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For each of the issues within the "Telecom Use Cases and Issues, v.1.0", specific requirements are provided within this document. Where possible, non prescriptive solution proposals to the identified issues and requirements are also described, in order to possibly assist those Technical Committees (within OASIS and other SDOs) responsible for the development and maintenance of the SOA related standards.

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1 Introduction

Part of the work being undertaken by the OASIS SOA-TEL TC is to understand how SOA-related specifications and standards are used within the scope of the telecommunications environment and determine if there are any issues when used in this manner.

This is the second deliverable of the SOA-TEL TC, and its objective is to collect requirements to address technical issues and gaps of SOA standards (specified by OASIS and other SDOs) utilized within the context of Telecoms. Such issues are documented in SOA-TEL's TC first deliverable "Telecom Use Cases and Issues, v.1.0".

For each of the issues within such document, specific requirements are provided. Where possible, non prescriptive solution proposals to the identified issues and requirements are also described, in order to possibly assist those Technical Committees (within OASIS and other SDOs) responsible for the development and maintenance of the SOA related standards.

For each of the issues identified within "Telecom Use Cases and Issues, v.1.0", a section composed of

- "References",
- "Requirement",
- "Description",
- and "Proposed solution"

is included in this Requirements document.

In order to facilitate future activities, each requirement is identified by means of a reference, with the syntax [SOA-TEL Req. x.y].

The document is organized in the following sections:

- Section 2, Issues on "Intermediaries";
- Section 3, Issues on "Security";
- Section 4, Issues on "Management";
- Section 5, Issues on "SOA collective standards usage".

Moreover, Appendix B, SOA-TEL Requirements, groups all exposed requirements within one single view.

The next steps related to this activity will be taken within the OASIS Telecom Member Section. Most likely, issues and related requirements will be grouped according to categories, and sent and presented to the TCs or Working Groups considered as "owners" of the affected specifications, in order to verify if such groups will want to analyze them and provide their solution. Other alternatives may also be evaluated on a case by case approach. Nevertheless the solution of identified issues and the addressing of the requirements hereafter listed is not to be considered as part of SOA-TEL's TC Charter.

1.1 Terminology

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in **[RFC2119]**.

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2 Requirements on Intermediaries

Some existing specifications used by Service Oriented Architectures do not allow for the presence of intermediaries in message exchanges. The lack of standards for intermediaries has led to workarounds and proprietary solutions. This section develops the requirements for intermediaries in message exchanges.

OASIS SOA-TEL TC considers that addressing the specific requirements provided in this section may be the first step for a more general revision of the SOA specifications in order to extend their coverage to include the management of intermediaries.

2.1 Requirements on Transaction Endpoints Specification

2.1.1 Identification of Use Case

There is no standard way to specify in a message that is subject to a process or transaction, the end point to which the message should be sent at the end of the process or transaction.

The lack of endpoint specification in messages is more fully documented in [SOA-TEL 1.0], 3.1 Transaction Endpoints Specification.

2.1.2 Requirement(s)

Req. 1

The WS Addressing specifications, [WS-A 1.0], must include additional fields (in addition to the ones already present) containing remote destinations to which reply messages must be sent.

- The sender of a message must assign the fields when it wants to specify the destination for the reply message, but the node that has to use such destination information (i.e. the node that has to send the reply message) may not necessarily be the direct receiver of the request message.
- The receiver of a message, which needs of information on the endpoint destination to which send a reply message, can obtain the information by these additional fields.
- The receiver of a message has to forward to the next receiver all the additional destinations (present in these additional fields) that it does not use.

2.1.3 Description

The [WS-A 1.0] must include additional information to indicate nodes to which messages replies should be sent (in addition to the one already present).

Specific endpoints should be inserted when the message is part of a transaction involving more participants. Such endpoints must be forwarded, through the chain of invocations, to those nodes that will need to use these endpoints.

The generic node that starts a transaction should be able to specify endpoints for the nodes following in the transaction, in addition to the (already available) “reply_to” endpoint for the message’s direct receiver.

In complex scenarios involving more than 3 nodes, the generic node N that receives a message may not be conscious of the specific transaction of which it is part of, or of other participant nodes, but could obtain the endpoint to which it must send a reply message by fetching such new proposed endpoint element.

132 Moreover, the current “reply to” element within the WS-A specification could not be utilized for this
133 objective because even the direct sender to node N may not be aware of the final destination for the
134 message.

135 2.1.4 Solution proposals

136 The following text is provided in order to illustrate some possible ways to address the Requirement. They
137 are suggestions and are by no means to be considered as mandatory, as other possible options could be
138 identified which are not represented hereafter.

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140 To the best knowledge within OASIS SOA-TEL TC, the requirements presented hereafter could be
141 addressed by the W3C Web Services Addressing (WS-A) WG, which by the way is in status “Completed”.

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143 The WS-Addressing v1.0 specification [WS-A 1.0] defines the following elements:

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145	<code>wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To> ?</code>
146	<code><wsa:From>wsa:EndpointReferenceType</wsa:From> ?</code>
147	<code><wsa:ReplyTo>wsa:EndpointReferenceType</wsa:ReplyTo> ?</code>
148	<code><wsa:FaultTo>wsa:EndpointReferenceType</wsa:FaultTo> ?</code>
149	<code><wsa:Action>xs:anyURI</wsa:Action></code>
150	<code><wsa:MessageID>xs:anyURI</wsa:MessageID> ?</code>
151	<code><wsa:RelatesTo RelationshipType="xs:anyURI"?>xs:anyURI</wsa:RelatesTo> *</code>
152	<code><wsa:ReferenceParameters>xs:any*</wsa:ReferenceParameters> ?</code>

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154 Another element could be added to contain a “remote” endpoint reference, named for example

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156	<code><wsa:RemoteReplyTo> wsa:EndpointReferenceType</wsa:RemoteReplyTo> *.</code>
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158 It should be possible to add more RemoteReplyTo elements, in a LIFO (Last In First Out) criteria.

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160 The generic receiver can use the last inserted endpoint and delete the element.

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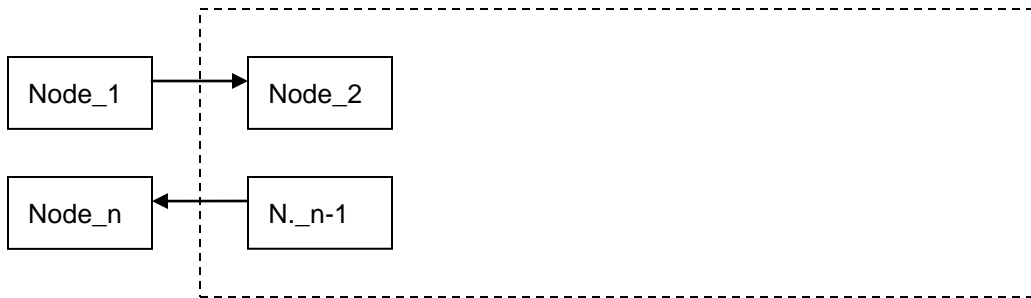
162 The following example is provided.

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164 Suppose that *node_1* calls *node_2*.

165 *node_1* states that the endpoint for the response is *node_n*, but it doesn't know which node will be
166 sending the final response to *node_n* at the end of the transaction, so it inserts the information (*node_n*
167 endpoint) in the RemoteReply element, not in ReplyTo one. Figure 1 illustrates the example.

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Figure 1: Example for SOAP nodes interaction (1)

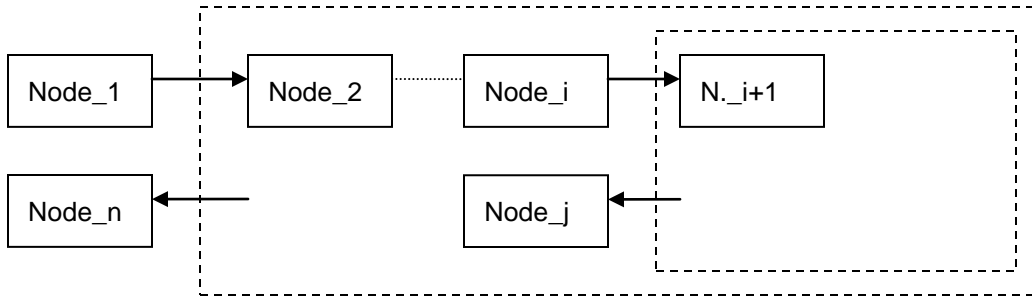
The following is an example of the resulting message (in red color the proposed addition to the WS-A specification).

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<soap:Envelope...>
  <soap:Header>
    <wsa:To> http://host_a/node_2 </wsa:To>
    <wsa:RemoteReplyTo>
      <wsa:Address>
        http://host_b/node_n
      </wsa:Address>
    </wsa:RemoteReplyTo>
    ...
  </soap:Header>
  <soap:Body>
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  </soap:Body>
</soap:Envelope>
  
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Suppose now that *node_i* in the transaction, calling *node_{i+1}*, starts a nested transaction (with *node_j* as final destination) in the main transaction. Also in this case, *node_i* does not know which will produce the response for the *node_j*, so it adds a RemoteReply element, to the message. Figure 2 illustrates the example.



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Figure 2: Example for SOAP nodes interaction (2)

The resulting message should be the following.

