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1 Introduction

Note: This Business Guide has not yet been certified for GPP V4.5; therefore, there may be inaccuracies in this document that may require amendments in the future. For more information, please contact your D+H Project Manager.

Global PAYplus (GPP) uses integrated security and access control procedures and a mechanism, which are designed to guarantee the integrity and confidentiality of application data and limit access to the application to authorized users.

At this stage this Business Guide includes only information related to Single Sign On (SSO).

1.1 Target Audience

This business guide is intended for system administrators, IT personnel, and GPP users who need to know about security within GPP.

2 Single Sign On (SSO)

2.1 Overview

Single Sign On (SSO) is a user authentication process that permits a user to enter one name and password to access multiple applications. It allows users to be authenticated only once with no further authentications required when accessing any applications protected in the same security federation.

GPP supports the use of SSO authentication using a combination of GPP system parameters, WebSphere configuration, and the use of a GPP URL designed for use with SSO.

When using the SSO mode, two approaches are supported:

- The external authentication system supplies both a valid GPP user ID and a valid GPP role (which is defined as the user's role in GPP). The user is allowed to login to GPP using SSO.
- An external authentication system supplies the user ID and role information which are not found in GPP. In this case, GPP determines if the unknown user is allowed to login to GPP according to the server configuration. When the unknown user is allowed to login to GPP, GPP creates the user based on the predefined user and entitlement templates to login to GPP using SSO.

SSO in a nutshell:

- User ID and User role are provided to GPP in the http header fields, or the principal object is provided in the request from an external authentication system.
- When an unknown user logs in to GPP, the new user is created with the office predefined in the Entitlement profile.
- Unknown user creation is supported when the financial institution creates an Entitlement profile.
- Financial institution creates a default Entitlement profile. In this case an unknown user is created using the default Entitlement profile.
- Financial institution is responsible to create and maintain the GPP User and Entitlement profiles.

2.2 Processing

When GPP uses SSO it needs to be configured for SSO login mode. GPP can be configured to accept both User ID's that exist and do not exist in the GPP database. For more information, see [Server Configuration](#).

