



BUILDING A SECURE CLOUD SOLUTION THAT SUPPORTS CONTINUOUS MONITORING AND ASSESSMENT

NIST CLOUD COMPUTING RUBIK'S CUBE (CCSRC) & OPEN SECURITY CONTROLS ASSESSMENT LANGUAGE (OSCAL)

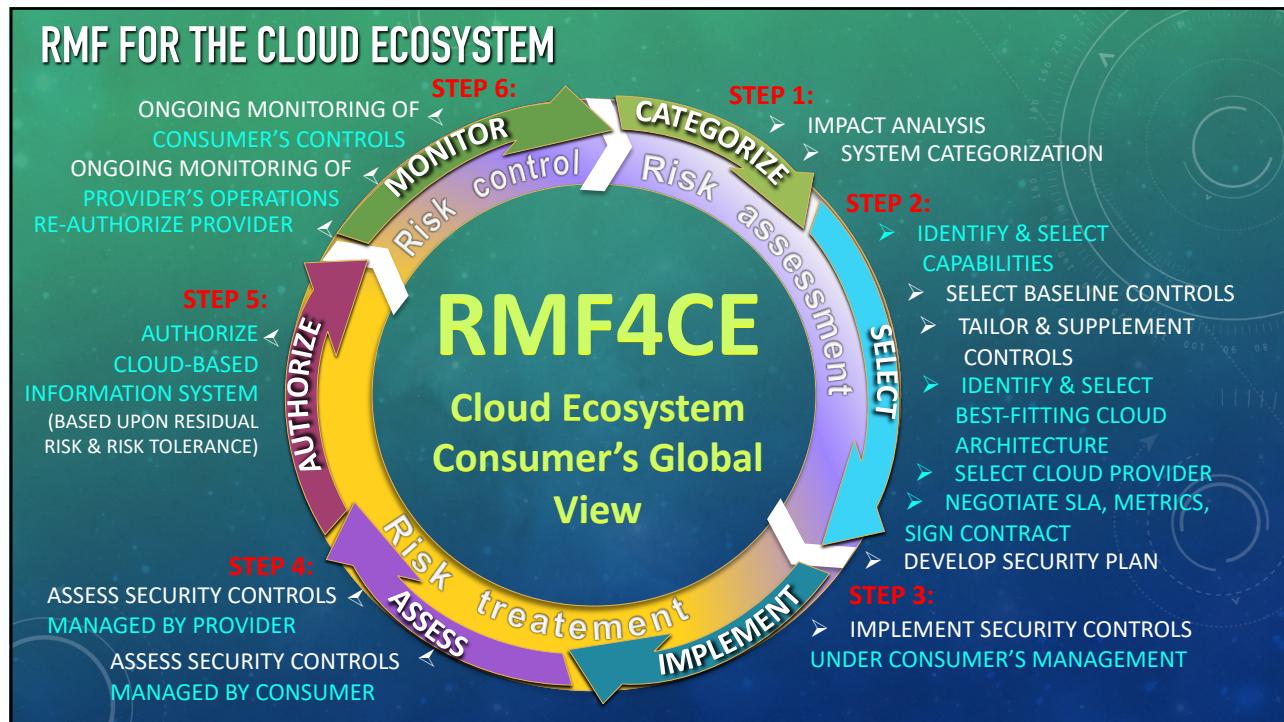
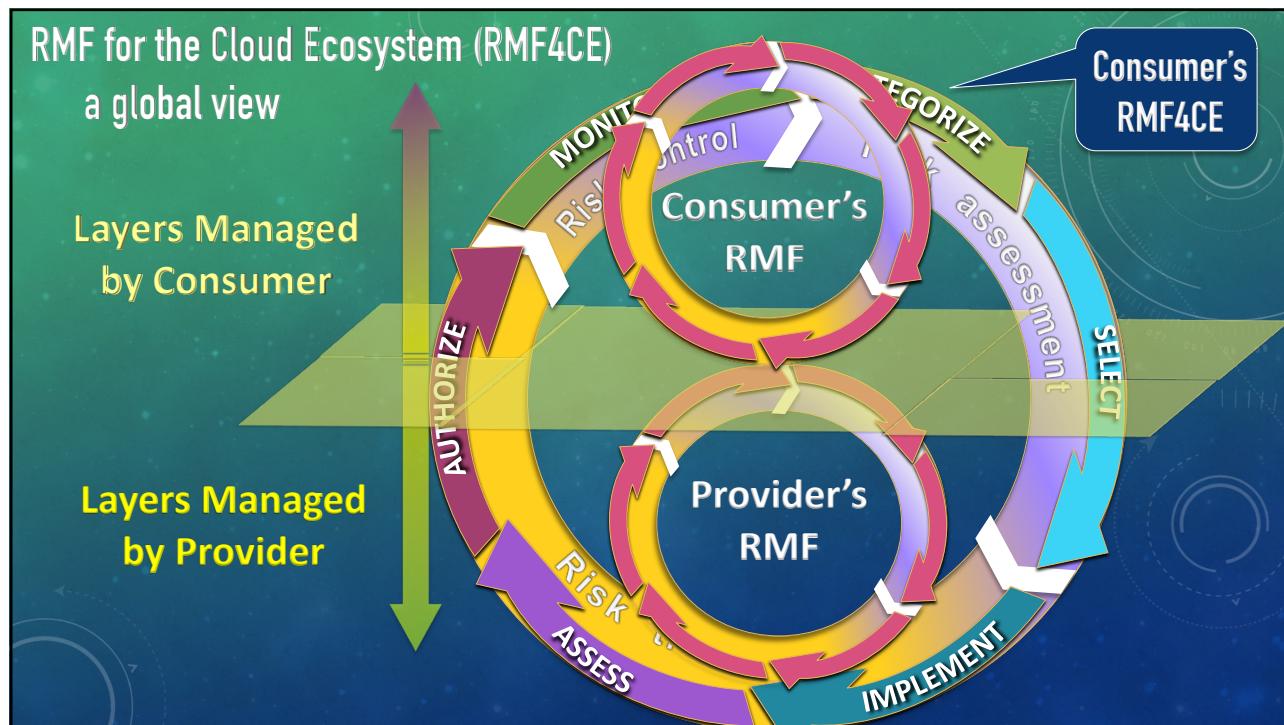