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<soap:Envelope...>
  <soap:Header>
    <wsa:To> http://host_c/node_i+1 </wsa:To>
    <wsa:RemoteReplyTo>
      <wsa:Address>
        http://host_d/node_j
      </wsa:Address>
    </wsa:RemoteReplyTo>
    <wsa:RemoteReplyTo>
      <wsa:Address>
        http://host_b/node_n
      </wsa:Address>
    </wsa:RemoteReplyTo>
    ...
  </soap:Header>
  <soap:Body>
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  </soap:Body>
</soap:Envelope>
  
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Suppose now that *node_{j-1}* ends the nested transaction.

node_{j-1} needs a reply destination, so it fetches the endpoint by the first RemoteReplyTo element, obtaining the information “http:// host_d/node_j”; it then deletes the element in the header and replies to *node_j*.

node_{n-1}, last node of the main transaction, should perform in the same way with the remaining RemoteReplyTo element. Figure 3 illustrates the example.

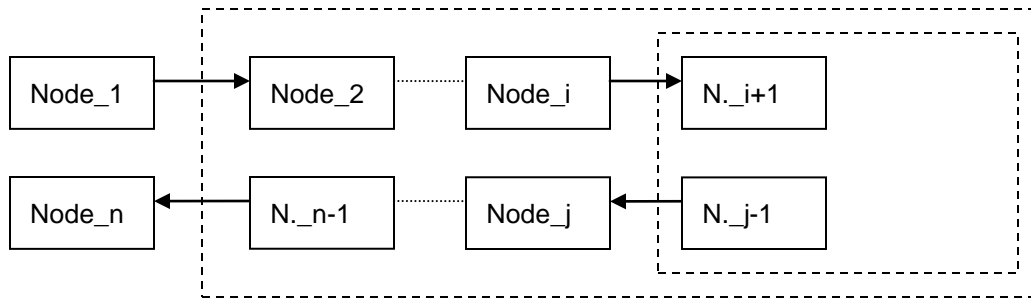


Figure 3: Example for SOAP nodes interaction (3)

2.2 Requirements on WS-Notification

2.2.1 Identification of Use Case

If adopting the WS-Notification [WS-N 1-3] specification, in presence of intermediaries, there is no formal way for the Provider to specify the endpoint to which the final notification should be sent.

Refer to [SOA-TEL 1.0], 3.2 of the SOA-TEL “Telecom Use Cases and Issues” document, in which the technical issue is documented.

2.2.2 Requirement(s)

Req. 2

The WS-Notification specification must provide a mechanism to describe and regulate a scenario in which one or more intermediaries are present; it must standardize the terminology, concepts, operations, WSDL and XML needed to express the roles of the intermediaries (involved in publish and subscribe Web services for notification message exchange).

According to the WS-Notification terminology, the standard must be extended and modified so that:

- a *Subscriber* can require a *Subscription* to a *NotificationProducer* also in the case they do not communicate directly but do so by means of one or more intermediaries;
- likewise a *NotificationProducer* can send a *Notification* to a *NotificationConsumer* also in the case that they do not communicate directly, but by means of one or more intermediaries.

2.2.3 Description

The WS-Notification specification must provide a well specified mechanism whereby a Subscriber can interact (by means of “subscribe”, “unsubscribe” and the other provided operations) with a NotificationProducer also in presence of one or more intermediaries between itself and the NotificationProducer.

Moreover the WS-Notification specification must provide a well specified mechanism by which a NotificationProducer can send notifications to a given NotificationConsumer also via one or more intermediaries.

In the new context, the Subscriber must be able to send a subscription message (different from the ones allowed by the current specification) to an intermediary; the intermediary must be able to request the subscription to the NotificationProducer or to send the request to the next intermediary. As a consequence an intermediary can receive a subscription request from another intermediary.

233 Moreover the new subscription response message must be managed and forwarded by intermediaries in
234 a similar way.

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236 Conversely, the NotificationProducer must be able to send a notification addressed to a
237 NotificationConsumer to an intermediary, and this intermediary must be able to forward the notification to
238 the NotificationConsumer or to the next intermediary. In consequence of that an intermediary can receive
239 a notification from another intermediary.

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241 This requirement is closely connected to the requirement over WS-Addressing, described in Section 2.1
242 of this document (Requirements on Transaction Endpoints Specification) for two reasons:

- 243 • the two requirements introduce and regulate "intermediaries management" in the WS-Addressing and
244 WS-Notification specifications
- 245 • WS-Notification specification characterizes and identifies the actors (such as Subscriber and
246 NotificationProducer) by means of the WS-Addressing standard.

247 **2.2.4 Solution proposals**

248 The following text is provided in order to illustrate some possible ways to address the requirement. They
249 are suggestions and are by no means to be considered as mandatory, as other possible options could be
250 identified which are not represented hereafter.

251 To the best knowledge within OASIS SOA-TEL TC, the requirements presented hereafter could be
252 addressed by the OASIS WS-Notification Technical Committee (WSN TC), which by the way is in status
253 "Completed", or possibly, by the W3C Web Services Addressing (WS-A) WG, which by the way is as well
254 in status "Completed".

255 Another Working Group potentially interested to receive this requirement is W3C Resource Access since
256 the topic dealt by the specifications (WS-Transfer, WS-ResourceTransfer, WS-Enumeration, WS-
257 MetadataExchange and WS-Eventing Member Submissions) for which this group is responsible may
258 potentially solve the present issues with WS-N specification.

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260 There are several approaches to solve the requirement: the solution to adopt depends on the chosen
261 perspective, on the use cases that are to be covered, and on the scope to assign to the new specification.

262 Two different lines of solution, not antithetical, but complementary, are provided below. In the first
263 proposal the intermediary plays an active part in the notification services, while the second proposal is
264 more general, and is based on the fact that WS-Notification is supported by WS-Addressing.

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266 **First proposal** (intermediary plays an active part in the notification services)

267 The WS-Notification specification should define a new role in addition to the ones already defined
268 (NotificationConsumer, NotificationProducer, SubscriptionManager, Subscriber).

269 The new role could be named, for example, "Intermediary", and its description could be:

- 270 • *an entity acting on behalf of a Subscriber; it receives a subscription request and asks for the*
271 *subscription to the NotificationConsumer specified in the request, or forwards the request the next*
272 *Intermediary;*
- 273 • *an entity acting on behalf of a NotificationProducer; it receives a notification and sends it to the*
274 *NotificationConsumer specified in the notification message, or forwards the request to the next*
275 *Intermediary.*

276 To be noted that an Intermediary node could contemporarily have both behaviours: acting on behalf of a
277 *Subscriber* to request a subscription to a *NotificationProducer*, and acting on behalf of a *Notification*
278 *Producer* to send a notification message to a *Subscriber*.

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280 The protocol should be extended in such as way to define a new message exchange pattern in which
281 even the Intermediary behaviour is comprised.

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283 The syntax of the subscription request and that of the notification should be extended so that it becomes
284 possible to specify, in the new messages, one or more intermediary destinations and the final destination.

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286 For example, for the subscription operation, if the Subscriber knows the NotificationProvider location, it
287 can make a subscription request in which it inserts an endpoint reference element for the
288 NotificationProvider, and then sends the message to the Intermediary; the Intermediary consumes (reads
289 and deletes) the reference and so it is able to send a subscribe request to the NotificationProvider.

290 In the subscription request, the endpoint reference of the Intermediary to which notifications should be
291 sent, could be also included.

292 The subscribe message could be as the following:

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<s:Envelope ... >
  <s:Header>
    <wsa:Action>
      http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsn/bw-2/Intermediary/SubscribeRequest
    </wsa:Action>
    ...
  </s:Header>
  <s:Body>
    <wsnt:Subscribe>
      <wsnt:ConsumerReference>
        <wsa:Address>
          http://www.example.org/NotificationConsumer
        </wsa:Address>
      </wsnt:ConsumerReference>
      <wsnt:ProducerReference>
        <wsa:Address>
          http://www.example.org/NotificationProducer
        </wsa:Address>
      </wsnt:ProducerReference>
      <wsnt: IntermediaryReference>
        <wsa:Address>
          http://www.example.org/Intermediary
        </wsa:Address>
      </wsnt: IntermediaryReference>
      <wsnt:Filter>
        <wsnt:TopicExpression Dialect=
"http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsn/t-1/TopicExpression/Simple">
          ncex:SomeTopic
        </wsnt:TopicExpression>
        <wsnt:MessageContent
          Dialect="http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116">
          boolean(ncex:Producer="15")
        </wsnt:MessageContent>
      </wsnt:Filter>
      <wsnt:InitialTerminationTime>
        2005-12-25T00:00:00.00000Z
      </wsnt:InitialTerminationTime>
    </wsnt:Subscribe>
  </s:Body>
</s:Envelope>

