

OpenID Connect Working Group

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You're Almost Certainly Using OpenID Connect! OpenID



- Android, Apple, AOL, Deutsche Telekom, Google, GSMA Mobile Connect, KDDI, Microsoft, NEC, NTT, Salesforce, Softbank, Symantec, Verizon, Yahoo! Japan all use OpenID Connect
 - Many other sites and apps large and small use OpenID Connect
- Infrastructure not a consumer brand

Original Overview of Specifications



4 Feb 2014 OpenID Connect Protocol Suite http://openid.net/connect Dynamic Client Core Discovery Registration Minimal Dynamic Form Post Session Management Response Mode Complete Underpinnings OAuth 2.0 OAuth 2.0 OAuth 2.0 OAuth 2.0 OAuth 2.0 Bearer JWT Profile Core Assertions Responses **JWS** JWE JWK JWA WebFinger **JWT**

Session Management / Logout (work in progress)



- Three approaches specified by the working group:
 - Session Management
 - https://openid.net/specs/openid-connect-session-1 0.html
 - Uses HTML5 postMessage to communicate state change messages between OP and RP iframes
 - Front-Channel Logout
 - https://openid.net/specs/openid-connect-frontchannel-1 0.html
 - Uses HTTP GET to load image or iframe, triggering logout (similar to SAML, WS-Federation)
 - Back-Channel Logout
 - https://openid.net/specs/openid-connect-backchannel-1 0.html
 - Server-to-communication not using the browser
 - Can be used by native applications, which have no active browser
- All support multiple logged in sessions from OP at RP
- All three can be used with RP-Initiated Logout
 - https://openid.net/specs/openid-connect-rpinitiated-1 0.html
- Updates pending to RP-Initiated Logout for client_id parameter, etc.
- Session Management, Front-Channel Logout affected by browser privacy changes

Federation Specification (work in progress)



- OpenID Connect Federation specification
 - https://openid.net/specs/openid-connect-federation-1 0.html
- Enables establishment and maintenance of multi-party federations using OpenID Connect
- Defines hierarchical JSON-based metadata structures for federation participants
- Three interop events were held in 2020
 - Specification updated based on implementation feedback
- About to advance to third Implementer's Draft status

Native SSO Specification (work in progress)



- OpenID Connect Native SSO for Mobile Apps specification
 - https://openid.net/specs/openid-connect-native-sso-1 0.html
- Enables Single Sign-On across apps by the same vendor
- Assigns a device secret issued by the AS
- New specification written by George Fletcher
 - Please review!

unmet_authentication_requirements Specification (work in progress)



- Defines new error code unmet authentication requirements
 - https://openid.net/specs/openid-connect-unmet-authenticationrequirements-1 0.html
- Enables OP to signal that it failed to authenticate the End-User per the RP's requirements
- New specification written by Torsten Lodderstedt
 - Please review!

prompt=create Specification (work in progress)



- Initiating User Registration via OpenID Connect specification
 - https://openid.net/specs/openid-connect-prompt-create-1 0.html
- Requests enabling account creation during authentication
- Active discussion of relationships between account creation and use of existing accounts
- New specification written by George Fletcher
 - Please review!

Claims Aggregation Specification (work in progress)



- Enables RPs to request and Claims Providers to return aggregated claims through OPs
 - https://openid.net/specs/openid-connect-claims-aggregation-1 0.html
- New specification written by Nat Sakimura and Edmund Jay
- Plans to update to also enable requesting and returning W3C
 Verifiable Credential objects

Second Errata Set



- Errata process corrects typos, etc. discovered
 - Makes no normative changes
- Edits under way for second errata set
- https://openid.net/specs/openid-connect-core-1 0-27.html is current Core errata draft

Self-Issued OpenID Provider



- OpenID Connect defines Self-Issued OpenID Provider
 - https://openid.net/specs/openid-connect-core-1 0.html#SelfIssued
- Lets you be your own identity provider
 - Rather than a third party
- Identity represented as asymmetric key pair controlled by you
- Being used with Mobile Driver's Licenses (mDL)
 - Enables use without "calling home" to the issuer when used
- Self-Issued OpenID Provider being used to achieve DID auth
 - Described at https://self-issued.info/?p=2013
- WG defining extensions to SIOP using URI as subject
 - https://bitbucket.org/openid/connect/src/master/openid-connect-selfissued-v2-1 0.md

Other Extensions Being Discussed



- Using W3C Verifiable Credentials objects with OpenID Connect
 - Another representation of verified claims
 - Parallel to OpenID Connect for Identity Assurance
 - Both representation as claims and as new protocol artifacts under consideration
- Portable Identifiers
 - Current subject identifiers are OP-specific
 - WG discussing identifiers that you can move between OPs
 - Potentially both for self-issued OPs and third-party OPs

OpenID Certification



- Enables OpenID Connect and FAPI implementations to be certified as meeting the requirements of defined conformance profiles
 - Goal is to make high-quality, secure, interoperable OpenID Connect implementations the norm
- An OpenID Certification has two components:
 - Technical evidence of conformance resulting from testing
 - Legal statement of conformance
- Certified implementations can use the "OpenID Certified" logo



Related Working Groups



- eKYC and Identity Assurance WG
 - JWT format for verified claims with identity assurance information
- Mobile Operator Discovery, Registration & autheNticAtion (MODRNA) WG
 - Mobile operator profiles for OpenID Connect
- Financial-grade API (FAPI) WG
 - Enables secure API access to high-value services
 - Used for Open Banking APIs in many jurisdictions, including the UK and Brazil
- Research and Education (R&E) WG
 - Profiles OpenID Connect to ease adoption in the Research and Education (R&E) sector
- International Government Profile (iGov) WG
 - OpenID Connect profile for government & high-value commercial applications
- Enhanced Authentication Profile (EAP) WG
 - Enables integration with FIDO and other phishing-resistant authentication solutions

OpenID Connect Resources



- OpenID Connect Description
 - https://openid.net/connect/
- Frequently Asked Questions
 - https://openid.net/connect/faq/
- OpenID Connect Working Group
 - https://openid.net/wg/connect/
- OpenID Certification Program
 - https://openid.net/certification/
- Certified OpenID Connect Implementations Featured for Developers
 - https://openid.net/developers/certified/
- Mike Jones' Blog
 - https://self-issued.info/
- Nat Sakimura's Blog
 - https://nat.sakimura.org/
- John Bradley's Blog
 - http://www.thread-safe.com/