

# Rich Authorization Requests

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# Focus

- Use of OAuth in security sensitive scenarios, like
  - Open Banking
  - Strong Identity Attestation
  - (Qualified) Electronic Signatures
  - eHealth
  - eGovernment

# Informed by

- Work on establishing an open banking ecosystem at yes.com
- Support of open banking API initiatives (PSD2 context)
- Work at OpenID Foundation's Financial-Grade API WG
- Work at Cloud Signature Consortium
- Discussions with people who work in eHealth and eGovernment

# Example: Authorization in Financial APIs

# Requirements from PSD2 regulation

- **Consent**: customer consent is required, either for
  - individual requests or
  - as mandate for designated payment accounts and associated payment transactions
- **Dynamic Linking**: payment initiation requests must be bound to amount and payee as approved by the customer

# Example Authorization Data

```
{
  "instructedAmount":{
    "currency":"EUR",
    "amount":"123.50"
  },
  "debtorAccount":{
    "iban":"DE40100100103307118608"
  },
  "creditorName":"Merchant123",
  "creditorAccount":{
    "iban":"DE02100100109307118603"
  },
  "remittanceInformationUnstructured":"Ref Number Merchant"
}
```



Access Token Scope

User needs to consent to and RS needs to enforce this scope!

# Example: Access to Account Information

```
{
  "access":{
    "balances":[
      {
        "iban":"DE40100100103307118608"
      },
      {
        "iban":"DE67100100101306118605"
      }
    ],
    "transactions":[
      {
        "iban":"DE40100100103307118608"
      }
    ]
  },
  "validUntil":"2017-11-01"
}
```

List of accounts and respective permissions + duration of the grant

# Qualified Electronic Signature

```
{
  "credentialID": "60916d31-932e-4820-ba82-1fcead1c9ea3",
  "documentDigests": [
    {
      "hash": "sTOgwOm+474gFj0q0x1iSNspKqbcse4IeiqlDg/HWuI=",
      "label": "Credit Contract"
    },
    {
      "hash": "HZQzZmMAIwekfGH0/ZKW1nsdt0xg3H6bZYztgsMTLw0=",
      "label": "Contract Payment Protection Insurance"
    }
  ],
  "hashAlgorithmOID": "2.16.840.1.101.3.4.2.1"
}
```



# Example: OpenID Connect

```
{
  "userinfo":{
    "email":{
      "essential":true
    },
    "email_verified":{
      "essential":true
    },
    "given_name":null,
    "family_name":{
      "value":"Meier"
    },
    "birthdate":null,
    "place_of_birth":null,
    "nationality":null,
    "address":null
  }
}
```

Privacy by Design & Data  
Minimization require RP to list  
individual claims

# Commonalities

- Privileges very narrowly defined (and must also be enforced)
- Authorization data fine grained & structured (voluminous)
- Transaction authorization (one time & transaction specific values)
- Authorization data may contain PII - confidentiality is important
- Integrity and authenticity is generally a key requirement

# Problem Statement **Transport**

- OAuth authorization code flow sends parameters as URI query parameters via redirection in the user-agent
- Challenges
  - There is no cryptographical integrity and authenticity protection
  - There is no mechanism to ensure confidentiality of the request parameters.
  - Authorization request URLs can become quite large in the scenarios just described.

# Problem Statement Representation

- Expressiveness of scopes is not sufficient for the scenarios just explained
  - No structure, no dynamic values - made for simple static access requests
  - Ambiguous (“openid email read”)
- Allocation of requested permissions to resource server specific access tokens is hard (despite resource indicators)

(Selected) Solutions from the Wild



# Lodging Intent

- UK OB, NextGenPSD2, yes.com
- External resource contains the authorization details
- Authorization request refers to external resource (claims field or dynamic scope value part)

```
POST /payments HTTP/1.1
Host: api.bank.example
Content-Type: application/json
Authorization: Bearer eyJraWQiOiJ0QnlW...
```

```
{
  "creditor": "DE56378485858575858585",
  "instructedAmount": {"currency": "EUR", "amount": "123"},
  "remittanceInformationUnstructured": "Ref Number Merchant: ..."
}
```

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```
HTTP/1.1 201 Created
Content-Type: application/json
Location: /payments/36fc67776
```

