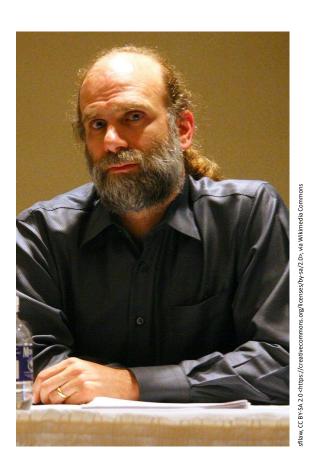
Who to Trust?





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TLS and SAML

From technical POV safe and sound



BUT

- Are they applied as intendend?
- Or are we just hoping it is?

TLS Overview

- TLS uses certificates to establish trust between parties
- Certificates are issued by trusted Certificate
 Authorities
- TLS encrypts data in transit (between these parties) to prevent eavesdropping++

TLS uses certificates to establish trust between parties

Trust between whom?

- Webservice and Client's Browser?
- TLS interception @ Firewall?
 - Are they using proper encryption?
 - Or encrypt at all?



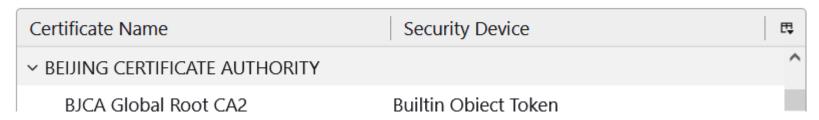
Consider certificate pinning

Certificates are issued by Certificate Authorities

 Inherent Trust in CAs CNNIC

removed in 2015

You have certificates on file that identify these certificate authorities



Many big CAs have a history of incidents, issue unauthorized Certificates.

TLS conclusio

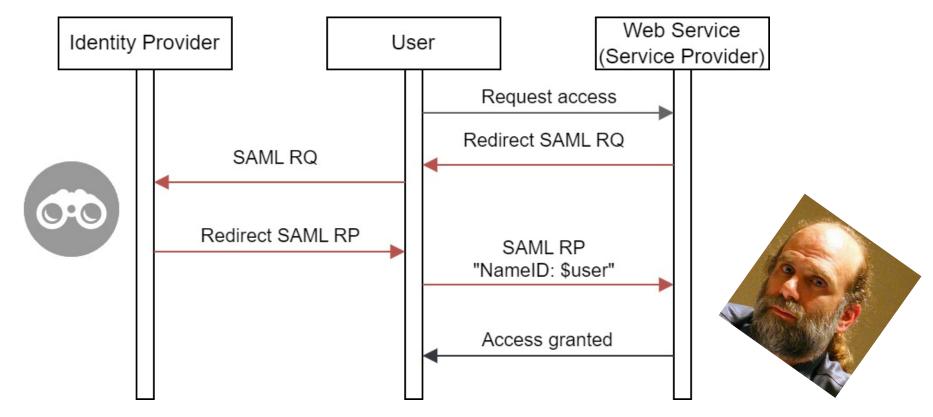
TLS is one of the greatest improver everyday security
 Let's Encry

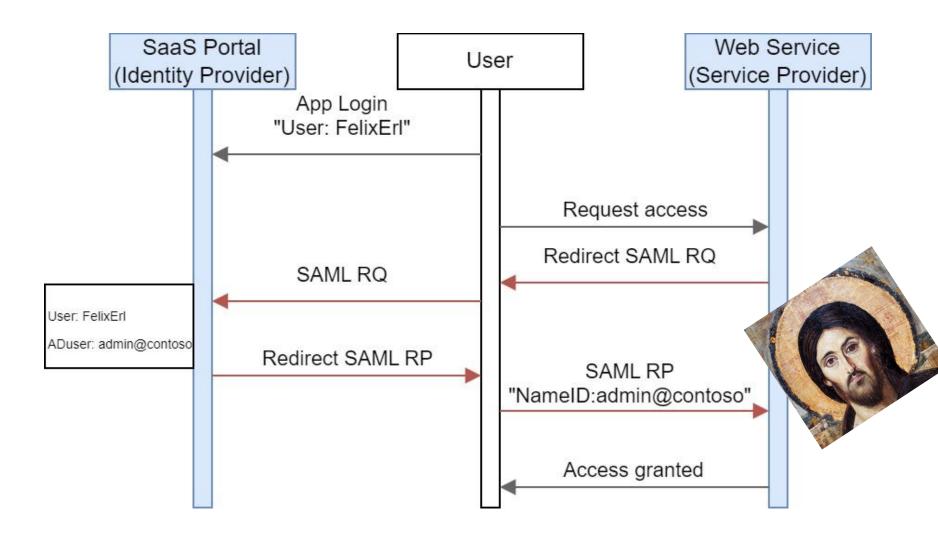
No blind trust in anything because of TLS