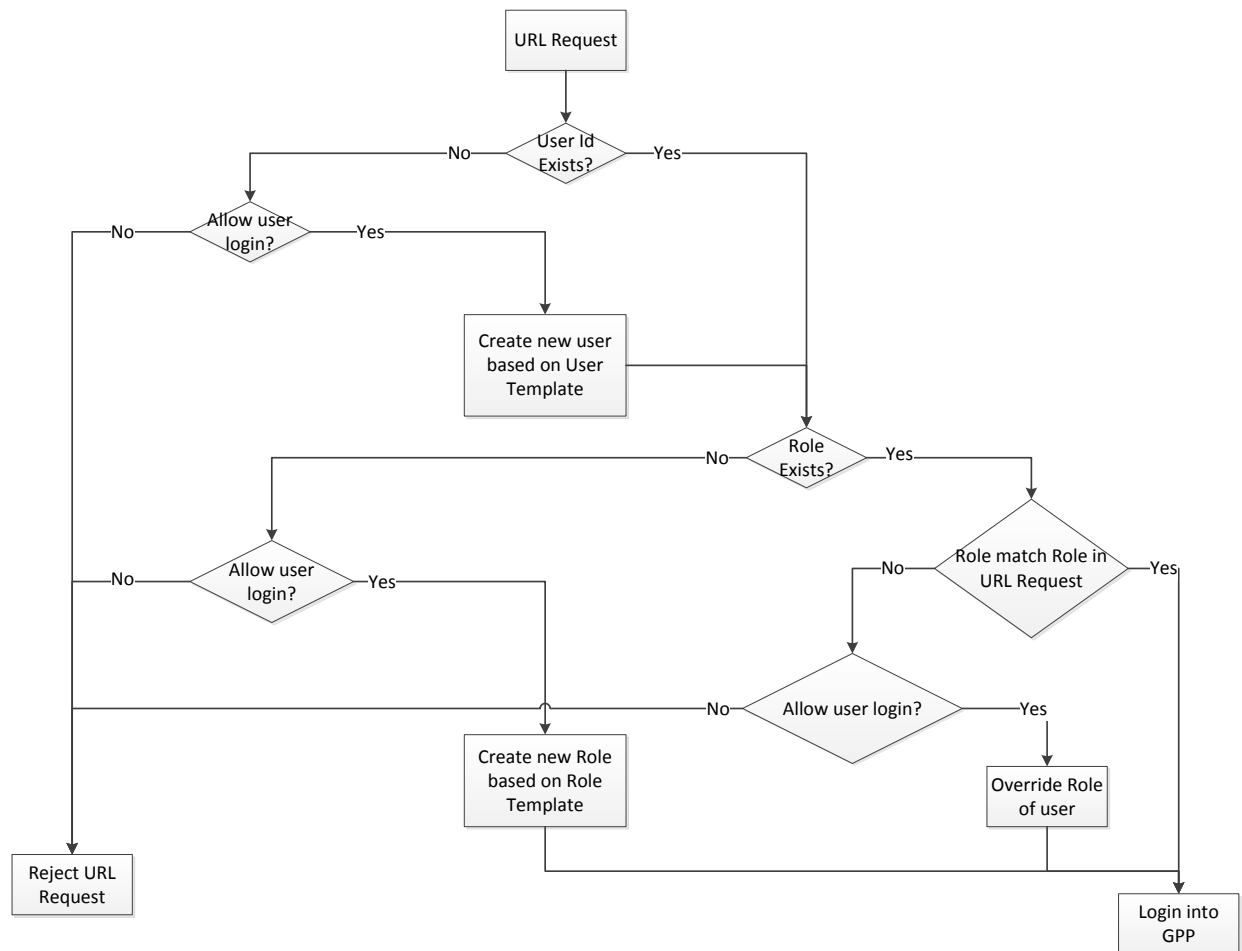
When the user navigates to the login page, GPP receives the authentication information from the http header fields, or the principal object from an authentication system configured as a reverse proxy to GPP.

There are two methods for GPP to identify the User ID. The financial institution determines which method they will use for SSO.

- By Java Authentication and Authorization Service (JAAS) principal object. The user name is obtained from the principal object and GPP checks that the user has the required existing GPP entitlements. For more information, see GPP Online Help, Entitlement Classes.
- HTTP request headers. GPP receives the user name and the user role as values of the HTTP request headers. GPP determines whether the User ID exists in the GPP database.

Note: For both methods the workflow is the same.

2.2.1 SSO Workflow



2.2.2 URL Request

When a user accesses the path to the GPP environment, a request on behalf of the user is sent to the financial institution's server.

Any communication error is handled by the financial institution. If the URL is not available then an error defined by the financial institution is displayed.

2.2.3 User ID Exists

When the URL is opened, the GPP Login page is displayed and the user is prompted to enter their User ID and Password.

GPP determines whether the user exists in the GPP database.

- If the user is found, GPP continues with the process and checks if the role exists.
- If the user is not found, GPP checks the [Server Configuration](#) option and determines whether the unknown user is allowed to login to GPP.
 - When the user is allowed:
 - › GPP creates a new user based on the User template
 - › GPP continues with the process and checks if the role exists
 - When the user is not allowed:
 - › GPP rejects URL request and the user is not allowed to login to GPP
 - › GPP prompts a failed login message

2.2.4 Role Exists

GPP determines whether the user role exists in the GPP database.

- When the user role is found, GPP continues with the process and matches the user role with the user entitlement in the GPP database.
- When the user role is not found, GPP checks the [Server Configuration](#) option and determines whether the unknown role is allowed to login to GPP.
 - When a role is allowed:
 - › GPP creates a new role based on the Role template
 - › GPP authorizes the user login
 - When a role is not allowed:
 - › GPP rejects URL request and the user is not allowed to login to GPP
 - › GPP prompts a failed login message

2.2.5 Match Role in URL Request

GPP determines whether the user role matches the user entitlement in the GPP database.