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The Intermediary receives the above message and makes a subscription request to the notification consumer with the following message:


```

<s:Envelope ... >
  <s:Header>
    <wsa:Action>
      http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsn/bw-
2/NotificationProducer/SubscribeRequest
    </wsa:Action>
    ...
  </s:Header>
  <s:Body>
    <wsnt:Subscribe>
      <wsnt:ConsumerReference>
        <wsa:Address>
          http://www.example.org/NotificationConsumer
        </wsa:Address>
      </wsnt:ConsumerReference>
      <wsnt: IntermediaryReference>
        <wsa:Address>
          http://www.example.org/Intermediary
        </wsa:Address>
      </wsnt: IntermediaryReference>
      <wsnt:Filter>
        <wsnt:TopicExpression Dialect=
"http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsn/t-1/TopicExpression/Simple">
          npex:SomeTopic
        </wsnt:TopicExpression>
        <wsnt:MessageContent
          Dialect="http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116">
          boolean(ncex:Producer="15")
        </wsnt:MessageContent>
      </wsnt:Filter>
      <wsnt:InitialTerminationTime>
        2005-12-25T00:00:00.00000Z
      </wsnt:InitialTerminationTime>
    </wsnt:Subscribe>
  </s:Body>
</s:Envelope>

```

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302 The notification message could be the similar to these defined with the current specification, but sent by
303 the NotificationProducer to the Intermediary rather than directly to the NotificationConsumer, as showed
304 in the next figure; in this message the final destination should be present.

```

<s:Envelope ... >
  <s:Header>
    <wsa:Action>
      http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsn/bw-2/Intermediary/Notify
    </wsa:Action>
    ...
  </s:Header>
  <s:Body>
    <wsnt:Notify>
      <wsnt:NotificationMessage>
        <wsnt:SubscriptionReference>
          <wsa:Address>
            http://www.example.org/SubscriptionManager
          </wsa:Address>
        </wsnt:SubscriptionReference>
        <wsnt:Topic Dialect=
"\"http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsn/t-1/TopicExpression/Simple\"">
          npex:SomeTopic
        </wsnt:Topic>
        <wsnt:ConsumerReference>
          <wsa:Address>
            http://www.example.org/NotificationConsumer
          </wsa:Address>
        </wsnt:ConsumerReference>
        <wsnt:ProducerReference>
          <wsa:Address>
            http://www.example.org/NotificationProducer
          </wsa:Address>
        </wsnt:ProducerReference>
        <wsnt:Message>
          <npex:NotifyContent>exampleNotifyContent</npex:NotifyContent>
        </wsnt:Message>
      </wsnt:NotificationMessage>
    </wsnt:Notify>
  </s:Body>
</s:Envelope>

```

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307 **Second proposal** (more general proposal, is based on the fact that WS-Notification is supported by WS-
 308 Addressing)

309 The WS-Addressing specification should be extended so that it expresses the concept of “final
 310 destination” of the message, by adding a new element, named for example <was:FinalTo>, in addition to
 311 those already present.

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313 In this way the subscriber could specify both the NotificationProducer and the NotificationConsumer as
 314 final destinations in the subscription message.

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<s:Envelope ... >
  <s:Header>
    <wsa:Action>
      http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsn/bw-
      2/NotificationProducer/SubscribeRequest
    </wsa:Action>
    <wsa:FinalTo>
      <wsa:Address> http://www.example.org/NotificationProducer
    </wsa:Address>
    </wsa:FinalTo>
    ...
  </s:Header>
  <s:Body>
    <wsnt:Subscribe>
      <wsnt:ConsumerReference>
        <wsa:FinalTo>
          <wsa:Address>
            http://www.example.org/NotificationConsumer
          </wsa:Address>
        </wsa:FinalTo>
      </wsnt:ConsumerReference>
      <wsnt:Filter>
        <wsnt:TopicExpression Dialect=
        "http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsn/t-1/TopicExpression/Simple">
          npex:SomeTopic
        </wsnt:TopicExpression>
        <wsnt:MessageContent
          Dialect="http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116">
          boolean(ncex:Producer="15")
        </wsnt:MessageContent>
      </wsnt:Filter>
      <wsnt:InitialTerminationTime>
        2005-12-25T00:00:00.000000Z
      </wsnt:InitialTerminationTime>
    </wsnt:Subscribe>
  </s:Body>
</s:Envelope>

```

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318 The intermediary can send the message to the NotificationProducer without the necessity to make any
 319 interpretation of the message.

320

321 As a consequence, the NotificationProducer knows the endpoints of the NotificationConsumer and of the
 322 intermediary to which reply to; so it can send a notification to the intermediary, specifying the
 323 NotificationConsumer as final destination.

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```

<s:Envelope ... >
  <s:Header>
    <wsa:Action>
      http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsn/bw-2/NotificationConsumer/Notify
    </wsa:Action>
    <wsa:FinalTo>
      <wsa:Address> http://www.example.org/NotificationConsumer
    </wsa:Address>
    </wsa:FinalTo>
    ...
  </s:Header>
  <s:Body>
    <wsnt:Notify>
      <wsnt:NotificationMessage>
        <wsnt:SubscriptionReference>
          <wsa:Address>
            http://www.example.org/SubscriptionManager
          </wsa:Address>
        </wsnt:SubscriptionReference>
        <wsnt:Topic Dialect=
"\"http://docs.oasis-open.org/wsn/t-1/TopicExpression/Simple\"">
          npex:SomeTopic
        </wsnt:Topic>
        <wsnt:ProducerReference>
          <wsa:Address>
            http://www.example.org/NotificationProducer
          </wsa:Address>
        </wsnt:ProducerReference>
        <wsnt:Message>
          <npex:NotifyContent>exampleNotifyContent</npex:NotifyContent>
        </wsnt:Message>
        <wsnt:NotificationMessage>
      </wsnt:Notify>
    </s:Body>
  </s:Envelope>

```

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327 2.3 Requirements on SOAP

328 2.3.1 Identification of Use Case

329 Extract from [SOA-TEL 1.0], section 4.1 (rows 405 to 414):

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331 The perceived technical gap suggested is that the SOAP specification should be modified in order to
332 enable a SOAP Intermediary node to “forward” the SOAP Header in automatic mode (thus without the

333 Header reinsertion) even if such node performs some processing operation over the body of the SOAP
334 message.

335 Another way of expressing this perceived gap is to state that currently only 3 roles are allowed for a
336 SOAP Node (i.e. initial SOAP Sender, SOAP intermediary, SOAP ultimate receiver – section 2.1 of the
337 SOAP 1.2 specification), while a probable fourth role enabling the simultaneous body processing and
338 header forwarding of a specific SOAP message may be needed.

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340 **2.3.2 Requirement(s)**

341 **Req. 3**

342 A new “Message Sender and Receiver concept” must be added in [SOAP 1.2] to model SOAP nodes
343 which must forward the SOAP headers message, but also need to perform changes on the body of the
344 message.

345 A new SOAP protocol must be added to manage the behavior of such nodes.

346 **2.3.3 Description**

347 As documented in the SOA-TEL TC “Use Cases and Issues” document, some SOAP nodes can’t be
348 classified as “Ultimate SOAP Receivers” because they aren’t the real providers of the service, but can’t be
349 simple “SOAP Intermediaries”, because they need to perform changes on the body of the message: such
350 nodes aren’t requestors or receivers, they need to process the SOAP header blocks, perform some
351 changes on the body, and forward the message to the following node.

352

353 Hereafter a proposal definition of the new “SOAP functional intermediary” (the name is provisional and
354 could be different) concept is provided:

355 • **SOAP functional intermediary**

356 - A SOAP functional intermediary is both a SOAP receiver and a SOAP sender and is targetable from
357 within a SOAP message. It processes the SOAP header blocks targeted at it and acts to forward a
358 SOAP message towards an ultimate SOAP receiver. Moreover a SOAP Functional Intermediary
359 can process the contents of the SOAP body.

360

361 This new concept and its functionalities of both processing the body of a message and of forwarding
362 headers as a usual “SOAP intermediary” are to be included in the SOAP specification.

363 **2.3.4 Solution proposals**

364 The following text is provided in order to illustrate some possible ways to address the Requirement. They
365 are suggestions and are by no means to be considered as mandatory, as other possible options could be
366 identified which are not represented hereafter.

367

368 To the best knowledge within OASIS SOA-TEL TC, the requirements presented hereafter could be
369 addressed by the W3C “XML Protocol” Working Group, which produced the SOAP specification. Currently
370 such group is in status “Completed”. For such reason, should the requirement be accepted, some
371 preliminary investigations with W3C representatives are suggested to identify if within this SDO there are
372 some WGs willing to consider and solve the issue.

373 Some modifications to [SOAP 1.2] are needed (but other parts of the specification may need to be revised
374 and changed):

- 375 • Include the new concept definition in Section 1.5.3;
- 376 • Modify paragraphs 2.2 and 2.7 of [SOAP 1.2]. In particular, 2 cases are suggested.

377

378 **Case 1**

379 The SOAP functional intermediary typology is covered by the role “next”. In this case the SOAP
 380 intermediary and SOAP functional intermediary act in a very similar way.

381 In this case Table 2 in section 2.2 should be modified as follows, while no changes should be required for
 382 table 3 at section 2.7.1.

383

Table 2: SOAP Roles defined by this specification		
Short-name	Name	Description
next	"http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope/role/next"	Each SOAP intermediary, SOAP functional intermediary , and the ultimate SOAP receiver MUST act in this role.
none	"http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope/role/none"	SOAP nodes MUST NOT act in this role.
ultimateReceiver	"http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope/role/ultimateReceiver"	The ultimate receiver MUST act in this role.

