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BRSKI with Pledge in Responder Mode (BRSKI-PRM)

Abstract

This document defines enhancements to bootstrapping a remote secure key infrastructure (BRSKI, [RFC8995]) to facilitate bootstrapping in domains featuring no or only timely limited connectivity between a pledge and the domain registrar. It specifically targets situations, in which the interaction model changes from a pledge-initiator-mode, as used in BRSKI, to a pledge-responder-mode as described in this document. To support both, BRSKI-PRM introduces a new registrar-agent component, which facilitates the communication between pledge and registrar during the bootstrapping phase. For the establishment of a trust relation between pledge and domain registrar, BRSKI-PRM relies on the exchange of authenticated self-contained objects (signature-wrapped objects). The defined approach is agnostic regarding the utilized enrollment protocol, deployed by the domain registrar to communicate with the Domain CA.

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1. Introduction

BRSKI as defined in [[RFC8995](#)] specifies a solution for secure zero-touch (automated) bootstrapping of devices (pledges) in a (customer) site domain. This includes the discovery of network elements in the target domain, time synchronization, and the exchange of security information necessary to establish trust between a pledge and the domain. Security information about the target domain, specifically the target domain certificate, is exchanged utilizing voucher objects as defined in [[RFC8366](#)]. These vouchers are signed objects, provided via the domain registrar to the pledge and originate from a Manufacturer's Authorized Signing Authority (MASA).

BRSKI addresses scenarios in which the pledge acts as client for the bootstrapping and is the initiator of the bootstrapping (this document refers to the approach as pledge-initiator-mode). In industrial environments the pledge may behave as a server and thus does not initiate the bootstrapping with the domain registrar. In this scenarios it is expected that the pledge will be triggered to generate request objects to be bootstrapped in the registrar's domain (this document refers to the approach as pledge-responder-mode). For this, an additional component is introduced acting as an agent for the domain registrar (registrar-agent) towards the pledge. This may be a functionality of a commissioning tool or it may be even co-located with the registrar. In contrast to BRSKI the registrar-agent performs the object exchange with the pledge and provides/retrieves data objects to/from the domain registrar. For the interaction with the domain registrar the registrar-agent will use existing BRSKI [[RFC8995](#)] endpoints.

The goal is to enhance BRSKI to support pledges in responder mode. This is addressed by

- *introducing the registrar-agent as new component to facilitate the communication between the pledge and the registrar, when the pledge is in responder mode (acting as server).
- *handling the security on application layer only to enable application of arbitrary transport means between the pledge and the domain registrar, by keeping the registrar-agent in the communication path. Examples may be connectivity via IP based networks (wired or wireless) but also connectivity via Bluetooth or NFC between the pledge and the registrar-agent.
- *allowing to utilize credentials different from the pledge's IDevID to establish a TLS connection to the domain registrar, which is necessary in case of using a registrar-agent.

*defining the interaction (data exchange and data objects) between a pledge acting as server and a registrar-agent and the domain registrar.

For the enrollment of devices BRSKI relies on EST [[RFC7030](#)] to request and distribute target domain specific device certificates. EST in turn relies on a binding of the certification request to an underlying TLS connection between the EST client and the EST server. According to BRSKI the domain registrar acts as EST server and is also acting as registration authority (RA) for its domain. To utilize the EST server endpoints on the domain-registrar, the registrar-agent defined in this document will act as client towards the domain registrar. The registrar-agent will also act as client when communicating with the pledge in responder mode. Here, TLS with server-side, certificate-based authentication is not directly applicable, as the pledge only possesses an IDevID certificate, which does not contain a subject alternative name (SAN) for the target domain and does also not contain a TLS server flag. This is one reason for relying on higher layer security by using signature wrapped objects for the exchange between the pledge and the registrar agent. A further reason is the application on different transports, for which TLS may not be available, like Bluetooth or NFC. As the described solution will rely on additional wrapping signature it will require pre-processing specifically for EST, as it currently uses PKCS#10 requests only.

2. Terminology

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "NOT RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in BCP 14 [[RFC2119](#)] [[RFC8174](#)] when, and only when, they appear in all capitals, as shown here.

This document relies on the terminology defined in [[RFC8995](#)]. The following terms are defined additionally:

asynchronous communication: Describes a timely interrupted communication between an end entity and a PKI component.

authenticated self-contained object: Describes an object, which is cryptographically bound to the EE certificate (IDevID certificate or LDEVID certificate) of a pledge. The binding is assumed to be provided through a digital signature of the actual object using the corresponding private key of the EE certificate.

CA: Certification authority, issues certificates.

EE: End entity

on-site:

Describes a component or service or functionality available in the target deployment domain.

off-site: Describes a component or service or functionality available in an operator domain different from the target deployment domain. This may be a central site or a cloud service, to which only a temporary connection is available, or which is in a different administrative domain.

PER: Pledge-enrollment-request

POP: Prove of possession (of a private key)

POI: Prove of identity

PVR: Pledge-voucher-request

IED: Intelligent Electronic Device (in essence a pledge).

RA: Registration authority, an optional system component to which a CA delegates certificate management functions such as authorization checks.

RER: Registrar-enrollment-request

RVR: Registrar-voucher-request

synchronous communication: Describes a timely uninterrupted communication between an end entity and a PKI component.

3. Scope of Solution

3.1. Supported Environment

The described solution is applicable in domains in which pledges have no direct connection to the domain registrar, but are expected to be managed by this registrar. This can be motivated by pledges featuring a different technology stack or by pledges without an existing connection to the domain registrar during bootstrapping. These pledges are likely to act in a server role. Therefore, the pledge has to offer endpoints on which it can be triggered for the generation of pledge-voucher-request objects and certification objects as well as to provide the response objects to the pledge.

3.2. Application Examples

The following examples are intended to motivate the support of additional bootstrapping approaches in general by introducing industrial applications cases, which could leverage BRSKI as such

but also require support a pledge acting as server and only answers requests as well as scenarios with limited connectivity to the registrar.

3.2.1. Building Automation

In building automation, a use case can be described by a detached building (or a cabinet) or the basement of a building equipped with sensor, actuators, and controllers connected, but with only limited or no connection to the centralized building management system. This limited connectivity may be during the installation time but also during operation time. During the installation in the basement, a service technician collects the device specific information from the basement network and provides them to the central building management system, e.g., using a laptop or a mobile device to transport the information. A domain registrar may be part of the central building management system and already be operational in the installation network. The central building management system can then provide operational parameters for the specific devices in the basement. This operational parameters may comprise values and settings required in the operational phase of the sensors/actuators, beyond them a certificate issued by the operator to authenticate against other components and services. These operational parameters are then provided to the devices in the basement facilitated by the service technician's laptop.

3.2.2. Infrastructure Isolation Policy

This refers to any case in which network infrastructure is normally isolated from the Internet as a matter of policy, most likely for security reasons. In such a case, limited access to a domain registrar may be allowed in carefully controlled short periods of time, for example when a batch of new devices are deployed, but impossible at other times.

3.2.3. Less Operational Security in the Target-Domain

The registration authority (RA) performing the authorization of a certificate request is a critical PKI component and therefore implicates higher operational security than other components utilizing the issued certificates. CAs may also demand higher security in the registration procedures. Especially the CA/Browser forum currently increases the security requirements in the certificate issuance procedures for publicly trusted certificates. There may be the situation in which the target domain does not offer enough security to operate a RA/CA and therefore this service is transferred to a backend that offers a higher level of operational security.

3.3. Limitations

The mechanisms in this draft presume the availability of the pledge to communicate with the registrar-agent.

This may not be possible in constrained environments where, in particular, power must be conserved.

In these situations, it is anticipated that the transceiver will be powered down most of the time.

This presents a rendezvous problem: the pledge is unavailable for certain periods of time, and the registrar-agent is similarly presumed to be unavailable for certain periods of time.

4. Requirements Discussion and Mapping to Solution-Elements

Based on the intended target environment described in [Section 3.1](#) and the motivated application examples described in [Section 3.2](#) the following base requirements are derived to support the communication between a pledge and a registrar via a registrar-agent.

At least the following properties are required by the voucher handling and the enrollment:

- *Proof of Possession (POP): proves that an entity possesses and controls the private key corresponding to the public key contained in the certification request, typically by adding a signature using the private key.

- *Proof of Identity (POI): provides data-origin authentication of a data object, e.g., a certificate request, utilizing an existing IDevID. Certificate updates may utilize the certificate that is to be updated.

Solution examples based on existing technology are provided with the focus on existing IETF documents:

- *Voucher request and response objects as used in [\[RFC8995\]](#) already provide both, POP and POI, through a digital signature to protect the integrity of the voucher object, while the corresponding signing certificate contains the identity of the signer.

- *Certification request objects: Certification requests are data structures containing the information from a requester for a CA to create a certificate. The certification request format in BRSKI utilizes PKCS#10 [\[RFC2986\]](#). Here, the structure is signed to ensure integrity protection and proof of possession of the private key of the requester that corresponds to the contained public key. In the application examples, this POP alone is not sufficient. POI is also required for the certification request object and therefore needs to be additionally bound to the existing credential of the pledge (IDevID). This binding supports

the authorization decision for the certification request through a proof of identity (POI). The binding of data origin authentication or POI to the certification request may be delegated to the protocol used for certificate management or it may be provided directly by the certification request object. While BRSKI uses the binding to TLS, BRSKI-PRM aims at an additional signature of the PCKS#10 object using the existing credential on the pledge (IDevID). This supports independence from the selected transport.

5. Architectural Overview and Communication Exchanges

For BRSKI with pledge in responder mode, the base system architecture defined in BRSKI [[RFC8995](#)] is enhanced to facilitate the new use case. The pledge-responder-mode allows delegated bootstrapping using a registrar-agent instead of a direct connection between the pledge and the domain registrar. The communication model between registrar-agent and pledge in this document assumes that the pledge is acting as server and responds to requests.

Necessary enhancements to support authenticated self-contained objects for certificate enrollment are kept at a minimum to enable reuse of already defined architecture elements and interactions.

For the authenticated self-contained objects used for the certification request, BRSKI-PRM relies on the defined message wrapping mechanisms of the enrollment protocols stated in [Section 4](#) above.

The security used within the document for bootstrapping objects produced or consumed by the pledge bases on JOSE. In constraint environments it may be provided based on COSE.

5.1. Pledge-responder-mode (PRM): Registrar-agent Communication with Pledges

To support mutual trust establishment of pledges, not directly connected to the domain registrar, this document relies on the exchange of authenticated self-contained objects (the voucher request/response objects as known from BRSKI and the enrollment request/response objects as introduced by BRSKI-PRM) with the help of a registrar-agent. This allows independence from protection provided by the utilized transport protocol.