- When the user role matches the user entitlement, GPP authorizes the user login.
- When the user role does not match the user entitlement, GPP checks the [Server Configuration](#) option and determines whether the user is allowed to login to GPP.
 - When a user is allowed:
 - › GPP updates the user record with a new role
 - › GPP authorizes the user login
 - When a user is not allowed:
 - › GPP rejects URL request and the user is not allowed to login to GPP
 - › GPP prompts a failed login message

2.2.6 Login to GPP

When a user is authorized to login to GPP, the main GPP page is displayed.

2.2.7 LDAP Authentication Over SSO

In addition to the SSO process, GPP also supports LDAP Authentication Over SSO. A financial institution can use SSO with LDAP, in order to authenticate the User.

When GPP is configured for the LDAP Authentication Over SSO mode, the user navigates to the SSO login page to enter GPP. In this mode, the SSO login page expects authentication information (user name and password) to be supplied in the http header fields from LDAP. The server then logs on to

the LDAP server on behalf of the user by providing the LDAP server with the user's ID and password. If successful, the security server then proceeds with any authorization procedure and/or lets the user proceed to GPP.

2.3 System Configuration and Business Setup

2.3.1 Business Setup

2.3.1.1 System Parameters

System Parameter	Description
WEBLOGMODE	<p>Specifies the WEB login mode according to which authentication is done. Possible options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INTEGRATED - User authentication is done via GPP; all users are managed through the USERS table. In this mode, User profiles can be created and edited. • SSO - User authentication is done via an outside application, (e.g. WebSEAL), where the USERS table is used only for storing the users that use the application in order to display the list of logged in users in the Users profile. In this mode, User profiles cannot be created and edited. <p>Note: If the value is not one of the above values, GPP assumes the value to be INTEGRATED.</p>
IV_USER	<p>Specifies the name of the mandatory header field that contains the user ID when operating in SSO mode. This header field must be present in the login request, and its associated value must be a valid GPP user.</p>
IV_CREDS	<p>Specifies the name of the optional header field that contains the user's GPP role.</p> <p>If this field is not present, GPP determines the user's role.</p> <p>If this header field is present, its value must be a valid GPP role (an entitlement name, in GPP terminology). Use of this optional header field is useful to control privileges from the authentication server.</p>
SSO_USER_PROVISIONING	<p>Specifies whether user authorization by an external SSO service and not defined in the internal GPP repository can be created.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes - Unknown user request is created using predefined default template and the user logs in to GPP. • No - Unknown user request is rejected. <p>Note: If the value is not one of the above values, GPP assumes it is No.</p>

2.3.1.2 Profiles

These are the details of the setup in GPP profiles that are related to SSO. For more information, see GPP Online Help.

- System Users Profile: Create a user with the **User ID** name **TEMPLATE**
- Roles Profile: Create a role with the **User Entitlement Profile** name **TEMPLATE**

2.3.2 Server Configuration

If the user does not exist in the database, GPP determines whether the unknown user is allowed to login to GPP, based on the server configuration.

To allow a user to use SSO, when they do not exist in the GPP database:

1. Set the WEBLOGMODE system parameter with the value SSO.

The user authentication is done via an outside application, where the Users table is used only for storing the users that use the application in order to display the list of logged in users in the Users profile. In this mode, User profiles cannot be created and edited.

2. Set the IV_USER system parameter to the value of the HTTP request header that contains the User name.

Note: This step is not relevant if using the JAAS method. For more information, see [Processing](#).

3. Set the IV_CREDS system parameter to the value of the HTTP request header that contains the User role.

Note: This step is not relevant if using the JAAS method. For more information, see [Processing](#).