384

385 **Case 2**

386 The SOAP functional intermediary typology is covered by the role “ultimateReceiver”. In this case
 387 Table 2 should be modified as follows:

388

Table 2: SOAP Roles defined by this specification		
Short-name	Name	Description
next	"http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope/role/next"	Each SOAP intermediary, and the ultimate SOAP receiver MUST act in this role.
none	"http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope/role/none"	SOAP nodes MUST NOT act in this role.
ultimateReceiver	"http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope/role/ultimateReceiver"	The ultimate receiver and SOAP functional intermediary , MUST act in this role.

389

390 Moreover, table 3 in section 2.7.1 should be modified as follows:

391

Table 3: SOAP Nodes Forwarding behavior			
Role		Header block	
Short-name	Assumed	Understood & Processed	Forwarded
next	Yes	Yes	No, unless reinserted
		No	No, unless <code>relay = "true"</code>
user-defined	Yes	Yes	No, unless reinserted

		No	No, unless <code>relay = "true"</code>
	No	n/a	Yes
ultimateReceiver	Yes	Yes	No, unless reinserted
		No	No, unless <code>relay = "true"</code>
none	No	n/a	Yes

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393 3 Requirements on Security

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395 3.1 Requirements on Security Token Correlation

396 3.1.1 Identification of Use Case

397 Currently it is not possible to correlate a security token with another one, previously created.

398 Refer section 5-1 of [SOA-TEL 1.0], in which the technical issue is documented.

399 3.1.2 Requirement(s)

400 Req. 4

401 The WS Security specifications must enable to express a relation between two security tokens, a “main”
402 token (e.g. named “*token2*”) and a “related” token (e.g. named “*token1*”).

403 The characteristics of the relation are that, when the token correlation is used,

- 404 • the “main” token can not be built without being in possession of the “related” token,
- 405 • the WS-Sec header should not be considered valid if the “related” token is not present.

406 This token correlation requirement defines a new token security model, in which a “main” token is
407 syntactically and semantically meaningful if it is built and presented in relation with another “related”
408 token.

409 SOA-TEL Req. 4.1

410 It must be possible to express “token correlation” also into the SAML assertion.

411 3.1.3 Description

412 This token correlation requirement extends the message security models and enforces the security
413 mechanism in environments where the message exchange pattern is more complex than the simple
414 “requestor – provider” pattern.

415 This model should be useful when the definition and the use of a “simple” token doesn’t guarantee a
416 sufficient level of security, since the authorization to access a specific service also depends on the fact
417 that a previous token was released.

418

419 The possible “status” of the “related” token could be valid or expired (i.e. not valid anymore).

420 In the new token typology to be introduced, the “related” token is not a simple “attribute”, inserted only for
421 traceability purposes into the header, but instead is an integral part of the token.

422 The identity provider should release the security token directly made up of two parts: the “main” and the
423 “related” tokens.

424 3.1.4 Solution proposals

425 The following text is provided in order to illustrate some possible ways to address the Requirement. They
426 are suggestions and are by no means to be considered as mandatory, as other possible options could be
427 identified which are not represented hereafter.

428 [WS-S 1.1] defines three types of security tokens and how they are attached to messages (“user name
429 token”, “binary security token” and “XML token”), and furthermore the syntax provides 2 elements to
430 include tokens in the security header:

- 431 • <wsse:UsernameToken>
- 432 • <wsse:BinarySecurityToken>.

433
 434 A new element should be added, named for example <wsse:AssociatedToken> to the previous ones.

435 The <wsse: AssociatedToken> could contain (in a recursive manner) a username token, or a binary
 436 token, or a XML token element, or again a related token, for the “main” token.

437 The same should be for the “related” token.

438
 439 This could be the syntax of the element:
 440

```

441 <wsse: AssociatedToken>
442     <wsse:MainToken>
443         .....
444     </wsse: MainToken>
445     <wsse:RelatedToken>
446         .....
447     </wsse:RelatedToken>
448 </wsse:AssociatedToken>
  
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449
 450 This is an example of associated token:
 451

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<S11:Envelope xmlns:S11="..." xmlns:wsse="..." xmlns:wsu="..." xmlns:ds="...">
<S11:Header>
  <wsse:Security xmlns:wsse="...">
    <wsse:AssociatedToken Value Type wsu:Id=" MyNewT">
      <wsse:MainToken>
        <wsse:UsernameToken wsu:Id="MyMainT">
          <wsse:Username>...</wsse:Username>
        </wsse:UsernameToken>
      </wsse:MainToken>
    <wsse:RelatedToken>
      <wsse:BinarySecurityToken Value Type=" http://fabrikam123#CustomToken "
        EncodingType="...#Base64Binary" wsu:Id=" MyID ">
        FHUIORv...
      </wsse:BinarySecurityToken>
    </wsse:RelatedToken>
  </wsse:Security>
</S11:Header>
  
```

452
 453
 454 The <wsse:AssociatedToken> element could have other significant elements (other than the related
 455 token value) useful to the definition of the context in which the main token was built; for example it could
 456 include the timestamp value present in the security header from which the related token derive. Examples
 457 of other significant elements may also be (but not limited to) the ones currently defined within the three
 458 above mentioned security tokens types.

460 In other words if the related security token belonged to the following header:

461

```
462 <S11:Header>
463   <wsse:Security>
464     <wsu:Timestamp wsu:Id="T0">
465       <wsu:Created>
466         2001-09-13T08:42:00Z</wsu:Created>
467     </wsu:Timestamp>
468
469     <wsse:BinarySecurityToken
470       ValueType="...#X509v3"
471       wsu:Id="X509Token"
472       EncodingType="...#Base64Binary">
473       MIEZzCCA9CgAwIBAgIQEmtJZc0rqrKh5i...
474     </wsse:BinarySecurityToken>
```