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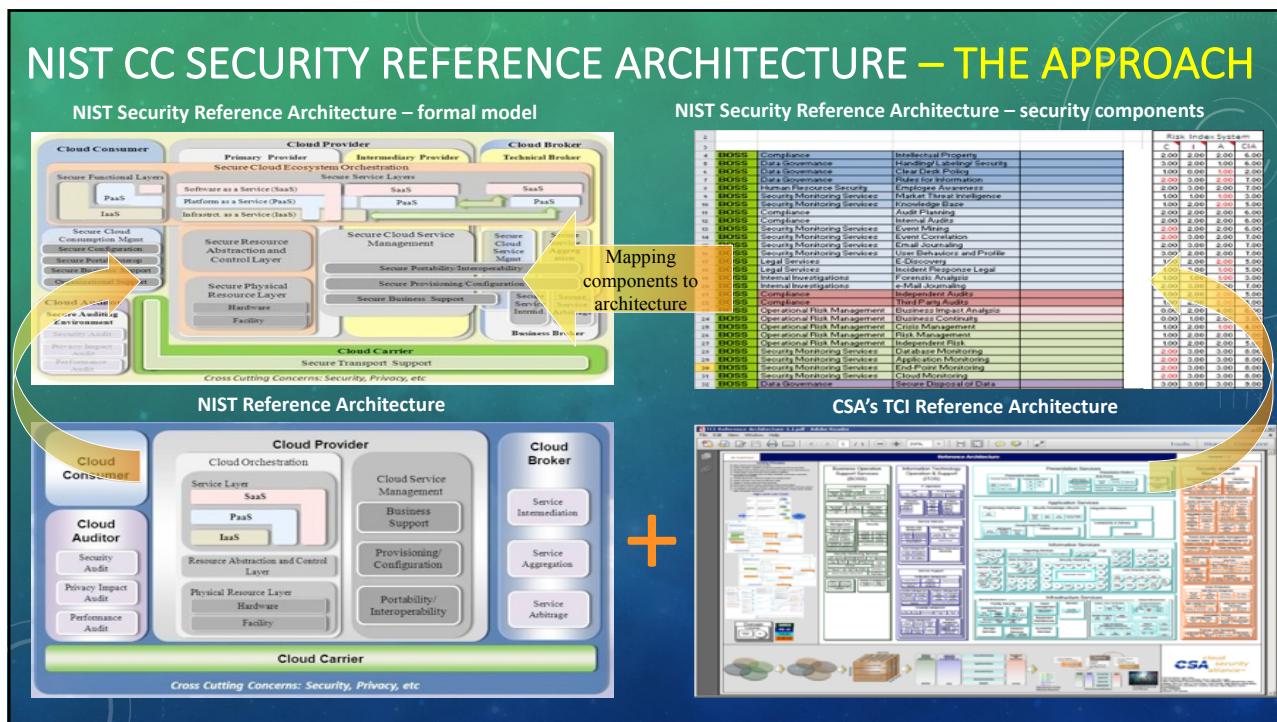
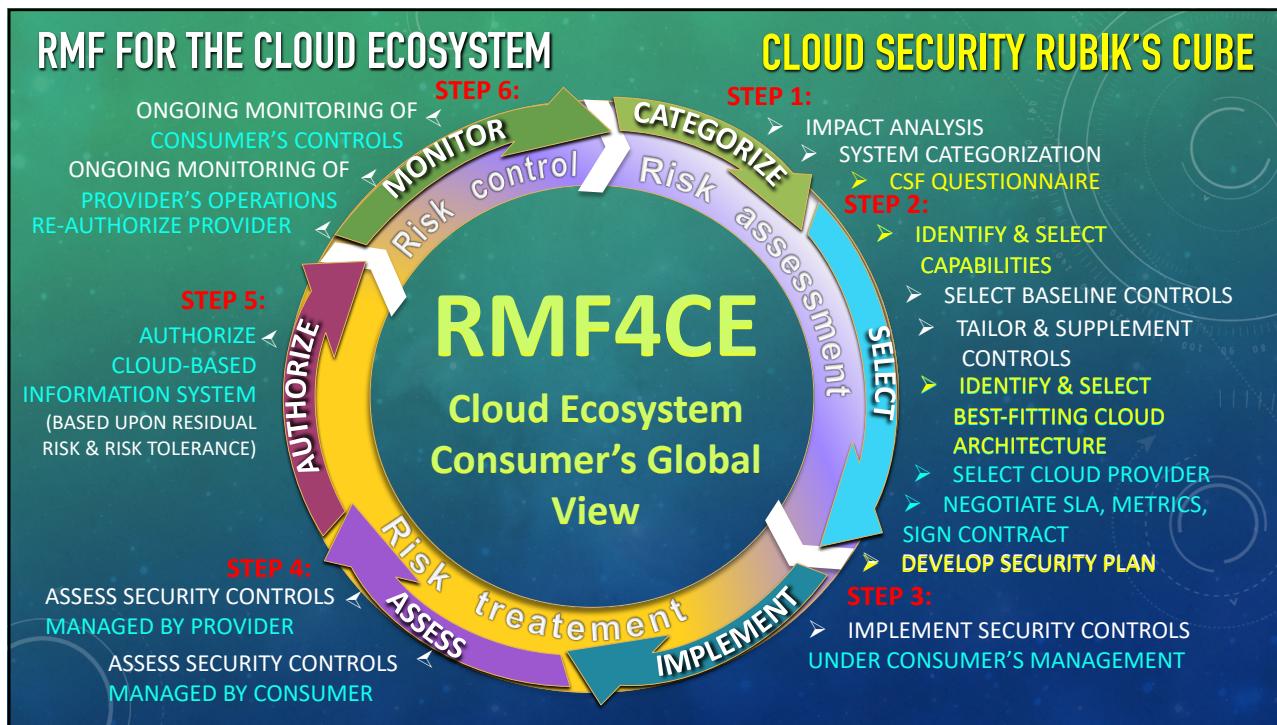
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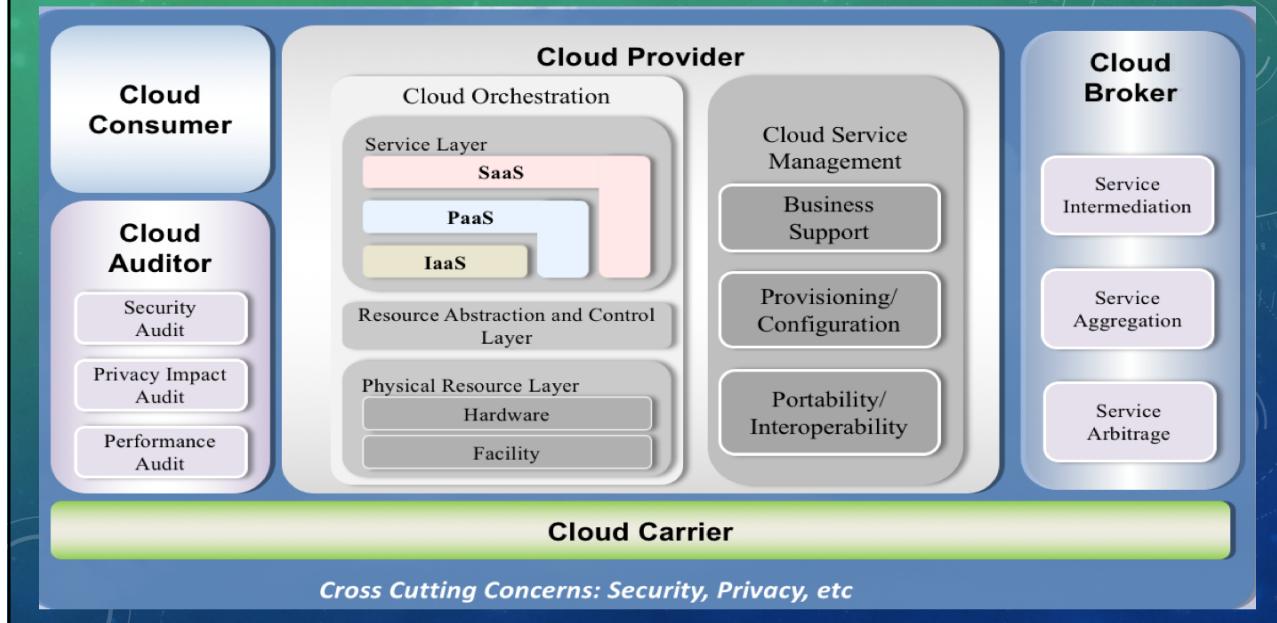
TODAY'S CHALLENGES

