

eduGAIN Steering Group

The eduGAIN Steering Group is a body that consists of Member Federations' representatives and has an oversight role in the eduGAIN service. Each Member Federation SHOULD appoint a delegate and deputy to the eduGAIN Steering Group (eSG). Each Member Federation should ensure that delegates and deputies can represent all Technology Profiles used by the federation. The eduGAIN Steering Group may also invite non-voting observers to its meetings and mailing list.

The term of the eSG Chair and non-voting invited observers is two calendar years. The eSG is responsible for:

1. Approving changes to the profiles and documents in the eduGAIN Policy Framework, such as introducing updating or removing profiles or documents.
2. Decisions on metadata peering relationships, e.g. exchanging metadata with other trust infrastructures.
3. Reviewing and approving the membership of new Federations.
4. Approving disqualification or temporary suspension for Member Federations as described in section 3.6.
5. Appointing the Chair and non-voting invited observers to the eSG.
6. Other tasks delegated to the eSG in supplementing Technology Profiles.

Decisions of the eSG are determined by a simple majority of Member Federations from the active list at the time of the call to vote, apart from constitutional changes (see 4.4). Member Federations may vote on all constitutional changes and new Technology Profiles but may only vote on changes to Technical Profiles in active use within their federations. Each Member Federation's vote is equal, and each Member Federation is initially regarded as active. A Member Federation which is absent from two consecutive votes will be removed from the active list for the purpose of subsequent votes. Participating in a vote returns the federation to the active list.

Voting takes place over two weeks, but a decision may be reached early if the required majority is achieved before that time.

The eduGAIN SG Chair is: Terry Smith, AAF.

The eduGAIN Secretariat is supported by: Nicole Harris and Casper Dreef, GÉANT.

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eduGAIN Steering Group Meetings

Scheduled meetings: see calendar on the right for eduGAIN SG meetings and "Drop in Sessions" in 2020.

In the recent past the following meetings have taken place:

- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting January 2012](#)
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting July 2014](#) as Video Conference
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting April 2015](#) as Video Conference
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting October 2015](#) as Video Conference
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting May 2016](#) as Video Conference
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting October 2016](#) as Video Conference
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting December 2016](#) as Video Conference
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting February 2017](#) as Video Conference. Minutes?
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting April 2017](#) as Video Conference.
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting June 2017](#) as Video Conference.
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting August 2017](#) as Video Conference
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting January 2018](#) as Video Conference
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting March 2018](#) at APAN45, Singapore
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting May 2018](#) at Internet2 Global Summit, San Diego
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting June 2018](#) as Video Conference
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting August 2018](#) at APAN46, Auckland
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting September 2018](#) as Video Conference
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting November 2018](#) as Video Conference
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting March 2019](#) as Video Conference.
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting June 2019](#) as Video Conference
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting September 2019](#) as Video Conference.
- [eduGAIN Steering Group Meeting December 2019](#) as Video Conference.

eduGAIN Town Hall Meetings

2020 eduGAIN SG meetings:

#1 – 24/25 March at [T&I Town Hall meeting in Stockholm](#)

#2 – 16th June 16:30 UTC / 17:30 Amsterdam / 8:30 Los Angeles / 11:30 Lima / Washington / 13:30 Rio / 3:30 Sydney

- <https://timeanddate.com/s/419g>

#3 – 15th September Asia 7:00 UTC / 9:00 Amsterdam / 00:00 Los Angeles / 3:00 Washington / 17:00 Sydney

- <https://timeanddate.com/s/419d>

#4 - 15th December 12:00 UTC / 14:00 Amsterdam / 5:00 Los Angeles / 8:00 Washington / 23:00 Sydney

- <https://timeanddate.com/s/419g>

2020 eduGAIN "Drop in Sessions":

A range of informal, drop in meetings have been organised for the wider eduGAIN community to come together and exchange ideas. These meetings are scheduled:

#1 – 24th January 16:30 UTC / 17:30 Amsterdam / 8:30 Los Angeles / 11:30 Lima / Washington / 13:30 Rio / 3:30 Sydney

- <https://timeanddate.com/s/4196>

#2 – 18th February 7:00 UTC / 9:00 Amsterdam / 00:00 Los Angeles / 3:00 Washington / 17:00 Sydney

- <https://timeanddate.com/s/4197>

#3 – 21st April 7:00 UTC / 9:00 Amsterdam / 00:00 Los Angeles / 3:00 Washington / 17:00 Sydney

- <https://timeanddate.com/s/4198>

#4 – 19th May 12:00 UTC / 14:00 Amsterdam / 5:00 Los Angeles / 8:00 Washington / 23:00 Sydney

- <https://timeanddate.com/s/4199>

#5 – 21st July 12:00 UTC / 14:00 Amsterdam / 5:00 Los Angeles / 8:00 Washington / 23:00 Sydney

- <https://timeanddate.com/s/419b>

The Town Hall Meetings are of informative nature and open to the public. In the recent past the following meetings have taken place:

- [eduGAIN Town Hall Meeting December 2014](#) in Vienna, Austria
- [eduGAIN Town Hall Meeting December 2015](#) in Vienna, Austria
- [eduGAIN Town Hall Meeting February 2017](#) in Vienna, Austria
- [eduGAIN Town Hall Meeting December 2017](#) in Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- [Trust and Identity Town Hall Meeting March 2020](#) in Stockholm, Sweden

~~#6 - 18th August - 16:30 UTC / 17:30 Amsterdam / 8:30 Los Angeles / 11:30 Lima / Washington / 13:30 Rio / 3:30 Sydney~~

- <https://timeanddate.com/s/419c>

#7 - 17th November 7:00 UTC / 9:00 Amsterdam / 00:00 Los Angeles / 3:00 Washington / 17:00 Sydney

- <https://timeanddate.com/s/419f>

Open Actions from eduGAIN Meetings

Description	Due date	Assignee	Task appears on
<input type="checkbox"/> eduGAIN Secretariat to write a proposal for a yearly audit process for eduGAIN federation details.			eduGAIN SG - 2020 September

Completed Actions from eduGAIN Meetings

Description	Due date	Assignee	Task appears on
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brook Schofield to alert members that fall into the category of the requirements for re-establishing membership.		Brook Schofield	eduGAIN SG-2019 June
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brook Schofield / Nicole Harris to reconfirm observers with the eduGAIN SG.		Brook Schofield	eduGAIN SG-2019 June
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tomasz Wolniewicz to share statistics on whether the "old" feed has been used and where with the eduGAIN SG list.		Tomasz Wolniewicz	eduGAIN SG-2019 June
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nicole Harris to establish a small eduGAIN working group to look at recommendations on next steps for technical and behavioural standards in eduGAIN.		Nicole Harris	eduGAIN SG-2019 June