475

476 The AssociatedToken in the new header should be the following:

477

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<S11:Envelope xmlns:S11="..." xmlns:wsse="..." xmlns:wsu="..." xmlns:ds="...">
<S11:Header>
  <wsse:Security xmlns:wsse="...">
    <wsse:AssociatedToken ValueType wsu:Id=" MyNewT">
      <wsse:MainToken>
        <wsse:UsernameToken wsu:Id="MyMainT">
          <wsse:Username>...</wsse:Username>
        </wsse:UsernameToken>
      </ wsse:MainToken>
      <wsse:RelatedToken>
        <wsu:Timestamp wsu:Id="T0">
          <wsu:Created>
            2001-09-13T08:42:00Z</wsu:Created>
          </wsu:Timestamp>
        <wsse:BinarySecurityToken
```

478

479

480 Clearly this mechanism is particularly meaningful when the related token is a SAML assertion that
481 supplies all the information to describe the context in which the main token was built, that is the objective
482 of the requirement.

483 In a similar way the SAML protocol could be extended to support the requirement.

484 In this case a new AssociatedToken element could be added into the SAML syntax, so the related token
485 could be included directly in the SAML assertion constituting the main token, without the necessity of
486 express the relation to the Ws security header level.

487

488 3.2 SAML Name Identifier Request

489 3.2.1 Identification of Use Case

490 A user device, a Service Provider (SP) and an Identity Provider (IdP) are the actors of this use case. The
491 SP is new to the circle of trust of the IdP. The IdP does not know a name identifier of the user device. The
492 IdP requests a name identifier from the SP, who sends the desired name identifier to the IdP.

493 Section 5.2.2 in [SOA-TEL 1.0] describes a use case for the proposed SAML Name Identifier Request-
494 Response protocol.

495 3.2.2 Requirement(s)

496 Req. 5

497 In order to make the [SAML 2.0] support name identifier use cases such as that described in section
498 3.2.1, the Security Services TC must specify a

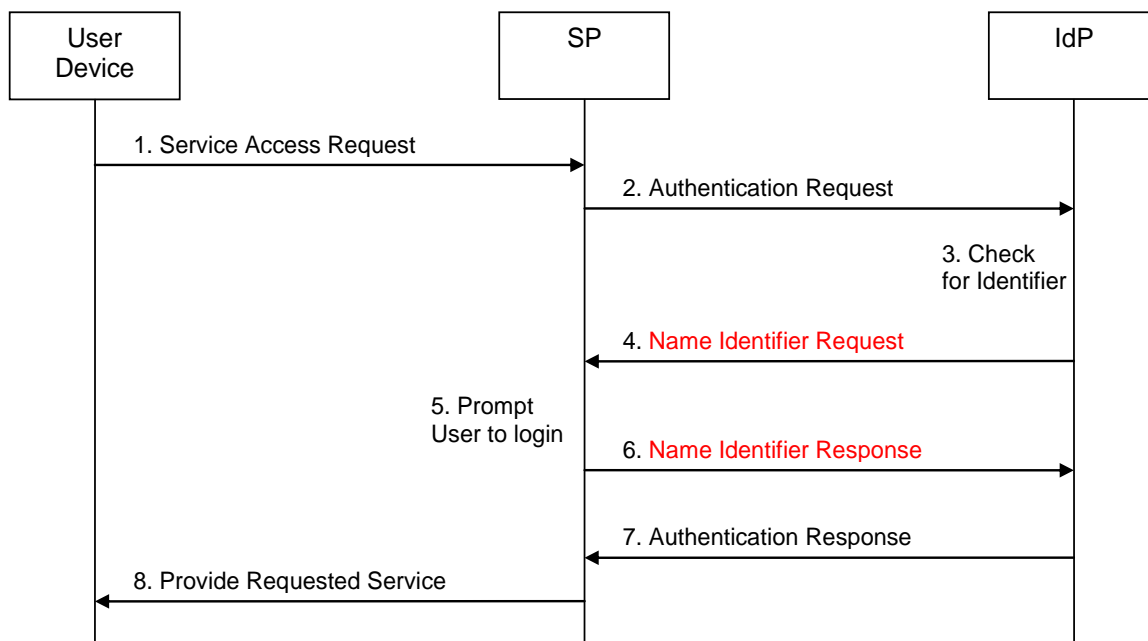
- 499 • <NameIdentifierRequest> message sent from an Identity Provider to a Service Provider to request a
500 name identifier for a User, and a
- 501 • <NameIdentifierResponse> message sent from the Service Provider to the Identity Provider to return
502 such a name identifier to the Identity Provider.

503 This requires extensions to the existing [SAML 2.0] core specification (saml-core-2.0-os) including the
504 SAML 2.0 protocol schema. No modification of the existing SAML 2.0 assertion schema is necessary.

505 Description

506 Figure 4 provides a high-level message flow illustrating the proposed SAML Name Identifier request-
507 response protocol. Messages 4 and 6 belong to the proposed SAML Name Identifier Request protocol.
508 These messages are interlaced into the SAML Authentication Request and Response exchange between
509 SP and IdP and are not specified in SAML V2.0 yet (therefore, marked in red):

510



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512

513 Figure 4: SAML Name Identifier request-response use case: pictorial representation

514

515 The single steps of this use case are as follows:

516

- 517 1) The user requests access to a service offered by a SP. The user device does not include any
518 authentication credentials.
- 519 2) Since access to this service requires the User to be authenticated but the request in step 1 does not
520 include any authentication credentials, the SP sends an Authentication Request to the IdP. This
521 Authentication Request may be passed to the IdP via the user device using redirection.
- 522 3) The IdP checks the Authentication Request received in step 2, and - as the SP is new to the IdP's
523 circle of trust - the IdP determines that it does not have an identifier stored in its database for the User
524 for the given SP.
- 525 4) This step is not defined in SAML V2.0: Since the IdP has realized in step 3 that it does not have an
526 identifier for the combination of the User and the SP, the IdP generates a message called Name
527 Identifier Request and sends it to the SP.
- 528 5) Upon receipt of the Name Identifier Request, the SP recognises that the IdP does not have an
529 identifier for the combination of SP and User. Therefore, the SP prompts the User to log in to the SP.
- 530 6) This step is also not defined in SAML V2.0: The SP sends a message called Name Identifier
531 Response to the IdP. This response message includes the identifier for the combination of User and
532 SP that the IdP is to use in any further communication and authentication processes.
- 533 7) On receipt of the Name Identifier Response, the IdP stores the identifier contained in the Name
534 Identifier Response in its database. The IdP sends an Authentication Response to the SP, which
535 uses the identifier received in step 6.
- 536 8) The SP grants the User access to the requested service.

537

538 In step 3 of the message exchange illustrating a SAML Name Identifier use case above, conventionally,
539 the IdP would respond to the Authentication Request (step 2) by issuing an error message or a randomly
540 generated identifier. This, however, is problematic: In the former case, the service access request in step
541 1 breaks down. In the latter case, the SP has to ask the user for his credentials and then send (usually via
542 a backchannel) a message to the IdP indicating that from now on the IdP should use the "real identifier"
543 instead of the random one for the given user (this could be done via the NameIdentifier Management
544 Protocol).

545 These issues can be resolved on SAML protocol level by defining <NameIdentifierRequest> and
546 <NameIdentifierResponse> messages enabling the Identity Provider to request from a Service Provider a
547 name identifier for a User and the Service Provider to send such a name identifier back to the Identity
548 Provider.

549 **3.2.3 Solution proposal**

550 Extension of the SAML 2.0 protocol schema by <NameIdentifierRequest> and
551 <NameIdentifierResponse> messages, instances of which are exemplified as follows:

552

553 *Name Identifier Request:*

554

```
555 <samlp:NameIdentifierRequest
556     xmlns:saml="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:assertion"
557     xmlns:samlp="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:protocol"
558     ID="aaf23196-1773-2113-474a-fe114412ab72"
559     Version="2.0"
560     IssueInstant="2006-07-17T20:31:40Z">
561     <saml:Issuer
562         Format="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:nameid-format:unspecified">
```

```

563         http://idm.nsn.com
564     </saml:Issuer>
565 </samlp:NameIdentifierRequest>
566
567 Name Identifier Response:
568
569 <samlp:NameIdentifierResponse
570     xmlns:saml="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:assertion"
571     xmlns:samlp="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:protocol"
572     ID="aaf23196-1773-2113-474a-fe114412ab72"
573     Version="2.0"
574     IssueInstant="2006-07-17T20:31:40Z">
575
576     <saml:Assertion
577         MajorVersion="1" MinorVersion="0"
578         AssertionID="128.9.167.32.12345678"
579         Issuer="Smith Corporation">
580         <saml:Issuer
581             Format="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:nameid-
582             format:X509SubjectName">
583             C=US, O=NCSA-TEST, OU=User, CN=trscavo@uiuc.edu
584         </saml:Issuer>
585         <saml:Subject>
586             <saml:NameID
587                 Format="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:nameid-
588                 format:unspecified">
589                 tom.smith
590             </saml:NameID>
591         </saml:Subject>
592
593         <saml:AttributeStatement>
594             <saml:Attribute
595                 xmlns:x500="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:
596                 profiles:attribute:X500"
597                 x500:Encoding="LDAP"
598                 NameFormat="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:
599                 attrname-format:uri"
600                 Name="urn:oid:2.5.4.42"
601                 FriendlyName="givenName">
602                 <saml:AttributeValue xsi:type="xs:string">
603                     Tom
604                 </saml:AttributeValue>
605             </saml:Attribute>
606
607             <saml:Attribute
608                 xmlns:x500="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:

```

```

609         profiles:attribute:X500"
610         x500:Encoding="LDAP"
611         NameFormat="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:
612         attrname-format:uri"
613         Name="urn:oid:1.3.6.1.4.1.1466.115.121.1.26"
614         FriendlyName="mail">
615         <saml:AttributeValue xsi:type="xs:string">
616             trscavo@gmail.com
617         </saml:AttributeValue>
618     </saml:Attribute>
619 </saml:AttributeStatement>
620 </saml:Assertion>
621 <samlp:Status xmlns:samlp="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:protocol">
622     <samlp:StatusCode
623     xmlns:samlp="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:protocol"
624     Value="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:status:Success">
625     </samlp:StatusCode>
626 </samlp:Status>
627 </samlp:NameIdentifierResponse>
628

```

629 **3.3 SAML Attribute Management Request**

630 **3.3.1 Identification of Use Case**

631 A user wishes to use his attribute information across multiple service providers. Such attribute information
632 can be layout, preferred email address, etc. Today, these attributes are stored locally at each service
633 provider. Thus, the user will have to enter and change the same attributes multiple times in order to
634 ensure they are consistent for each of the different service providers the user has an account with,
635 resulting in a bad user experience.

636 The user creates a temporary or transient account. The service provider allows the user to set specific
637 settings like coloring, text size, etc. But he/she does not want to set these setting again each time the
638 user logs in because the service provider will not be able to link the attributes for a user's temporary
639 account with the user's permanent account. This is because by the very nature of a temporary or
640 transient account the next time the user logs on to the service provider the user will have a different user
641 name and so the service provider will not be able to link the attributes for a user's temporary account with
642 the user's permanent account.

643 Section 5.3.2 in [SOA-TEL 1.0] describes a use case for the proposed SAML Attribute Management
644 Request-Response protocol.

645

646 **3.3.2 Requirement(s)**

647 **Req. 6**

648 In order to make the [SAML 2.0] support attribute management use cases such as that described in 3.3.1,
649 the Security Services TC must specify a

- 650 • <ManageAttributeRequest> message sent from a Service Provider to an Identity Provider to request
651 a modification or the storage of an attribute, and a

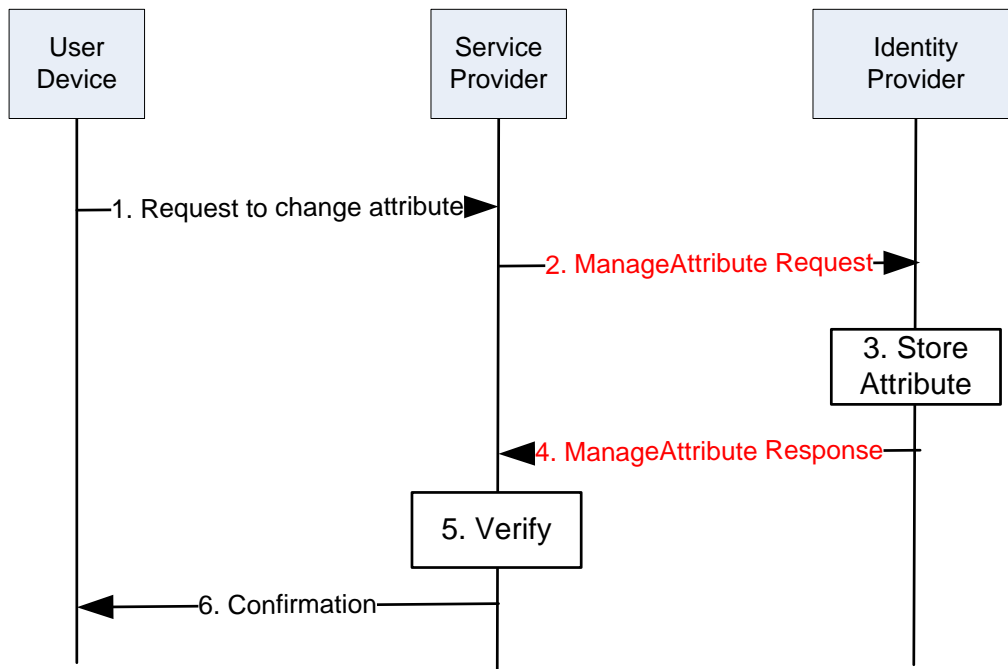
652 • <ManageAttributeResponse> message sent from the Identity Provider to the Service Provider to
653 return to the Service Provider the result of processing the received <ManageAttributeRequest>
654 message.

655 This requires extensions to the existing SAML 2.0 core specification (saml-core-2.0-os) including the
656 SAML 2.0 protocol schema. No modification of the existing SAML 2.0 assertion schema is necessary.

657

658 3.3.3 Description

659 Figure 5 provides a high-level message flow outlining the proposed SAML Attribute Management
660 protocol:



661

662 Figure 5: SAML Attribute Management request-response use case: pictorial representation

663

664 The Manage Attribute Request and Response messages are marked in red since the SAML 2.0 does not
665 support such messages yet. The ManageAttribute Request allows the Service Provider to manage
666 attributes stored on the Identity Provider side.

667 3.3.4 Solution proposal

668 Extension of the SAML 2.0 protocol schema by <ManageAttributeRequest> and
669 <ManageAttributeResponse> messages, instances of which are exemplified as follows:

670

671 *Manage Attribute Request:*

672

673 <samlp:ManageAttributeRequest

674 xmlns:saml="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:assertion"

675 xmlns:samlp="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:protocol"

676 ID="aaf23196-1773-2113-474a-fe114412ab72"