The registrar-agent may be an integrated functionality of a commissioning tool or be co-located with the registrar itself. This leads to enhancements of the logical elements in the BRSKI architecture as shown in [Figure 1](#). The registrar-agent interacts with the pledge to acquire and to supply the required data objects for bootstrapping, which are also exchanged between the registrar-

agent and the domain registrar. Moreover, the addition of the registrar-agent influences the sequences of the data exchange between the pledge and the domain registrar described in [RFC8995]. A general goal for the registrar-agent application is the reuse of already defined endpoints of the domain registrar side. The functionality of the already existing registrar endpoints may need small enhancements to cope with the additional signatures.

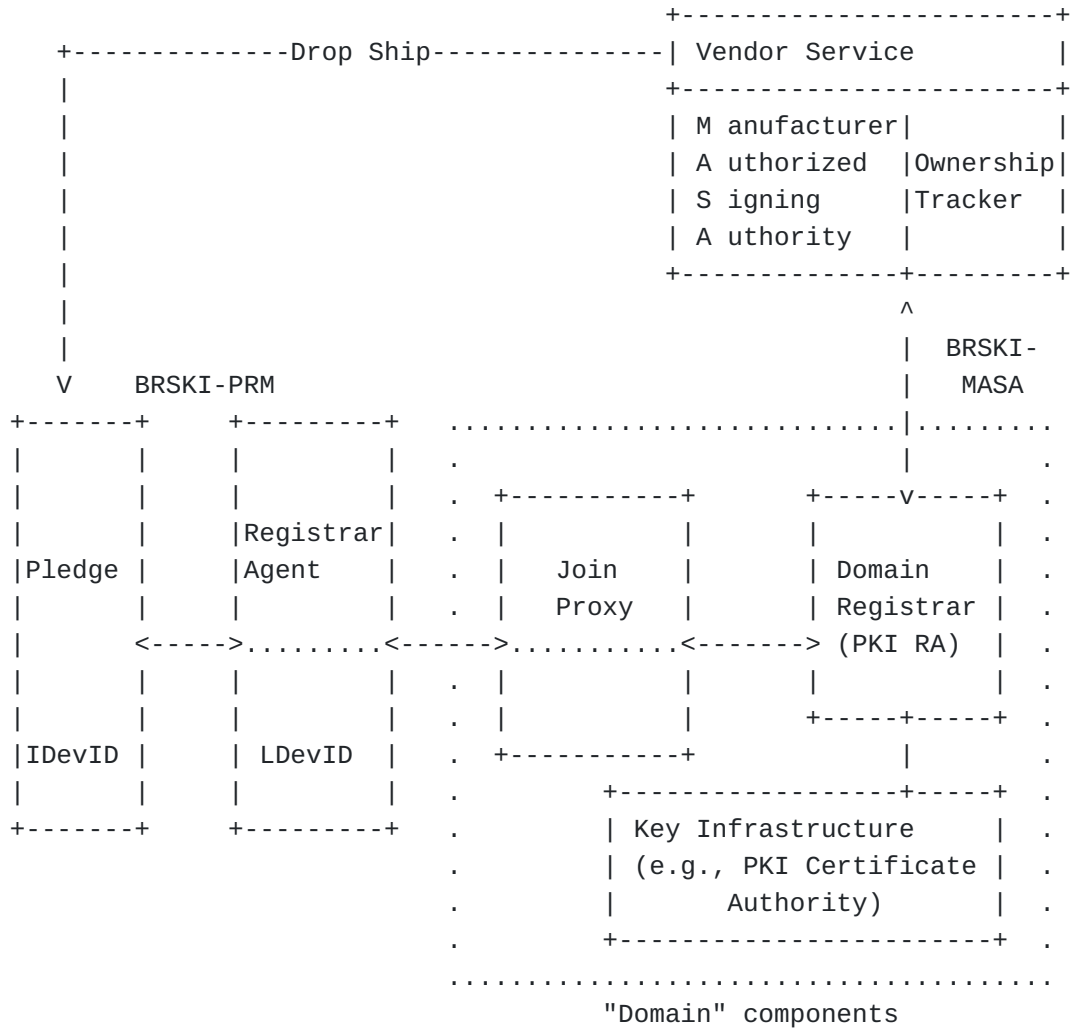


Figure 1: Architecture overview using registrar-agent

For authentication towards the domain registrar, the registrar-agent uses its LDevID. The provisioning of the registrar-agent LDevID may be done by a separate BRSKI run or other means in advance. It is recommended to use short lived registrar-agent LDevIDs in the range of days or weeks.

If a registrar detects a request originates from a registrar-agent it is able to switch the operational mode from BRSKI to BRSKI-PRM. This may be supported by a specific naming in the SAN (subject

alternative name) component of the LDeID(RegAgt) certificate. Alternatively, the domain may feature an own issuing CA for registrar agent LDevID certificates.

In addition, the domain registrar may authenticate the user operating the registrar-agent to perform additional authorization of a pledge bootstrapping action. Examples for such user level authentication may be HTTP authentication or the usage of authorization tokens or other. This is out of scope of this document.

The following list describes the components in a (customer) site domain:

*Pledge: The pledge is expected to respond with the necessary data objects for bootstrapping to the registrar-agent. The transport protocol used between the pledge and the registrar-agent is assumed to be HTTP in the context of this document. Other transport protocols may be used like CoAP, Bluetooth, or NFC, but are out of scope of this document. A pledge acting as a server during bootstrapping leads to some differences to BRSKI:

- Discovery of the domain registrar by the pledge is not needed as the pledge will be triggered by the registrar-agent.
- Discovery of the pledge by the registrar-agent must be possible.
- As the registrar-agent must be able to request data objects for bootstrapping of the pledge, the pledge must offer corresponding endpoints.
- The registrar-agent may provide additional data to the pledge, in the context of the triggering request, to make itself visible to the domain registrar.
- Order of exchanges in the call flow may be different as the registrar-agent collects both objects, pledge-voucher-request objects and pledge-enrollment-request objects, at once and provides them to the registrar. This approach may also be used to perform a bulk bootstrapping of several devices.
- The data objects utilized for the data exchange between the pledge and the registrar are self-contained authenticated objects (signature-wrapped objects).

*Registrar-agent: provides a communication path to exchange data objects between the pledge and the domain registrar. The registrar-agent facilitates situations, in which the domain registrar is not directly reachable by the pledge, either due to

a different technology stack or due to missing connectivity. The registrar-agent triggers a pledge to create bootstrapping information such as voucher-request objects and enrollment-request objects on one or multiple pledges at performs may perform a bulk bootstrapping based on the collected data. The registrar-agent is expected to possess information of the domain registrar, either by configuration or by using the discovery mechanism defined in [\[RFC8995\]](#). There is no trust assumption between the pledge and the registrar-agent as only authenticated self-contained objects are applied, which are transported via the registrar-agent and provided either by the pledge or the registrar. The trust assumption between the registrar-agent and the registrar bases on the LDevID of the registrar-agent, provided by the PKI responsible for the domain. This allows the registrar-agent to authenticate towards the registrar, e.g., in a TLS handshake. Based on this, the registrar is able to distinguish a pledge from a registrar-agent during the session establishment.

*Join Proxy: same functionality as described in [\[RFC8995\]](#). Note that it may be used by the registrar-agent instead of the pledge to find the registrar, if not configured.

*Domain Registrar: In general the domain registrar fulfills the same functionality regarding the bootstrapping of the pledge in a (customer) site domain by facilitating the communication of the pledge with the MASA service and the domain PKI service. In contrast to [\[RFC8995\]](#), the domain registrar does not interact with a pledge directly but through the registrar-agent. The registrar detects if the bootstrapping is performed by the pledge directly or by the registrar-agent. The manufacturer provided components/services (MASA and Ownership tracker) are used as defined in [\[RFC8995\]](#). For issuing a voucher, the MASA may perform additional checks on voucher-request objects, to issue a voucher indicating agent-proximity instead of (registrar-)proximity.

5.1.1. Agent-Proximity

"Agent-proximity" is a weaker assertion then "proximity". It is defined as additional assertion type in [\[I-D.richardson-anima-rfc8366bis\]](#) In case of "agent-proximity" it is a statement, that the proximity-registrar-certificate was provided via the registrar-agent and not directly to the pledge. This can be verified by the registrar and also by the MASA during the voucher-request processing. Note that at the time of creating the voucher-request, the pledge cannot verify the registrar's LDevID(Reg) EE certificate and has no proof-of-possession of the corresponding private key for the certificate.

Trust handover to the domain is established via the "pinned-domain-certificate" in the voucher.

In contrast, "proximity" provides a statement, that the pledge was in direct contact with the registrar and was able to verify proof-of-possession of the private key in the context of the TLS handshake. The provisionally accepted LDevID(Reg) EE certificate can be verified after the voucher has been processed by the pledge through a verification of an additional signature of the returned voucher by the registrar if contained (optional feature).

5.1.2. Behavior of Pledge in Pledge-Responder-Mode

In contrast to BRSKI the pledge acts as a server component. It is triggered by the registrar-agent for the generation of pledge-voucher-request and pledge-enrollment-request objects as well as for the processing of the response objects and the generation of status information. Due to the use of the registrar-agent, the interaction with the domain registrar is changed as shown in [Figure 4](#). To enable interaction with the registrar-agent, the pledge provides endpoints using the BRSKI interface based on the "/.well-known/brski" URI tree.

The following endpoints are defined for the *pledge* in this document. The URI path begins with "http://www.example.com/.well-known/brski" followed by a path-suffix that indicates the intended operation.

Operations and their corresponding URIs:

Operation	Operation path	Details
Trigger pledge-voucher-request creation	/pledge-voucher-request	Section 5.1.4.1
Returns		
pledge-voucher-request		
Trigger pledge-enrollment-request	/pledge-enrollment-request	Section 5.1.4.1
Returns		
pledge-enrollment-request		
Provide voucher to pledge	/pledge-voucher	Section 5.1.4.3
Returns		
pledge-voucher-status		
Provide enrollment response to pledge	/pledge-enrollment	Section 5.1.4.3
Returns		
pledge-enrollment-status		
Provide CA certs to pledge (OPTIONAL)	/pledge-CACerts	

Figure 2: Endpoints on the pledge

5.1.3. Behavior of Registrar-Agent

The registrar-agent is a new component in the BRSKI context. It provides connectivity between the pledge and the domain registrar and reuses the endpoints of the domain registrar side already specified in [RFC8995]. It facilitates the exchange of data objects between the pledge and the domain registrar, which are the voucher request/response objects, the enrollment request/response objects, as well as related status objects. For the communication the registrar-agent utilizes communication endpoints provided by the pledge. The transport in this specification is based on HTTP but may also be done using other transport mechanisms. This new component changes the general interaction between the pledge and the domain registrar as shown in [Figure 10](#).