```
{
  "consentId": "36fc67776"
}
```

---

```
GET /authorise?response_type=code&
client_id=3630BF72-E979-477A-A8FF-8A338F07C852&
redirect_uri=https%3A%2F%2Fclient%2Eexample%2Ecom%2Fcb&
scope=payment%3A36fc67776&
state=S8NJ7uqk5fY4EjNvP_G_FtyJu6pUsvH9jsYni9dMAJw&
code_challenge_method=S256&
code_challenge=5c305578f8f19b2dcdb6c3c955c0aa...
43917cd0f36 HTTP/1.1
Host: as.bank.example
```

Generic OAuth Solution?



# Pushed Authorization Requests

<https://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-lodderstedt-oauth-par>

# Pushed Authorization Requests (Overview)

- Based on previous work at OpenID Foundation's FAPI working group
- Draft authors: Brian Campbell, Nat Sakimura, Dave Tonge, Filip Skokan, Torsten Lodderstedt
- PAR complements JAR by providing an interoperable way to push the payload of an authorization request object directly to the AS in exchange for a "request\_uri".
- Provided via new **pushed authorization request endpoint**

How does it look like?

# Traditional OAuth Authorization Request

GET /authorize?response\_type=code

&client\_id=s6BhdRkqt3

&state=af0ifjsldkj

&redirect\_uri=https%3A%2F%2Fclient.example.org%2Fcb HTTP/1.1

Host: as.example.com

# Pushed Authorization Request



POST /as/par HTTP/1.1

Host: as.example.com

Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded

Authorization: Basic czZCaGRSa3F0Mzo3RmpmcDBaQnlxS3REUmJuZIZkbUI3

response\_type=code&

client\_id=s6BhdRkqt3&

state=af0ifjsldkj&

redirect\_uri=https%3A%2F%2Fclient.example.org%2Fcb

# Pushed Authorization Response



HTTP/1.1 201 Created

Cache-Control: no-cache, no-store

Content-Type: application/json

```
{  
  "request_uri": "urn:example:bwc4JK-ESC0w8acc191e-Y1LTC2",  
  "expires_in": 90  
}
```

# Authorization Request (according to JAR)

```
GET /authorize?request_uri=  
urn%3Aexample%3Abwc4JK-ESC0w8acc191e-Y1LTC2 HTTP/1.1
```

# Pushed Request Object



POST /as/par HTTP/1.1

Host: as.example.com

Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded

Authorization: Basic czZCaGRSa3F0Mzo3RmpmcDBaQnIxS3REUmJuZIZkbUI3

request=eyJraWQiOiJrMmJkYyIsImFsZyI6IiJTMjU2In0.eyJpc3MiOiJzNkJoZFJrcXQzIiwiaXVkljoiaHR0cHM6Ly9zZXJ2ZXIuZXhhbXBsZS5jb20iLCJyZXNwb25zZV90eXBlljoiY29kZSIsImNsaWVudF9pZCI6InM2QmhkUmtxdDMiLCJyZWRpcmVjdF91cmkiOiJodHRwczovL2NsaWVudC5leGFtcGxlIm9yZy9jYiIsInNjb3BlljoiYWlzIiwic3RhdGUiOiJhZjBpZmpzbGRrailsImNvZGVfY2hhbGxlbmdlljoiSzltbHRjODNhY2M0aDBjOXc2RVNDX3JFTVRKM2J3dy11Q0hhb2VlMXQ4VSIsImNvZGVfY2hhbGxlbmdlX21ldGhvZCI6IiMyNTYifQ.O49ffUxRPdNkN3TRYDvbEYVr1CeAL64uW4FenV3n9WlaFIRHeFblzv-wlEtMm8-tusGxeE9z3ek6FxxhvvLEqE pjthXnyXqqyJfq3k9GSf5ay74ml\_0D6lHE1hy-kVWg7SgoPQ-GB1xQ9NRhf3EKS7UZIrUHbFUCF0MsRLb mtlvaLYbQH\_Ef3UkDLOGiU7exhVFTPeyQUTM9FF-u3K-zX-FO05\_brYxNGLhVko1G8MjqQnn2HpAzlBd 5179WTzTYhKmhTiwzH-qIBBI\_9GLJmE3KOipko9TfSpa26H4JOIMyfZFI0PCJwkByS0xZFJ2sTo3Gkk488 RQohhgt1l0onw



# Pushed Authorization Response



HTTP/1.1 201 Created

Cache-Control: no-cache, no-store

Content-Type: application/json

