

## IUDX Technical Steering Committee

November 2020



## Technical Steering Committee: Format and Objectives

- Participants:
  - Nominated Members representing their organizations (IUDX consortium members, Key Government agencies, Funding agencies)
  - Invited Members based on technical expertise
- Regular Meetings every 1-2 months
  - Special meetings on particular topics as needed (e.g. video, analytics, security, data models ..)
- Purpose:
  - Advise the IUDX Development team in strategic technical decisions and give feedback on their proposed direction.
  - Recruit collaboration on development (sign up for sub-projects that will become part of IUDX)
- Format:
  - Presentation and layout of any open issues (committers for that area)
  - Open discussion (will be recorded and available for all)
- Objective:
  - Move towards an open-source multi-party collaborative project (a la Linux Foundation)





# IUDX Technical Overview and Future Directions

November 2020



#### **Smart City Mission and Indian Institute of Science came together to** conceptualize & build IUDX



Controlled & secure any-any exchange of all forms of public and privately owned *non-personal* data-not just "open data"



- **Dedicated Program Unit** with an expert staff
- **Open Source** (code freely available)
- **Collaborative-** Govt, Industry, Academia, citizens and communities
- **Governance, Policy and Economic** framework being developed
- Smart Cities: To be deployed as cloud service in 10 cities this year, 20 next year.
- **Other sectors** have strong applicability to be explored



#### A data *space* built around IUDX



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#### Beyond smart cities--- for all non-personal data



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#### **IUDX Stakeholders and concerns**

Data Consumer would like to .....

- Discover data sources of interest
- Access data from these sources in a secure fashion
- Get authorizations for data sources
  that are not open
- Get additional context for data
- Ease of operations



Data Provider would like to ....

- Control access to its data sources
  - Create, update, delete policies
- Data to be served according to the set policies only
- Onboard data from its sources and add meta-information to make the resource discoverable
- Ease of operations



#### **IUDX: An Open Data Exchange Platform**



- Framework Enables
  - Exchange of data between various IT systems
  - Non-personal data
- Two key stakeholders
  - Data Consumers/App Developers
  - Data providers
- Catalogue
  - Information about data sets
  - Discovery by app developers
  - Data models
- Authorization
  - Access Control
  - Data privacy
- Standardized APIs to access data
- Standardized Data Models

Connects data sources to solution providers to extract full value



#### **Catalogue Server**

- Meta-information about resources
  - Search and discovery
  - Additional context
  - Data Descriptors
- Catalogue APIs
  - Search
    - Geo-spatial (polygon, line, bounding box), Text, Property, Relationship search
  - Management APIs
    - Create, Retrieve, Update and Delete items

Discovery of resources Data interpretation and interoperability

Additional info for smarter use of data

Store of meta-information JSON-LD documents



#### **Authorization Server**

- Allows data sharing while respecting ownership and privacy requirements
  - Only the authorized entities can get tokens to access the private/protected data
- Main functions of Authorization Server
  - Authorization to grant access to protected resources
    - Token grant
    - Validation of access tokens
  - Managing policies which specify access rules
    - Who can access, What data, For how long etc.
    - Using simple policy language
  - Authentication to identify all parties
    - X.509 Digital Certificate based authentication

#### Auth server enables Asynchronous authorization grant





### **Authorization APIs**

- Request for an access token
- Set consent rules
- Append to existing consent rules
- Get the list of current consent rules
- Validate an access token
- Revoke token(s)
- Audit tokens



Provides simple set of APIs to **automate consent** of data providers. Inspired by UMA 2.0 Standards.





#### **IUDX Resource Server**

- IUDX data plane
- Data pipeline
  - Data access
    - APIs, Subscriptions
  - Auth and catalogue integration
    - Compliance with privacy requirements
    - Data served only if a valid token is presented for secure data
  - Data ingestion
    - Publish endpoints
    - Adaptor/Connector Registrations
    - Data broker

- IUDX 2.0 Data APIs
  - Search and Count
    - Spatial
      - Circle, Polygon, BBox, Linestring
    - Temporal
      - Between, Before, After
    - Attribute
      - Property >,<,>= and <=</li>
    - Complex
  - Subscriptions
    - Streaming, Callback

IUDX 2.0 Data APIs are harmonized with ETSI NGSI-LD Specifications for Data Access



## **Design Principles**

- Open APIs and data models
- Consent Driven
  - Allows sharing of data only if an explicit consent is provided by the data provider
- Secure by design
  - Security considerations are part of the design right from the start and all the best practices are followed
- Minimalistic
- Open source
  - Uses leading tools, technologies from the open-source industry
- Cloud deployable
  - Designed for cloud deployment and utilize the state-of-the-art cloud infrastructure
- Scalable and Elastic by design
  - Upfront considerations for scalable and elastic designs for all the software components
- Service oriented
  - Incorporate service-oriented designs which can be scaled up/down without affecting the other components



### **Security and Privacy**

- Security best practices
  - TLS based secure communications
    - Between all components of IUDX
  - All services are exposed as per the access control policies
  - Certificate based authentications for issuing tokens
  - Communication between IUDX components is not exposed to public IP network
  - Using API gateway for authenticating, controlling and analyzing API traffic
  - Explicit validation for HTTP requests to debar invalid requests
  - Limited port exposure for all the public services
  - Rate limiting provisions for preventing DDOS attacks for open resources

#### Security built into all architectural components



#### **Technology Stack**





#### **Solution Architecture: Resource Server**





#### **IUDX Deployment**

- Dedicated deployment team
- Deployed in cities of Pune, Surat and Varanasi
  - Select datasets onboarded
  - Use cases planned
- A total of 10 cities by the end of March
- Demo ...

#### **Next Releases**

- Release 2.5 (End-March)
  - Feature upgrades
    - Faster TIP mechanisms
    - Consent facilitation framework
    - File server APIs
    - Metering and audit APIs
    - Multi-factor authentication
  - User centric upgrades
    - UI Panels for providers/consumers, Dashboards
    - Data Analytics and visualizations
  - Performance upgrades
    - New scalable ingestion framework
    - Upgrades in DevOps (e.g., Kubernetes based DevOps)
    - Clustering



#### Next Releases (1)

- Release 3.X
  - Video
    - Serving video data
    - Analytics
  - Data Analytics
    - Privacy preserving data/video analytics
    - Data quality
  - Data marketplace APIs
- Request TSC inputs regarding the above





#### To summarize ...

- IUDX is a data exchange service that
  - Hosts and manages meta-information about resources and facilitates their discovery (Catalogue)
  - Facilitates exchange of data (Resource Server)
  - Facilitates authentication, authorization and accounting mechanisms (Auth Server)
- Defines 2 main participants
  - Data providers
  - Data Consumers/Applications
- Defines the flow of information between
  - Providers/Consumers and catalogue
  - Consumers and Resource servers
  - Providers/Consumers/Resource-servers and Authorization servers





#### **Thank You**