The registrar-agent is expected to already possess an LDevID(RegAgt) to authenticate towards the domain registrar. The registrar-agent will use this LDevID(RegAgt) when establishing the TLS session with the domain registrar in the context of for TLS client-side

authentication. The LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate **MUST** include a SubjectKeyIdentifier (SKID), which is used as reference in the context of an agent-signed-data object as defined in [Section 5.1.4.1](#). Note that this is an additional requirement for issuing the certificate, as [\[IEEE-802.1AR\]](#) only requires the SKID to be included for intermediate CA certificates. In BRSKI-PRM, the SKID is used in favor of a certificate fingerprint to avoid additional computations.

Using an LDevID for TLS client-side authentication is a deviation from [\[RFC8995\]](#), in which the pledge's IDevID credential is used to perform TLS client authentication. The use of the LDevID(RegAgt) allows the domain registrar to distinguish, if bootstrapping is initiated from a pledge or from a registrar-agent and adopt the internal handling accordingly. As BRSKI-PRM uses authenticated self-contained data objects between the pledge and the domain registrar, the binding of the pledge identity to the request object is provided by the data object signature employing the pledge's IDevID. The objects exchanged between the pledge and the domain registrar used in the context of this specifications are JOSE objects

In addition to the LDevID(RegAgt), the registrar-agent is provided with the product-serial-numbers of the pledges to be bootstrapped. This is necessary to allow the discovery of pledges by the registrar-agent using mDNS. The list may be provided by administrative means or the registrar agent may get the information via an interaction with the pledge, like scanning of product-serial-number information using a QR code or similar.

According to [\[RFC8995\]](#) section 5.3, the domain registrar performs the pledge authorization for bootstrapping within his domain based on the pledge voucher-request object.

The following information must therefore be available at the registrar-agent:

- *LDevID(RegAgt): own operational key pair.
- *LDevID(reg) certificate: certificate of the domain registrar.
- *Serial-number(s): product-serial-number(s) of pledge(s) to be bootstrapped.

5.1.3.1. Discovery of Registrar by Registrar-Agent

The discovery of the domain registrar may be done as specified in [\[RFC8995\]](#) with the deviation that it is done between the registrar-agent and the domain registrar. Alternatively, the registrar-agent may be configured with the address of the domain registrar and the certificate of the domain registrar.

5.1.3.2. Discovery of Pledge by Registrar-Agent

The discovery of the pledge by registrar-agent should be done by using DNS-based Service Discovery [RFC6763] over Multicast DNS [RFC6762] to discover the pledge at "product-serial-number.brski-pledge._tcp.local." The pledge constructs a local host name based on device local information (product-serial-number), which results in "product-serial-number.brski-pledge._tcp.local." It can then be discovered by the registrar-agent via mDNS. Note that other mechanisms for discovery may be used.

The registrar-agent is able to build the same information based on the provided list of product-serial-number.

5.1.4. Bootstrapping Objects and Corresponding Exchanges

The interaction of the pledge with the registrar-agent may be accomplished using different transport means (protocols and or network technologies). For this document the usage of HTTP is targeted as in BRSKI. Alternatives may be CoAP, Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE), or Nearfield Communication (NFC). This requires independence of the exchanged data objects between the pledge and the registrar from transport security. Therefore, authenticated self-contained objects (here: signature-wrapped objects) are applied in the data exchange between the pledge and the registrar.

The registrar-agent provides the domain-registrar certificate (LDevID(Reg) EE certificate) to the pledge to be included into the "agent-provided-proximity-registrar-certificate" leaf of the pledge-voucher-request object. This enables the registrar to verify, that it is the target registrar for handling the request. The registrar certificate may be configured at the registrar-agent or may be fetched by the registrar-agent based on a prior TLS connection establishment with the domain registrar. In addition, the registrar-agent provides agent-signed-data containing the product-serial-number in the body, signed with the LDevID(RegAgt). This enables the registrar to verify and log, which registrar-agent was in contact with the pledge, when verifying the pledge-voucher-request. Optionally the registrar-agent may provide its LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate (and optionally also the issuing CA certificate) to the pledge to be used in the "agent-sign-cert" component of the pledge-voucher-request. If contained, the LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate **MUST** be the first certificate in the array. Note, this may be omitted in constraint environments to save bandwidth between the registrar-agent and the pledge. If not contained, the registrar-agent **MUST** fetch the LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate based on the SubjectKeyIdentifier (SKID) in the header of the agent-signed-data of the pledge-voucher-request. The registrar includes the LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate information into the registrar-

voucher-request if the pledge-voucher-requests requests the assertion of "agent-proximity".

The MASA in turn verifies the LDevID(Reg) EE certificate is included in the pledge-voucher-request (prior-signed-voucher-request) in the "agent-provided-proximity-registrar-certificate" leaf and may assert in the voucher "verified" or "logged" instead of "proximity", as there is no direct connection between the pledge and the registrar. If the LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate information is contained in the "agent-sign-cert" component of the registrar-voucher-request, the MASA can verify the signature of the agent-signed-data contained in the prior-signed-voucher-request. If both can be verified successfully, the MASA can assert "agent-proximity" in the voucher. Otherwise, it may assert "verified" or "logged". The voucher can then be supplied via the registrar to the registrar-agent.

[Figure 3](#) provides an overview of the exchanges detailed in the following sub sections.

Pledge	Registrar Agent (RegAgt)	Domain Registrar (JRC)	Domain CA	Vendor Service (MASA)	Internet
[discovery of pledge]					
mDNS query					
<-----					
----->					
[trigger pledge-voucher-request and pledge-enrollment-request generation]					
<- vTrigger --					
-Voucher-Req->					
<- eTrigger --					
- Enroll-Req->					
~	~	~	~	~	~
[provide pledge-voucher-request to infrastructure]					
	<----- TLS ----->				
	[Reg-Agt auth+authz?]				
	-- Voucher-Req -->				
	[Reg-Agt authorized?]				
	[accept device?]				
	[contact vendor]				
		----- Voucher-Req ----->			
		[extract DomainID]			
		[update audit log]			
		<----- Voucher -----			
	<---- Voucher ----				
[provide pledge enrollment request to infrastructure]					
	-- Enroll-Req --->				
		- Cert-Req -->			
		<-Certificate-			
	<-- Enroll-Resp --				
~	~	~	~	~	~
[provide voucher and certificate to pledge and collect status info]					
<-- Voucher --					
-- vStatus -->					
<-Enroll-Resp-					
-- eStatus -->					
~	~	~	~	~	~
[provide voucher-status and enrollment status to registrar]					
	<----- TLS ----->				
	---- vStatus --->				
		-- req. device audit log ->			

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| | |<---- device audit log ----|
| | [verify audit log]
| | |
| | eStatus --->| | |
```

Figure 3: Overview pledge-responder-mode exchanges

The following sub sections split the interactions between the different components into:

- *Request objects acquisition targets exchanges and objects between the registrar-agent and the pledge.
- *Request handling targets exchanges and objects between the registrar-agent and the registrar and also the interaction of the registrar with the MASA and the domain CA.
- *Response object supply targets the exchanges and objects between the registrar-agent and the pledge including the status objects.
- *Status handling addresses the exchanges between the registrar-agent and the registrar.

5.1.4.1. Request Objects Acquisition by Registrar-Agent from Pledge

The following description assumes that the registrar-agent already discovered the pledge. This may be done as described in [Section 5.1.3.2](#) based on mDNS.

The focus is on the exchange of signature-wrapped objects using endpoints defined for the pledge in [Section 5.1.2](#).

Preconditions:

- *Pledge: possesses IDevID
- *Registrar-agent: possesses IDevID CA certificate and an own LDevID(RegAgt) EE credential for the registrar domain. In addition, the registrar-agent can be configured with the product-serial-number(s) of the pledge(s) to be bootstrapped. Note that the product-serial-number may have been used during the pledge discovery already.
- *Registrar: possesses IDevID CA certificate and an own LDevID(Reg) credential.
- *MASA: possesses own credentials (voucher signing key, TLS server certificate) as well as IDevID CA certificate of pledge vendor / manufacturer and site-specific LDevID CA certificate.



Figure 4: Request collection (registrar-agent - pledge)

Triggering the pledge to create the pledge-voucher-request is done using HTTP POST on the defined pledge endpoint `"/.well-known/brski/pledge-voucher-request"`.

The registrar-agent pledge-voucher-request Content-Type header is: `application/json`. It defines a JSON document to provide three parameter:

```
*agent-provided-proximity-registrar-cert: base64-encoded
  LDevID(Reg) TLS EE certificate.

*agent-signed-data: base64-encoded JWS-object.

*agent-sign-cert: array of base64-encoded certificate data
  (optional).
```

The the trigger for the pledge to create a pledge-voucher-request is depicted in the following figure:

```
{
  "agent-provided-proximity-registrar-cert": "base64encodedvalue==",
  "agent-signed-data": "base64encodedvalue==",
  "agent-sign-cert": ["base64encodedvalue==", "base64encodedvalue==", "
}
```

Figure 5: Representation of trigger to create pledge-voucher-request

The pledge provisionally accepts the agent-provided-proximity-registrar-cert and can verify it once it has received the voucher. If the optionally agent-sign-cert data is included the pledge **MAY** verify at least the signature of the agent-signed-data using the first contained certificate, which is the LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate. If further certificates are contained in the agent-sign-cert, they enable also the certificate chain validation. The pledge may not verify the agent-sign-cert itself as the domain trust has not been established at this point of the communication. It can be done, after the voucher has been received.

The agent-signed-data is a JOSE object and contains the following information:

The header of the agent-signed-data contains:

*alg: algorithm used for creating the object signature.

*kid: contains the base64-encoded SubjectKeyIdentifier of the LDevID(RegAgt) certificate.

The body of the agent-signed-data contains an ietf-voucher-request-prm:agent-signed-data element (defined in [Section 6.1](#)):

*created-on: **MUST** contain the creation date and time in yang:date-and-time format.

*serial-number: **MUST** contain the product-serial-number as type string as defined in [\[RFC8995\]](#), section 2.3.1. The serial-number corresponds with the product-serial-number contained in the X520SerialNumber field of the IDevID certificate of the pledge.

```
{
  "payload": {
    "ietf-voucher-request-prm:agent-signed-data": {
      "created-on": "2021-04-16T00:00:01.000Z",
      "serial-number": "callee4711"
    },
    "signatures": [
      {
        "protected": {
          "alg": "ES256",
          "kid": "base64encodedvalue=="
        },
        "signature": "base64encodedvalue=="
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

Figure 6: Representation of agent-signed-data

Upon receiving the voucher-request trigger, the pledge **SHOULD** construct the body of the pledge-voucher-request object as defined in [RFC8995]. It will contain additional information provided by the registrar-agent as specified in the following. This object becomes a JSON-in-JWS object as defined in [I-D.ietf-anima-jws-voucher]. If the pledge is unable to construct the pledge-voucher-request it **SHOULD** respond with HTTP 406 error code to the registrar-agent to indicate that it is not able to create the pledge-voucher-request.

