



OMREN Federation

Federation Operator Practice: Metadata Registration Practice Statement

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1. Definitions and Terminology

Example Wording:

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in RFC 2119 [RFC2119].

The following definitions are used in this document:

Federation	Identity Federation. An association of organisations that come together to securely exchange information as appropriate about their users and resources to enable collaborations and transactions.
Federation Member	An organisation that has joined the Federation by agreeing to be bound by the Federation Policy in writing.
Federation Operator	Organisation providing the infrastructure for Authentication and Authorisation to Federation Members.
Federation Policy	A document describing the obligations, rights and expectations of the federation members and the federation Operator.
Entity	A discrete component that a member wishes to register and describe in metadata. This is typically an Identity Provider or Service Provider.
Registry	System used by the Federation Operator to register entity metadata. This can be accessed on https://fed.omren.om/rr3 .
Registered Representatives	Individuals authorised to act on behalf of the member. These may take on different roles with different rights attached to them.

2. Introduction and Applicability

This document describes the metadata registration practices of OMREN Federation with effect from the publication date shown on the cover sheet. All new entity registrations performed on or after that date SHALL be processed as described here until the document is superseded.

This document SHALL be published on the Federation website at: *fed.omren.om*. Updates to the documentation SHALL be accurately reflected in entity metadata.

An entity that does not include a reference to a registration policy MUST be assumed to have been registered under an historic, undocumented registration practice regime. Requests to re-evaluate a given entity against a current MRPS MAY be made to the Federation helpdesk.

3. Member Eligibility and Ownership

Members of the Federation are eligible to make use of OMREN Federation registry to register entities <https://fed.omren.om/rr3> . Registration for the first IdP/SP will be assisted by OMREN. Registration requests from other sources SHALL NOT be accepted.

The procedure for becoming a member of the Federation is documented at: <http://fed.omren.om> .

The membership procedure verifies that the prospective member has legal capacity, and requires that all members enter into a contractual relationship with the Federation Operator by agreeing to the Federation policy. OMREN makes checks based on the legal name provided.

The membership process also identifies and verifies Registered Representatives, who are permitted to act on behalf of the organization in dealings with the OMREN Federation. Verification is achieved through the technical focal point of the member.

The process also establishes a canonical name for the Federation member. The canonical name of a member MAY change during the membership period, for example as a result of corporate name changes or mergers. The member's canonical name is disclosed in the entity's <md:OrganizationName> element [SAML-Metadata-OS].

4. Metadata Format

Metadata for all entities registered by the OMREN Federation SHALL make use of the [SAML-Metadata-RPI-V1.0] metadata extension to indicate that OMREN federation is the registrar for the entity and to detail the version of the MRPS statement that applies to the entity. The following is a non-normative example:

```
<mdrpi:RegistrationInfo registrationAuthority="http://www.omren.om"
registrationInstant="2018-6-29T13:39:41Z"> <mdrpi:RegistrationPolicy xml:lang="en">
https://fed.omren.om</mdrpi:RegistrationPolicy> </mdrpi:RegistrationInfo>
```

5. Entity Eligibility and Validation

5.1 Entity Registration

The process by which a Federation member can register an entity is described at <http://fed.omren.om> .

OMREN SHALL verify the member's right to use particular domain names in relation to entityID attributes.

The right to use a domain name SHALL be established in one of the following ways:

- A member's canonical name matches registrant information shown in DNS.

5.2 EntityID Format

Values of the entityID attribute registered MUST be an absolute URI using the http, https or urn schemes.

https-scheme URIs are RECOMMENDED to all members.

http-scheme and https-scheme URIs used for entityID values MUST contain a host part whose value is a DNS domain.

5.3 Entity Validation

On entity registration, the Federation Operator SHALL carry out entity validations checks. These checks include:

- Ensuring all required information is present in the metadata;
- Ensuring metadata is correctly formatted;
- Ensuring protocol endpoints are properly protected with TLS / SSL certificates.

5.4 Domain Names in `<shibmd:Scope>` Elements:

- Domains used in Entity ID element shall be owned by the owner of the IDP, SP or AA.
- All domain MUST be registered in Oman via Telecommunication Regulatory Authority accepted Domain Registrar.
- Domains MUST be .OM and preferred .EDU.OM
- Every provided MUST specify `<shibmd:Scope>` in the metadata during configuration or after registration.

6. Entity Management

Once a member has joined OMREN Federation any number of entities MAY be added, modified or removed by the member.

6.1 Entity Change Requests

Any request for entity addition, change or removal from Federation members needs to be communicated from or confirmed by their respective Registered Representatives.

Communication of change happens via *(e-mail, Federation registry tool and signed letters)*

6.2 Unsolicited Entity Changes

OMREN may amend or modify the Federation metadata at any time in order to:

- Ensure the security and integrity of the metadata;
- Comply with interFederation agreements;
- Improve interoperability;
- Add value to the metadata.

Changes will be communicated to Registered Representatives for the entity via the federation website.

7. References

[RFC2119]	Bradner, S., "Key words for use in RFCs to Indicate Requirement Levels", BCP 14, RFC 2119 , March 1997.
[SAML-Metadata-RPI-V1.0]	SAML V2.0 Metadata Extensions for Registration and Publication Information Version 1.0. 03 April 2012. OASIS Committee Specification 01. http://docs.oasis-open.org/security/saml/Post2.0/saml-metadata-rpi/v1.0/cs01/saml-metadata-rpi-v1.0-cs01.html .
[SAML-Metadata-OS]	OASIS Metadata for the OASIS Security Assertion Markup Language (SAML) V2.0: http://docs.oasis-open.org/security/saml/v2.0/saml-metadata-2.0-os.pdf .