



# MATU

Middleware Assisted Take-Up Service



## A not-for-profit IT services group

Athens

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Internet

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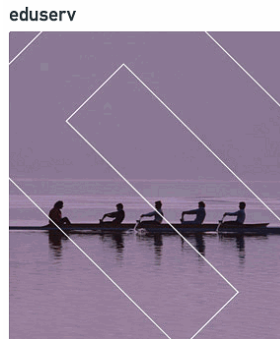
Chest

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Foundation

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- Supports the effective use of IT in education
- Over 10 years experience in access management
- Contracted by the JISC to provide the MATU service.

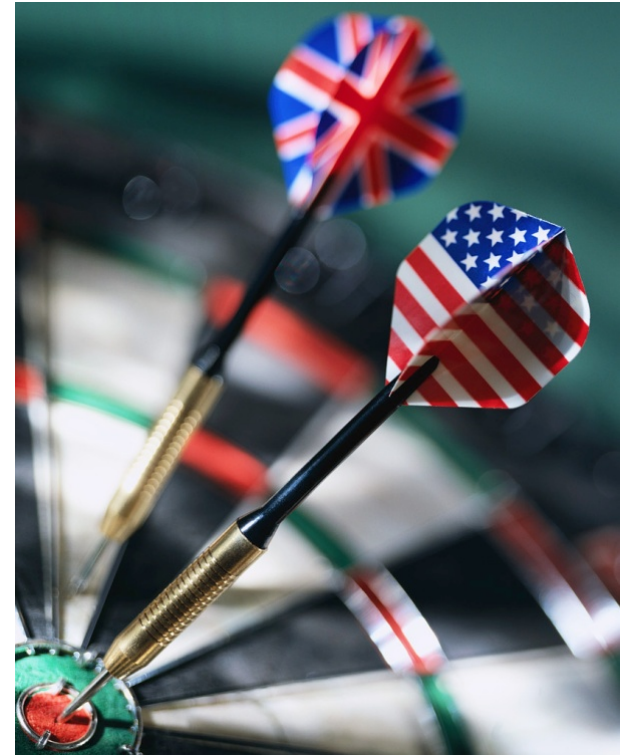


## The Projects

- Twenty eight projects in total comprising:
  - 11 early adopter projects
    - 17 institutions
  - 9 e-learning strand early adopter projects
    - 12 institutions
  - 8 new project intakes
    - 8 institutions

# MATU's Objectives

- Support JISC core middleware project early adopters
- Provide a central repository of:
  - Information
  - Advice
  - Training.





# MATU Offers

- Website
  - FAQs
  - Guidance
  - Glossary
  - Installation Guides
  - Downloads
  - Discussion Lists
- Software Downloads
  - Internet2 Software
  - Eduserv Software
  - Other Software e.g. Guanxi.
- Service Desk
  - Telephone and Email Support
  - Access Management and Shibboleth Expertise
  - Test infrastructure.
- Training and Support
  - Seminars & Workshops
  - On-site Visits
  - Annual Conference.

# Where Do We Go From Here?

## The JISC Road Map to Federated Access Management



- Institutional Audit
- Directory Development
- Authentication Development
- Implement IdP
- Join Federation
- Institutional Roll-out



# The MATU Website

## [www.matu.ac.uk](http://www.matu.ac.uk)



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## MATU - Middleware Assisted Take-Up Service

### Early Adopters

### Introduction to Access Management

### What is Shibboleth?

### How Shibboleth works

### Introduction to Federations

### What is SAML?

### Shibboleth myths & misunderstandings

→ [Documentation](#)

→ [Software downloads](#)

→ [Discussion lists](#)

→ [Training & support](#)

**Coming soon**

→ [Guidance](#)

Welcome to the Middleware Assisted Take-Up Service, a new service designed to support Early Adopters in achieving their Shibboleth objectives. The service is a pilot project funded by [The Joint Information Systems Committee \(JISC\)](#).

Shibboleth forms a part of an organisation's Single Sign On (SSO) environment for access to protected web resources by facilitating the exchange of authorisation and authentication information between organisations and service providers. Shibboleth works in conjunction with an organisation's authentication system and user information databases and allows a service provider to make authorisation decisions based on that information.

#### The objectives of the service are:

- to provide a central repository of information, advice, training and support for [Shibboleth Early Adopters](#) within the UK until December 2006.
- to scope the future service requirements of HE and FE institutions wishing to adopt Shibboleth for institutional access management.

#### What does the service offer:

The service offers Early Adopters access to a range of resources including: documentation, guidance, software, discussion lists, as well as a service desk and a programme of training sessions and conferences. More details are available on our [What does this service offer?](#) page.

#### Contact us:

Should you have any comments regarding the new service, please feel free to contact us at [support@matu.ac.uk](mailto:support@matu.ac.uk).

#### Call for participation:

[Register](#) for the Early Adopters seminar from 1.30pm - 4.00pm on the 17th May 2005, Loughborough University. [More info...](#) **Registration closing 4pm Wednesday 11th May.**

To receive service updates and announcements, please add your email address in the box below.

Your email address:

#### More info

- [Core Middleware Programmes](#)
- [Other projects](#)
- [Related links](#)
- [Publications](#)
- [Glossary](#)
- [FAQ](#)

#### Latest news

**Internet2** has stated to MATU that a beta version of Shibboleth v1.3 is to be released very soon [more...](#)

**The MATU team** are hosting the reception at the forthcoming Core Middleware Programme Meeting [more...](#)

**Eduserv has been awarded the JISC contract** to establish a pilot Assisted Take-Up Service ([Press Release](#))

**MATU presentation** at eLearning Programme Meeting on 6th April, Birmingham. ([Slides](#))

**Questionnaire:** [Help us to understand your projects.](#)



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