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Preface

Oracle Application Server Single Sign-On Application Developer's Guide is written for developers who modify applications for OracleAS Single Sign-On. This modification is effected using either mod_osso, an authentication module on the Oracle HTTP Server, or the single sign-on SDK. The material presented in this book applies to UNIX and Windows NT/2000 platforms.

Note: The chapters in this book use UNIX notation to direct the reader to single sign-on files. With the exception of the ssocfg script, UNIX and Windows share the same file names and locations. Use the following format to access the Windows versions:

%ORACLE_HOME%\directory_path\

This preface contains these topics:

- Audience
- Organization
- Related Documentation
- Conventions
- Documentation Accessibility

Audience

This document assumes the following knowledge or capabilities:

- Access to a working copy of OracleAS or the ability to install one
- An understanding of OracleAS concepts
- Proficiency in the PL/SQL or Java programming language

Organization

Oracle Application Server Single Sign-On Application Developer's Guide focuses on how the Oracle HTTP authentication module mod_osso is used to enable applications for single sign-on. Text that explains how to use the single sign-on SDK for the same purpose is in the appendixes.

Chapter 1, "Introduction"

Introduces mod_osso and the Single Sign-On SDK. Provides a brief description of other single sign-on components.

Chapter 2, "Developing Applications for Single Sign-On"

Explains how the HTTP authentication module mod_osso protects applications enabled by OracleAS Single Sign-On. Provides code that demonstrates how applications are integrated with mod_osso.

Appendix A, "Single Sign-On Software Development Kit"

Lists and describes the PL/SQL APIs for single-sign-on-enabling applications. The SDK also contains Java APIs.

Appendix B, "Using the PL/SQL and Java APIs"

Explains how to write partner applications using $\rm PL/SQL$ and Java. Provides code examples for both languages.

Appendix C, "Adding and Editing SDK-Enabled Applications"

Explains how to add, or register, an SDK-integrated application with the single sign-on server. Explains how to edit the registry of an existing application.

Appendix D, "User Attributes Passed to Partner Applications"

Lists and describes the user attributes that the single sign-on server verifies in or retrieves from Oracle Internet Directory. These attributes are used to construct the URLC token, which is passed to partner applications.

Glossary

Defines terms used in the book.

Related Documentation

For more information, see these Oracle resources:

- Oracle Application Server Single Sign-On Administrator's Guide
- Oracle Application Server Single Sign-On API Reference

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Conventions

This section describes the conventions used in the text and code examples of this documentation set. It describes:

- Conventions in Text
- Conventions in Code Examples

Conventions in Text

We use various conventions in text to help you more quickly identify special terms. The following table describes those conventions and provides examples of their use.

Convention	Meaning	Example
Bold	Bold typeface indicates terms that are defined in the text or terms that appear in a glossary, or both.	When you specify this clause, you create an index-organized table .
Italics	Italic typeface indicates book titles or emphasis.	Oracle9i Database Concepts
		Ensure that the recovery catalog and target database do <i>not</i> reside on the same disk.
UPPERCASE monospace	Uppercase monospace typeface indicates elements supplied by the system. Such elements include parameters, privileges, datatypes, RMAN keywords, SQL keywords, SQL*Plus or utility commands, packages and methods, as well as system-supplied column names, database objects and structures, usernames, and roles.	You can specify this clause only for a NUMBER column.
(fixed-width) font		You can back up the database by using the BACKUP command.
		Query the TABLE_NAME column in the USER_ TABLES data dictionary view.
		Use the DBMS_STATS.GENERATE_STATS procedure.
lowercase	Lowercase monospace typeface indicates executables, filenames, directory names, and sample user-supplied elements. Such elements include computer and database names, net service names, and connect identifiers, as well as user-supplied database objects and structures, column names, packages and classes, usernames and roles, program units, and parameter values. Note: Some programmatic elements use a mixture of UPPERCASE and lowercase. Enter these elements as shown.	Enter sqlplus to open SQL*Plus.
<pre>monospace (fixed-width)</pre>		The password is specified in the orapwd file.
font		Back up the datafiles and control files in the /diskl/oracle/dbs directory.
		The department_id, department_name, and location_id columns are in the hr.departments table.
		Set the QUERY_REWRITE_ENABLED initialization parameter to true.
		Connect as oe user.
		The JRepUtil class implements these methods.
lowercase	Lowercase italic monospace font represents placeholders or variables.	You can specify the <i>parallel_clause</i> .
italic monospace (fixed-width) font		Run Uold_release.SQL where old_ release refers to the release you installed prior to upgrading.

Conventions in Code Examples

Code examples illustrate SQL, PL/SQL, SQL*Plus, or other command-line statements. They are displayed in a monospace (fixed-width) font and separated from normal text as shown in this example:

SELECT username FROM dba_users WHERE username = 'MIGRATE';

The following table describes typographic conventions used in code examples and provides examples of their use.

