

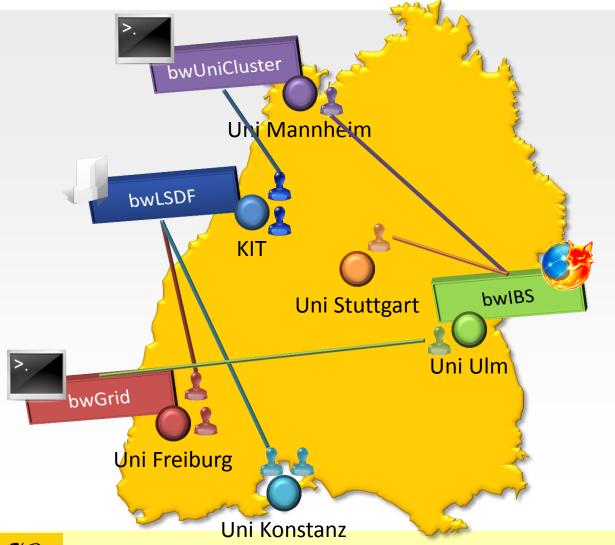
Integrating non web-based services with identity federations

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The bwIDM project



- Services of the state of Baden-Württemberg placed at different locations
- Should be useable by the affiliates of universities
- Affiliates should be able to access them with their familiar accounts of their home organization

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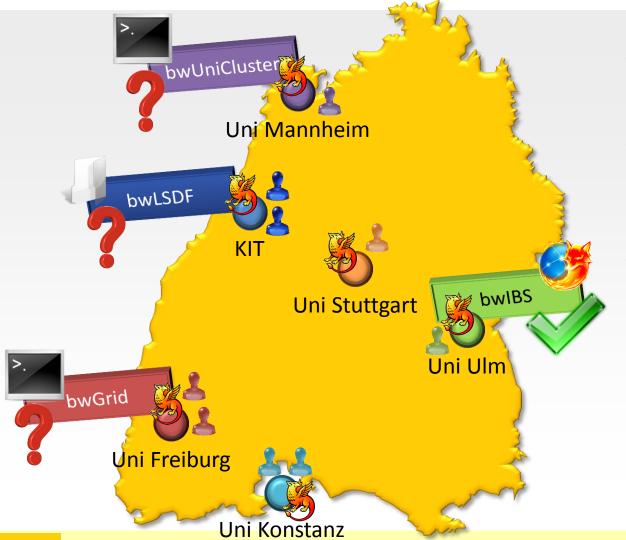
Federated Identity

Management for Baden
Württemberg





The bwIDM project



- SAML identity providers are already present at each university
- Integrating web-based services into this infrastructure is straightforward
- Integrating non web-based services is a challenge

FACIUS:

An easy-to-deploy concept to federate non web-based services based on the SAML standard.





Non web-based services vs. SAML

Non web-based services: **Authentication via the Service Provider** 1. Login via credentials **SSH Service** 2. Access 1. Request Access Web-based Service 2. Redirect 5. Assertions 4. Redirect 3. Login via credentials

- Main characteristic of SAML: **Authentication via the Home Organization**
- SAML-ECP profile can be used to "SAMLfy" arbitrary applications
 - → Technical foundation to enable non web-based services to use SAML exist





Requirements

Service Provider requirements

Integration effort

Legal aspects

(De-)Provisioning

Security

Performance

Maintainability

Deployability

Alternative authentication methods

Transparency

Use of home credentials

Legal aspects

Necessary software adaptions

User requirements

Home Organization requirements





A users perspective: Getting access to the service

Registration

- Via a Registration-Webapplication (Browser)
- Authentication based on the account at the Home Organization

Provisioning of a local context

In the SSH case:
 Establishment of a UID, a home directory, ...