```

677     Version="2.0"
678     IssueInstant="2006-07-17T20:31:40Z">
679     <saml:Issuer
680         Format="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:nameidformat:
681         X509SubjectName">
682         C=US, O=NCSA-TEST, OU=User, CN=trscavo@uiuc.edu
683     </saml:Issuer>
684
685     <saml:Subject>
686         <saml:NameID
687             Format="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:nameidformat:X50
688             SubjectName">
689             C=US, O=NCSA-TEST, OU=User, CN=trscavo@uiuc.edu
690         </saml:NameID>
691     </saml:Subject>
692     <saml:AttributeStatement>
693         <saml:Attribute
694             xmlns:x500="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:profiles:
695             attribute:X5 00" x500:Encoding="LDAP"
696             NameFormat="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:
697             attrname-format:uri"
698             Name="urn:oid:2.5.4.42"
699             FriendlyName="givenName">
700             <saml:AttributeValue
701                 xsi:type="xs:string">
702                 John
703             </saml:AttributeValue>
704         </saml:Attribute>
705         <saml:Attribute
706             xmlns:x500="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:profiles:
707             attribute:X500" x500:Encoding="LDAP"
708             NameFormat="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:
709             attrname-format:uri"
710             Name="urn:oid:1.3.6.1.4.1.1466.115.121.1.26"
711             FriendlyName="mail">
712             <saml:AttributeValue
713                 xsi:type="xs:string">
714                 johndoe@gmail.com
715             </saml:AttributeValue>
716         </saml:Attribute>
717     </saml:AttributeStatement>
718 </samlp:ManageAttributeRequest>
719

```



```

720
721 Manage Attribute Response:
722
723 <samlp:ManageAttributeResponse
724     xmlns:saml="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:assertion"
725     xmlns:samlp="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:protocol"
726     ID="aaf23196-1773-2113-474a-fe114412ab72"
727     Version="2.0"
728     IssueInstant="2006-07-17T20:31:40Z">
729     <saml:Assertion
730         MajorVersion="1" MinorVersion="0"
731         AssertionID="128.9.167.32.12345678"
732         Issuer="Smith Corporation">
733         <saml:Issuer
734             Format="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:
735             nameid-format:unspecified">
736             http://idm.nsn.com
737         </saml:Issuer>
738         <saml:Subject>
739             <saml:NameID
740                 Format="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:
741                 nameid10format:X509SubjectName">
742                 C=US, O=NCSA-TEST, OU=User, CN=trscavo@uiuc.edu
743             </saml:NameID>
744         </saml:Subject>
745         <saml:AttributeStatement>
746             <saml:Attribute
747                 xmlns:x500="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:
748                 profiles:attribute:X500"
749                 x500:Encoding="LDAP"
750                 NameFormat="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:
751                 attrname-format:uri"
752                 Name="urn:oid:2.5.4.42"
753                 FriendlyName="givenName">
754                 <saml:AttributeValue
755                     xsi:type="xs:string">
756                     John
757                 </saml:AttributeValue>
758             </saml:Attribute>
759             <saml:Attribute
760                 xmlns:x500="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:
761                 profiles:attribute:X500"
762                 x500:Encoding="LDAP"

```

```

763         NameFormat="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:
764         attrname-format:uri"
765         Name="urn:oid:1.3.6.1.4.1.1466.115.121.1.26"
766         FriendlyName="mail">
767         <saml:AttributeValue
768             xsi:type="xs:string">
769             trscavo@gmail.com
770         </saml:AttributeValue>
771     </saml:Attribute>
772 </saml:AttributeStatement>
773 </saml:Assertion>
774 <samlp:Status
775     xmlns:samlp="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:protocol">
776     <samlp:StatusCode
777         xmlns:samlp="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:protocol"
778         Value="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:status:Success">
779     </samlp:StatusCode>
780 </samlp:Status>
781 </samlp:ManageAttributeResponse>

```

782 3.4 User ID Forwarding

783 3.4.1 Scenario/context

784 3.4.2 Identification of Use Case

785 Currently a standard way does not exist to add two (or more) credentials in one message.
786 Refer to section 5-4 of [SOA-TEL 1.0], in which the technical issue is documented.

787 3.4.3 Requirement(s)

788 Req. 7

789 The WS Security specifications must enable to bring two security credentials in the security header: the
790 “main” credential (e.g. named “*credential2*”) and a “secondary” credential (e.g. named “*credential1*”).
791 The authentication and authorization process should be performed on the basis of the main credential;
792 the secondary credential should be used to complete the security functionalities.

793 [SOA-TEL Req. 7.1]

794 It must be possible to express support two credentials also into the SAML assertion.
795

796 3.4.4 Description

797 The user-id forwarding requirement extends the message security models and enforces the security
798 mechanism in environments where a second security credential is necessary to add functionalities to the
799 basic security process.

800 This model should be useful when the process of authentication and authorization on the base of the
801 credential provided in the security header is not enough, and other security functionalities have to be
802 executed on a second credential, for example to complete the authorization process or to profile the data.

803 3.4.5 Solution proposals

804 The following text is provided in order to illustrate some possible ways to address the Requirement. They
805 are suggestions and are by no means to be considered as mandatory, as other possible options could be
806 identified which are not represented hereafter.

807

808 To the best knowledge within OASIS SOA-TEL TC, the requirements presented hereafter could be
809 addressed by the OASIS Web Services Security (WSS) TC, which by the way is in status "Completed",
810 and possibly by the OASIS Security Services (SAML) TC.

811

812 Hereafter some suggestions are proposed.

813 The WS-Sec v1.1 specification defines the following elements:

```
814 /wsse:Security;  
815 /wsse:Security/@S11:actor;  
816 /wsse:Security/@S12:role;  
817 /wsse:Security/@S11:mustUnderstand;  
818 /wsse:Security/{any};  
819 /wsse:Security/ @{any};
```

820

821 Another element should be added, named for example:

822 /wsse:SecondaryCredential. This element should contain a security token, in particular one of the tokens
823 provided by the current WS Security specification.

824

825 This is an example of header with a secondary credential, when the main credential is represented by a
826 binary token, and the secondary by a user name and password token:

827

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>  
<S11:Envelope xmlns:S11="..." xmlns:wsse="..." xmlns:wsu="..." xmlns:ds="...">  
<S11:Header>  
  <wsse:Security xmlns:wsse="...">  
    <wsse:BinarySecurityToken ValueType=" http://fabrikam123#CustomToken "  
      EncodingType="...#Base64Binary" wsu:Id=" MyID ">  
      FHUIORv...  
    </wsse:BinarySecurityToken>  
    <wsse:SecondaryCredential ValueType wsu:Id=" MyNewT">  
      <wsse:UsernameToken wsu:Id="MyMainT">  
        <wsse:Username>...</wsse:Username>  
      </wsse:UsernameToken>  
    </wsse:SecondaryCredential>  
  </wsse:Security>  
</S11:Header>  
.....
```

828

829

830

831 In a similar way the SAML protocol could be extended to support the requirement.

832 In this case the “secondary credential” element could be added into the SAML syntax. In this way the
833 related token could be included directly in the SAML assertion which constitutes the main token, without
834 the necessity of express the relation to the WS security header level.