Convention	Meaning	Example
[]	Brackets enclose one or more optional items. Do not enter the brackets.	DECIMAL (digits [, precision])
{ }	Braces enclose two or more items, one of which is required. Do not enter the braces.	{ENABLE DISABLE}
	A vertical bar represents a choice of two or more options within brackets or braces. Enter one of the options. Do not enter the vertical bar.	{ENABLE DISABLE} [COMPRESS NOCOMPRESS]
	Horizontal ellipsis points indicate either:	
	 That we have omitted parts of the 	CREATE TABLE AS subquery;
	code that are not directly related to the example	SELECT col1, col2, , coln FROM
	 That you can repeat a portion of the code 	employees;
	Vertical ellipsis points indicate that we have omitted several lines of code not directly related to the example.	SQL> SELECT NAME FROM V\$DATAFILE; NAME
		/fsl/dbs/tbs_01.dbf
		/fs1/dbs/tbs_02.dbf
		•
		·
		/fsl/dbs/tbs_09.dbf
		9 rows selected.
Other notation	You must enter symbols other than brackets, braces, vertical bars, and ellipsis points as shown.	acctbal NUMBER(11,2); acct CONSTANT NUMBER(4) := 3;
Italics	Italicized text indicates placeholders or variables for which you must supply particular values.	CONNECT SYSTEM/system_password DB_NAME = database_name

Convention	Meaning	Example
UPPERCASE	Uppercase typeface indicates elements supplied by the system. We show these terms in uppercase in order to distinguish them from terms you define. Unless terms appear in brackets, enter them in the order and with the spelling shown. However, because these terms are not case sensitive, you can enter them in lowercase.	SELECT last_name, employee_id FROM employees; SELECT * FROM USER_TABLES; DROP TABLE hr.employees;
lowercase	Lowercase typeface indicates programmatic elements that you supply. For example, lowercase indicates names of tables, columns, or files. Note: Some programmatic elements use a mixture of UPPERCASE and lowercase. Enter these elements as shown.	SELECT last_name, employee_id FROM employees; sqlplus hr/hr CREATE USER mjones IDENTIFIED BY ty3MU9;

Conventions for Windows Operating Systems

The following table describes conventions for Windows operating systems and provides examples of their use.

Convention	Meaning	Example
Choose Start >	How to start a program.	To start the Database Configuration Assistant, choose Start > Programs > Oracle - HOME_ NAME > Configuration and Migration Tools > Database Configuration Assistant.
File and directory names	File and directory names are not case sensitive. The following special characters are not allowed: left angle bracket (<), right angle bracket (>), colon (:), double quotation marks ("), slash (/), pipe (), and dash (-). The special character backslash (\) is treated as an element separator, even when it appears in quotes. If the file name begins with \ then Windows assumes it uses the Universal Naming Convention.	c:\winnt"\"system32 is the same as C:\WINNT\SYSTEM32

Convention	Meaning	Example
C:\>	Represents the Windows command prompt of the current hard disk drive. The escape character in a command prompt is the caret (^). Your prompt reflects the subdirectory in which you are working. Referred to as the <i>command</i> <i>prompt</i> in this manual.	C:\oracle\oradata>
Special characters	The backslash (\) special character is sometimes required as an escape character for the double quotation mark (") special character at the Windows command prompt. Parentheses and the single quotation mark (') do not require an escape character. Refer to your Windows operating system documentation for more information on escape and special characters.	C:\>exp scott/tiger TABLES=emp QUERY=\"WHERE job='SALESMAN' and sal<1600\" C:\>imp SYSTEM/password FROMUSER=scott TABLES=(emp, dept)
HOME_NAME	Represents the Oracle home name. The home name can be up to 16 alphanumeric characters. The only special character allowed in the home name is the underscore.	C:\> net start OracleHOME_NAMEINSListener

Convention	Meaning	Example
ORACLE_HOME and ORACLE_ BASE	In releases prior to Oracle8 <i>i</i> release 8.1.3, when you installed Oracle components, all subdirectories were located under a top level <i>ORACLE_HOME</i> directory. For Windows NT, the default location was C:\orant.	Go to the ORACLE_BASE\ORACLE_ HOME\rdbms\admin directory.
	This release complies with Optimal Flexible Architecture (OFA) guidelines. All subdirectories are not under a top level ORACLE_HOME directory. There is a top level directory called ORACLE_BASE that by default is C:\oracle. If you install the latest Oracle release on a computer with no other Oracle software installed, then the default setting for the first Oracle home directory is C:\oracle\orann, where nn is the latest release number. The Oracle home directory is located directly under ORACLE_BASE.	
	All directory path examples in this guide follow OFA conventions.	
	Refer to Oracle9i Database Getting Started for Windows for additional information about OFA compliances and for information about installing Oracle products in non-OFA compliant directories.	

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Introduction

OracleAS Single Sign-On is a component of Oracle Application Server (OracleAS) that enables users to log in to all features of the OracleAS product complement, as well as to other Web applications, using a single user name and password.

OracleAS Single Sign-On consists of the following components:

OracleAS Single Sign-On Server

Program logic that enables users to log in securely to single-sign-on-enabled applications such as expense reports, mail, and benefits

Partner Applications

OracleAS applications that delegate the authentication function to the single sign-on server

External Applications

Web applications that do not delegate authentication to the single sign-on server. Instead, they display HTML login forms that ask for application user names and passwords

See Also: Chapter 1, "Components and Processes: an Overview" *in Oracle Application Server Single Sign-On Administrator's Guide*

In OracleAS release 9.0.4 you use mod_osso, an authentication module on the Oracle HTTP Server, to enable applications for single sign-on. mod_osso is a simple alternative to the single sign-on SDK, used in earlier releases to integrate partner applications. mod_osso simplifies the authentication process by serving as the sole partner application to the single sign-on server. By doing so, it renders authentication transparent for OracleAS applications. The administrator for these applications is spared the burden of integrating them with the single sign-on SDK.

