OKTA Implementation for Insight Applications

Implement robust and scalable identity and access management (IAM) architecture using **Okta Enterprise Edition** to centralize authentication across multiple applications with varied tech stacks (Java/Spring Boot, Node.js, Angular, React) and a common SQL Server database.

This new architecture is designed to replace legacy user management flows handled via:

- Entitlements App (external user onboarding and approvals)
- MIS App (internal user provisioning and AD sync)

The new Okta-based system will unify and modernize authentication and authorization, eventually enabling **decommissioning** of Entitlements and MIS systems.

Legacy System Overview

Entitlements App (External Users)

- Users register via application login pages
- Approval workflow managed in Entitlements UI
- On approval, user added to central Users table with IsInternal = 0
- Fixed permissions assigned automatically

MIS App (Internal Users)

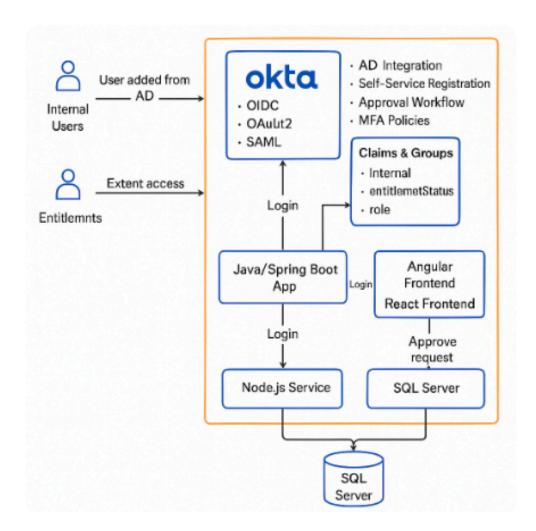
- Admins search AD from MIS UI to add internal users (Internal and Analyst users)
- Permissions managed and assigned within MIS
- ❖ Users added to central Users table with IsInternal = 1

Shared User & Permissions DB

- Common Users table stores all identities
- IsInternal boolean flag differentiates user source
- Application-level permissions mapped via roles and permission tables

Revised IAM Model with OKTA Integration

Legacy Module	Replacement in New Architecture	
ntitlements	Okta Self-Service Registration + SCIM + Workflows	
MIS	Okta AD Agent + Universal Directory	
Permission Logic Centralized in Okta Groups & Claims		
Users Table	Synced with Okta via API/Webhook or minimal reference only	



High-Level Workflow Mapping

Internal Users

- Synced from Active Directory into Okta using Okta AD Agent
- Dynamic group assignment based on AD OU or group rules
- Application access based on group membership and claims

Login via SSO (OIDC)

External Users

- Register via Okta-hosted sign-up or custom UI (SPA)
- ❖ Approval request sent via Okta Workflow to designated reviewers
- On approval, user is provisioned with group assignment (e.g., App_External_Users)
- Login via OIDC and access determined by group claims

Detailed Component Architecture

Identity Provider: Okta (Enterprise Edition)

- SSO, OIDC/OAuth2, MFA, AD Integration
- Centralized user directory with profile enrichment
- Dynamic group assignment rules
- Custom claim definitions per app

Internal Users Flow (via AD + Okta)

- Okta AD Agent syncs user objects from on-prem AD
- Internal users marked with isInternal = true in profile
- Group membership reflects role/department
- Access token includes group/role information used by downstream apps

External Users Flow (via Registration Portal + Okta)

- User initiates registration via custom or Okta-hosted page
- Profile stored in Okta with isInternal = false
- Okta Workflow triggers approval chain
- Admin approval assigns correct group and activates user

Integration with Legacy User Table (Decommissioning Plan)

- Short-term sync with central Users table continues
 - isInternal, userSource, entitlementStatus, and other metadata recorded
 - ➤ No permission logic in DB enforced via Okta token claims
- Plan to deprecate Entitlements & MIS functionality step-by-step after full Okta rollout

Okta Configuration Guide

Main Area	Details		
Universal Directory Setup	 Enable profile schema with custom attributes: isInternal (Boolean) userSource (Enum: AD, SelfSignup, SCIM) entitlementStatus (Pending, Approved) 		
2. Authorization Server Setup	 Create EnterpriseAppsAuthServer Add claims: groups: Filter = starts with App_ isInternal: Expression = user.profile.isInternal roles, tenant_id, entitlementStatus as required 		
3. Applications Registration (OIDC)	 Register each client app: SPA: React, Angular Web/API: Spring Boot, Node.js Use Authorization Code with PKCE flow Define redirect URIs and post-logout URIs Assign apps to appropriate Okta groups based on access control 		
4. Group and Role Design	 Application-level groups: App1_Admin, App1_User, App2_ReadOnly User-type groups: Internal_Users, External_Users Dynamic group rules: Based on isInternal, userSource profile attributes 		
5. Okta Workflows Setup	 Build onboarding flow for external users: Trigger: New external registration Actions: Notify approver Update entitlementStatus Assign to group Optional: Trigger webhook for downstream systems Send confirmation email 		

Tech Stack Integration Details:

React (SPA)

- Use @okta/okta-auth-js and @okta/okta-react
- Handle login via Redirect or Popup
- Secure routes with <SecureRoute>
- ❖ Access token includes group/role for API consumption

Angular (Admin Panel)

- Use @okta/okta-angular
- Configure OktaAuthService for routing guards
- Inject access token in API interceptor

Node.js (API Gateway)

- Use @okta/jwt-verifier
- Middleware to validate JWT and extract claims
- Fine-grained permission enforcement based on groups/roles

Java Spring Boot (API Services)

- Use okta-spring-boot-starter
- ❖ YAML Config changes
- Annotate with @PreAuthorize("hasAuthority('App1_Admin')")

Migration & Decommission Plan

Phase	Task	Details		
1	SSO Enablement for all apps	Configure Okta login flows and test token validation		
2	Sync Internal Users from AD	Okta AD Agent setup with group/OU filters		
3	Build External Registration Portal	Self-service flow + approval via Okta Workflows		
4	Create Dynamic Groups & Claims	Implement isInternal, userSource, etc.		
5	Migrate Permissions from MIS/Entitlements to Okta	Redesign access roles in Okta groups		
6	Refactor Applications to Use Okta Tokens	Replace custom user tables with token-based roles		
7	Final Testing & Validation	Audit logins, group mapping, claims accuracy		
8	Decommission MIS and Entitlements	Post-successful cutover & freeze legacy systems		