- Making the correct choice for your business (SaaS, PaaS or IaaS ?);
- Understanding the complexity of the Information Systems, especially cloud-based solutions;
- Risk Management is few orders of magnitude more complex;
 - Loss of control (trust issues not security issues, data owner & data custodian),
 - Vendor's transparency,
 - Security and Compliance,
 - Regulatory Frameworks are burdensome,
 - Security Vulnerabilities are everywhere,
 - Availability, Resilience and Reliability,
- System updates trigger documentation (SSP) to become outdated.

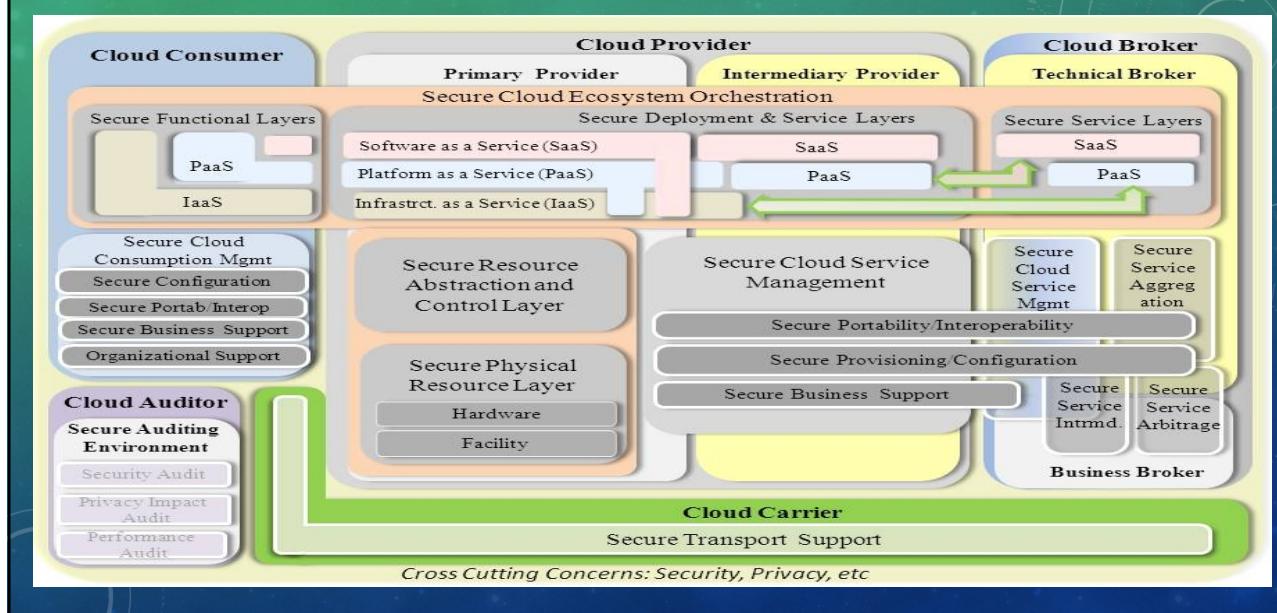


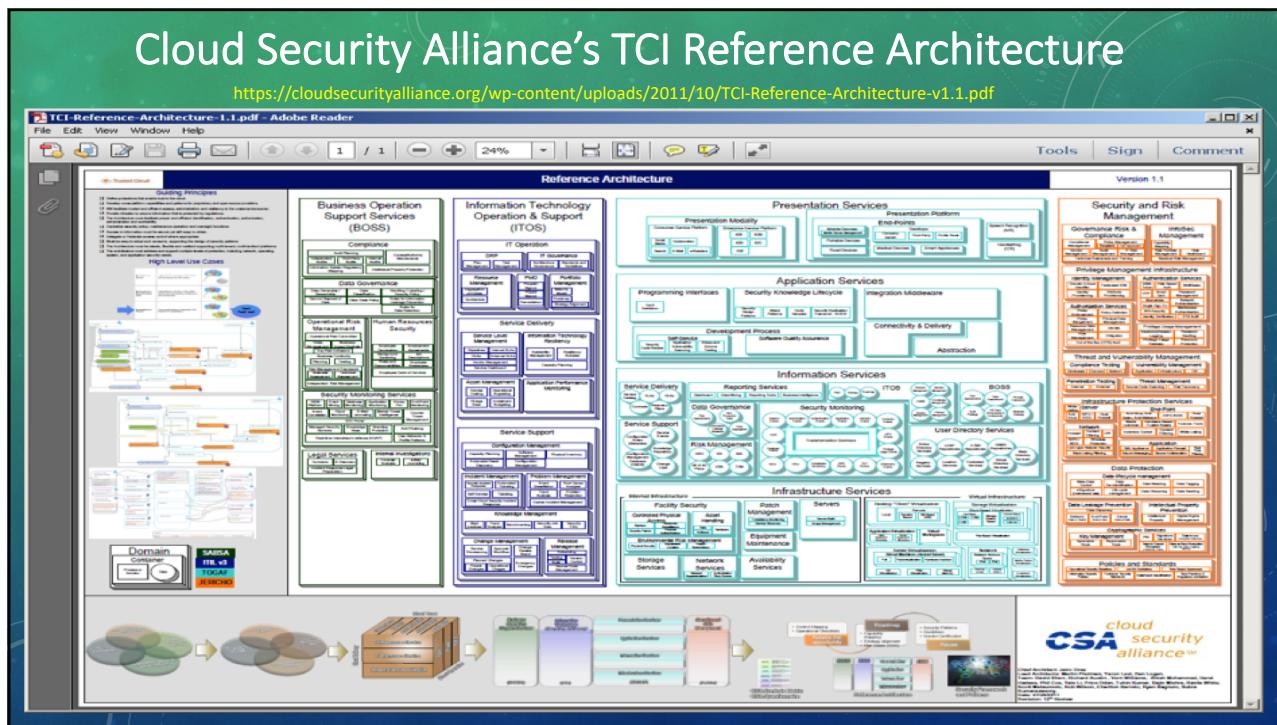


SP 800-292: NIST CLOUD COMPUTING REFERENCE ARCHITECTURE



SP 800-299: NIST CLOUD SECURITY REFERENCE ARCHITECTURE

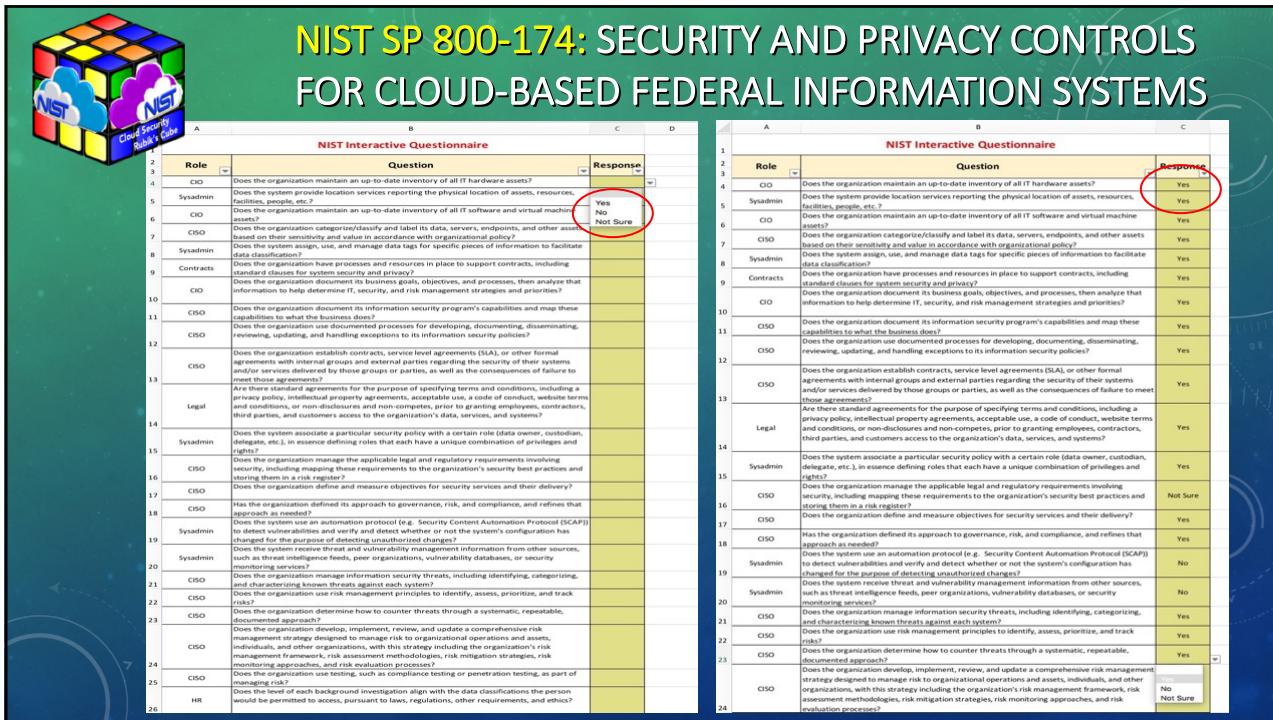
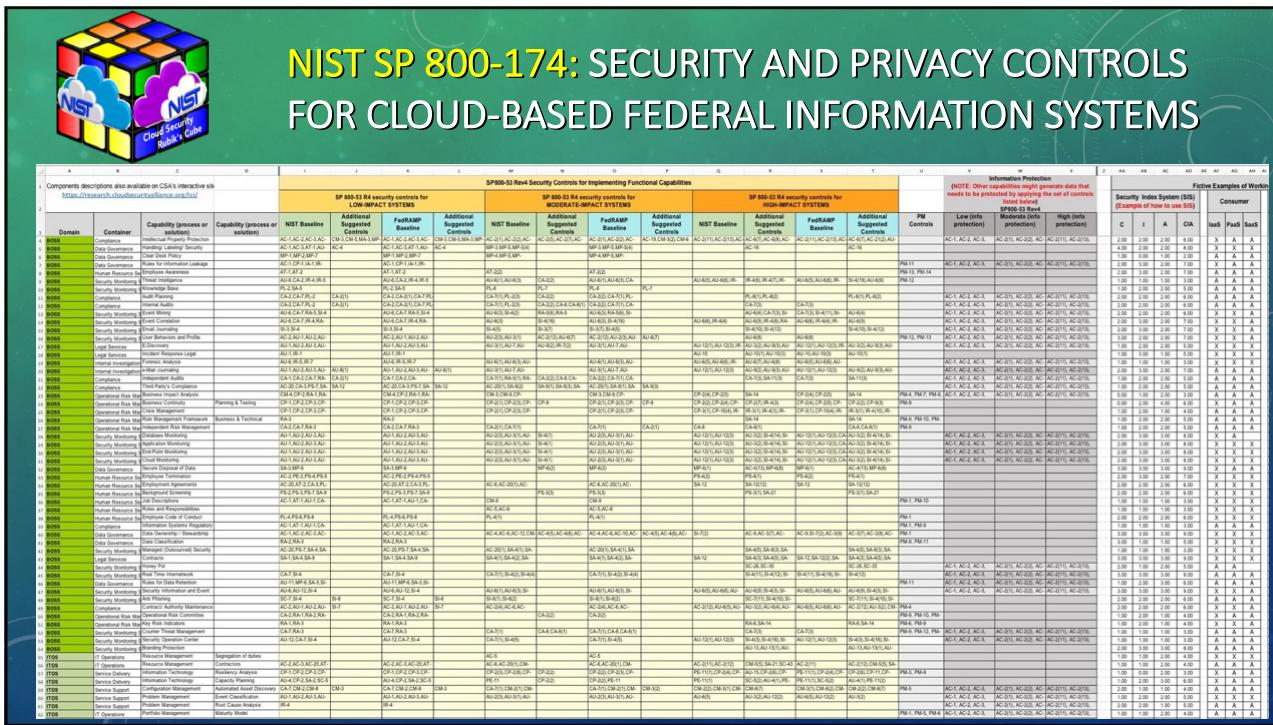