The header of the pledge-voucher-request **SHALL** contain the following parameter as defined in [RFC7515]:

*alg: algorithm used for creating the object signature.

*x5c: contains the base64-encoded pledge IDevID certificate. It may optionally contain the certificate chain for this certificate.

The payload of the pledge-voucher-request (PVR) object **MUST** contain the following parameter as part of the ietf-voucher-request-prm:voucher as defined in [RFC8995]:

*created-on: contains the current date and time in yang:date-and-time format.

*nonce: contains a cryptographically strong random or pseudo-random number.

*serial-number: contains the pledge product-serial-number.

*assertion: contains the requested voucher assertion.

The ietf-voucher-request:voucher is enhanced with additional parameters:

*agent-provided-proximity-registrar-cert: **MUST** be included and contains the base64-encoded LDevID(Reg) EE certificate (provided as trigger parameter by the registrar-agent).

*agent-signed-data: **MUST** contain the base64-encoded agent-signed-data (as defined in [Figure 6](#)) and provided as trigger parameter.

*agent-sign-cert: **MAY** contain the certificate or certificate chain of the registrar-agent as array of base64encoded certificate information. It starts from the base64-encoded LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate optionally followed by the issuing CA certificate and potential further certificates. If supported, it **MUST** at least

contain the LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate provided as trigger parameter.

The enhancements of the YANG module for the ietf-voucher-request with these new leafs are defined in [Section 6.1](#).

The object is signed using the pledge's IDevID credential contained as x5c parameter of the JOSE header.

```
{
  "payload": {
    "ietf-voucher-request-prm:voucher": {
      "created-on": "2021-04-16T00:00:02.000Z",
      "nonce": "eDs++/FuDHGUnRxN3E14CQ==",
      "serial-number": "callee4711",
      "assertion": "agent-proximity",
      "agent-provided-proximity-registrar-cert": "base64encodedvalue==",
      "agent-signed-data": "base64encodedvalue==",
      "agent-sign-cert": [
        "base64encodedvalue==",
        "base64encodedvalue==",
        "...",
      ]
    },
  },
  "signatures": [
    {
      "protected": {
        "alg": "ES256",
        "x5c": [ "MIIB2jCC...dA==" ]
      },
      "signature": "base64encodedvalue=="
    }
  ]
}
```

Figure 7: Representation of pledge-voucher-request

The pledge-voucher-request Content-Type is defined in [[I-D.ietf-anima-jws-voucher](#)] as:

application/voucher-jws+json

The pledge **SHOULD** include this Content-Type header field indicating the included media type for the voucher response. Note that this is also an indication regarding the acceptable format of the voucher response. This format is included by the registrar as described in [Section 5.1.4.2](#).

Once the registrar-agent has received the pledge-voucher-request it can trigger the pledge to generate an enrollment-request object. As in BRSKI the enrollment request object is a PKCS#10, but additionally signed using the pledge's IDevID. Note, as the initial enrollment aims to request a generic certificate, no certificate attributes are provided to the pledge.

Triggering the pledge to create the enrollment-request is done using HTTP POST on the defined pledge endpoint `"/.well-known/brski/pledge-enrollment-request"`.

The registrar-agent pledge-enrollment-request Content-Type header is: `application/json` with an empty body. Note that using HTTP POST allows for an empty body, but also to provide additional data, like CSR attributes or information about the enroll type: initial or re-enroll as shown in [Figure 8](#).

```
{
  "enroll-type" = "intial"
}
```

Figure 8: Example of trigger to create a pledge-enrollment-request

In the following the enrollment is described as initial enrollment with an empty body.

Upon receiving the enrollment-trigger, the pledge **SHALL** construct the pledge-enrollment-request as authenticated self-contained object. The CSR already assures proof of possession of the private key corresponding to the contained public key. In addition, based on the additional signature using the IDevID, proof of identity is provided. Here, a JOSE object is being created in which the body utilizes the YANG module `ietf-ztp-types` with the grouping for `csr-grouping` for the CSR as defined in [[I-D.ietf-netconf-sztp-csr](#)].

Depending on the capability of the pledge, it constructs the enrollment request as plain PKCS#10. Note that the focus in this use case is placed on PKCS#10 as PKCS#10 can be transmitted in different enrollment protocols in the infrastructure like EST, CMP, CMS, and SCEP. If the pledge is already implementing an enrollment protocol, it may leverage that functionality for the creation of the enrollment request object. Note also that [[I-D.ietf-netconf-sztp-csr](#)] also allows for inclusion of certification request objects such as CMP or CMC.

The pledge **SHOULD** construct the pledge-enrollment-request as PKCS#10 object. In BRSKI-PRM it **MUST** sign it additionally with its IDevID credential to provide proof-of-identity bound to the PKCS#10 as described below.

If the pledge is unable to construct the enrollment-request it **SHOULD** respond with HTTP 406 error code to the registrar-agent to indicate that it is not able to create the enrollment-request.

A successful enrollment will result in a generic LDevID certificate for the pledge in the new domain, which can be used to request further (application specific) LDevID certificates if necessary for its operation. The registrar-agent may use the endpoints specified in this document.

[[I-D.ietf-netconf-sztp-csr](#)] considers PKCS#10 but also CMP and CMC as certification request format. Note that the wrapping signature is only necessary for plain PKCS#10 as other request formats like CMP and CMS support the signature wrapping as part of their own certificate request format.

The registrar-agent enrollment-request Content-Type header for a wrapped PKCS#10 is: application/jose

The header of the pledge enrollment-request **SHALL** contain the following parameter as defined in [[RFC7515](#)]:

*alg: algorithm used for creating the object signature.

*x5c: contains the base64-encoded pledge IDevID certificate. It may optionally contain the certificate chain for this certificate.

The body of the pledge enrollment-request object **SHOULD** contain a P10 parameter (for PKCS#10) as defined for ietf-ztp-types:p10-csr in [[I-D.ietf-netconf-sztp-csr](#)]:

*P10: contains the base64-encoded PKCS#10 of the pledge.

The JOSE object is signed using the pledge's IDevID credential, which corresponds to the certificate signaled in the JOSE header.

```

{
  "payload": {
    "ietf-ztp-types": {
      "p10-csr": "base64encodedvalue=="
    },
    "signatures": [
      {
        "protected": {
          "alg": "ES256",
          "x5c": [ "MIIB2jCC...dA==" ]
        },
        "signature": "base64encodedvalue=="
      }
    ]
  }
}

```

Figure 9: Representation of pledge-enrollment-request

With the collected pledge-voucher-request object and the pledge-enrollment-request object, the registrar-agent starts the interaction with the domain registrar.

Once the registrar-agent has collected the pledge-voucher-request and pledge-enrollment-request objects, it connects to the registrar and sends the request objects. As the registrar-agent is intended to work between the pledge and the domain registrar, a collection of requests from more than one pledge is possible, allowing a bulk bootstrapping of multiple pledges using the same connection between the registrar-agent and the domain registrar.

5.1.4.2. Request Handling - Registrar-Agent (Infrastructure)

The BRSKI-PRM bootstrapping exchanges between registrar-agent and domain registrar resemble the BRSKI exchanges between pledge and domain registrar (pledge-initiator-mode) with some deviations.

Preconditions:

- *Registrar-agent: possesses IDevID CA certificate and it's own LDevID(RegAgt) credentials of site domain. It has the address of the domain registrar through configuration or by discovery, e.g., mDNS/DNSSD. The registrar-agent has acquired pledge-voucher-request and pledge-enrollment-request objects(s).

- *Registrar: possesses IDevID CA certificate of pledge vendor/manufacturer and an it's own LDevID(Reg) credentials.

*MASA: possesses it's own vendor/manufacturer credentials (voucher signing key, TLS server certificate) related to pledges IDevID and site-specific LDevID CA certificate.

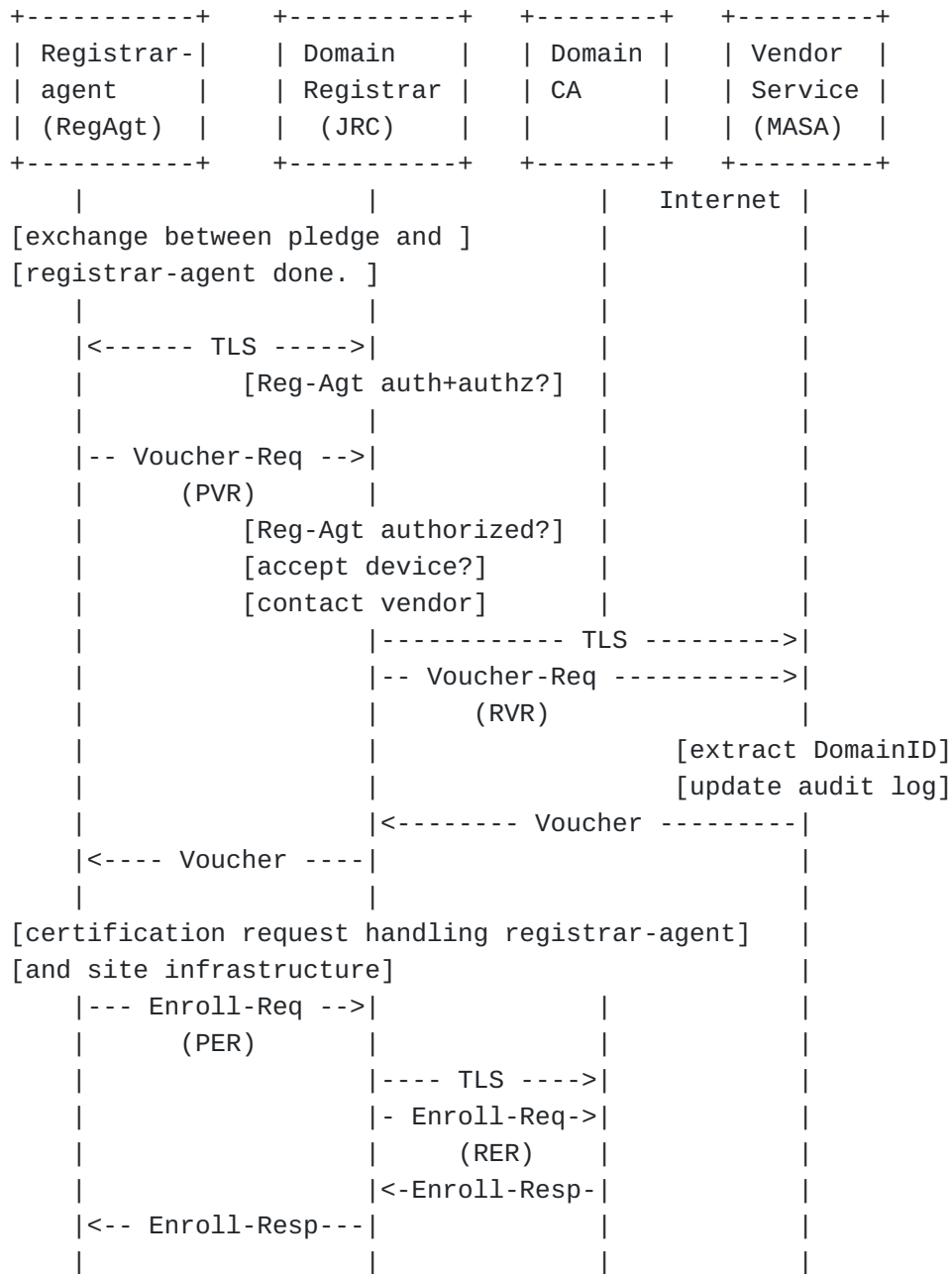


Figure 10: Request processing between registrar-agent and infrastructure bootstrapping services

The registrar-agent establishes a TLS connection with the registrar. As already stated in [RFC8995], the use of TLS 1.3 (or newer) is encouraged. TLS 1.2 or newer is **REQUIRED** on the registrar-agent side. TLS 1.3 (or newer) **SHOULD** be available on the registrar, but

TLS 1.2 **MAY** be used. TLS 1.3 (or newer) **SHOULD** be available on the MASA, but TLS 1.2 **MAY** be used.

