



# CloudAudit A6 Working Group Call

February 26, 2010

# Agenda

- Administrivia
- Review Last Call
- Specification & Requirements Discussion
- Deliverables, Timelines, Administrivia Part Deux
  - Team & Leadership
  - Tools
  - Process

# Administrivia

# Where We Are @ A High Level

- We broke the 215 people mark on the Google Groups membership
- We have an amazing core team from the who's-who of Cloud & an expansive set of extended participants
- We've received some very visible press/media exposure
- We now have hooks/alliances building with other efforts that are related (CSA, ENISA, CAM, and more)
- Time to get to work...

# Organization

- I am a SPoF & Sam is a busy sum'bitch (congrats on the new gig @ Google, BTW)
- I'm an idea guy, I need do'ers with practical experience in this sort of thing. I know you're out there
- At the end of this call, I'm going to ask for people to step up and lead with their expertise in areas they have the time and ability to commit to
- I'm going to start by talking a lot (again, surprise) but I want to facilitate discussion and consensus, not be a benevolent curator of flawed, un-implementable ideas.

# Motivated Interested Parties\* ;)

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Glenn Brunette	Sun
Lew Tucker	Sun[shine]
Doug Egan	CSC
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Andy Ellis	Akamai
Craig Nelson	Microsoft
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Sam Johnston	Super Awesome Cloud Consultant

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Steve Riley	Amazon Web Services
Ken Owens	Savvis
Chris Drumgoole	Terremark
Bret Piatt	Rackspace Cloud
John Menerick	Netsuite
Randy Bias	CloudScaling
James Urquhart	Cisco
<i>...and more that shall be named soon</i>	

*\*Does not denote any contractual arrangement or corporate commitment*

# Review Of Last Call

# CloudAudit Overview (Recap)

- The goal is to **utilize security automation capabilities** with existing tools/protocols/frameworks via a standard, open and extensible set of interfaces
- Keep it simple, lightweight and easy to implement; offer primitive definitions & language structure using HTTP(S) first at a very basic level (firewall=true or SAS70=false)
- Allow for extension and elaboration by providers and choice of trusted assertion validation sources, checklist definitions, etc.
- Encourage adoption by driving client usage; providers opt-in. Null returns could be considered “non-validated” or “non-asserted”
- Do not require adoption of other platform-specific APIs
- Provide interfaces to Cloud naming and registry services

# From Our Last Call (2/12/10)

- We need to build the foundational set of requirements and specifications that define elements of interest for v1.0 of the CloudAudit Protocol
- How will the exposed API be consumed?
- How will the resultant responses be cross-referenced to things like compliance frameworks that have specific requirements?
- What are the A6 requirements for third party trust brokers and should worry about this now?
- We should be able to get to a roughed out work product relatively quickly given the Cloud service consumer-driven requirements

# Specifications & Requirements Discussion

Discussing the model and moving forward...

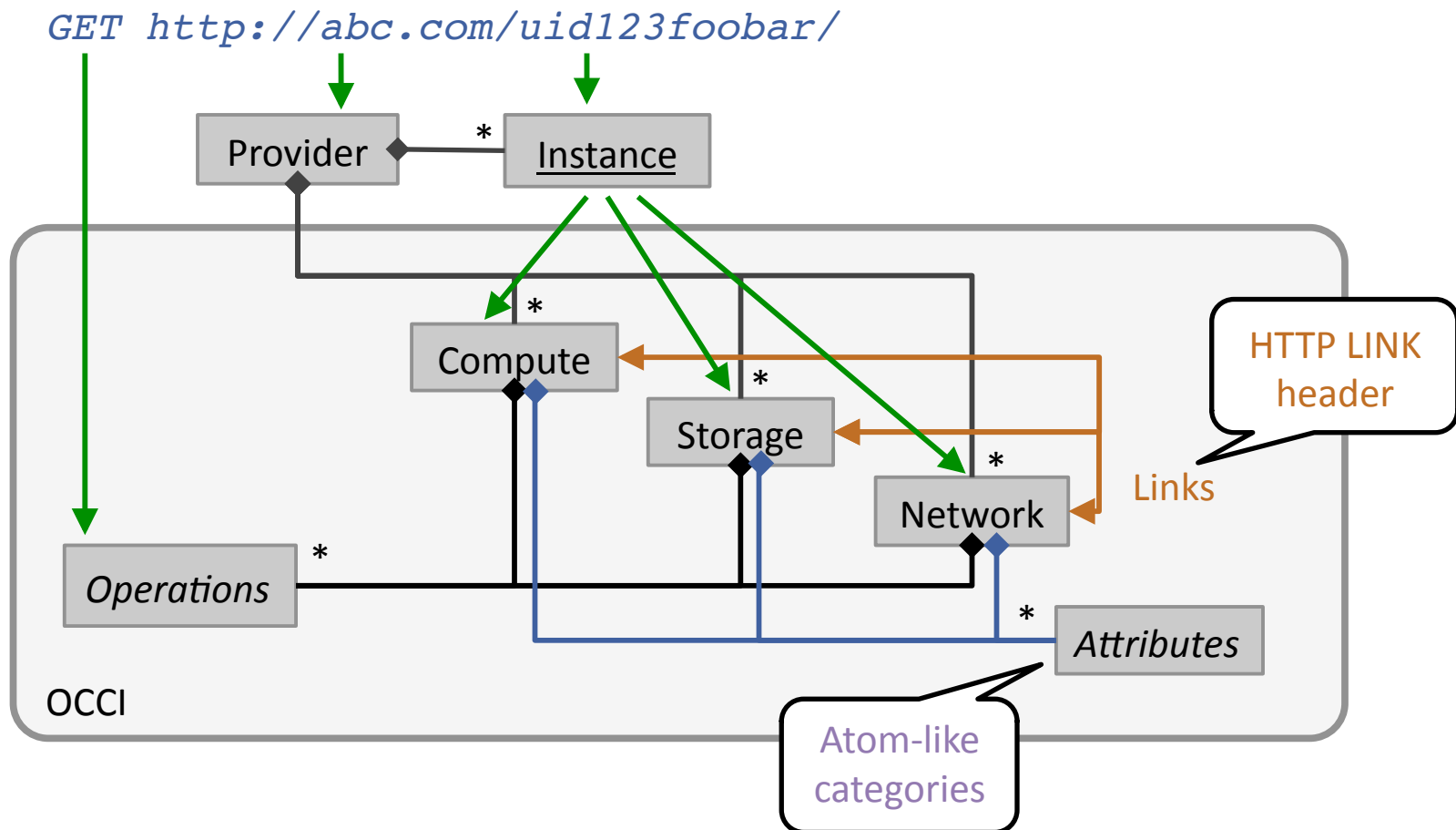
# Regret Using the word ‘API’?