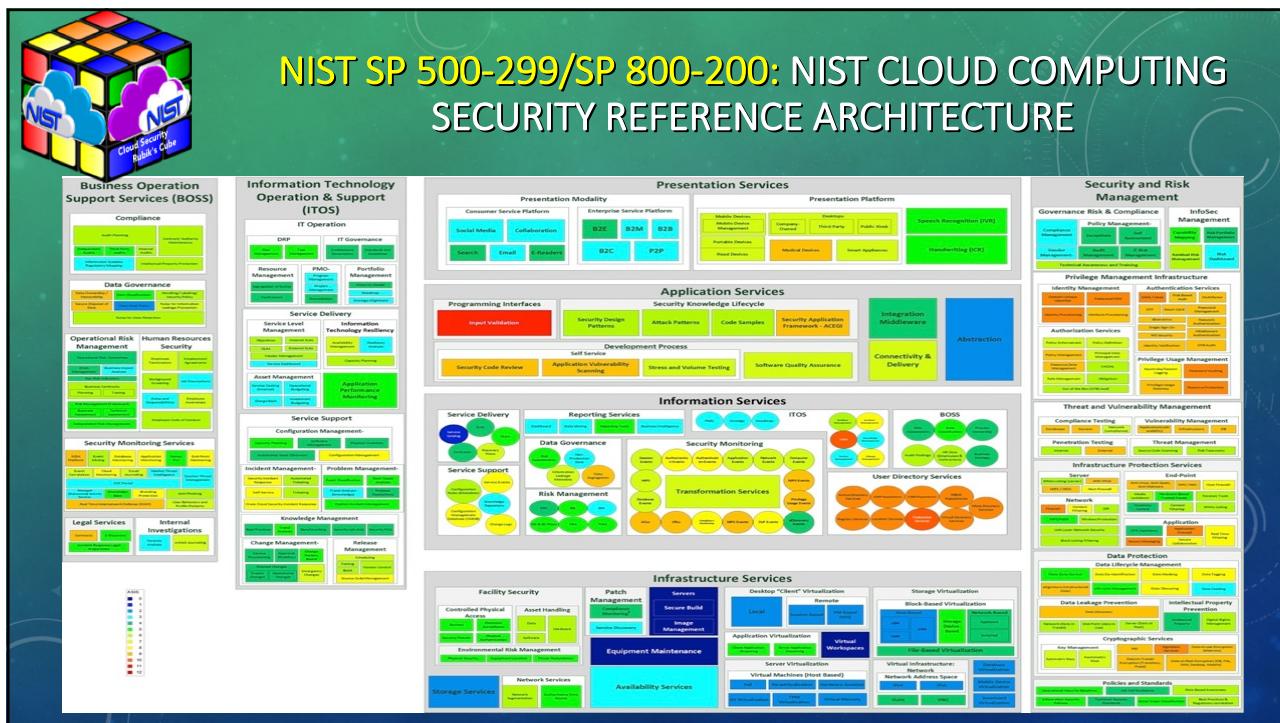
SP 800-299: NIST CLOUD SECURITY REFERENCE ARCHITECTURE - FUNCTIONAL CAPABILITIES -

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1	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	
2	Components descriptions available on CSA's interactive site: https://research.cloudsecurityalliance.org/tci/explore/																						
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37	BOSS	Human Resource	Roles and Responsibilities																				
38	BOSS	Human Resource	Employee Code of Conduct																				
39	BOSS	Compliance	Information Systems Regulatory																				
40	BOSS	Data Governance	Data Ownership - Personnel																				
41	BOSS	Data Governance	Data Classification																				
42	BOSS	Security Monitoring	Managed (Outsourced) Security																				
43	BOSS	Legal Services	Contracts																				
44	BOSS	Security Monitoring	Honey Pot																				
45	BOSS	Security Monitoring	Real Time Internetwork Defense																				
46	BOSS	Data Governance	Rules for Data Retention																				
47	BOSS	Security Monitoring	SIEM Platform																				
48	BOSS	Security Monitoring	Anti Phishing																				
296	S & RM	Privilege Management	Authentication Services	Out-of-The-Box (OTB) Auth	IA																		
297	S & RM	Privilege Management	Privilege Usage Management	Keystroke/Session Logging	IA																		
298	S & RM	Privilege Management	Privilige Usage Management	Password Vaulting	IA																		
299	S & RM	Threat and Vulnerability	Compliance Testing	Network Authentication	IA																		
300	S & RM	Infrastructure Protection	End-Point	Forensic Tools	IR																		
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302	S & RM	InfoSec Management	Residual Risk Management	PL	X	A	B																
303	S & RM	Governance Risk & Policy Management	Exceptions	RA	X	X	B																
304	S & RM	Governance Risk & Policy Management	Self Assessment	RA	X	A	B																
305	S & RM	InfoSec Management	Risk Dashboard	RA	X	X	B																
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309				Internal	RA	X	A	B															
310				External	RA	X	X	B															

