

SACM ECP Mapping

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Background

- Builds off of the Endpoint Compliance Standard I-D that introduces relevant IETF, ISO, and TCG specifications
- Demonstrate how the Endpoint Compliance Profile (ECP) can be used to achieve the SACM use cases
- Specifications in ECP contain IPR, but, the TCG has been willing to contribute specifications in the past

What is ECP?

- Application of NEA/TNC protocols and interfaces to monitor and securely exchange endpoint posture information
- Ensures endpoints are:
 - Uniquely identified
 - Authorized to be on the network
 - Running compliant software that is up-to-date
- Extensible to support other types of data

Specifications in ECP

- NEA (TNC): architecture to collect and securely exchange endpoint posture information
- IF-IMC / IF-IMV*: interfaces between IMCs and TNC Client / IMVs and TNC Server
- PA-TNC (IF-M): format for posture information messages and attributes to exchange posture information between IMCs and IMVs
 - SWID Message and Attributes for IF-M* provides the format to exchange SWID tags
- PB-TNC (IF-TNCCS): protocol to carry posture information messages between IMCs and IMVs
- PT-TLS / PT-EAP (IF-T): protocol to transport posture information between the NEA Client and Server using TLS / EAP
- Server Discovery and Validation*: locate and validate the trustworthiness of TNC Servers

* Would need to be contributed by the TCG

Mapping ECP to SACM use cases

- UC-1: define, publish, query and retrieve security automation data
 - Addressed in the descriptions of the other use cases
- UC-2: endpoint identification and assessment planning
 - An endpoint provides posture information to gain access to a network
 - Information is used for identification and targeting purposes
- UC-3: endpoint posture attribute value collection
 - Collection is triggered by various types of events including change in posture, new/updated guidance, periodic and ad-hoc reassessment requests, etc.
 - Posture information is used immediately and/or stored in a CMDB for later use
- UC-4: posture attribute evaluation
 - Analysis of collected posture information against the expected values
 - Result of analysis is used to initiate follow up actions

Why use ECP and NEA/TNC specifications in SACM?

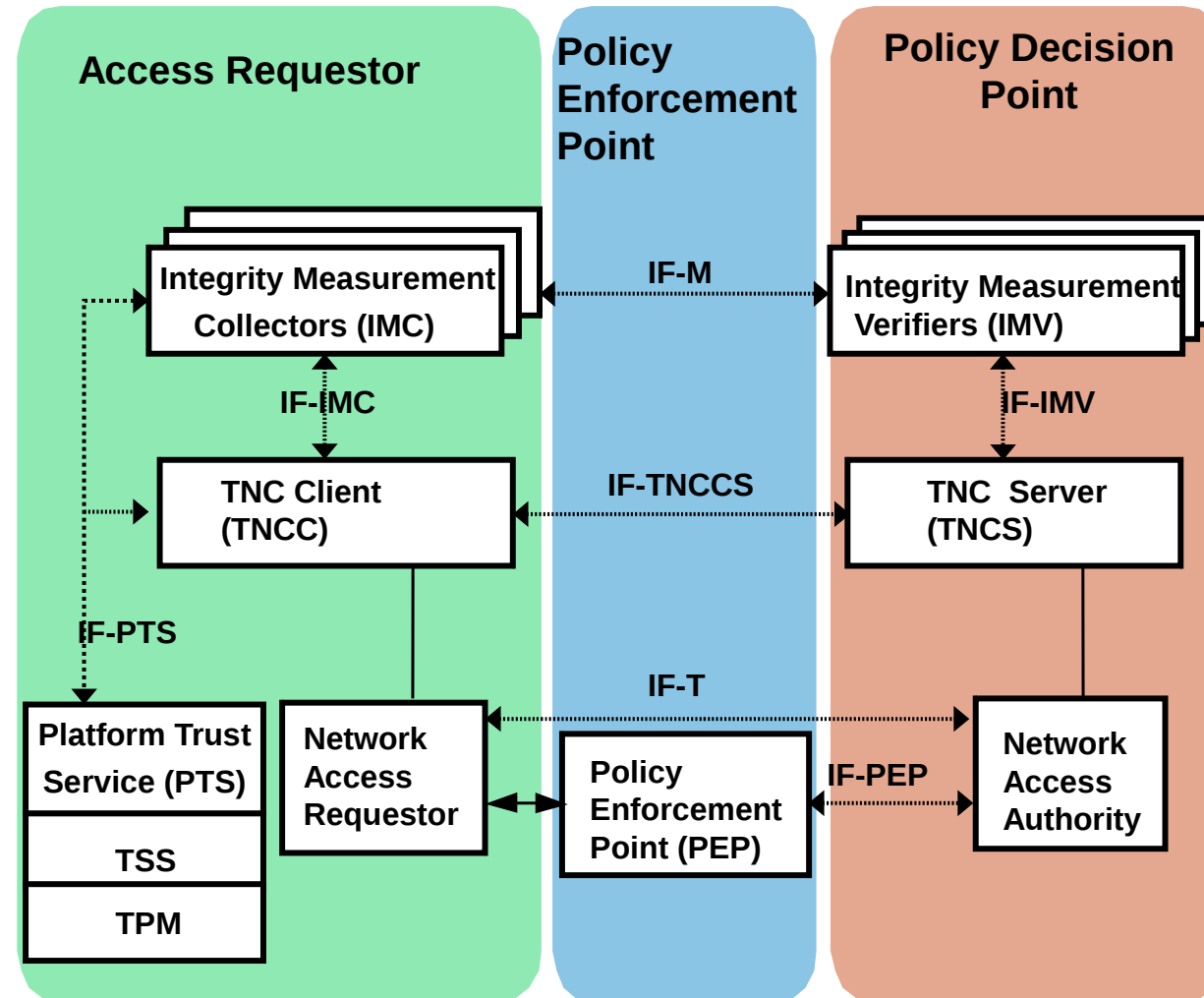
- Addresses the major components of the SACM use cases
- They already exist and are available for us to use
- Avoids the creation of competing specifications which helps to unify the practice of endpoint posture assessment

Next steps

- Determine if we want to use the IETF NEA and TCG TNC specifications
- If we decide to use the specifications:
 - Reach out to the TCG regarding the contribution of specifications
 - Update the architecture document to align with the IETF NEA architecture
 - Develop a roadmap for refining specifications to satisfy the needs of SACM

Back up slides

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