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Exploring the governance requirements for enabling UK DRIs to adopt MyAccessID

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# What is needed to help UK DRIs adopt MyAccessID as a federated authenticating identity provider?





# Project team

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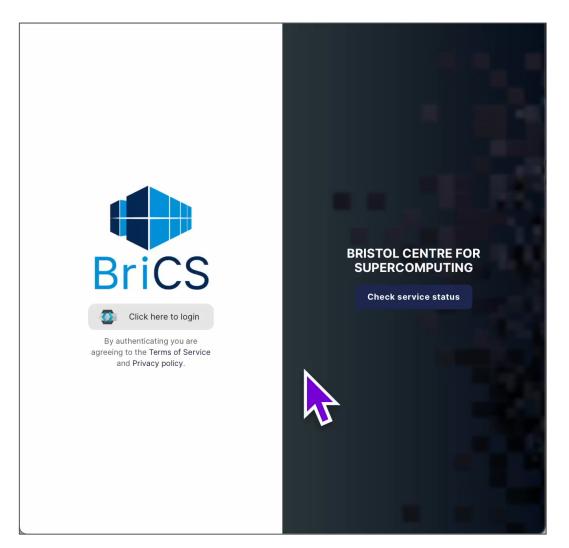
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# MyAccessID – federated identity

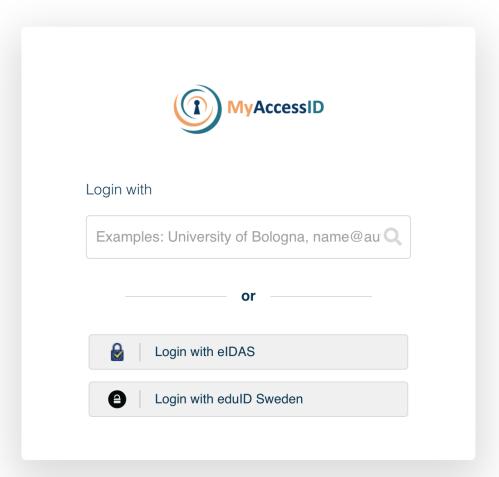
- Identity and Access Management Service provided by GEANT for the purpose of offering a common Identity Layer for Infrastructure providers
- Connects to eduGAIN Identity Providers, i.e. users can log in using their normal academic credentials
- International works across the UK, EU, US, Asia
- Authenticates a researcher's university email address
- Used by the AI Research Resources (Dawn and Isambard-AI) as the primary identity login method



## **Project Structure**

#### The project comprises three parts:

- Development of case studies, training materials and reference architectures to aid adoption of MyAccessID
- 2. Exploration of "identity connectors" to supplement MyAccessID
- Cultivating a "community of practice" focussed on the rollout of federated identities



#### 1. Find your Identity Provider



Search by institution name, email to find your Home Organization, Institution or University.