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NIST Interactive Questionnaire													
Role	Question	Response	NIST Interactive Questionnaire Results										
CIO	Does the organization maintain an up-to-date inventory of all IT hardware assets?	Yes	SP 800-53A RM security controls - LOW IMPACT										
	Does the system provide location services reporting the physical location of assets, resources, facilities, people, etc.?		Physical devices and systems within the organization are inventoried.	1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.16	ITOS	Service Support	Configuration Management	Automated Asset Discovery	The system's organization has a capability that identifies new and changing assets across the IT infrastructure and maintains an up-to-date inventory of configuration items.	Automated Asset Discovery	CA-7, CM-2, CM-8	CM-3	CA-7, CM-2, CM-8
CIO	Does the organization maintain an up-to-date inventory of all IT software and virtual machine assets?	Yes	Software platforms and applications within the organization are inventoried.	3.1, 3.17	ITOS	Service Support	Configuration Management	Physical Inventory	The system's organization has a capability that tracks IT assets, including their ownership and current custody.	Physical Inventory	CM-8	CM-8	CM-8
CISO	Does the organization categorize/classify and label its data, servers, endpoints, and other assets based on their sensitivity and value in accordance with organizational policy?	Yes	Information Services	User Directory Services	Location Services	S & RM	Infrastructure Protection Services	Endpoint	The system has a capability that manages and maintains inventory for physical and digital assets, including virtual machines.	Inventory Control	CM-8	CM-8	CM-8
Sysadmin	Does the system assign, use, and manage data tags for specific pieces of information to facilitate data classification?	Yes	ITOS	Service Support	Configuration Management	Automated Asset Discovery	The system's organization has a capability that provides location services regarding the physical location of assets, resources, facilities, people, etc.	Automated Asset Discovery	Automated Asset Discovery	CM-3	CA-7, CM-2, CM-8	CM-3	CA-7, CM-2, CM-8
Contracts	Does the organization have processes and resources in place to support contracts, including standard clauses for system security and privacy?	Yes	ITOS	Service Support	Configuration Management	Physical Inventory	Information Services	User Directory Services	The system's organization has a capability that identifies new and changing assets across the IT infrastructure and maintains an up-to-date inventory of configuration items.	Automated Asset Discovery	CA-7, CM-2, CM-8	CM-3	CA-7, CM-2, CM-8
CIO	Does the organization document its business goals, objectives, and processes, then analyze that information to help determine IT security, risk management strategies and priorities?	Yes	ITOS	Service Support	Configuration Management	Physical Inventory	ITOS	Service Support	The system's organization has a capability that tracks IT assets, including their ownership and current custody.	Physical Inventory	CM-8	CM-8	CM-8
CISO	Does the organization document its information security program's capabilities and map these capabilities to what the business does?	Yes	ITOS	Service Support	Configuration Management	Automated Asset Discovery	Information Services	User Directory Services	The system's organization has a capability that manages and maintains inventory for physical and digital assets, including virtual machines.	Inventory Control	CM-8	CM-8	CM-8
CISO	Does the organization use documented processes for developing, documenting, disseminating, reviewing, updating, and handling exceptions to its information security policies?	Yes	ITOS	Service Support	Configuration Management	Physical Inventory	ITOS	Service Support	The system's organization has a capability that identifies new and changing assets across the IT infrastructure and maintains an up-to-date inventory of configuration items.	Automated Asset Discovery	CA-7, CM-2, CM-8	CM-3	CA-7, CM-2, CM-8
CISO	Does the organization establish contracts, service level agreements (SLA), or other formal agreements with internal groups and external parties regarding the security of their systems and/or services delivered by those groups or parties, as well as the consequences of failure to meet those agreements?	Yes	ITOS	Service Support	Configuration Management	Physical Inventory	ITOS	Service Support	The system's organization has a capability that tracks IT assets, including their ownership and current custody.	Physical Inventory	CM-8	CM-8	CM-8
Legal	Are there standard agreements for the purpose of specifying terms and conditions, including a privacy policy, intellectual property agreements, acceptable use, a code of conduct, website terms and conditions, or non-disclosures and non-compete, prior to granting employees, contractors, third parties, and customers access to the organization's data, services, and systems?	Yes	ITOS	Service Support	Configuration Management	Automated Asset Discovery	ITOS	Service Support	The system's organization has a capability that manages and maintains inventory for physical and digital assets, including virtual machines.	Inventory Control	CM-8	CM-8	CM-8
Sysadmin	Does the system associate a particular security policy with a certain role (data owner, custodian, delegate, etc.), in essence defining roles that each have a unique combination of privileges and rights?	Yes	ITOS	Data Governance	Handling/ Labeling/ Security Policy	ITOS	Data Governance	Data Classification	The system has a policy, enforced by a capability, that requires accurate labeling and identifies information for handling and classification.	Handling/ Labeling/ Security	AC-1, AC-3, AT-1, LAU-1, LAU-2, LOM-1, LOM-2, LO-1, AC-4	AC-1, AC-3, AT-1, LAU-1, LAU-2, LOM-1, LOM-2, LO-1, AC-4	
CISO	Does the organization manage the applicable legal and regulatory requirements involving security, including mapping these requirements to the organization's security best practices and storing them in a risk register?	Yes	ITOS	Data Governance	Data Classification	ITOS	Data Governance	Data Classification	The system has a policy, enforced by a capability, that requires accurate labeling and identifies information for handling and classification.	Data Classification	RA-1, RA-3	RA-1, RA-3	
CISO	Does the organization define and measure objectives for security services and their delivery?	Yes	ITOS	Information Services	Data Classification	ITOS	Information Services	Data Classification	The system's organization has a capability to categorize the organization's information to guide handling.	Data Classification	RA-2	RA-2	
CISO	Has the organization defined its approach to governance, risk, and compliance, and refines that approach as needed?	Yes	ITOS	Policies and Standards	Data Protection	ITOS	Policies and Standards	Data Protection	The system's organization has a capability to categorize the organization's information to guide handling.	Data Classification	RA-2, RA-3	RA-2, RA-3	
Sysadmin	Does the system use an automation protocol (e.g. Security Content Automation Protocol (SCAPI)) to detect vulnerabilities and verify and detect whether or not the system's configuration has changed for the purpose of detecting unauthorized changes?	Yes	ITOS	Data Lifecycle Management	Data Tagging	ITOS	Data Lifecycle Management	Data Tagging	The system's organization has a capability that assigns, uses, and manages data tags for specific pieces of information to aid in tracking and managing existence.	Data Tagging	AC-4	AC-4	
Sysadmin	Does the system receive threat and vulnerability management information from other sources, such as threat intelligence feeds, peer organizations, vulnerability databases, or security monitoring services?	Yes	ITOS	Legal Services	Contracts	ITOS	Legal Services	Contracts	The system's organization has processes and resources in place to support contracts. A contract template is in place that includes control clauses for system security and privacy.	Contracts	SA-1, SA-4, SA-5, SA-9	SA-1, SA-4, SA-5, SA-9	



NIST SP 800-174: SECURITY AND PRIVACY CONTROLS FOR CLOUD-BASED FEDERAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS

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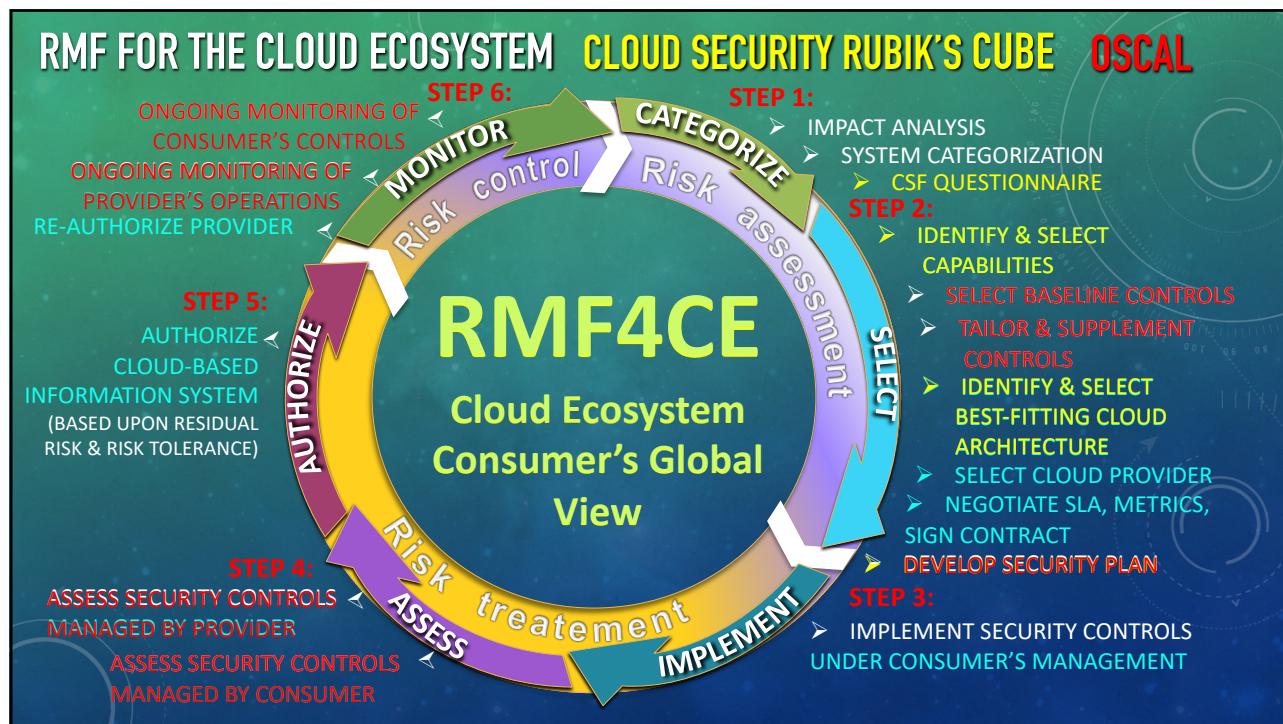
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GENERATING A SYSTEM SECURITY PLAN (SSP) THAT SUPPORTS ASSESSMENT AUTOMATION AND NEAR-REAL-TIME MONITORING

