

Parallel Track 3 - Day 2

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Bring your coffee or lunch
and join us at **1:45 PM**

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Automating an ATO for a Blockchain System Using OSCAL

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Welcome! Here's the Agenda:

- Introduction
- Primer on Blockchain-based Secure Software @sset Management (BLOSS@M) System
- Automating BLOSS@M ATO Process Using OSCAL
 - Leveraging Blockchain Technology for RMF/FedRAMP Continuous Monitoring
- Q&A





Introduction

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Allow me to re-introduce myself, my name is...

- **Jasson Walker, Jr. CISSP, CPT, CEH, PMP, MCSE**

- President & CEO of cFocus Software Incorporated
- 20+ years of experience with DITSCAP/DIACAP/RMF/FedRAMP

- **cFocus Software Incorporated**

- Established 2006 with 15+ years of federal IA & cybersecurity experience
- Providing A&A services for multiple federal agencies (US Army, EPA, etc.)
- <https://cfocussoftware.com>





Allow me to re-introduce myself, my name is...

- **James Younger, CISSP**

- CEO of Blackwire Technologies
- 15+ years in support of security accreditations, compliance and system development for emerging technologies





Introducing ATO as a Service™

- **ATO as a Service™ is a SaaS that automates RMF/FedRAMP Authorizations using OSCAL**
 - Incorporates OSCAL Catalog, Profile & Implementation layers
 - Automates RMF/FedRAMP authorization activities



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Blockchain-based Secure Software @sset Management (BLOSS@M) Primer

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BLOSS@M Primer

- BLOSS@M is a proof-of-concept application, demonstrating a federal asset management system through a permissioned Blockchain system
- It is a multi-agency system where member nodes serve as agency participants
- Allows for principles of ZeroTrust, multi-cloud deployments.
- Shared immutable ledger is ideal for multi-agency trust and transparency





BLOSS@M Primer - ATO

- ATO - Assess and Authorize BLOSS@M against FISMA requirements
- OSCAL - Implement OSCAL to support the ATO process and continuous monitoring requirements
- Architecture - Develop blockchain reference designs and governance models





Automating BLOSS@M ATO Process Using OSCAL

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How do we obtain FISMA Compliance for BLOSS@M?

- Since BLOSS@M is a permissioned, interagency blockchain, participant agencies must agree on a shared trust model
- We document the trust model using reference architecture and open-source artifacts (e.g. [Sovrin Governance Framework](#))
- Trust model reference architectures & artifacts must also be FISMA compliant





How do we obtain FISMA Compliance for BLOSS@M?

- Since blockchain is shared among participant agencies, FISMA compliance data & metadata must also be shared
- OSCAL is uniquely capable of sharing FISMA compliance data & metadata





Leveraging Blockchain for Continuous Monitoring

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Leveraging Blockchain for RMF/FedRAMP ConMon

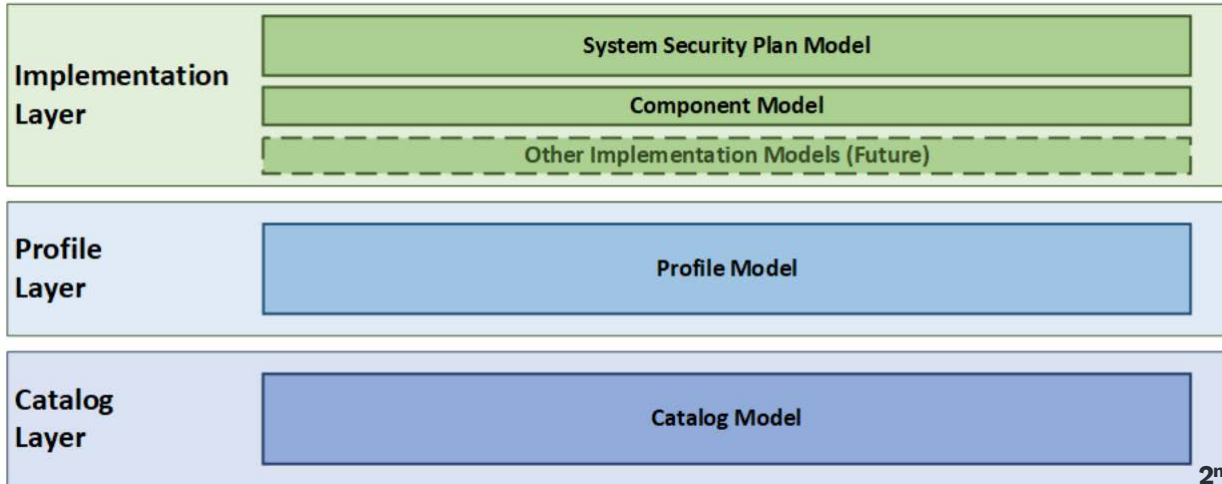
- A separate blockchain can be used to store the security state of a system using OSCAL data
- Through OSCAL changes to a system would automatically be updated and evaluated
- A system could then assess the security state of any member participants and allow/deny membership based on the system's status





How do we obtain FISMA Compliance for BLOSS@M?

