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# Cedar Access Control For Kubernetes

Simplify security with powerful, flexible policies.

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# What is Cedar for K8s?

SINGLE POLICY LANGUAGE FOR KUBERNETES AUTHORIZATION AND ADMISSION CONTROL



## Unified Policy Language

One language for both  
authorization and admission  
policies



## Dynamic control

Create rules based on user  
attributes and request  
details



## Feature Rich

Supports label-based access,  
conditions, denial policies



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# The Current Challenge



# Cedar's Solution

## UNIFIED SECURITY POLICY



### Single Policy File

Both permissions and restrictions in one place



### Clear Reasoning

Easily understand what's allowed and what's restricted



### Fleet Management

Apply policies across multiple clusters



### Powerful Controls

Reference requesters, attributes, and add conditions



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# Cedar and Kubernetes RBAC

## RBAC

Built-in framework

Allow-only policies

Resource-focused access

Limited conditions

## Cedar

Flexible policy language

Allow and deny policies

Requester-attribute based

Full request evaluation



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# Demo time!



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# Cedar Authorization Policy



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# Cedar Impersonation Policy



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# Cedar Admission Policy



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# Get involved



## Current Status

Active development, not yet production-ready

[github.com/awslabs/cedar-access-control-for-k8s](https://github.com/awslabs/cedar-access-control-for-k8s)



## Community

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