BY LEVERAGING
OPEN SECURITY CONTROLS ASSESSMENT LANGUAGE
(OSCAL)



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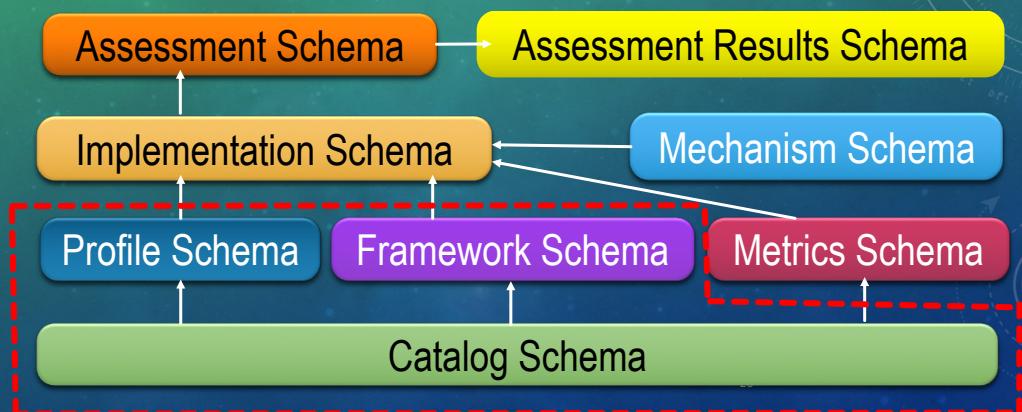
WHAT IS OSCAL?

- New “Standard of Standard” normalizing how system security controls and corresponding assessment information are represented;
- **Standardized:** Provide security control, control implementation, and assessment information in an open, standardized way that can be used by both humans and machines
- **Interoperable:** Ensure OSCAL is well-defined so tools using OSCAL information are interoperable and use information consistently
- **Easy to use:** Promote developer adoption of OSCAL so tools are available for organizations to build, customize, and use OSCAL information
- Improves the **efficiency, accuracy, and consistency** of system security assessments.

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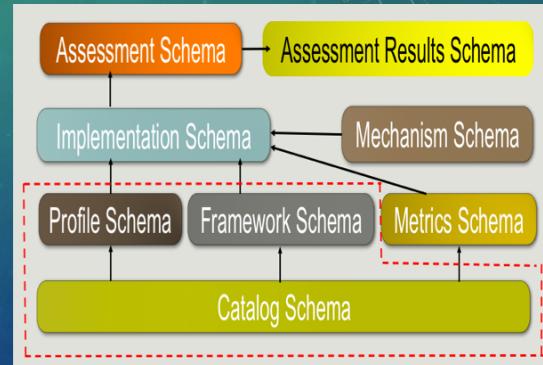


CURRENT FOCUS OF OSCAL DEVELOPMENT



DESCRIPTIONS OF CURRENT COMPONENTS

- Catalog:** Defines a set of security controls (e.g., NIST SP 800-53 Appendix F); may also define objectives and methods for assessing the controls (e.g., NIST SP 800-53A)
- Profile:** Defines a set of security requirements, where meeting each requirement necessitates implementing one or more security controls
- Framework:** Defines a set of security requirements expressed at a higher level (e.g. Cybersecurity Framework)



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PROSE VS. OSCAL CATALOG

AC-1 ACCESS CONTROL POLICY AND PROCEDURES

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Control Enhancements: None.

References: NIST Special Publications 800-12, 800-100.

Priority and Baseline Allocation:

P1 LOW AC-1

MOD AC-1

HIGH AC-1

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Parameter Assignment

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Document Reference

OSCAL Catalog XML (Excerpt)