- The first deliverable is shaping up to be less about producing a *programmatic* interface and more about a common semantic schema/registry of the sorts of information that ought to be provided across CSP's
- How that information is extracted from their service is up to the CSP (we have ideas,) how it's stored and made available for consumption is our first goal
- The mechanisms used to present that information to a “consumer” should, in conjunction with AAA, at a minimum use simple HTTP(s) commands with verbs, nouns and adjectives similar to what we saw in OCCI

# What We Do/Don't Want to Prescribe

- We want to be open and provide for modularity associated with supported interface modalities, AAA implementations, data formats, collection mechanisms, tool input/output
- We're more interested in standardizing the data footprint to allow for consistent automation for both the provider and consumer; how you get there is your decision
- No reinventing the wheel; if there's a better mousetrap, let's use it

# 5,000-foot Look at OCCI



# Simple Element Audit/Assurance Such As:

- <http://www.cloudaudit.net/.well-known/cloudaudit/com/rackspace/com.csc.cloudtrust.xml>

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- <!--  
    CloudTrust Demo  
    Created by Sam Johnston on 2010-02-12.  
    Example static rendering of CloudTrust standard.  
-->  
- <cloudtrust>  
  - <assertion id="123">  
    <name>tape-backup</name>  
    <status>true</status>  
  </assertion>  
</cloudtrust>
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# A Simple CloudAudit Example

- <http://www.cloudaudit.net/.well-known/cloudaudit/com/rackspace/>

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# Which Can Present Things Like...

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# Data Formats and Such...

- The thoughts are that we don't really care all that much about trying to envision (or more importantly) define all formats, but we'd like to arrive at an intelligent consensus
- XML, URLs, JSON, PDF's, XLS, RTF, TXT, JPG, etc... depends on what's being asked for...
- We need to determine who's going to use this information and how

# How are we going to craft this?

- We need to build the class structures associated with the primitives we expect to require at a minimum
- Compute/Network/Storage? Infrastructure/Metastructure/Infostructure? Audit/Assertion/Assessment/Assurance? ← How to organize?
- Map/associate/cross-reference these “hard” primitives and data sets to “soft” things like “compliance”
- This is the most onerous pieces of the process

# Deliverables, Timelines & Administrivia, Part Deux

# Deliverables & Timelines

- The first deliverable ought to be the specifications that will allow a CSP to organize the collective output (or a subset) of our requirements and deliver an interface to this information
- Needs to map to customer-driven governance, assurance and compliance frameworks
- Work with security tool vendors to encourage them to enable their products to consume this information
- I'd like to have the first reasonable draft done in 90 days

# What We Need Quickly

- Need small team of folks from the core team to take the lead at sketching out the scope (a good mix from CSP's, ISVs, Integrators, Consultants, Consumers)
- Collect the data points we want to collect
- Prioritize and sort by lens
- Provide to the larger group (outside the core team) to segment by class and start building schema/primitives
- Separate the content/storage from the access to it, but have a small team think about these requirements

# Step Up

- Need that previously-mentioned small group of people (5-6) to start sketching out the schema/primitives
- Need 2-3 people from the core team willing to help co-lead this effort:
  - Help run meetings
  - Organize deliverables
  - Project Manage
  - Tools setup
- Need some help with “marketing”
  - FAQ on website
  - Interfacing with media, other groups...
- Organize around Contributors, Reviewers, Consulted roles

# Notes:

- Technical/Non-Technical Elements
  - “Namespace” - What
  - “Transport” - How
  - “Language/Protocol” - How
- Split apart “What” from “How”
- Define stakeholders, consumers and lenses
- “Read Only” namespace (initially)
- Production/Collection by providers
- Registry/Dictionary

# Who's Doing What...

- “Who” Leads
  - “Transport” - Ravi, Ken Owens, Edward Haletky, Sam Johnston
  - “Language/Protocol” - John Menerick, Doug Egan, Lynn Terwoerds, Sam Johnston
- “What” Leads
  - “Namespace” - Scott Sanchez, Glenn Brunette, James (which?), Craig Balding, Ben Sapiro, Anton Chuvakin
- FAQ/Mktg - James Urquhart, Mike Versace

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