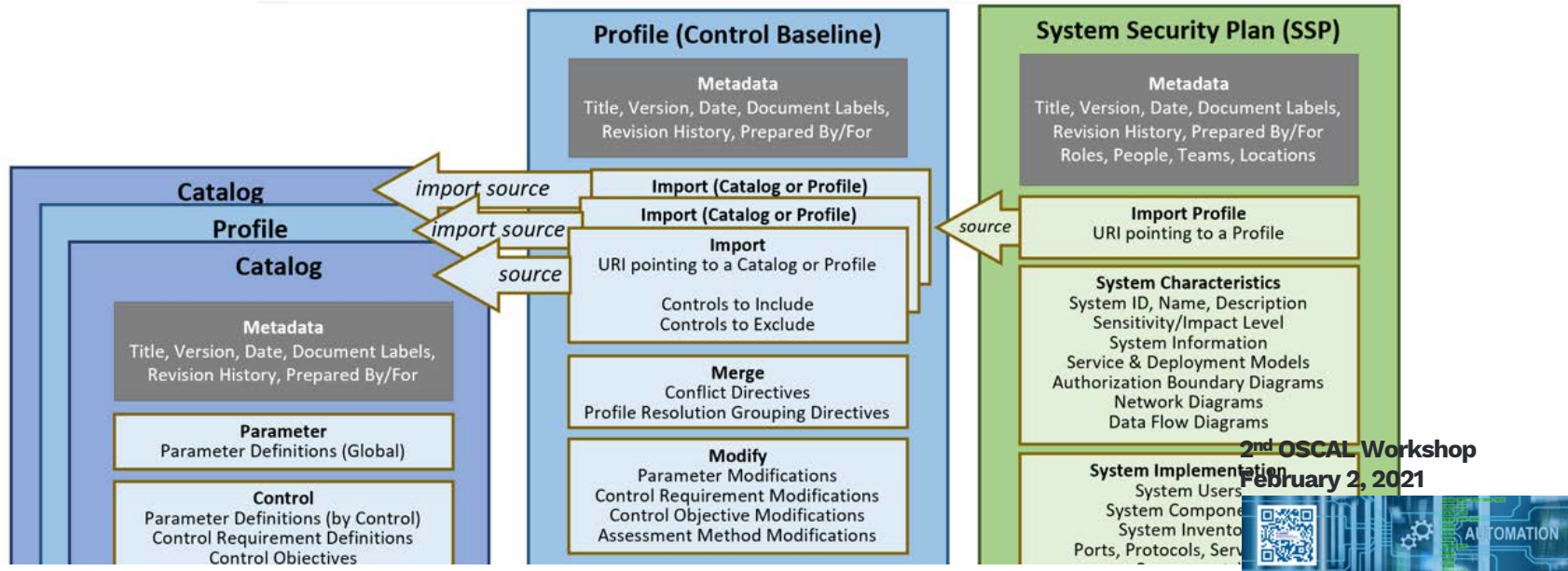
- OSCAL organizes security information into a stack of layers and models that build on each other





How do we obtain FISMA Compliance for BLOSS@M?

- Each OSCAL model is represented in machine readable formats for representing & exchanging data




How do we obtain FISMA Compliance for BLOSS@M?

- RMF/FedRAMP SSPs are represented by OSCAL SSP models

```
ssp-example.json x
1  {
2    "system-security-plan": {
3      "uuid": "66c2a1c8-5830-48bd-8fdd-55a1c3a52888",
4      "metadata": {
5        "title": "Enterprise Logging and Auditing System Security Plan",
6        "last-modified": "2019-09-23T18:14:50.591Z",
7        "version": "1.0",
8        "oscal-version": "1.0.0-milestone3",
9        "roles": [
10       {
11         "id": "legal-officer",
12         "title": "Legal Officer"
13       }
14     ]
15   }
16 }
```

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How do we obtain FISMA Compliance for BLOSS@M?

- BLOSS@M components are represented by OSCAL component definition models

```
component-sample.json x
1 {
2   "component-definition":
3   {
4     "metadata":
5     {
6       "title": "Component Title",
7       "last-modified": "2020-07-22T00:00:00.000-04:00",
8       "version": "1.0",
9       "oscal-version": "1.0.0-milestone3"
10    },
11  },
12
13  "components":
14  {
```





How do we obtain FISMA Compliance for BLOSS@M?

- We can create OSCAL component definitions for BLOSS@M components that contain NIST SP 800-53 control responses
- Each participant agency can import shared BLOSS@M component definitions that auto-populate their SSPs, saving time and cost





How do we obtain FISMA Compliance for BLOSS@M?

- ATO as a Service™ automates SSP development using OSCAL SSP Implementation layer & models
- ATO as a Service enables importing OSCAL component definition data/metadata into an SSP





Let's see how this all works, shall we?

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ATO as a Service™ Demonstration

- Let's get after it!
- For more information about ATO as a Service, go to:
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Q&A

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Thank you! Any Questions?

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