```
{  
  "request_uri": "urn:example:bwc4JK-ESC0w8acc191e-Y2LTC2",  
  "expires_in": 90  
}
```

# Authorization Request (according to JAR)

```
GET /authorize?request_uri=  
urn%3Aexample%3Abwc4JK-ESC0w8acc191e-Y2LTC2 HTTP/1.1
```

# Advantages

- Significantly improved security ...
  - Request Integrity
  - Client authentication
- ... and robustness ...
- ... while offering a simple migration path
- Higher security level by passing signed/encrypted request objects
- `redirect_uri` can be dynamically registered for confidential clients
- Seems to be resistant against mix-up (analysis ongoing)

# Rich Authorization Requests

<https://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-lodderstedt-oauth-rar>

# Rich Authorization Requests

- Based on work in the FAPI WG and on OAuth.xyz
- Authors: Justin Richer, Brian Campbell, Torsten Lodderstedt
- Introduces new parameter **authorization\_details** that is used to carry fine grained authorization data in the OAuth authorization request as typed JSON objects
- Can be used in addition or instead of the **scope** parameter in OAuth 2.0
- Same data structure is used in OAuth.xyz

# Authorization\_details (Syntax)

```
[
  {
    "type": "payment_initiation",
    "actions": [
      "initiate",
      "status",
      "cancel"
    ],
    "locations": [
      "https://example.com/payments"
    ],
    "instructedAmount": {
      "currency": "EUR",
      "amount": "123.50"
    },
    "debtorAccount": {
      "iban": "DE40100100103307118608"
    },
    "creditorName": "Merchant123",
    "creditorAccount": {
      "iban": "DE02100100109307118603"
    },
    "remittanceInformationUnstructured": "Ref Number Merchant"
  }
]
```

- Array of JSON objects, each of them specifying a set of permissions a clients wants to obtain
- Element structure determined by **type** field
- **locations** should be used to assign every element to a resource server (audience)
- draft introduces further common data types, e.g. actions

# authorization\_details (Usage Examples)

## URI parameter

```
GET /authorize?response_type=code
&client_id=s6BhdRkqt3
&state=af0ifjsldkj
&redirect_uri=https%3A%2F%2Fclient.example.org%2Fcb
&code_challenge_method=S256
&code_challenge=K2-ltc83acc4h0c9w6ESC_rEMTJ3bww-uCHaoeK1t8U
&authorization_details=%5B%7B%22type%22%3A%22account%5Finformati
on%22%2C%22actions%22%3A%5B%22list%5Faccounts%22%2C%22read%5Fbal
ances%22%2C%22read%5Ftransactions%22%5D%2C%22locations%22%3A%5B%
22https%3A%2F%2Fexample%2Ecom%2Faccounts%22%5D%7D%5D HTTP/1.1
Host: server.example.com
```

## Request Object

```
{
  "iss": "s6BhdRkqt3",
  "aud": "https://server.example.com",
  "response_type": "code",
  "...
  "authorization_details": [
    {
      "type": "payment_initiation",
      "actions": [
        "initiate",
        "status",
        "cancel"
      ],
      "locations": [
        "https://example.com/payments"
      ],
      "instructedAmount": {
        "currency": "EUR",
        "amount": "123.50"
      },
      ...
    }
  ]
}
```

# Processing

- AS renders user consent based on type and content of the authorization data objects
- Authorization details are passed to RSs (via Access Token or Token Introspection Response)
- Parameter “resource” (draft-ietf-oauth-resource-indicators) is used by client to obtain RS-specific Access Tokens associated with the RS-specific authorization data objects only



# Advantages

- Versatile and type safe
- Data structures can be optimised for resource server/API/ use case - no “one size fits all”
- Common data set elements to address common use cases
- Explicit assignment of permissions to resource servers (robust and explicit audience restriction)
- Interoperable and easy way to issue RS-specific Access Tokens and Token Introspection Responses (Data Minimization and Disambiguation)