#### 2. Log-in

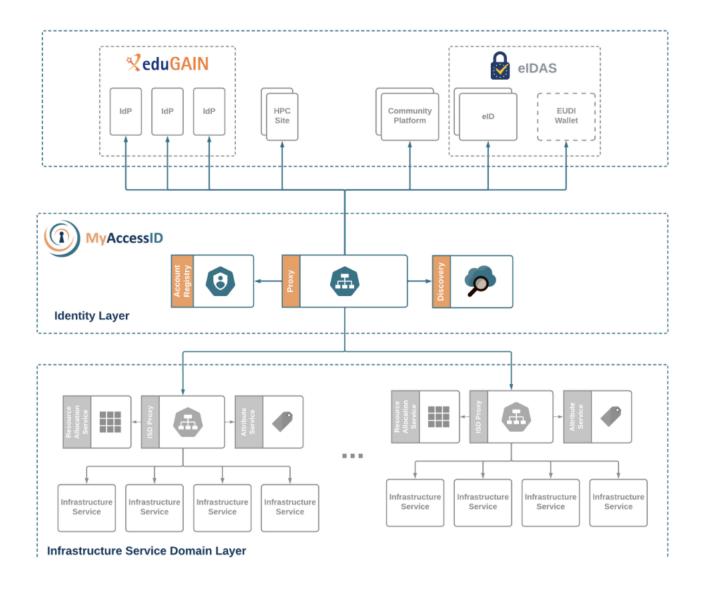


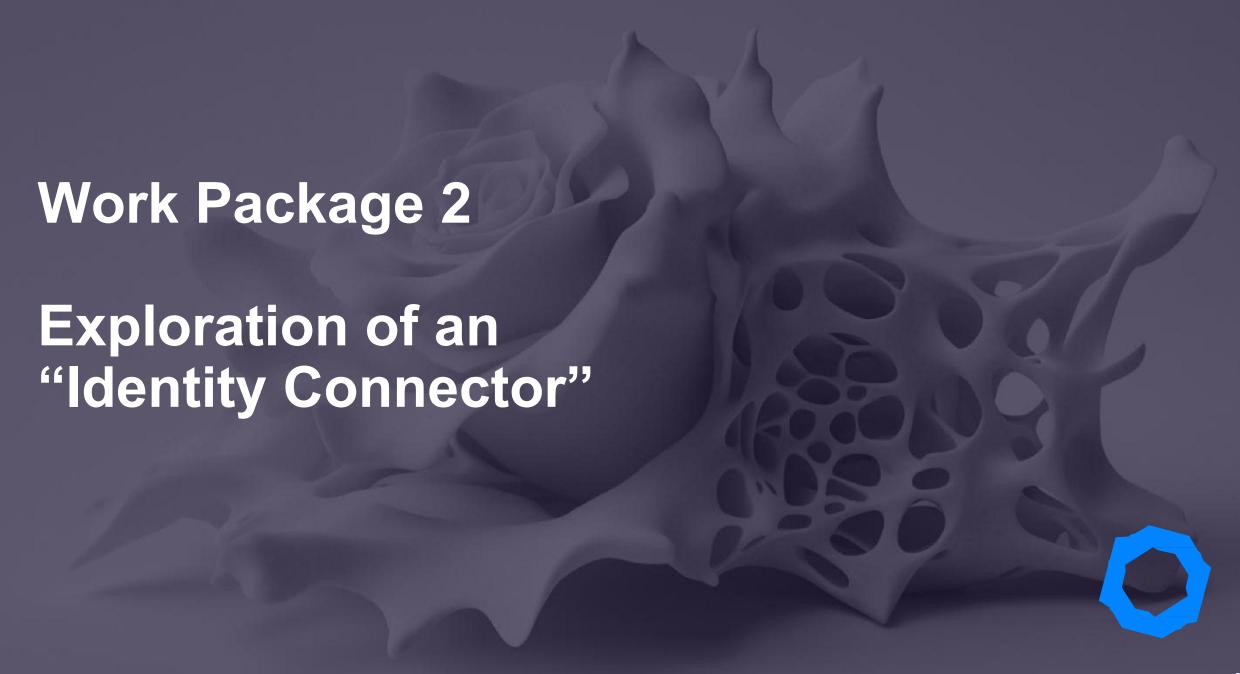
Use your institutional credentials to log in as you normally do. If you do not have any, use any of the available guest and social identity providers

Development of case studies, training materials and reference architectures

#### **Existing Deployments**

- Create case studies based on existing deployments at Bristol and Cambridge
- Create case study of deployment process as it takes place at UCL
- Use these to create reference technical architectures
- Develop reference governance and legal documents (e.g. template privacy policies)
- Develop training materials to aid future deployments
- Aim to publish all of these to help other DRI sites deploy and make use of MyAccessID





### **Identity Connector**

- MyAccessID works for academia, but what about Government, Business or Research Institute Identities?
- Develop a number of case studies highlighting the need for other kinds of identities to use UK DRIs
- Conduct technical evaluations of identity connector solutions for how MyAccessID could be supplemented to authenticate Government, Business and Research Institute identities
- Suggest business models for how a suitable "identity connector" could be made sustainable



Cultivating a Community of Practice focussed on the rollout of federated identities

## **Community of Practice**

Cultivate a dynamic CoP focused on the rollout of Federated Identity & Access Management (IAM) for UK DRIs

#### **Purpose**

- Share expertise, case studies & training materials on MyAccessID adoption
- Provide a forum for problem-solving & knowledge exchange across DRIs
- Disseminate project outputs

#### **Impact**

- Nucleate a UK IAM practitioner community representing users & DRI operators
- Support diverse use cases
- Feed into governance structures for the UK's rollout and participation of MyAccessID