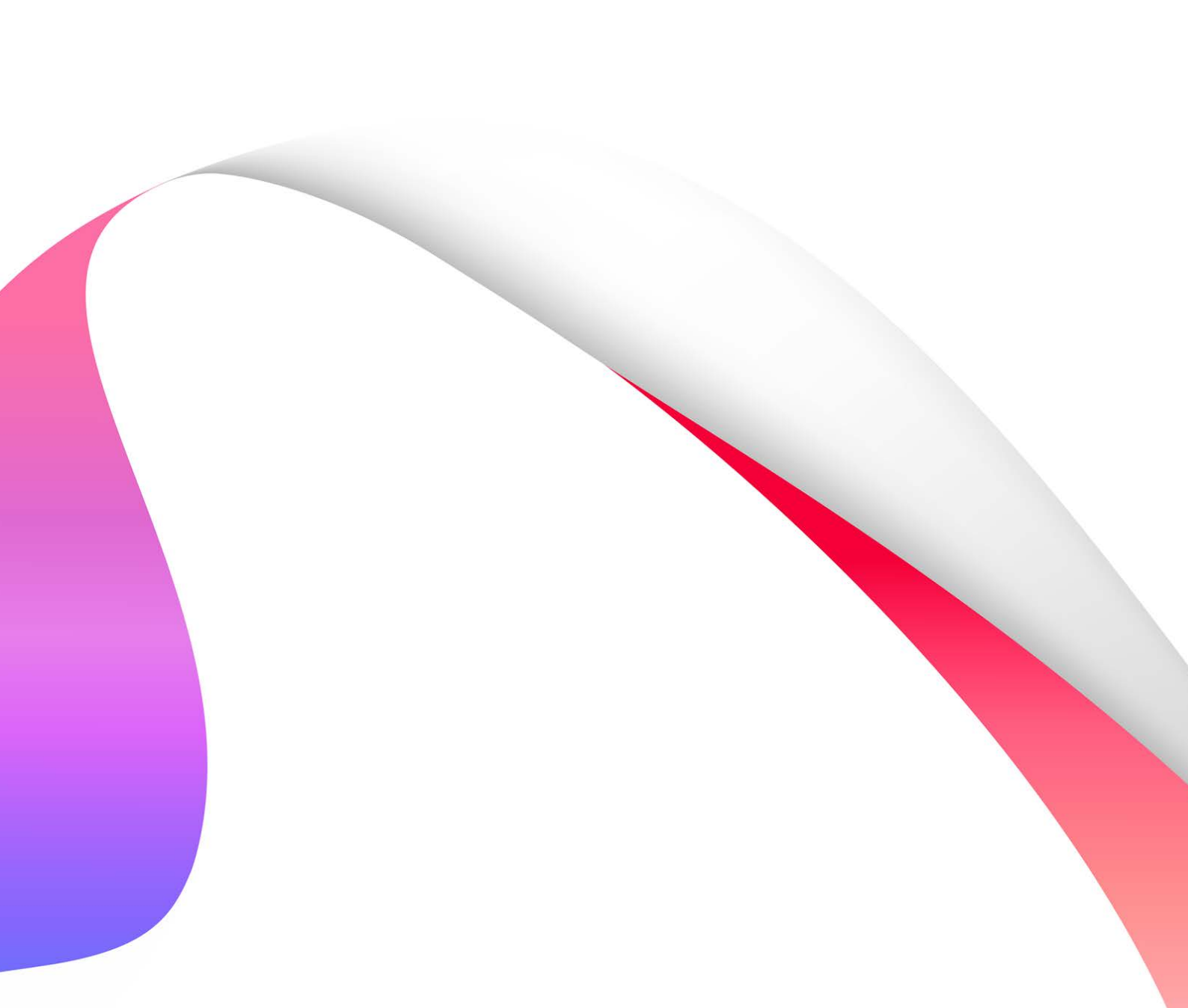
4. Set the SSO_USER_PROVISIONING system parameter to Yes. The default value is No.
 - Yes - Unknown user request is created using predefined default template and the user logs in to GPP.

2.3.3 WebSphere Configuration to Support SSO

When the authentication system uses an agent to protect the site, the agent setup takes care of intercepting the login requests and sending them to the authentication system. When the authentication system does not include an agent, it is required to perform WebSphere configuration to intercept login requests and send them to the authentication system.

Appendix A: Glossary

Term	Description
SSO	Single Sign On
JAAS	Java Authentication and Authorization Service
URL	Uniform Resource Locator
LDAP	Lightweight Directory Access Protocol



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