Note that the SDK has been deprecated. If you have built applications using the release 9.0.2 SDK, Oracle Corporation recommends modifying these with mod_osso. Nevertheless, 9.0.2 applications will continue to work in 9.0.4.

The main body of this book explains how to integrate applications with mod_osso. If you want to know more about the SDK, see the appendixes.

Developing Applications for Single Sign-On

This chapter explains how to develop applications to work with mod_osso. The chapter contains the following topics:

- Protecting Applications Using mod_osso: Two Methods
- Developing Applications Using mod_osso
- Security Issues: Single Sign-Off and Application Logout

Protecting Applications Using mod_osso: Two Methods

mod_osso redirects the user to the single sign-on server only if the URL you request is configured to be protected. You can secure URLs in one of two ways: statically or dynamically. Static directives simply protect the application, ceding control over user interaction to mod_osso. Dynamic directives not only protect the application, they also enable it to regulate user access.

This section contains the following topics:

- Protecting URLs Statically
- Protecting URLs with Dynamic Directives

Protecting URLs Statically

You can statically protect URLs with mod_osso by applying directives to the mod_osso.conf file. In the example that follows, a directory named /private, located just below the Oracle HTTP Server document root, is protected by this directive:

```
<IfModule mod_osso.c>
```

```
<Location /private>
AuthType Basic
require valid-user
</Location>
```

```
</IfModule>
```

After making the entry, populate the directory with pages and then test them. For example:

http://host:port/private/helloworld.html

Finally, restart the Oracle HTTP Server:

\$ORACLE_HOME/opmn/bin/opmnctl restartproc type=ohs

Protecting URLs with Dynamic Directives

Dynamic directives are HTTP response headers that have special error codes that enable an application to request granular functionality from the single sign-on system without having to implement the intricacies of the single sign-on protocol. Upon receiving a directive as part of a simple HTTP response from the application, mod_osso creates the appropriate single sign-on protocol message and communicates it to the single sign-on server. OracleAS release 9.0.4 supports dynamic directives for Java servlets and JSPs. The product does not currently support dynamic directives for PL/SQL applications.

Table 2–1 lists commonly requested dynamic directives.

Directive	Status Code	Headers	
Request Authentication	401, 499	-	
Request Forced Authentication	499	Osso-Paranoid: true	
Single Sign-Off 470		Osso-Return-URL	
		This is the URL to return to after single sign-off is complete	

 Table 2–1
 Commonly Requested Dynamic Directives

Developing Applications Using mod_osso

This section explains how to write and enable applications using mod_osso. The section contains the following topics:

- Developing Statically Protected PL/SQL Applications
- Developing Statically Protected Java Applications
- Developing Java Applications That Use Dynamic Directives
- A Word About Non-GET Authentication

Developing Statically Protected PL/SQL Applications

What follows is an example of a simple mod_osso-protected application. This application logs the user in to the single sign-on server, displays user information, and then logs the user out of both the application and the single sign-on server.

Use the following steps to write and enable a PL/SQL application using mod_osso.

1. Create the schema where application procedure will be loaded.

sqlplus sys/sys_password as sysdba
create user schema_name identified by schema_password;
grant connect, resource to schema_name;

2. Load the following procedure into the schema and grant the public access to the procedure:

```
create or replace procedure show_user_info
 is
begin
   begin
        htp.init;
     exception
        when others then null;
     end;
     htp.htmlOpen;
     htp.bodyOpen;
     htp.print('<h2>Welcome to Oracle Single Sign-On</h2>');
     htp.print('');
     htp.print('Remote user: '
        owa_util.get_cgi_env('REMOTE_USER'));
     htp.print('User DN: '
        owa_util.get_cgi_env('Osso-User-Dn'));
     htp.print('User Guid: '
        | owa_util.get_cgi_env('Osso-User-Guid'));
     htp.print('Subscriber: '
        || owa_util.get_cgi_env('Osso-Subscriber'));
     htp.print('Subscriber DN: '
        || owa_util.get_cgi_env('Osso-Subscriber-Dn'));
     htp.print('Subscriber Guid: '
        | owa_util.get_cgi_env('Osso-Subscriber-Guid'));
     htp.print('');
     htp.print('<a href=/osso_logout?'</pre>
        | 'p_done_url=http://my.oracle.com>Logout</a>');
     htp.bodyClose;
     htp.htmlClose;
end show_user_info;
1
show errors;
grant execute on show_user_info to public;
```