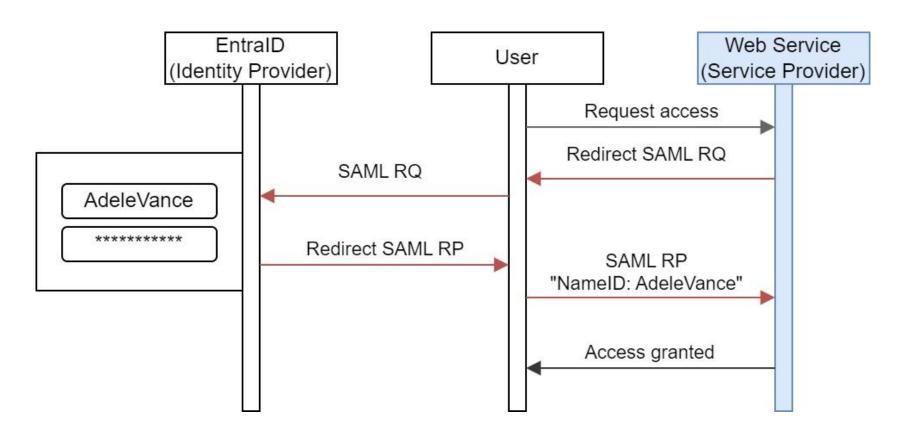


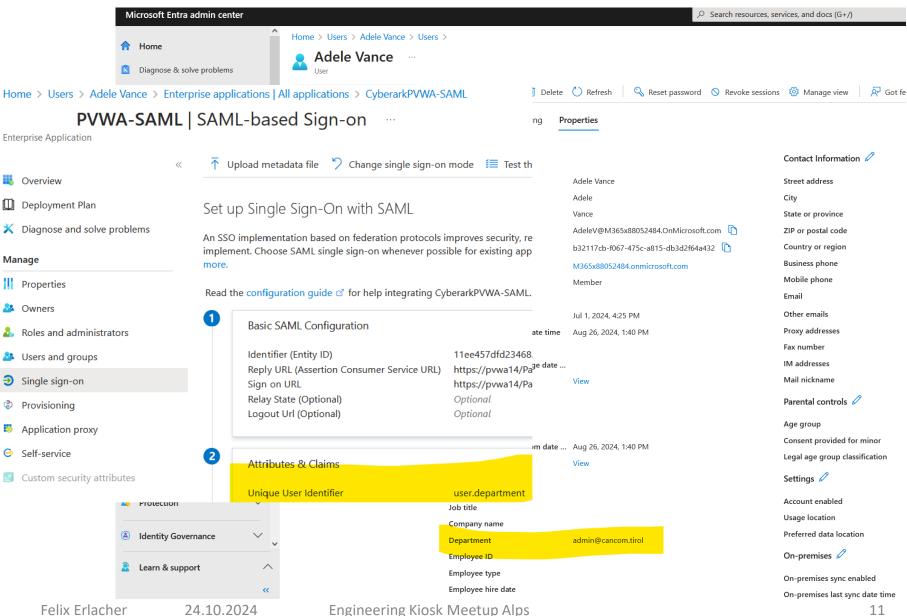
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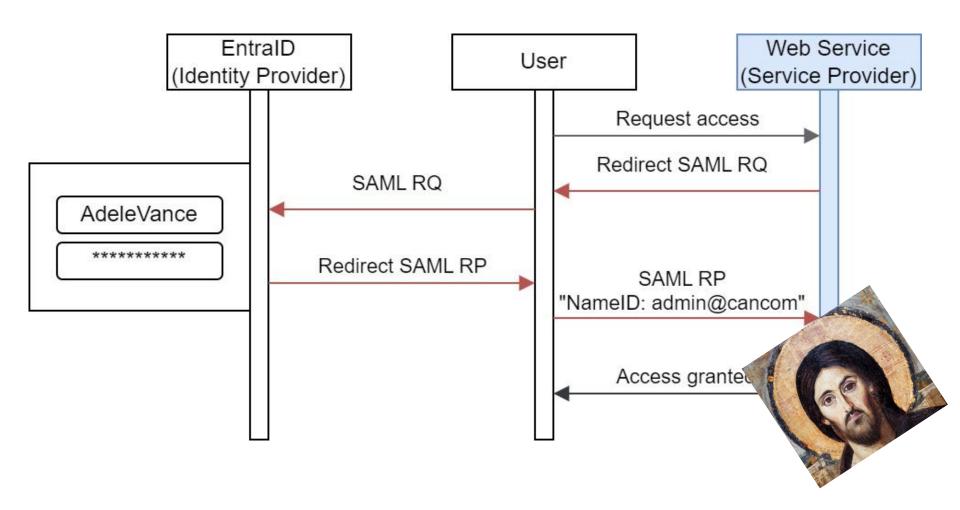
Framework for exchanging authentication information ---> Single Sign On











SAML Conclusio

Finally a Sec. Protocol with += comfort

Beware of the pitfalls

Final Score:

6 : 3





- Pay attention when implementing/using Security Protocols.
- Become a believer.

OWASP Pinning Cheat Sheat:

https://cheatsheetseries.owasp.org/cheatsheets/Pinning Cheat Sheet.html

SAML tools:

https://www.samltool.com/

Facts about Bruce Schneier:

https://www.schneierfacts.com/

Schneier on Security Blog:

https://www.schneier.com/