Accessing the service

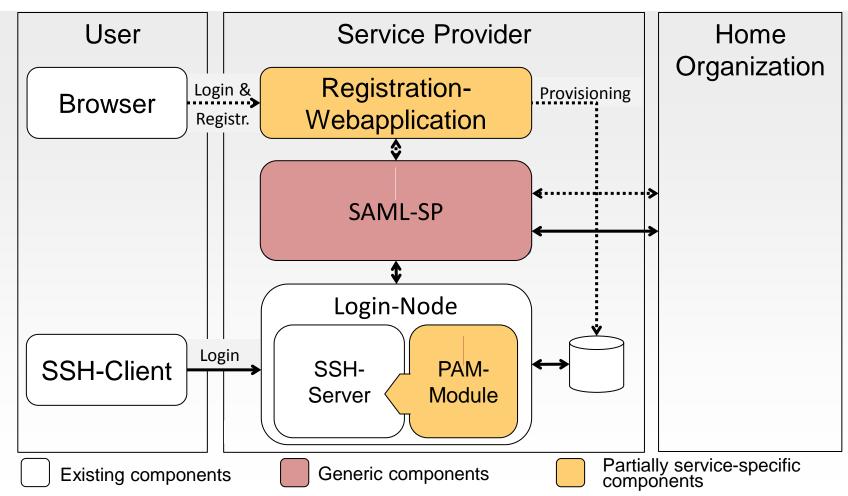
- Via native service client
- Authorization based on assertions of the Home Organization

Just has to be performed once.





FACIUS - Overview



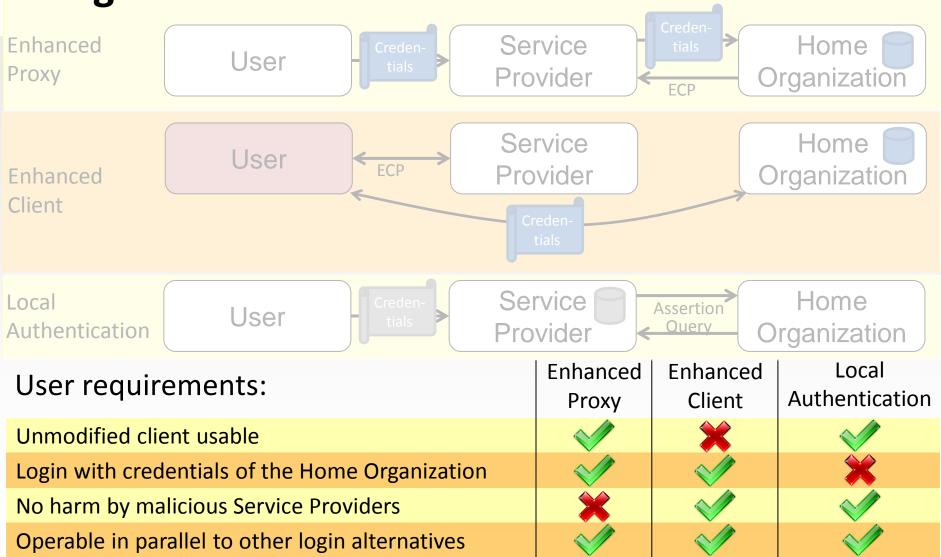
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Login alternatives







Evaluation

Service Provider requirements:

Integration effort: Integration of the Pluggable Authentication

Module with the Service Access Point

Maintainability: Based on existing frameworks

Performance (SSH-Login): 1.01 s vs. 0.30 s (regular login)

Integration into existing Federations: SAML-based federations

Provisioning/Deprovisioning:

Legal aspects: User consent to policies can be requested

Home Organization requirements:

Legal aspects: User consent to policies can be requested

No software adaptions:







Conclusion

bwIDM....

- ...is a project to establish a federation of 9 universities and services of the state of Baden-Württemberg.
- ...has the goal to federate access to non web-based services such as grid resources.

FACIUS...

- …enables non web-based services to join SAML-federations.
- ...aims to be easily deployable for existing service providers.
- ...makes active use of the SAML-ECP and AssertionQuery profile.
- ...offers users a high usability in trustworthy federations.
- ...has been successfully applied to federate SSH services.

We are planning to...

- ...federate an operational cluster by the end of the year.
- ...federate additional services based on FACIUS.



How does FACIUS fit into the EGI federated identity management platform?