3. Create a database access descriptor (DAD) for the application in the dads.conf file, located at \$ORACLE_HOME/Apache/modplsql/conf:

```
<Location /pls/DAD_name>
SetHandler pls_handler
Order deny,allow
AllowOverride None
PlsqlDatabaseConnectString hostname:port:SID
PlsqlDatabasePassword schema_password
```

```
PlsqlDatabaseUsername
                                     schema_name
      PlsqlDefaultPage
                                     schema_name.show_user_info
      PlsqlDocumentTablename
                                     schema_name.wwdoc_document
      PlsqlDocumentPath
                                    docs
      PlsqlDocumentProcedure
                                     schema_name.wwdoc_process.process_
                                      download
      PlsqlAuthenticationMode
                                    Basic
      PlsqlPathAlias
                                     url
      PlsqlPathAliasProcedure
                                     schema_name.wwpth_api_alias.process_
                                      download
                                    schema_name
      PlsqlSessionCookieName
      PlsqlCGIEnvironmentList
                                    OSSO-USER-DN
      PlsqlCGIEnvironmentList
                                    OSSO-USER-GUID
      PlsqlCGIEnvironmentList
                                    OSSO-SUBSCRIBER
      PlsqlCGIEnvironmentList
                                    OSSO-SUBSCRIBER-DN
      PlsqlCGIEnvironmentList
                                    OSSO-SUBSCRIBER-GUID
</Location>
```

4. Protect the application DAD by entering the following lines in the mod_osso.conf file:

```
<Location /pls/DAD_name>
require valid-user
authType Basic
</Location>
```

Note: The assumption here is that mod_osso is already configured for single sign-on. This step is performed when OracleAS is installed.

5. Restart the Oracle HTTP Server that will be used by this application:

\$ORACLE_HOME/opmn/bin/opmnctl restartproc type=ohs

6. To test whether the newly created functions and procedures are protected by mod_osso, try to access them from a browser:

http://host:port/pls/DAD/schema_name.show_user_info

Selecting the URL should invoke the single sign-on login page if mod_osso.conf has been configured properly and mod_osso is registered with the single sign-on server.

Developing Statically Protected Java Applications

Use the following steps to write and enable a servlet or JSP application using mod_osso:

1. Write the JSP or servlet. Like the PL/SQL application example immediately preceding, the simple servlet that follows logs the user in, displays user information, and then logs the user out.

```
import java.io.*;
import javax.servlet.*;
import javax.servlet.http.*;
/**
 * Example servlet showing how to get the SSO User information
 */
public class SSOProtected extends HttpServlet
   public void service(HttpServletRequest request,
                      HttpServletResponse response)
        throws IOException, ServletException
    {
        response.setContentType("text/html");
        // Show authenticated user informationsingle sign-on
        PrintWriter out = response.getWriter();
        out.println("<h2>Welcome to Oracle Single Sign-On</h2>");
        out.println("");
        out.println("Remote user: "
            + request.getRemoteUser());
        out.println("Osso-User-Dn: "
            + request.getHeader("Osso-User-Dn"));
        out.println("Osso-User-Guid: "
            + request.getHeader("Osso-User-Guid"));
        out.println("Osso-Subscriber: "
            + request.getHeader("Osso-Subscriber"));
        out.println("Osso-User-Dn: "
            + request.getHeader("Osso-User-Dn"));
        out.println("Osso-Subscriber-Dn: "
            + request.getHeader("Osso-Subscriber-Dn"));
        out.println("Osso-Subscriber-Guid: "
            + request.getHeader("Osso-Subscriber-Guid"));
        out.println("Lang/Territory: "
            + request.getHeader("Accept-Language"));
```

```
out.println("");
out.println("<a href=/osso_logout?"
    +"p_done_url=http://my.oracle.com>Logout</a>");
```

2. Protect the servlet by entering the following lines in the mod_osso.conf file:

```
<Location /servlet>
require valid-user
authType Basic
</Location>
```

3. Deploy the servlet; then restart the Oracle HTTP Server and OC4J:

```
$ORACLE_HOME/opmn/bin/opmnctl restartproc type=ohs
$ORACLE_HOME/opmn/bin/opmnctl stopproc type=oc4j
$ORACLE_HOME/opmn/bin/opmnctl startproc type=oc4j
```

4. Test the servlet by trying to access it from the browser. Selecting the URL should invoke the login page.

The process is this: when you try to access the servlet from the browser, you are redirected to the single sign-on server for authentication. Next you are redirected back to the servlet, which displays user information. You may then select the logout link to log out of the application as well as the single sign-on server.

Developing Java Applications That Use Dynamic Directives

Applications that use dynamic directives require no entry in mod_osso.conf because mod_osso protection is written directly into the application as one or more dynamic directives. The servlets that follow show how such directives are incorporated. Like their "static" counterparts, these sample "dynamic" applications generate user information.