835

836 As an alternative path, the following hypothesis can be considered. This requirement (User-id forwarding
837 requirement) is “intrinsically” similar to the “Security token correlation” requirement, presented elsewhere
838 in the present document. Thus a common approach in modifying the WS-Security specifications could be
839 adopted to address both the requirements and, more in general, similar security issues.

840 4 Requirements on Management

841 4.1 Cardinality of a Service Interface

842 4.1.1 Identification of Use Case

843 Extract from [SOA-TEL 1.0], section 6.3:

844 -----

845 [SOA-RM 1.0]: (Section 3.1) “A service is accessed by means of a service interface (see Section
846 3.3.1.4), where the interface comprises the specifics of how to access the underlying capabilities.”

847 [SOA-RM 1.0]: (Subsection 3.3.1.4) “**The** service interface is the means for interacting with a service.”

848 [SCA Assembly 1.1]: “A Service represents **an** addressable interface of the implementation.”

849 Note – SCA definition for Service may be a consequence of the SOA-RM definition, we do not know

850 -----

851 -----

852 [SOA-RA 1.0] (3137 – 3140) “In fact, managing a service has quite a few similarities to using a
853 service: suggesting that we can use the service oriented model to manage SOA-based systems as
854 well as provide them. A management service would be distinguished from a non-management service
855 more by the nature of the capabilities involved (i.e., capabilities that relate to managing services) than
856 by any intrinsic difference. “

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858 4.1.2 Requirement(s)

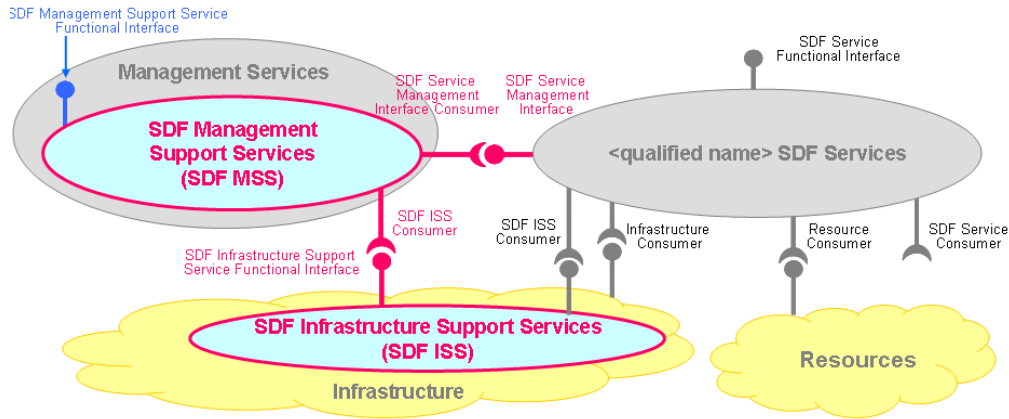
859 Req. 8

860 The SOA Reference Model and Architecture must explain how a service separates and exposes its
861 manageability capabilities to allow other services to manage it.

862 The Service Delivery Framework specified by TM Forum and depicted below sets such requirement at the
863 SDF Service Management Interface (indicated in red in

864 Figure 6).

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867
868

Figure 6: TM Forum SDF Reference Model

869 **4.1.3 Description**

870 As documented in the SOA-TEL TC “Use Cases and Issues”, interfaces are the ways to interact with and
871 between services and interfaces are the way to expose capabilities. At the same time, TM Forum SDF
872 requires that SDF Services expose both Functional and Management capabilities and recommends this
873 exposure to be made at separate interfaces attached to the SDF Service.

874 **4.1.4 Solution proposals**

875 OASIS SCA Assembly Model specification v1.1 offers a solution to the multiple interfaces problem as well
876 as to “marking” an interface as being a management interface.

877 Updates to this specification (Committee Draft 03 rev 1.1 June 2009) offer also support for dynamic wiring
878 of “service references” with “services” at run time through “autowire”, policy sets and SCA runtime re-
879 evaluation of targets.

880 These proposals will be tested through TM Forum’s use case analysis and the results will be sent back to
881 OASIS SCA Assembly team for further discussion.

882

883 Observations:

- 884 1. SCA Assembly Model covers only design, deployment and runtime as manageable capabilities (or
885 management operations) for software bundles that constitute SDF Services. Other aspects of service
886 lifecycle management such as quality, charging are not part of OASIS charter and will be further
887 investigated by TM Forum in collaboration with other industry organizations.
- 888 2. SCA Assembly Model is not yet mapped to the OASIS SOA RA/RM.

889 **4.2 Requirements on Metadata**

890 **4.2.1 Identification of Use Case**

891 Extract from [SOA-TEL 1.0], section 6-4:

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893 Specialization in supporting and managing a service during its whole lifecycle requires finer granularity
894 knowledge about that service: properties, supported actions or operations, possible states as well as
895 contracts that may govern interactions with the service (including pre and post conditions for these
896 interactions), what is the “architectural” style for service “composability”, what are its dependencies or
897 what is the level of exposure for its functional capabilities.

898 The proposed model for the TMF SDF Service is complemented by additional data representation
899 (metadata) in support of SDF Service lifecycle management (ref. Section 6.4 – [SOA-TEL 1.0]). This new
900 data representation containing information about the service in various phases of its lifecycle, aims at
901 covering current gaps in the information available for the purpose of service management (e.g. what is
902 already covered by the SOA Service description) in the overall context of Service Provider’s business and
903 operations. Moreover, this metadata is dynamic: it may change from one phase to another of the SDF
904 Service lifecycle.

905

906 The SDF Service Lifecycle Metadata consists at least of:

- 907 1. Additional information about the SMI of a SDF Service (properties, actions);
- 908 2. Management Dependencies of the SDF Service, including cross-domains dependencies;
- 909 3. Management State of the SDF Service.

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911 **4.2.2 Requirement(s)**

912 **Req. 9**

913 A standardization body (most probable TM Forum) must normalize the meta-data of Service Management
914 to address the needs of managing any service from a lifecycle perspective. The meta-data should evolve
915 into a meta-model that can be automatically instantiated into current and future management models
916 which are domain (network or IT), technology (enterprise Java, IP network) or lifecycle phase (service
917 creation, deployment, operation, etc).

918 **4.2.3 Description**

919 As documented in the SOA-TEL TC “Use Cases and Issues”, paragraph 6.4, managing a service through
920 its entire lifecycle requires finer granularity information (about the service, its execution environment, its
921 dependencies, etc) than it is available today through management applications and tools. Moreover, this
922 information, even when it is available (and most of it already exists) it comes in “bits and pieces”, usually
923 uncorrelated, from many places (tools, interfaces, environments) following diverse data models (SID,
924 CIM, etc).

925 TM Forum SDF initiative believes that completing and unifying service management information through a
926 well defined meta-data that describes and evolves with the lifecycle of each service instance is key to
927 solving the issue of rapid service creation and launch.

928 The real problem to address is management across domains; the existence of different standards for
929 metadata is an obstacle to the achievement of such objective.

930 **4.2.4 Solution proposals**

931 TM Forum SDF initiative started to define elements of service lifecycle management meta-data and show
932 how they can be used in a service oriented management framework such as SDF (see fig 23 in OASIS
933 UC document).

934 Nevertheless, TM Forum is not a data modeling or IT standards organization hence it raises the call to
935 contributions to such organizations through OASIS SOA-Tel in the following areas:

- 936 - Representation of actions or state machines into meta-data (maybe OMG – UML 2.x)
- 937 - Support of versioning and compatibility of this meta-data
- 938 - Support of cohesiveness across metadata elements when they are updated from different
939 sources and along the phases in the lifecycle of a service.
- 940 - Best design patterns for building and maintaining a repository for this meta-data

941 Today there is no clarity as to where to find such standards or if they exist and if they do not exist which
942 organization should take the responsibility of working on them

943 5 Requirements on SOA collective standards usage

944 5.1 Common Patterns for Interoperable Service Based 945 Communications

946 5.1.1 Identification of Use Case

947 This section is related to the specification of requirements related to the perceived technical issues
948 identified in section 7, [SOA-TEL 1.0].

949 5.1.2 Requirement(s)

950 Req. 10

951 A common communications profile should be defined such that all multi tier web/ mobile applications
952 declaring support for the profile will be able to establish a converged sessions irrespective of the
953 underlying protocols, network domains and access across one or more servers/ services within or across
954 different respective domains.

955 Such a profile will need to define an agreed to approach to:

- 956 1. Establish a session id for the context of converged application.
- 957 2. Ability to set up event sync supporting a common set of set of bi-directional event classes (i.e.
958 push, broadcast, pub/sub, etc.).
- 959 3. Universally agreed to means to access the meta-data to discover the interface, binding, events
960 classes, capability of service and device.
- 961 4. Common and agreed upon means/ nomenclature for an application in real-time to discover,
962 advertise and negotiate device characteristics, codec's and communication modes with a peer or
963 set of peers.
 - 964 o Device attributes, communication protocols and media negotiation achieved through two
965 way services interaction.
 - 966 o This interaction can default to common underlying negotiation means if available/
967 discoverable at setup time.