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<catalog xmlns="http://scap.nist.gov/schema/oscal">
  <title>NIST SP800-53</title>
  <declarations href="800-53-declarations.xml"/>
  <group class="family">
    <title>ACCESS CONTROL</title>
    <control class="SP800-53">
      <title>ACCESS CONTROL POLICY AND PROCEDURES</title>
      <prop class="number">AC-1</prop>
      <prop class="priority">P1</prop>
      <feat class="statement">
        <prop class="description">The organization:</prop>
        <feat class="statement">
          <prop class="number">AC-1.a.</prop>
          <prop class="description">Develops, documents, and disseminates to <assign id="ac1a"> organization-defined personnel or roles</assign></prop>
          <feat class="statement-item">
            <prop class="number">AC-1.a.1.</prop>
            <prop class="description">An access control policy that addresses purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, management commitment, coordination among organizational ...[snip]...</prop>
          </feat>
        </feat>
        </feat>
        ...[snip]...
      <references>
        <ref>
          <citation href="http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/PubsSPs.html#800-12">NIST Special Publication 800-12</citation>
        </ref>
        ...[snip]...
      </references>
    </control>
  </group>
</catalog>
```



THE OSCAL FORMAT – OTHER FEATURES

A number of other features are also supported:

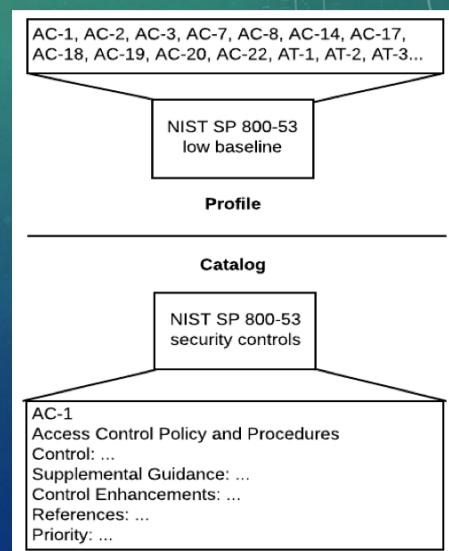
- Inclusion of additional guidance text
- References to related controls
- Definition of control enhancements
- Inclusion of **assessment objectives** and **assessment methods** (e.g., SP 800-53a)

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PROFILE AND CATALOG MAPPING: A TRIVIAL EXAMPLE

Representing an NIST SP 800-53 low baseline:

- ❑ NIST SP 800-53 catalog defines possible security controls within its scope
- ❑ NIST SP 800-53 profile indicates which security controls from the catalog are required to be compliant
- ❑ Clear mapping between the controls specified in the profile and the controls defined in the catalog
- ❑ OSCAL provides a standardized, machine-readable profile with clear semantics
- ❑ Other catalogs and profiles can use the same interoperable format (e.g., ISO/IEC 27001/2)





SP 800-53 BASELINE VS OSCAL PROFILE

CNTL NO.	CONTROL NAME	INITIAL CONTROL BASELINES		
		LOW	MOD	HIGH
		Access Control		
AC-1	Access Control Policy and Procedures	P1	AC-1	AC-1
AC-2	Account Management	P1	AC-2	AC-2 (1) (2) (3) (4)
AC-3	Access Enforcement	P1	AC-3	AC-3
AC-4	Information Flow Enforcement	P1	Not Selected	AC-4
AC-5	Separation of Duties	P1	Not Selected	AC-5
AC-6	Least Privilege	P1	Not Selected	AC-6 (1) (2) (3) (5) (9) (10)
AC-7	Unsuccessful Logon Attempts	P1	AC-7	AC-7
AC-8	System Use Notification	P1	AC-8	AC-8
AC-9	Previous Logon (Access) Notification	P0	Not Selected	Not Selected
AC-10	Concurrent Session Control	P3	Not Selected	Not Selected
AC-11	Session Lock	P3	Not Selected	AC-11 (1)
AC-12	Session Termination	P2	Not Selected	AC-12
AC-13	Withdrawn	—	—	—
AC-14	Permitted Actions without Identification or Authentication	P3	AC-14	AC-14
AC-15	Withdrawn	—	—	—
AC-16	Security Attributes	P1	Not Selected	Not Selected
AC-17	Remote Access	P1	AC-17	AC-17 (1) (2) (3) (4)
AC-18	Wireless Access	P1	AC-18	AC-18 (1) (4) (5)
AC-19	Access Control for Mobile Devices	P1	AC-19	AC-19 (5)
AC-20	Use of External Information Systems	P1	AC-20	AC-20 (1) (2)
AC-21	Information Sharing	P1	Not Selected	AC-21
AC-22	Publicly Accessible Content	P3	AC-22	AC-22
AC-23	Data Mining Protection	P0	Not Selected	Not Selected
AC-24	Access Control Decisions	P0	Not Selected	Not Selected
AC-25	Reference Monitor	P0	Not Selected	Not Selected

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<profile xmlns="http://csrc.nist.gov/ns/oscal/1.0">
  <title>SP 800-53 Low Baseline</title>
  <invoke href=".snip..!l">
    <call control-id="ac.1"/>
    <call control-id="ac.2"/>
    <call control-id="ac.3"/>
    <call control-id="ac.7"/>
    <call control-id="ac.8"/>
    <call control-id="ac.14"/>
    <call control-id="ac.17"/>
    <call control-id="ac.18"/>
    <call control-id="ac.19"/>
    <call control-id="ac.20"/>
    ...
  </invoke>
</profile>
  
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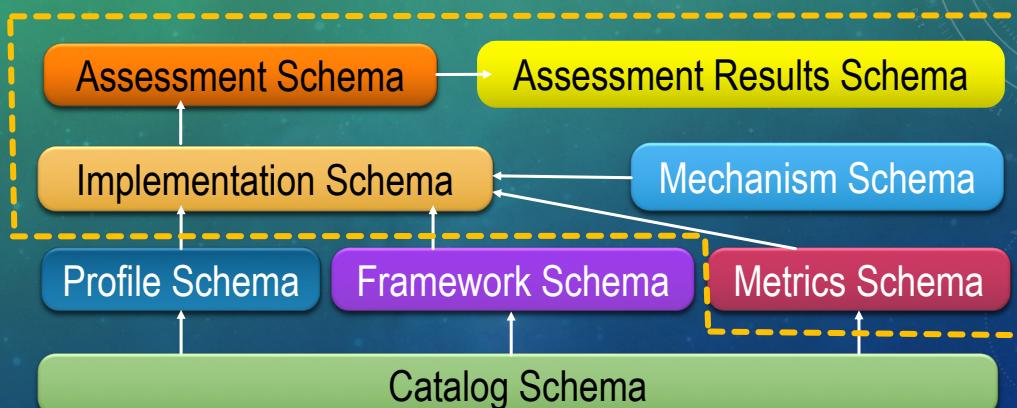
OSCAL DELIVERABLES

XML and JSON Schemas	Validate catalogs and profiles against constraints
XSL Templates	Produce human-readable versions (PDFs)
CSS	Edit OSCAL catalogs and profiles using XML tools
Documentation	Define the OSCAL specification Explain how organizations can convert existing catalogs and profiles into OSCAL formats

Posted to a NIST GitHub repo: <https://github.com/usnistgov/OSCAL>
Email oscal@nist.gov for access



FUTURE FOCUS

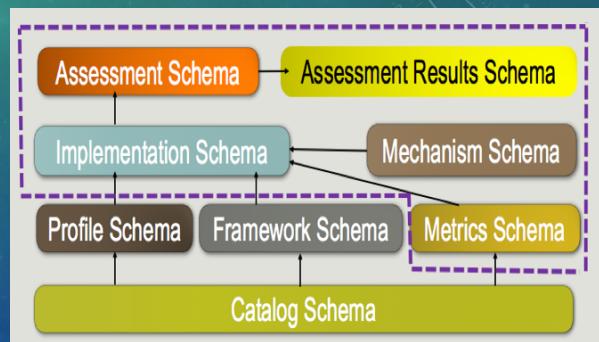


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DESCRIPTIONS OF FUTURE COMPONENTS

- Implementation:** Defines how each profile item is implemented (System Security Plan)
- Assessment:** Describes how the system assessment is to be performed
- Assessment Results:** Records the findings of the assessment
- Metrics:** Defines metrics and measurements for understanding the effectiveness of the system's security
- Mechanism:** Describes methods used to monitor the system's current security state (e.g., Security Content Automation Protocol (SCAP))



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