This section covers the following topics:

- Java Example #1: Simple Authentication
- Java Example #2: Single Sign-Off
- Java Example #3: Forced Authentication

Java Example #1: Simple Authentication

This servlet uses the request.getRemoteUser() method to check the mod_ osso cookie for the user name. If the user name is absent. It issues dynamic directive 499, a request for simple authentication. The key lines are in boldface.

```
import java.io.*;
import javax.servlet.*;
import javax.servlet.http.*;
/**
* Example servlet showing how to use
 * Dynamic Directive for login
 */
public class SSODynLogin extends HttpServlet
   public void service(HttpServletRequest request,
                      HttpServletResponse response)
        throws IOException, ServletException
    {
        String l user = null;
        // Try to get the authenticate user name
        try
        {
            l_user = request.getRemoteUser();
        }
        catch(Exception e)
        {
            l_user = null;
        }
        // If user is not authenticated then generate
        // dynamic directive for authentication
        if((l_user == null) || (l_user.length() <= 0) )
        {
           response.sendError(499, "Oracle SSO");
        }
        else
        {
            // Show authenticated user information
            response.setContentType("text/html");
            PrintWriter out = response.getWriter();
            out.println("<h2>Welcome to Oracle Single Sign-On</h2>");
```

```
out.println("");
out.println("Remote user: "
    + request.getRemoteUser());
out.println("Osso-User-Dn: "
    + request.getHeader("Osso-User-Dn"));
out.println("Osso-User-Guid: "
    + request.getHeader("Osso-User-Guid"));
out.println("Osso-Subscriber: "
   + request.getHeader("Osso-Subscriber"));
out.println("Osso-User-Dn: "
    + request.getHeader("Osso-User-Dn"));
out.println("Osso-Subscriber-Dn: "
   + request.getHeader("Osso-Subscriber-Dn"));
out.println("Osso-Subscriber-Guid: "
    + request.getHeader("Osso-Subscriber-Guid"));
out.println("Lang/Territory: "
    + request.getHeader("Accept-Language"));
out.println("");
```

Note: If Oracle JAAS Provider is used, the directive code 401 may be substituted for 499.

Java Example #2: Single Sign-Off

}

This servlet is invoked when users select the login link within an application. The application sets the URL to return to when sign-off is complete; then it issues a directive that sends users to the single sign-off page. The key lines are in boldface.

```
import java.io.*;
import javax.servlet.*;
import javax.servlet.http.*;
/**
 * Example servlet showing how to use
 * Dynamic Directive for logout
 */
public class SSODynLogout extends HttpServlet
{
   public void service (HttpServletRequest request,
        HttpServletResponse response)
```

}

```
throws ServletException, IOException
{
    // Set the return URL
    response.setHeader("Osso-Return-Url",
         "http://my.oracle.com" );
    // Send Dynamic Directive for logout
    response.sendError(470, "Oracle SSO");
}
```

Note: Alternatively, you can redirect to the osso_logout URL on that computer.

Java Example #3: Forced Authentication

If logged-in users have exceeded a timeout, an application can force them to reauthenticate. The directive for reauthentication is written into the servlet that follows. The key lines are in boldface.

```
import java.io.*;
import javax.servlet.*;
import javax.servlet.http.*;
/**
 * Example servlet showing how to use
 * Dynamic Directive for forced login
 */
public class SSODynForcedLogin extends HttpServlet
   public void service(HttpServletRequest request,
                      HttpServletResponse response)
        throws IOException, ServletException
    {
        String l_user = null;
        // Try to get the authenticate user name
        try
        {
            l_user = request.getRemoteUser();
        catch(Exception e)
        {
            l_user = null;
```

```
}
        // If the user is authenticated then show
        // user information; otherwise generate Dynamic
        // Directive for forced login
        if(l_user != null)
        ł
            // Show authenticated user information
            PrintWriter out = response.getWriter();
            response.setContentType("text/html");
            out.println("<h2>Welcome to Oracle Single Sign-On.</h2>");
            out.println("");
            out.println("Remote user: "
                + request.getRemoteUser());
            out.println("Osso-User-Dn: "
                + request.getHeader("Osso-User-Dn"));
            out.println("Osso-User-Guid: "
                + request.getHeader("Osso-User-Guid"));
            out.println("Osso-Subscriber: "
                + request.getHeader("Osso-Subscriber"));
            out.println("Osso-User-Dn: "
                + request.getHeader("Osso-User-Dn"));
            out.println("Osso-Subscriber-Dn: "
                + request.getHeader("Osso-Subscriber-Dn"));
            out.println("Osso-Subscriber-Guid: "
                + request.getHeader("Osso-Subscriber-Guid"));
            out.println("Lang/Territory: "
                + request.getHeader("Accept-Language"));
            out.println("");
        }
        else
        {
            response.setHeader( "Osso-Paranoid", "true" );
            response.sendError(499, "Oracle SSO");
       }
    }
}
```

A Word About Non-GET Authentication

The first page of a mod_osso-protected application must be a URL that uses the GET authentication method. If the POST method is used, the data that the user provides when logging in is lost during redirection to the single sign-on server.

When deciding whether to enable the global user inactivity timeout, please note that users are redirected after timing out and logging in again.

Security Issues: Single Sign-Off and Application Logout

If you build custom applications using OracleAS release 9.0.4, note the following: when global logout, or single sign-off, is invoked, only the single sign-on and mod_osso cookies are cleared. This means that an OracleAS application must be coded to store single sign-on user and realm names in either the OC4J session or in the application session. The application must then compare these values to those passed by mod_osso. If a match occurs, the application must show personalized content. If no match occurs, which means that the mod_osso cookie is absent, the application must clear the application session and force the user to log in.

This section covers the following topics:

- Application Login: Code Examples
- Application Logout: Recommended Code

Application Login: Code Examples

The first two code examples in this section do not incorporate the logic prescribed in the section immediately preceding. The third example does incorporate this logic. Although these are Java examples, they could be examples written in other languages such as Perl, PL/SQL, and CGI.