In contrast to [[RFC8995](#)] TLS client authentication is achieved by using registrar-agent LDevID(RegAgt) credentials instead of pledge IDevID credentials. This allows the registrar to distinguish between BRSKI (pledge-initiator-mode) and BRSKI-PRM (pledge-responder-mode). The registrar **SHOULD** verify that the registrar-agent is authorized to connect to the registrar based on the LDevID(RegAgt). Note, the authorization will be verified based on the agent-signed-data carried in the pledge-voucher-request. As short-lived certificates are recommended for the registrar-agent, the LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate used in the TLS handshake may be newer than the one of in the pledge-voucher-request.

The registrar can received request objects in different forms as defined in [[RFC8995](#)]. Specifically, the registrar will receive JSON-in-JWS objects generated by the pledge for voucher-request and enrollment-request (instead of BRSKI voucher-request as CMS-signed JSON and enrollment-request as PKCS#10 objects).

The registrar-agent sends the pledge-voucher-request to the registrar by HTTP POST to the endpoint: `"/.well-known/brski/requestvoucher"`

The pledge-voucher-request Content-Type header field used for pledge-responder-mode is defined in [[I-D.ietf-anima-jws-voucher](#)] as: `application/voucher-jws+json` (see [Figure 7](#) for the content definition).

The registrar-agent **SHOULD** include the Accept request-header field indicating the pledge acceptable Content-Type for the voucher-response. The voucher-response Content-Type header field `"application/voucher-jws+json"` is defined in [[I-D.ietf-anima-jws-voucher](#)].

Upon reception of the pledge-voucher-request, the registrar **SHALL** perform the verification of the voucher-request parameter as defined in section 5.3 of [[RFC8995](#)]. In addition, the registrar shall verify the following parameters from the pledge-voucher-request:

- *agent-provided-proximity-registrar-cert: **MUST** contain registrars own LDevID(Reg) EE certificate to ensure the registrar in proximity is the target registrar for the request.
- *agent-signed-data: The registrar **MUST** verify that the agent provided data has been signed with the LDevID(RegAgt) credential indicated in the "kid" JOSE header parameter. If the certificate is not included in the agent-sign-cert properties of the pledge-

voucher-request, it must be fetched from a repository by the registrar if "agent-proximity" assertion is requested.

*agent-sign-cert: **MAY** contain an array of base64-encoded certificate data starting with the LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate. If contained the registrar **MUST** verify that the credentials (LDevID(ReAgt) EE certificate and optionally the certificate chain), used to sign the data, have been valid at signature creation time and the corresponding registrar-agent was authorized for involvement in the bootstrapping process. If the agent-signed-cert is not provided, the registrar **MUST** fetch the LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate and perform this verification, based on the provided SubjectKeyIdentifier (SKID) contained in the kid header of the agent-signed-data. This requires, that the registrar can fetch the LDevID(RegAgt) certificate data (including intermediate CA certificates if existent) based on the SKID.

If validation fails the registrar **SHOULD** respond with HTTP 404 error code to the registrar-agent. HTTP 406 error code is more appropriate, if the format of pledge-voucher-request is unknown.

If validation succeeds, the registrar will accept the pledge's request to join the domain as defined in section 5.3 of [[RFC8995](#)]. The registrar then establishes a TLS connection with the MASA as described in section 5.4 of [[RFC8995](#)] to obtain a voucher for the pledge.

The registrar **SHALL** construct the body of the registrar-voucher-request object as defined in [[RFC8995](#)]. The encoding **SHALL** be done as JSON-in-JWS object as defined in [[I-D.ietf-anima-jws-voucher](#)].

The header of the registrar-voucher-request **SHALL** contain the following parameter as defined in [[RFC7515](#)]:

*alg: algorithm used to create the object signature.

*x5c: contains the base64-encoded registrar LDevID certificate(s). It may optionally contain the certificate chain for this certificate.

The payload of the registrar-voucher-request (RVR) object **MUST** contain the following parameter as part of the voucher request as defined in [[RFC8995](#)]:

*created-on: contains the current date and time in yang:date-and-time format for the registrar-voucher-request creation time.

*nonce: copied from the pledge-voucher-request

*serial-number: contains the pledge product-serial-number. The registrar **MUST** verify that the IDevID EE certificate subject serialNumber of the pledge (X520SerialNumber) matches the serial-number value in the PVR. In addition, it **MUST** be equal to the serial-number value contained in the agent-signed data of PVR.

*assertion: contains the voucher assertion requested by the pledge (agent-proximity). The registrar provides this information to assure successful verification of agent proximity based on the agent-signed-data.

*prior-signed-voucher-request: contains the pledge-voucher-request provided by the registrar-agent.

The voucher request can be enhanced optionally with the following additional parameter as defined in [Section 6.1](#):

*agent-sign-cert: contains the certificate or the certificate including the chain of the registrar-agent. In the context of this document it is a JSON array of base64encoded certificate information and handled in the same way as x5c header objects.

If only a single object is contained in the list it **MUST** be the base64-encoded LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate. If multiple certificates are included, the first **MUST** be the base64-encoded LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate.

The MASA uses this information for the verification of agent proximity to issue the corresponding assertion "agent-proximity". If the agent-sign-cert is not contained in the registrar-voucher-request, it is contained in the prior-signed-voucher from the pledge.

The object is signed using the registrar LDevID(Reg) credential, which corresponds to the certificate signaled in the JOSE header.

```

{
  "payload": {
    "ietf-voucher-request-prm:voucher": {
      "created-on": "2022-01-04T02:37:39.235Z",
      "nonce": "eDs++/FuDHGUnRxN3E14CQ==",
      "serial-number": "callee4711",
      "assertion": "agent-proximity",
      "prior-signed-voucher-request": "base64encodedvalue==",
      "agent-sign-cert": [
        "base64encodedvalue==",
        "base64encodedvalue==",
        "...",
      ]
    },
    "signatures": [
      {
        "protected": {
          "alg": "ES256",
          "x5c": [ "MIIB2jCC...dA==" ]
        },
        "signature": "base64encodedvalue=="
      }
    ]
  }
}

```

Figure 11: Representation of registrar-voucher-request

The registrar sends the registrar-voucher-request to the MASA by HTTP POST to the endpoint `"/.well-known/brski/requestvoucher"`.

The registrar-voucher-request Content-Type header field is defined in [\[I-D.ietf-anima-jws-voucher\]](#) as: `application/voucher-jws+json`

The registrar **SHOULD** include an Accept request-header field indicating the acceptable media type for the voucher-response. The media type `"application/voucher-jws+json"` is defined in [\[I-D.ietf-anima-jws-voucher\]](#).

Once the MASA receives the registrar-voucher-request it **SHALL** perform the verification of the contained components as described in section 5.5 in [\[RFC8995\]](#).

In addition, the following processing **SHALL** be performed for data contained in the prior-signed-voucher-request:

- *agent-provided-proximity-registrar-cert: The MASA **MAY** verify that this field contains the LDevID(Reg) certificate. If so, it **MUST**

correspond to the certificate used to sign the registrar-voucher-request.

*agent-signed-data: The MASA **MAY** verify this field to issue "agent-proximity" assertion. If so, the agent-signed-data **MUST** contain the pledge product-serial-number, contained in the serial-number properties of the prior-signed-voucher and also in serial-number properties of the registrar-voucher-request. The LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate used to generate the signature is identified by the "kid" parameter of the JOSE header (agent-signed-data). If the assertion "agent-proximity" is requested, the registrar-voucher-request **MUST** contain the corresponding LDevID(RegAgt) certificate data in the agent-sign-cert. Either in the LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate of registrar-voucher-request or of the prior-signed-voucher can be verified by the MASA as issued by the same domain CA as the LDevID(Reg) EE certificate. If the agent-sign-cert information is not provided, the MASA **MAY** provide a lower level assertion, e.g.: "logged" or "verified". Note, in case the LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate is issued by a sub-CA and not the domain CA known to the MASA, sub-CA certificate(s) **MUST** also be presented in the agent-sign-cert. As this field is defined as array, it can handle multiple certificates.

If validation fails, the MASA **SHOULD** respond with an HTTP error code to the registrar. The HTTP error codes are kept as defined in section 5.6 of [[RFC8995](#)], and comprise the codes: 403, 404, 406, and 415.

The expected voucher response format is indicated by the Accept request-header field or based on the MASA's prior understanding of proper format for this pledge. Specifically for the pledge-responder-mode the "application/voucher-jws+json" as defined in [[I-D.ietf-anima-jws-voucher](#)] is applied. The voucher syntax is described in detail by [[RFC8366](#)]. [Figure 12](#) shows an example of the contents of a voucher.

```

{
  "payload": {
    "ietf-voucher:voucher": {
      "assertion": "agent-proximity",
      "serial-number": "callee4711",
      "nonce": "eDs++/FuDHGUnRxN3E14CQ==",
      "created-on": "2022-01-04T00:00:02.000Z",
      "pinned-domain-cert": "MIIBpDCCA...w=="
    },
    "signatures": [
      {
        "protected": {
          "alg": "ES256",
          "x5c": [ "MIIB2jCC...dA==" ]
        },
        "signature": "base64encodedvalue=="
      }
    ]
  }
}

```

Figure 12: Representation of MASA issued voucher

The MASA responds the voucher to the registrar.

