**Template for providing feedback on the review of the Federation Assurance Standard**

**Introduction**

The Federation Assurance Standard has been updated to improve its use for a wider variety of identification service providers.

Consultation on the changes will be open until **30 September 2021[[1]](#footnote-1)** and responses should be sent to identity@dia.govt.nz

If you wish to view a copy showing the marked-up changes, please email identity@dia.govt.nz .

As a starter we have asked some specific questions, but additional feedback can also be provided using the table below.

**New diagram**

A new diagram and description have been developed as part of this review.

Do these adequately explain the relationships?

Do they provide clarity on the scope of this standard?

**Role of Facilitation Provider**

The substantive change to this standard is the creation of the role of Facilitation Provider.

Is the role of Facilitation Provider clear?

**Requirements for Facilitation Providers**

New controls have been developed for Facilitation Providers – Objectives Xa to Xd in the draft document.

Do you support this approach?

Is there anything else we should include?

**Notifications**

Several identification systems require the Credential Provider and/or Facilitation Provider to provide notification that certain events have occurred.

Under what circumstances should notices to Entities and/or Relying Parties be provided?

Should these notifications be actively pushed out and/or require parties to seek the information?

**Expressing Federation Assurance in a presentation**

Control FA6.01 outlines the minimum integrity information to be made available. The assurance values for information, binding and authentication are straight forward but we are not so clear on whether the presentation should include a value representing compliance with this standard.

Should there be a requirement to declare compliance with this standard?

Would a 3-tier declaration of assessed, self-assessed or accredited, be useful?

Or, is there another option?

**General comments**

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1. Given the current environment around COVID-19, anyone needing an extension to this time frame should email identity@dia.govt.nz [↑](#footnote-ref-1)