Bad Code Example #1

```
// Get user name from application session. This session was
// established by the application cookie or OC4J session cookie
String username = request.getSession().getAttribute('USER_NAME');
// Get subscriber name from application session. This session was
// established by the application cookie or OC4J session cookie.
String subscriber = request.getSession().getAttribute('SUBSCRIBER_NAME');
// Get user security information from application session. This session was
established by the application cookie or OC4J session cookie
String user_sec_info = request.getSession().getAttribute('USER_APP_SEC');
if((username != null) && (subscriber!= null))
{
// Show personalized user content
```

```
show_personalized_page(username, subscriber, user_sec_info);
}
else
{
    // Send Dynamic Directive for login
    response.sendError( 499, "Oracle SSO" );
```

Bad Code Example #2

```
// Get SSO username from http header
String username = request.getRemoteUser();
// Get subscriber name from SSO http header
String subscriber = request.getHeader('OSSO-SUBSCRIBER');
// Get user security information from application session. This session // was
established by the application or OC4J session
String user_sec_info =request.getSession().getAttribute('USER_APP_SEC');
if((ssousername != null)&&(subscriber!= null))
{
    // Show personalized user content
    show_personalized_page(username, subscriber, user_sec_info);
    else
    {
        // Send Dynamic Directive for login
        response.sendError( 499, "Oracle SSO" );
    }
```

Recommended Code

```
// Get user name from application session. This session was
// established by the application or OC4J session
String username = request.getSession().getAttribute('USER_NAME');
// Get subscriber name from application session. This session was
// established by the application or OC4J session
String subscriber = request.getSession().getAttribute('SUBSCRIBER_NAME');
// Get user security information from application session. This session // was
established by the application or OC4J session
String user_sec_info = request.getSession().getAttribute('USER_APP_SEC');
// Get username and subscriber name from JAZN API */
```

```
JAZNUserAdaptor jaznuser = (JAZNUserAdaptor)requset.getUserPrincipal();
     String ssousername = jaznuser.getName();
     String ssosubscriber = jaznuser.getRealm().getName();
// If you are not using JAZN api then you can also get the username and
// subscriber name from mod_osso headers
String ssousername = request.getRemoteUser();
String ssosubscriber = request.getHeader('OSSO-SUBSCRIBER');
// Check for application session. Create it if necessary.
if((username == null) || (subscriber == null) )
    ... Code to create application session. Get the user information from
   JAZN api(or mod_osso headers if you are not using JAZN api) and
                                                                        populate
the application session with user, subscriber and user security info...
  }
if((username != null)&&(subscriber != null)
  &&(ssousername != null)&&(ssosubscriber != null)
 &&(username.equalsIgnoreCase(ssousername) == 0 )
 &&(subscriber.equalsIgnoreCase(ssosubscriber) == 0))
{
  // Show personalized user content
show_personalized_page(username, subscriber, user_sec_info);
}
else
{
     ...Code to Wipe-out application session, followed by ...
// Send Dynamic Directive for login
//\ \mbox{If you are using JAZN} then you should use following code
// response.sendError( 401);
// If you are not using JAZN api then you should use following code
// response.sendError( 499, "Oracle SSO" );
}
```

Application Logout: Recommended Code

Most applications that authenticate users have a logout link. In a single-sign-on-enabled application, the user invokes the dynamic directive for logout in addition to other code in the logout handler of the application. Invoking the logout directive initiates single sign-off, or global logout. The example that follows shows what single sign-off code should look like in Java.

```
// Clear application session, if any
String l_return_url := return url to your application e.g. home page
response.setHeader( "Osso-Return-Url", l_return_url);
response.sendError( 470, "Oracle SSO" );
```

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Single Sign-On Software Development Kit

The single sign-on SDK consists of APIs for PL/SQL and Java. You can use these APIs to create partner applications. Appendix B, "Using the PL/SQL and Java APIs", provides code that shows how the APIs are implemented.

This appendix contains the following topics:

- PL/SQL APIs
- Java APIs

Note: The SDK has been deprecated. If you have built applications using the release 9.0.2 SDK, Oracle recommends modifying these for mod_osso. Nevertheless, 9.0.2 applications will continue to work in 9.0.4.

PL/SQL APIs

This section covers the following topics:

- Functions and Procedures
- Table Definitions
- Exceptions

Functions and Procedures

The functions and procedures in this section are part of the WWSEC_SSO_ENABLER package. This package is used to enable a PL/SQL application to become a partner application.

The section covers the following functions and procedures:

- GENERATE_REDIRECT Function
- PARSE_URL_COOKIE Procedure
- GET_ENABLER_CONFIG Procedure
- CREATE_ENABLER_CONFIG Procedure
- MODIFY_ENABLER_CONFIG Procedure
- DELETE_ENABLER_CONFIG Procedure
- ENCRYPT_COOKIE Function
- DECRYPT_COOKIE Function

GENERATE_REDIRECT Function

This function generates a redirect URL, along with SITE2PSTORETOKEN, that the server parses.

