the 9 service providers
- 10+ IdPs have been "fixed"
- a few federation issues have been identified









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On behalf of one of the Service Providers from CLARIN Service Provider Federation (SPF) [1] we would like to inform you that users from your home organisation tried to access a protected service or resource but were unable to do so because your Identity Provider has not released all the mandatory attributes.

All the Service Providers in the CLARIN SPF are:

- 1) implementing the GÉANT Data Protection Code of Conduct [2];
- 2) are members of the REFEDS Research and Scholarship Entity Category [3];
- 3) are CLARIN members and have the http://clarin.eu/category/clarin-member Entity Category which you can use for filtering.

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Aggregator features

- collects attribute names
- identifies problematic connections
 - no attributes
 - incorrect behaviour
- issue reporting with one click
- statistics

Future (on-going) work

- harmonise entity category used to distinguish CLARIN service providers in SPF
- optional integration with Attribute Checker

https://wiki.edugain.org/How_to_configure_Shibboleth_SP_attribute_checker

Thank you