968 5.1.3 Description

969 The Internet has been enormously successful as an environment allowing user centric viral application
970 growth. Its success, among other things, is the result of passing control to the end user and abstracting
971 the underlying network details out of the picture for the application. As the name denotes, The Internet
972 was designed to allow networks to interoperate. Unfortunately, communication oriented application
973 models are more often bound to specific network domains with dependencies across different underlying
974 VoIP protocols, competing standards, discovery data models and session negotiation and establishment.

975 There are a growing set of application models that serve a general web and mobile market that can not
976 "build-in" assumptions of the underlying network or multi-modal connection establishment. The
977 communication profile is an attempt to mitigate this problem. It does not seek to enforce one standard
978 over the other but attempts to establish a general framework allowing converged applications to
979 interoperate thru normalized patterns of session establishment and discovery.

980 6 Conformance

981 The objective of this document is to collect requirements to address technical issues and gaps of SOA
982 standards (specified by OASIS and other SDOs) utilized within the context of Telecoms. Such issues are
983 documented in SOA-TEL's TC first deliverable "Telecom Use Cases and Issues, v.1.0".

984 For each requirement listed in this document, a specific conformance rule applies. In the following are
985 listed

986

987 **Conformance to Requirement 1**

988 A future version of WS Addressing specification must include additional fields (in addition to the ones
989 already present) containing remote destinations to which reply messages must be sent.

990

991 **Conformance to Requirement 2**

992 A future version of WS-Notification specification must provide a mechanism to describe and regulate a
993 scenario in which one or more intermediaries are present.

994

995 **Conformance to Requirement 3**

996 A future version of SOAP specifications must include a new "Message Sender and Receiver concept" to
997 model SOAP nodes which must forward the SOAP headers message, but also need to perform changes
998 on the body of the message

999

1000 **Conformance to Requirement 4**

1001 A future version of WS Security specifications must enable to express a relation between two security
1002 tokens, a "main" token (e.g. named "token2") and a "related" token (e.g. named "token1").

1003

1004 **Conformance to Requirement 4.1**

1005 In a future version of the SAML Specification (or a new profile of this specification) it must be possible to
1006 express "token correlation" into the SAML assertion.

1007

1008 **Conformance to Requirement 5**

1009 The SAML 2.0 protocol must support name identifier use cases by means of

- 1010 • <NameIdentifierRequest> message sent from an Identity Provider to a Service Provider to request a
1011 name identifier for a User, and a
- 1012 • <NameIdentifierResponse> message sent from the Service Provider to the Identity Provider to return
1013 such a name identifier to the Identity Provider.

1014 .

1015 **Conformance to Requirement 6**

1016 The SAML 2.0 protocol must support attribute management use cases by means of

- 1017 • <ManageAttributeRequest> message sent from a Service Provider to an Identity Provider to request
1018 a modification or the storage of an attribute, and a
- 1019 • <ManageAttributeResponse> message sent from the Identity Provider to the Service Provider to
1020 return to the Service Provider the result of processing the received <ManageAttributeRequest>
1021 message.

1022

1023 **Conformance to Requirement 7**

1024 A future version of WS Security specifications must enable to bring two security credentials in the security
1025 header: the “main” credential (e.g. named “*credential2*”) and a “secondary” credential (e.g. named
1026 “*credential1*”) so that the authentication and authorization process could be performed on the basis of the
1027 main credential, while the secondary credential could be used to complete the security functionalities.

1028

1029 **Conformance to Requirement 7.1**

1030 In a future version of the SAML Specification (or a new profile of this specification) it must be possible to
1031 support two credentials into the SAML assertion.

1032

1033 **Conformance to Requirement 8**

1034 A future version of the OASIS SOA Reference Model and Architecture must explain how a service
1035 separates and exposes its manageability capabilities to allow other services to manage it.

1036

1037 **Conformance to Requirement 9**

1038 A standardization body (most probable TM Forum) must have normalized the meta-data of Service
1039 Management to address the needs of managing any service from a lifecycle perspective.

1040

1041 **Conformance to Requirement 10**

1042 A common communications profile should have been defined such that all multi tier web/ mobile
1043 applications declaring support for the profile will be able to establish a converged sessions irrespective of
1044 the underlying protocols, network domains and access across one or more servers/ services within or
1045 across different respective domains.

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Appendix B. SOA-TEL Requirements

Req. 1	<p>The WS Addressing specifications, [WS-A 1.0], must include additional fields (in addition to the ones already present) containing remote destinations to which reply messages must be sent.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The sender of a message must assign the fields when it wants to specify the destination for the reply message, but the node that has to use such destination information (i.e. the node that has to send the reply message) may not necessarily be the direct receiver of the request message. • The receiver of a message, which needs of information on the endpoint destination to which send a reply message, can obtain the information by these additional fields. • The receiver of a message has to forward to the next receiver all the additional destinations (present in these additional fields) that it does not use.
Req. 2	<p>The WS-Notification specification must provide a mechanism to describe and regulate a scenario in which one or more intermediaries are present; it must standardize the terminology, concepts, operations, WSDL and XML needed to express the roles of the intermediaries (involved in publish and subscribe Web services for notification message exchange).</p> <p>According to the WS-Notification terminology, the standard must be extended and modified so that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a <i>Subscriber</i> can require a <i>Subscription</i> to a <i>NotificationProducer</i> also in the case they do not communicate directly but do so by means of one or more intermediaries; • likewise a <i>NotificationProducer</i> can send a <i>Notification</i> to a <i>NotificationConsumer</i> also in the case that they do not communicate directly, but by means of one or more intermediaries.
Req. 3	<p>A new “Message Sender and Receiver concept” must be added in [SOAP 1.2] to model SOAP nodes which must forward the SOAP headers message, but also need to perform changes on the body of the message.</p> <p>A new SOAP protocol must be added to manage the behavior of such nodes.</p>
Req. 4	<p>The WS Security specifications must enable to express a relation between two security tokens, a “main” token (e.g. named “<i>token2</i>”) and a “related” token (e.g. named “<i>token1</i>”).</p> <p>The characteristics of the relation are that, when the token correlation is used,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the “main” token can not be built without being in possession of the “related” token, • the WS-Sec header should not be considered valid if the “related” token is not present. <p>This token correlation requirement defines a new token security model, in which a “main” token is syntactically and semantically meaningful if it is built and presented in relation with another “related” token.</p>
Req. 4.1	<p>It must be possible to express “token correlation” also into the SAML assertion.</p>
Req. 5	<p>In order to make the [SAML 2.0] support name identifier use cases such as that described in section 3.2.1, the Security Services TC must specify a</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <NameIdentifierRequest> message sent from an Identity Provider to a Service

	<p>Provider to request a name identifier for a User, and a</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <NameIdentifierResponse> message sent from the Service Provider to the Identity Provider to return such a name identifier to the Identity Provider. <p>This requires extensions to the existing [SAML 2.0] core specification (saml-core-2.0-os) including the SAML 2.0 protocol schema. No modification of the existing SAML 2.0 assertion schema is necessary.</p>
Req. 6	<p>In order to make the [SAML 2.0] support attribute management use cases such as that described in 3.3.1, the Security Services TC must specify a</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <ManageAttributeRequest> message sent from a Service Provider to an Identity Provider to request a modification or the storage of an attribute, and a • <ManageAttributeResponse> message sent from the Identity Provider to the Service Provider to return to the Service Provider the result of processing the received <ManageAttributeRequest> message. <p>This requires extensions to the existing SAML 2.0 core specification (saml-core-2.0-os) including the SAML 2.0 protocol schema. No modification of the existing SAML 2.0 assertion schema is necessary.</p>
Req. 7	<p>The WS Security specifications must enable to bring two security credentials in the security header: the “main” credential (e.g. named “<i>credential2</i>”) and a “secondary” credential (e.g. named “<i>credential1</i>”).</p> <p>The authentication and authorization process should be performed on the basis of the main credential; the secondary credential should be used to complete the security functionalities.</p>
Req. 7.1	<p>It must be possible to support two credentials also into the SAML assertion.</p>
Req. 8	<p>The SOA Reference Model and Architecture must explain how a service separates and exposes its manageability capabilities to allow other services to manage it.</p> <p>The Service Delivery Framework specified by TM Forum and depicted below sets such requirement at the SDF Service Management Interface.</p>
Req. 9	<p>A standardization body (most probable TM Forum) must normalize the meta-data of Service Management to address the needs of managing any service from a lifecycle perspective. The meta-data should evolve into a meta-model that can be automatically instantiated into current and future management models which are domain (network or IT), technology (enterprise Java, IP network) or lifecycle phase (service creation, deployment, operation, etc).</p>
Req. 10	<p>A common communications profile should be defined such that all multi tier web/mobile applications declaring support for the profile will be able to establish a converged sessions irrespective of the underlying protocols, network domains and access across one or more servers/ services within or across different respective domains.</p> <p>Such a profile will need to define an agreed to approach to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Establish a session id for the context of converged application. 2. Ability to set up event sync supporting a common set of set of bi-directional event classes (i.e. push, broadcast, pub/sub, etc.). 3. Universally agreed to means to access the meta-data to discover the interface, binding, events classes, capability of service and device. 4. Common and agreed upon means/ nomenclature for an application in real-time to discover, advertise and negotiate device characteristics, codec’s and communication modes with a peer or set of peers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Device attributes, communication protocols and media negotiation achieved through two way services interaction.

	This interaction can default to common underlying negotiation means if available/ discoverable at setup time.
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