Syntax

Parameter	Description
P_LSNR_TOKEN	Listener token that retrieves registration information about the partner application. The listener token is the host name and port used on the URL for the current request. This token is used to select the appropriate configuration entry in the WWSEC_ENABLER_CONFIG_INFO\$ table.
P_URL_REQUESTED	URL requested by the client.
	Must be URL encoded if it contains a URL parameter. For example:
	http://host:port/jsp/order.jsp?itemid=1234&type= purchase
P_URL_CANCEL	URL that users are directed to if they click Cancel on the login page.
	Must be URL encoded if it contains a URL parameter. For example:
	http://host:port/jsp/order.jsp?itemid=1234&type= purchase
P_FORCED_AUTH	Forced authentication flag.
REDIRECTURL	URL to which the partner application must direct the browser. This URL contains the request for authentication.

Table A–1 Parameters for GENERATE_REDIRECT

```
WWSEC_SSO_ENABLER.GENERATE_REDIRECT
(
    p_lsnr_token => listener token
    p_url_requested => requested url
    p_url_cancel => cancel url
    p_forced_auth => forced authentication flag
    redirecturl => redirect url
);
```

PARSE_URL_COOKIE Procedure

This procedure parses the URL cookie that is generated by the ${\tt GENERATE}_{\tt REDIRECT}$ function on the server side.

Syntax

PROCEDURE parse_url_cookie			
(
P_LSNR_TOKEN	IN	VARCHAR2	
, P_ENC_URL_COOKIE	IN	VARCHAR2	
, P_URL_REQUESTED	OUT	VARCHAR2	
, P_SSO_USERNAME	OUT	VARCHAR2	
, P_SSO_USER_DN	OUT	VARCHAR2	
, P_SSO_USER_GUID	OUT	VARCHAR2	
, P_SUBSCRIBER_NAME	OUT	VARCHAR2	
, P_SUBSCRIBER_DN	OUT	VARCHAR2	
, P_SUBSCRIBER_GUID	OUT	VARCHAR2	
, P_USER_IPADDRESS	OUT	VARCHAR2	
, P_SSO_TIMEREMAINING	OUT	NUMBER	
, P_NLS_LANGUAGE	OUT	VARCHAR2	
, P_NLS_TERRITORY	OUT	VARCHAR2	
);			

Table A–2 Parameters for PARSE_URL_COOKIE

Parameter	Description
P_LSNR_TOKEN	Listener token.
P_ENC_URL_COOKIE	Encrypted URL cookie.
P_URL_REQUESTED	Requested URL.
P_SSO_USERNAME	Authenticated user name.
P_SSO_USER_DN	Authenticated user DN.
P_SSO_USER_GUID	Authenticated user GUID.
P_SUBSCRIBER_NAME	Subscriber name.
P_SUBSCRIBER_DN	Subscriber DN.
P_SUBSCRIBER_GUID	Subscriber GUID.
P_USER_IPADDRESS	IP address of the user's machine.
P_SSO_TIMEREMAINING	Remaining session duration.
P_NLS_LANGUAGE	Language selection of the user.
P_NLS_TERRITORY	Territory selection of the user.

```
WWSEC_SSO_ENABLER.PARSE_URL_COOKIE
(
  p_lsnr_token => listener token
  p_enc_url_cookie => encrypted URL cookie
  p_url_requested => requested URL
  p_sso_username => authenticated SSO username
  p_sso_user_dn => authenticated SSO user DN
  p_sso_user_guid => authenticated SSO user GUID
  p_subscriber_name => subscriber name
  p_subscriber_dn => subscriber DN
  p_subscriber_guid => subscriber GUID
  p user ipaddress => ipaddress of the sso user's machine
  p_sso_timeremaining => remaining single sign-on session duration
  p_nls_language => language selection of sso user
  p_nls_territory => territory selection of sso user
 );
```

GET_ENABLER_CONFIG Procedure

This function returns the partner application registration information specified by the listener token.

Syntax

```
PROCEDURE GET_ENABLER_CONFIG
(

P_LSNR_TOKEN IN VARCHAR2,

P_SITE_TOKEN OUT VARCHAR2,

P_SITE_ID OUT VARCHAR2,

P_LS_LOGIN_URL OUT VARCHAR2,

P_LS_LOGOUT_URL OUT VARCHAR2,

P_URL_COOKIE_VERSION OUT VARCHAR2,

P_ENCRYPTION_KEY OUT VARCHAR2,

P_IPADDR_CHECK OUT VARCHAR2
);
```

Parameter	Description
P_LSNR_TOKEN	Listener token.
P_SITE_TOKEN	Site token.
P_SITE_ID	Site token.

Parameter	Description		
P_LS_LOGIN_URL	Login URL.		
P_LS_LOGOUT_URL	Single sign-off URL.		
P_URL_COOKIE_VERSION	URL cookie version.		
P_ENCRYPTION_KEY	Encryption key.		
P_IPADDR_CHECK	Indicates whether the IP address should be verified.		

Table A–3 Parameters for GET_ENABLER_CONFIG

(

WWSEC_SSO_ENABLER_PRIVATE.GET_ENABLER_CONFIG

p_lsnr_token	=>	listener token
p_site_token	=>	site token
p_site_id	=>	site token
p_ls_login_url	=>	login url of SSO Server
p_ls_logout_url	=>	Single Sign-Off URL of SSO Server
p_url_cookie_version	=>	url cookie version
p_encryption_key	=>	encryption key
p_ipaddr_check	=>	if ip address should be verified

CREATE_ENABLER_CONFIG Procedure

This procedure stores the partner application registration information, specified by the listener token, in the enabler configuration table.