After receiving the voucher the registrar **SHOULD** evaluate it for transparency and logging purposes as outlined in section 5.6 of [\[RFC8995\]](#). The registrar **MAY** provide an additional signature of the voucher. This signature is done over the same content as the MASA signature of the voucher and provides a proof of possession of the private key corresponding to the LDevID(Reg) the pledge received in the trigger for the PVR (see [Figure 5](#)). The registrar **MUST** use the same LDevID(Reg) credential that is used for authentication in the TLS handshake to authenticate towards the registrar-agent. This ensures that the same LDevID(Reg) certificate can be used to verify the signature as transmitted in the voucher request as is transferred in the pledge-voucher-request in the agent-provided-proximity-registrar-cert component. Figure [Figure 13](#) below provides an example of the voucher with two signatures.

```

{
  "payload": {
    "ietf-voucher:voucher": {
      "assertion": "agent-proximity",
      "serial-number": "callee4711",
      "nonce": "eDs++/FuDHGUnRxN3E14CQ==",
      "created-on": "2022-01-04T00:00:02.000Z",
      "pinned-domain-cert": "MIIBpDCCA...w=="
    },
    "signatures": [
      {
        "protected": {
          "alg": "ES256",
          "x5c": [ "MIIB2jCC...dA==" ]
        },
        "signature": "base64encodedvalue=="
      },
      {
        "protected": {
          "alg": "ES256",
          "x5c": [ "xURZmcWS...dA==" ]
        },
        "signature": "base64encodedvalue=="
      }
    ]
  }
}

```

Figure 13: Representation of MASA issued voucher with additional registrar signature

Depending on the security policy of the operator, this signature can also be interpreted as explicit authorization of the registrar to install the contained trust anchor.

The registrar forwards the voucher to the registrar-agent.

After receiving the voucher, the registrar-agent sends the pledge-enrollment-request (PER) to the registrar. Deviating from BRSKI the pledge-enrollment-request is not a raw PKCS#10 object. As the registrar-agent is involved in the exchange, the PKCS#10 is wrapped in a JWS object. The JWS object is signed with the pledge's IDevID to ensure proof-of-identity as outlined in [Figure 9](#).

When using EST, the standard endpoint on the registrar cannot be used. EST requires to sent a raw PKCS#10 request to the simpleenroll endpoint. This document makes an enhancement by utilizing EST but with the exception to transport a signature wrapped PKCS#10 request.

Therefore a new endpoint for the registrar is defined as `"/.well-known/brski/requestenroll"`

The PER Content-Type header is: `application/jose`.

This results in a deviation from the content types used in [\[RFC7030\]](#) and in additional processing at the domain registrar as EST server as following. Note, the registrar is already aware that the bootstrapping is performed in a pledge-responder-mode due to the use of the LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate in the TLS establishment and the provided pledge-voucher-request as JWS object.

- *If the registrar receives a pledge-enrollment-request with Content-Type header field `"application/jose"`, it **MUST** verify the wrapping signature using the certificate indicated in the JOSE header.

- *The registrar verifies that the pledge's IDevID certificate of the x5c header field, is accepted to join the domain, based on the verification of the pledge-voucher-request.

- *If both succeed, the registrar utilizes the PKCS#10 request contained in the JWS object body as `"P10"` parameter of `"ietf-sztp-csr:csr"` for further processing of the enrollment request with the domain CA. It will construct a registrar-enrollment-request (RER) by utilizing the enrollment protocol expected by the domain CA. The domain registrar may either enhance the PKCS#10 request or generate a structure containing the attributes to be included by the CA into the requested LDevID EE certificate and sends both (the original PKCS#10 request and the enhancements) to the domain CA. As enhancing the PKCS#10 request destroys the initial proof of possession of the corresponding private key, the CA would need to accept RA-verified requests. This handling is out of scope for this document.

The registrar-agent sends the PER to the registrar by HTTP POST to the endpoint: `"/.well-known/brski/requestenroll"`

If validation of the wrapping signature fails, the registrar **SHOULD** respond with HTTP 404 error code. HTTP 406 error code is more appropriate, if the pledge-enrollment-request is in an unknown format.

A situation that could be resolved with administrative action (such as adding a vendor/manufacturer IDevID CA as trusted party) **MAY** be responded with HTTP 403 error code.

A successful interaction with the domain CA will result in a pledge LDevID EE certificate, which is then forwarded by the registrar to the registrar-agent using the Content-Type header: `"application/pkcs7-mime"`.

The registrar-agent has now finished the exchanges with the domain registrar and can supply the voucher-response (from MASA via Registrar) and the enrollment-response (LDevID EE certificate) to the pledge. It can close the TLS connection to the domain registrar and provide the objects to the pledge(s). The content of the response objects is defined through the voucher [[RFC8366](#)] and the certificate [[RFC5280](#)].

5.1.4.3. Response Object Supply by Registrar-Agent to Pledge

The following description assumes that the registrar-agent has obtained the response objects from the domain registrar. It will re-start the interaction with the pledge. To contact the pledge, it may either discover the pledge as described in [Section 5.1.3.2](#) or use stored information from the first contact with the pledge.

Preconditions in addition to [Section 5.1.4.2](#):

*Registrar-agent: possesses voucher and LDevID certificate.

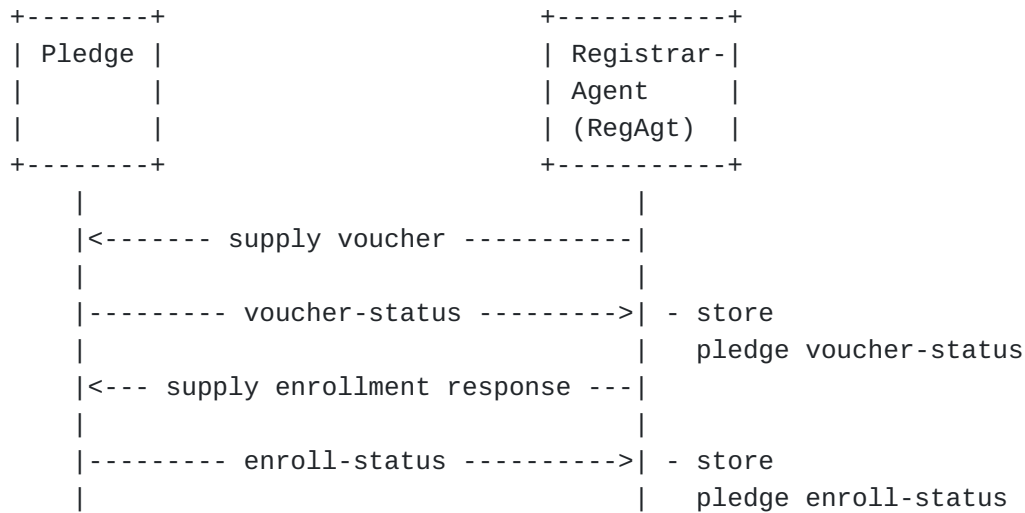


Figure 14: Response and status handling between pledge and registrar-agent

The registrar-agent provides the information via two distinct endpoints to the pledge as following.

The voucher response is provided with a HTTP POST using the operation path value of `"/.well-known/brski/pledge-voucher"`.

The registrar-agent voucher-response Content-Type header is `"application/voucher-jws+json"` and contains the voucher as provided by the MASA. An example is given in [Figure 12](#) for a MASA only signed voucher and in [Figure 13](#) for multiple signatures.

If a single signature is contained, the pledge receives the voucher and verifies it as described in section 5.6.1 in [[RFC8995](#)].

If multiple signatures are contained in the voucher, the pledge **SHALL** perform the signature verification in the following order:

1. Verify MASA signature as described in section 5.6.1 in [[RFC8995](#)] successfully.
2. Install contained trust anchor provisionally.
3. Verify registrar signature as described in section 5.6.1 in [[RFC8995](#)] successfully, but take the registrar certificate instead of the MASA certificate for verification.
4. Verify the registrar certificate received in the agent-provided-proximity-registrar-cert in the voucher request successfully.

When all verification steps stated above have been performed successfully, the pledge **SHALL** end the provisional accept state for the domain trust anchor and the LDevID(Reg). When multiple signatures are contained in the voucher-response, the pledge **MUST** verify all successfully.

When an error occurs during the verification it **SHALL** be signaled in the reason field of the pledge voucher-status object.

After verification the pledge **MUST** reply with a status telemetry message as defined in section 5.7 of [[RFC8995](#)].

The pledge generates the voucher-status-object and provides it as JOSE object with the wrapping signature in the response message to the registrar-agent.

The response has the Content-Type "application/jose" and is signed using the IDevID of the pledge as shown in [Figure 15](#). As the reason field is optional (see [[RFC8995](#)]), it **MAY** be omitted in case of success.

```

{
  "payload": {
    "version": 1,
    "status": true,
    "reason": "Informative human readable message",
    "reason-context": {
      "additional": "JSON"
    }
  },
  "signatures": [
    {
      "protected": {
        "alg": "ES256",
        "x5c": [ "MIIB2jCC...dA==" ]
      },
      "signature": "base64encodedvalue=="
    }
  ]
}

```

Figure 15: Representation of pledge voucher-status telemetry

The enrollment response is provided with a HTTP POST using the operation path value of `"/.well-known/brski/pledge-enrollment"`.

The registrar-agent enroll-response Content-Type header, when using EST [[RFC7030](#)] as enrollment protocol between the registrar-agent and the infrastructure, is:

`application/pkcs7-mime`: note that it only contains the LDevID certificate for the pledge, not the certificate chain.

Upon reception, the pledge verifies the LDevID certificate. When an error occurs during the verification it **SHALL** be signaled in the reason field of the pledge enroll-status object.

The pledge **MUST** reply with a status telemetry message as defined in section 5.9.4 of [[RFC8995](#)]. As for the other objects, the defined object is provided with an additional signature using JOSE. The pledge generates the enrollment status and provides it in the response message to the registrar-agent.

The response has the Content-Type `"application/jose"`, signed using the freshly provided LDevID of the pledge as shown in [Figure 16](#). As the reason field is optional, it **MAY** be omitted in case of success.

```

{
  "payload": {
    "version": 1,
    "status": true,
    "reason": "Informative human readable message",
    "reason-context": {
      "additional": "JSON"
    }
  },
  "signatures": [
    {
      "protected": {
        "alg": "ES256",
        "x5c": [ "MIIB2jCC...dA==" ]
      },
      "signature": "base64encodedvalue=="
    }
  ]
}

```

Figure 16: Representation of pledge enroll-status telemetry

Once the registrar-agent has collected the information, it can connect to the registrar agent to provide the status responses to the registrar.

5.1.4.4. Telemetry status handling (registrar-agent - domain registrar)

The following description assumes that the registrar-agent has collected the status objects from the pledge. It will provide the status objects to the registrar for further processing and audit log information of voucher-status for MASA.

Preconditions in addition to [Section 5.1.4.2](#):

- *Registrar-agent: possesses voucher-status and enroll-status objects from pledge.

