



Why the Federation model?

Problem:

How to implement regulations/directives/policies on contractor identity management and tracking, quickly, efficiently and with high trust and low risk and leveraged cost?

Choices:

Try to do it internally with government resources or use a coordinated and shared process with Industry partners working through “Federation” model.

History:

Federation has been a success in Financial Industry for more than 20 years. The federated solution for identity credentials has been piloted, tested and certified in DOD by DMDC with the exchange of CAC and Industry certified credentials over a trusted, interoperable network operated and supported by the Federation for Identity and Cross Credentialing Systems (FiXS) www.fixs.org

Solution:

Move to an Industry supported enterprise wide Federation “model” between Government and Industry.

Rationale:

1. Syndicated trust and risk thru the Federation requirements for adherence to rules.
2. Syndicated investment (Effective ROI for both Government and Industry).
3. Governance structure in place and “Federated precedence” already in place via financial sector thru Treasury and DFAS and with DoD thru DMDC.
4. Operating and Business Rules are codified in existing MOU's.
5. Certification and Accreditation of products and services.
6. Infrastructure in place and operational.
7. Meets Privacy Requirements.
8. Meets Security Requirements.
9. Interface and Interoperability specifications in place and tested.
10. Vetting of companies and employees by Federated Industry members certified to meet government policies and standards.