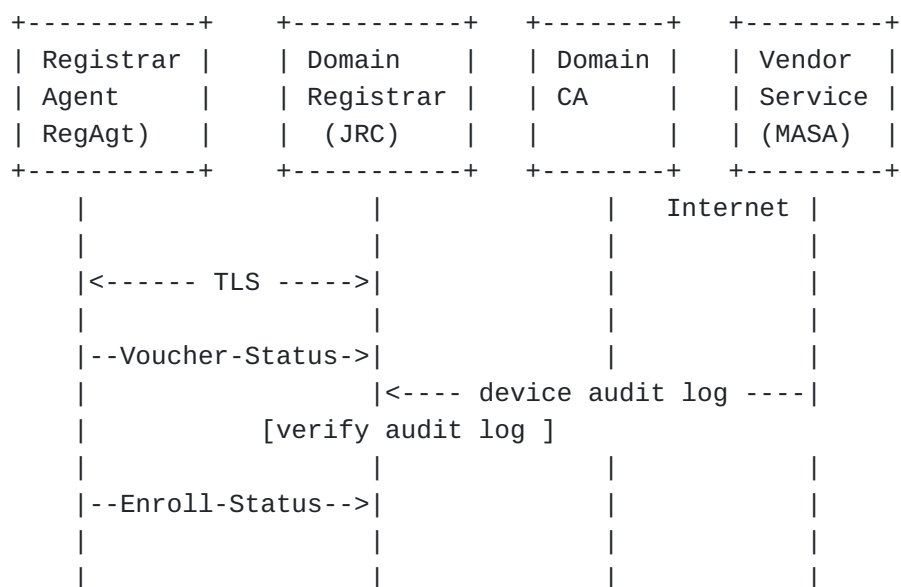


Figure 17: Bootstrapping status handling

The registrar-agent **MUST** provide the collected pledge voucher-status to the registrar. This status indicates if the pledge could process the voucher successfully or not.

If the TLS connection to the registrar was closed, the registrar-agent establishes a TLS connection with the registrar as stated in [Section 5.1.4.2](#).

The registrar-agent sends the pledge voucher-status object without modification to the registrar with an HTTP-over-TLS POST using the operation path value of `"/.well-known/brski/voucher_status"`. The Content-Type header is kept as `"application/jose"` as described in [Figure 14](#) and depicted in the example in [Figure 15](#).

The registrar **SHALL** verify the signature of the pledge voucher-status and validate that it belongs to an accepted device in his domain based on the contained `"serial-number"` in the IDevID certificate referenced in the header of the voucher-status object.

According to [\[RFC8995\]](#) section 5.7, the registrar **SHOULD** respond with an HTTP 200 but **MAY** simply fail with an HTTP 404 error. The registrar-agent may use the response to signal success / failure to the service technician operating the registrar agent. Within the server logs the server **SHOULD** capture this telemetry information.

The registrar **SHOULD** proceed with collecting and logging status information by requesting the MASA audit-log from the MASA service as described in section 5.8 of [\[RFC8995\]](#).

The registrar-agent **MUST** provide the pledge's enroll-status object to the registrar. The status indicates the pledge could process the enroll-response object and holds the corresponding private key.

The registrar-agent sends the pledge enroll-status object without modification to the registrar with an HTTP-over-TLS POST using the operation path value of `"/.well-known/brski/enrollstatus"`. The Content-Type header is kept as `"application/jose"` as described in [Figure 14](#) and depicted in the example in [Figure 16](#).

The registrar **SHALL** verify the signature of the pledge enroll-status object and validate that it belongs to an accepted device in his domain based on the contained product-serial-number in the LDevID EE certificate referenced in the header of the enroll-status object. Note that the verification of a signature of the object is a deviation from the described handling in section 5.9.4 of [\[RFC8995\]](#).

According to [\[RFC8995\]](#) section 5.9.4, the registrar **SHOULD** respond with an HTTP 200 but **MAY** simply fail with an HTTP 404 error. The registrar-agent may use the response to signal success / failure to the service technician operating the registrar agent. Within the server log the registrar **SHOULD** capture this telemetry information.

6. Artifacts

6.1. Voucher Request Artifact

The following enhancement extends the voucher-request as defined in [\[RFC8995\]](#) to include additional fields necessary for handling bootstrapping in the pledge-responder-mode.

6.1.1. Tree Diagram

The following tree diagram is mostly a duplicate of the contents of [\[RFC8995\]](#), with the addition of the fields agent-signed-data, the registrar-proximity-certificate, and agent-signing certificate. The tree diagram is described in [\[RFC8340\]](#). Each node in the diagram is fully described by the YANG module in [Section 6.1.2](#).

```
module: ietf-voucher-request-prm
```

```
grouping voucher-request-prm-grouping
```

```
  +-- voucher
```

+-- created-on?	yang:date-and-time
+-- expires-on?	yang:date-and-time
+-- assertion?	enumeration
+-- serial-number	string
+-- idevid-issuer?	binary
+-- pinned-domain-cert?	binary
+-- domain-cert-revocation-checks?	boolean
+-- nonce?	binary
+-- last-renewal-date?	yang:date-and-time
+-- prior-signed-voucher-request?	binary
+-- proximity-registrar-cert?	binary
+-- agent-signed-data?	binary
+-- agent-provided-proximity-registrar-cert?	binary
+-- agent-sign-cert?	binary

6.1.2. YANG Module

The following YANG module extends the [\[RFC8995\]](#) Voucher Request to include a signed artifact from the registrar-agent (agent-signed-data) as well as the registrar-proximity-certificate and the agent-signing certificate.

<CODE BEGINS> file "ietf-voucher-request-prm@2021-12-16.yang"

```
module ietf-voucher-request-prm {
  yang-version 1.1;

  namespace "urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-voucher-request-prm";
  prefix vrprm;

  import ietf-restconf {
    prefix rc;
    description
      "This import statement is only present to access
       the yang-data extension defined in RFC 8040.";
    reference "RFC 8040: RESTCONF Protocol";
  }

  import ietf-voucher-request {
    prefix vcr;
    description
      "This module defines the format for a voucher request,
       which is produced by a pledge as part of the RFC8995
       onboarding process.";
    reference
      "RFC 8995: Bootstrapping Remote Secure Key Infrastructure";
  }

  organization
    "IETF ANIMA Working Group";

  contact
    "WG Web:  <http://tools.ietf.org/wg/anima/>
    WG List:  <mailto:anima@ietf.org>
    Author:   Steffen Fries
              <mailto:steffen.fries@siemens.com>
    Author:   Eliot Lear
              <mailto:lear@cisco.com>
    Author:   Thomas Werner
              <mailto:thomas-werner@siemens.com>
    Author:   Michael Richardson
              <mailto:mcr+ietf@sandelman.ca>";

  description
    "This module defines the format for a voucher-request.
     It is a superset of the voucher itself.
     It provides content to the MASA for consideration
     during a voucher-request.

     The key words 'MUST', 'MUST NOT', 'REQUIRED', 'SHALL', 'SHALL
     NOT', 'SHOULD', 'SHOULD NOT', 'RECOMMENDED', 'NOT RECOMMENDED',
```

'MAY', and 'OPTIONAL' in this document are to be interpreted as described in BCP 14 (RFC 2119) (RFC 8174) when, and only when, they appear in all capitals, as shown here.

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This version of this YANG module is part of RFC 8995; see the RFC itself for full legal notices.";

```
revision 2021-12-16 {
  description
    "Initial version";
  reference
    "RFC XXXX: BRSKI for Pledge in Responder Mode";
}

// Top-level statement
rc:yang-data voucher-request-prm-artifact {
  // YANG data template for a voucher-request.
  uses voucher-request-prm-grouping;
}

// Grouping defined for future usage
grouping voucher-request-prm-grouping {
  description
    "Grouping to allow reuse/extensions in future work.";
  uses vcr:voucher-request-grouping {
    refine "voucher/expires-on" {
      mandatory false;
      description
        "An expires-on field is not valid in a
        voucher-request, and any occurrence MUST be ignored.";
    }
    refine "voucher/pinned-domain-cert" {
      mandatory false;
      description
        "A pinned-domain-cert field is not valid in a
        voucher-request, and any occurrence MUST be ignored.";
    }
    refine "voucher/last-renewal-date" {
      description
```

```

    "A last-renewal-date field is not valid in a
      voucher-request, and any occurrence MUST be ignored.";
  }
  refine "voucher/domain-cert-revocation-checks" {
    description
      "The domain-cert-revocation-checks field is not valid in a
        voucher-request, and any occurrence MUST be ignored.";
  }
  refine "voucher/assertion" {
    mandatory false;
    description
      "Any assertion included in registrar voucher-requests
        SHOULD be ignored by the MASA.";
  }
}

augment voucher {
  description "Base the voucher-request-prm upon the
    regular one";
  leaf agent-signed-data {
    type binary;
    description
      "The agent-signed-data field contains a JOSE [RFC7515]
        object provided by the Registrar-Agent to the Pledge.

        This artifact is signed by the Registrar-Agent
        and contains a copy of the pledge's serial-number.";
  }
}

leaf agent-provided-proximity-registrar-cert {
  type binary;
  description
    "An X.509 v3 certificate structure, as specified by
      RFC 5280, Section 4, encoded using the ASN.1
      distinguished encoding rules (DER), as specified
      in ITU X.690.

      The first certificate in the registrar TLS server
      certificate_list sequence (the end-entity TLS
      certificate; see RFC 8446) presented by the
      registrar to the registrar-agent and provided to
      the pledge.

      This MUST be populated in a pledge's voucher-request
      when an agent-proximity assertion is requested.";
  reference
    "ITU X.690: Information Technology - ASN.1 encoding
      rules: Specification of Basic Encoding Rules (BER),
      Canonical Encoding Rules (CER) and Distinguished
      Encoding Rules (DER)
      RFC 5280: Internet X.509 Public Key Infrastructure
      Certificate and Certificate Revocation List (CRL)

```


IANA is requested to enhance the Registry entitled: "BRSKI well-known URIs" with the following:

URI	document	description
pledge-voucher-request	[THISRFC]	create pledge-voucher-request
pledge-enrollment-request	[THISRFC]	create pledge-enrollment-request
pledge-voucher	[THISRFC]	supply voucher response
pledge-enrollment	[THISRFC]	supply enrollment response
pledge-CACerts	[THISRFC]	supply CA certs to pledge
requestenroll	[THISRFC]	supply PER to registrar

8. Privacy Considerations

The credential used by the registrar-agent to sign the data for the pledge in case of the pledge-initiator-mode should not contain personal information. Therefore, it is recommended to use an LDevID certificate associated with the device instead of a potential service technician operating the device, to avoid revealing this information to the MASA.

9. Security Considerations

9.1. Exhaustion Attack on Pledge

Exhaustion attack on pledge based on DoS attack (connection establishment, etc.)

9.2. Misuse of acquired Voucher and Enrollment responses by Registrar-Agent

A Registrar-agent that uses acquired voucher and enrollment response for domain 1 in domain 2 can be detected by the pledge-voucher-request processing on the domain registrar side. This requires the domain registrar to verify the proximity-registrar-cert leaf in the pledge-voucher-request against his own LDevID(Reg). In addition, the domain registrar has to verify the association of the pledge to his domain based on the product-serial-number contained in the pledge-voucher-request and in the IDevID certificate of the pledge. Moreover, the registrar verifies the authorization of the registrar agent to deliver pledge-voucher-requests, based on the LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate information contained in this request.

Misbinding of a pledge by a faked domain registrar is countered as described in BRSKI security considerations (section 11.4).

9.3. Misuse of Registrar-Agent Credentials

Concerns have been raised, that there may be opportunities to misuse the registrar-agent with a valid LDevID. This may be addressed by utilizing short-lived certificates (e.g., valid for a day) to

authenticate the registrar-agent against the domain registrar. The LDevID certificate for the registrar-agent may be provided by a prior BRSKI execution based on an existing IDevID. Alternatively, the LDevID may be acquired by a service technician after authentication against the issuing CA.

9.4. YANG Module Security Considerations

The enhanced voucher-request described in section [Section 6.1](#) bases on [\[RFC8995\]](#), but uses a different encoding, based on [\[I-D.ietf-anima-jws-voucher\]](#). Therefore, similar considerations as described in Section 11.7 (Security Considerations) of [\[RFC8995\]](#) apply. The YANG module specified in this document defines the schema for data that is subsequently encapsulated by a JOSE signed-data content type, as described [\[I-D.ietf-anima-jws-voucher\]](#). As such, all of the YANG-modeled data is protected from modification. The use of YANG to define data structures, via the "yang-data" statement, is relatively new and distinct from the traditional use of YANG to define an API accessed by network management protocols such as NETCONF [\[RFC6241\]](#) and RESTCONF [\[RFC8040\]](#). For this reason, these guidelines do not follow the template described by Section 3.7 of [\[RFC8407\]](#).

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Appendix A. History of Changes [RFC Editor: please delete]

From IETF draft 01 -> IETF draft 02:

*Issue #15 included additional signature on voucher from registrar in section [Section 5.1.4.2](#) and section [Section 5.1.1](#) The verification of multiple signatures is described in section [Section 5.1.4.3](#)

*Included representation for General JWS JSON Serialization for examples

*Included error responses from pledge if it is not able to create a pledge-voucher request or an enrollment request in section [Section 5.1.4.1](#)

*Removed open issue regarding handling of multiple CSRs and enrollment responses during the bootstrapping as the initial target is the provisioning of a generic LDevID certificate. The defined endpoint on the pledge may also be used for management of further certificates.

From IETF draft 00 -> IETF draft 01:

*Issue #15 lead to the inclusion of an option for an additional signature of the registrar on the voucher received from the MASA

before forwarding to the registrar-agent to support verification of POP of the registrars private key in section [Section 5.1.4.2](#) and [Section 5.1.4.3](#).

*Based on issue #11, a new endpoint was defined for the registrar to enable delivery of the wrapped enrollment request from the pledge (in contrast to plain PKCS#10 in simple enroll).

*Decision on issue #8 to not provide an additional signature on the enrollment-response object by the registrar. As the enrollment response will only contain the generic LDevID EE certificate. This credential builds the base for further configuration outside the initial enrollment.

*Decision on issue #7 to not support multiple CSRs during the bootstrapping, as based on the generic LDevID EE certificate the pledge may enroll for further certificates.

*Closed open issue #5 regarding verification of ietf-ztp-types usage as verified via a proof-of-concept in section {#exchanges_uc2_1}.

*Housekeeping: Removed already addressed open issues stated in the draft directly.

*Reworked text in from introduction to section pledge-responder-mode

*Fixed "serial-number" encoding in PVR/RVR

*Added prior-signed-voucher-request in the parameter description of the registrar-voucher-request in [Section 5.1.4.2](#).

*Note added in [Section 5.1.4.2](#) if sub-CAs are used, that the corresponding information is to be provided to the MASA.

*Inclusion of limitation section (pledge sleeps and needs to be waked up. Pledge is awake but registrar-agent is not available) (Issue #10).

*Assertion-type aligned with voucher in RFC8366bis, deleted related open issues. (Issue #4)

*Included table for endpoints in [Section 5.1.2](#) for better readability.

*Included registrar authorization check for registrar-agent during TLS handshake in section [Section 5.1.4.2](#). Also enhanced figure [Figure 10](#) with the authorization step on TLS level.

- *Enhanced description of registrar authorization check for registrar-agent based on the agent-signed-data in section [Section 5.1.4.2](#). Also enhanced figure [Figure 10](#) with the authorization step on pledge-voucher-request level.

- *Changed agent-signed-cert to an array to allow for providing further certificate information like the issuing CA cert for the LDevID(RegAgt) EE certificate in case the registrar and the registrar-agent have different issuing CAs in [Figure 10](#) (issue #12). This also required changes in the YANG module in [Section 6.1.2](#)

- *Addressed YANG warning (issue #1)

- *Inclusion of examples for a trigger to create a pledge-voucher-request and an enrollment-request.

From IETF draft-ietf-anima-brski-async-enroll-03 -> IETF anima-brski-prm-00:

- *Moved UC2 related parts defining the pledge in responder mode from draft-ietf-anima-brski-async-enroll-03 to this document This required changes and adaptations in several sections to remove the description and references to UC1.

- *Addressed feedback for voucher-request enhancements from YANG doctor early review in [Section 6.1](#) as well as in the security considerations (formerly named ietf-async-voucher-request).

- *Renamed ietf-async-voucher-request to IETF-voucher-request-prm to allow better listing of voucher related extensions; aligned with constraint voucher (#20)

- *Utilized ietf-voucher-request-async instead of ietf-voucher-request in voucher exchanges to utilize the enhanced voucher-request.

- *Included changes from draft-ietf-netconf-sztp-csr-06 regarding the YANG definition of csr-types into the enrollment request exchange.

From IETF draft 02 -> IETF draft 03:

- *Housekeeping, deleted open issue regarding YANG voucher-request in [Section 5.1.4.1](#) as voucher-request was enhanced with additional leaf.

- *Included open issues in YANG model in [Section 5.1](#) regarding assertion value agent-proximity and csr encapsulation using SZTP sub module).

From IETF draft 01 -> IETF draft 02:

- *Defined call flow and objects for interactions in UC2. Object format based on draft for JOSE signed voucher artifacts and aligned the remaining objects with this approach in [Section 5.1.4](#) .
- *Terminology change: issue #2 pledge-agent -> registrar-agent to better underline agent relation.
- *Terminology change: issue #3 PULL/PUSH -> pledge-initiator-mode and pledge-responder-mode to better address the pledge operation.
- *Communication approach between pledge and registrar-agent changed by removing TLS-PSK (former section TLS establishment) and associated references to other drafts in favor of relying on higher layer exchange of signed data objects. These data objects are included also in the pledge-voucher-request and lead to an extension of the YANG module for the voucher-request (issue #12).
- *Details on trust relationship between registrar-agent and registrar (issue #4, #5, #9) included in [Section 5.1](#).
- *Recommendation regarding short-lived certificates for registrar-agent authentication towards registrar (issue #7) in the security considerations.
- *Introduction of reference to agent signing certificate using SKID in agent signed data (issue #11).
- *Enhanced objects in exchanges between pledge and registrar-agent to allow the registrar to verify agent-proximity to the pledge (issue #1) in [Section 5.1.4](#).
- *Details on trust relationship between registrar-agent and pledge (issue #5) included in [Section 5.1](#).
- *Split of use case 2 call flow into sub sections in [Section 5.1.4](#).

From IETF draft 00 -> IETF draft 01:

- *Update of scope in [Section 3.1](#) to include in which the pledge acts as a server. This is one main motivation for use case 2.
- *Rework of use case 2 in [Section 5.1](#) to consider the transport between the pledge and the pledge-agent. Addressed is the TLS channel establishment between the pledge-agent and the pledge as well as the endpoint definition on the pledge.
- *First description of exchanged object types (needs more work)

*Clarification in discovery options for enrollment endpoints at the domain registrar based on well-known endpoints do not result in additional /.well-known URIs. Update of the illustrative example. Note that the change to /brski for the voucher related endpoints has been taken over in the BRSKI main document.

*Updated references.

*Included Thomas Werner as additional author for the document.

From individual version 03 -> IETF draft 00:

*Inclusion of discovery options of enrollment endpoints at the domain registrar based on well-known endpoints in new section as replacement of section 5.1.3 in the individual draft. This is intended to support both use cases in the document. An illustrative example is provided.

*Missing details provided for the description and call flow in pledge-agent use case [Section 5.1](#), e.g. to accommodate distribution of CA certificates.

*Updated CMP example in to use lightweight CMP instead of CMP, as the draft already provides the necessary /.well-known endpoints.

*Requirements discussion moved to separate section in [Section 4](#). Shortened description of proof of identity binding and mapping to existing protocols.

*Removal of copied call flows for voucher exchange and registrar discovery flow from [[RFC8995](#)] in UC1 to avoid doubling or text or inconsistencies.

*Reworked abstract and introduction to be more crisp regarding the targeted solution. Several structural changes in the document to have a better distinction between requirements, use case description, and solution description as separate sections. History moved to appendix.

From individual version 02 -> 03:

*Update of terminology from self-contained to authenticated self-contained object to be consistent in the wording and to underline the protection of the object with an existing credential. Note that the naming of this object may be discussed. An alternative name may be attestation object.

*Simplification of the architecture approach for the initial use case having an offsite PKI.

*Introduction of a new use case utilizing authenticated self-contain objects to onboard a pledge using a commissioning tool containing a pledge-agent. This requires additional changes in the BRSKI call flow sequence and led to changes in the introduction, the application example, and also in the related BRSKI-PRM call flow.

From individual version 01 -> 02:

*Update of introduction text to clearly relate to the usage of IDevID and LDevID.

*Update of description of architecture elements and changes to BRSKI in [Section 5](#).

*Enhanced consideration of existing enrollment protocols in the context of mapping the requirements to existing solutions in [Section 4](#).

From individual version 00 -> 01:

*Update of examples, specifically for building automation as well as two new application use cases in [Section 3.2](#).

*Deletion of asynchronous interaction with MASA to not complicate the use case. Note that the voucher exchange can already be handled in an asynchronous manner and is therefore not considered further. This resulted in removal of the alternative path the MASA in Figure 1 and the associated description in [Section 5](#).

*Enhancement of description of architecture elements and changes to BRSKI in [Section 5](#).

*Consideration of existing enrollment protocols in the context of mapping the requirements to existing solutions in [Section 4](#).

*New section starting with the mapping to existing enrollment protocols by collecting boundary conditions.

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