Syntax

(

```
PROCEDURE CREATE_ENABLER_CONFIG
```

•			
	P_LSNR_TOKEN	IN	VARCHAR2,
	P_SITE_TOKEN	IN	VARCHAR2,
	P_SITE_ID	IN	VARCHAR2,
	P_LS_LOGIN_URL	IN	VARCHAR2,
	P_LS_LOGOUT_URL	IN	VARCHAR2,
	P_URL_COOKIE_VERSION	IN	VARCHAR2,
	P_ENCRYPTION_KEY	IN	VARCHAR2,
	P_IPADDR_CHECK	IN	VARCHAR2
);			

Parameter	Description
P_LSNR_TOKEN	Listener token.
P_SITE_TOKEN	Site token.
P_SITE_ID	Site token.
P_LS_LOGIN_URL	Login URL.
P_LS_LOGOUT_URL	Single sign-off URL.
P_URL_COOKIE_VERSION	URL cookie version.
P_ENCRYPTION_KEY	Encryption key.
P_IPADDR_CHECK	Indicates whether the IP address should be verified.

Table A–4 Parameters for CREATE_ENABLER_CONFIG

```
WWSEC_SSO_ENABLER.CREATE_ENABLER_CONFIG
```

```
(
    p_lsnr_token => listener token
    p_site_token => site token
    p_site_id => site token
    p_ls_login_url => login url of SSO Server
    p_ls_logout_url => Single Sign-Off URL of the single sign-on server
    p_url_cookie_version => URL cookie version
    p_encryption_key => Encryption key
    p_ipaddr_check => If IP address should be verified
)
```

MODIFY_ENABLER_CONFIG Procedure

This procedure modifies the partner application registration information specified by the listener token.

Syntax

```
PROCEDURE MODIFY_ENABLER_CONFIG
(
P_LSNR_TOKEN IN VARCHAR2,
P_SITE_TOKEN IN VARCHAR2,
P_SITE_ID IN VARCHAR2,
P_LS_LOGIN_URL IN VARCHAR2,
P_LS_LOGOUT_URL IN VARCHAR2,
P_URL_COOKIE_VERSION IN VARCHAR2,
```

	P_ENCRYPTION_KEY	IN	VARCHAR2,	
	P_IPADDR_CHECK	IN	VARCHAR2	
);				

Table A–5 Parameters for UPDATE_ENABLER_CONFIG

Parameter	Description
P_LSNR_TOKEN	Listener token.
P_SITE_TOKEN	Site token.
P_SITE_ID	Site token.
P_LS_LOGIN_URL	Login URL.
P_LS_LOGOUT_URL	Single sign-off URL.
P_URL_COOKIE_VERSION	URL cookie version.
P_ENCRYPTION_KEY	Encryption key.
P_IPADDR_CHECK	indicates whether the IP address should be verified.

```
WWSEC_SSO_ENABLER.MODIFY_ENABLER_CONFIG
```

```
(
    p_lsnr_token => listener token
    p_site_token => site token
    p_site_id => site token
    p_ls_login_url => login url of SSO Server
    p_ls_logout_url => Single Sign-Off URL of SSO Server
    p_url_cookie_version => url cookie version
    p_encryption_key => encryption key
    p_ipaddr_check => if IP address should be verified or not
)
```

DELETE_ENABLER_CONFIG Procedure

This procedure deletes the partner application registration information specified by the listener token.

Syntax

Parameter	Description
P_LSNR_TOKEN	Listener token. Retrieves registration information about the partner application.

Table A–6 Parameters for DELETE_ENABLER_CONFIG

```
WWSEC_SSO_ENABLER.DELETE_ENABLER_CONFIG
(
    p_lsnr_token => listener token
);
```

ENCRYPT_COOKIE Function

This function returns the encrypted cookie body.

Syntax

```
FUNCTION ENCRYPT_COOKIE
(
    p_lsnr_token in varchar2,
    p_cookie in varchar2
) return varchar2;
```

Table A–7 Parameters for ENCRYPT_COOKIE

Parameter	Description
P_LSNR_TOKEN	Listener token. Retrieves registration information about the partner application.

Example

```
WWSEC_SSO_ENABLER.ENCRYPT_COOKIE
(
    p_lsnr_token => listener token
    p_enc_cookie => cookie value to be encrypted
)
```

DECRYPT_COOKIE Function

This function returns the decrypted cookie value from the encrypted cookie.

Syntax

```
(
    P_LSNR_TOKEN IN VARCHAR2,
    P_ENC_COOKIE IN VARCHAR2
) RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

Table A–8 Parameters for DECRYPT_COOKIE

Parameter	Description
P_LSNR_TOKEN	Listener token. Retrieves registration information about the partner application.
P_ENC_COOKIE	Cookie value to be encrypted.

Example

```
WWSEC_SSO_ENABLER.DECRYPT_COOKIE
(
    p_lsnr_token => listener token
```

```
p_isin_cokie => cookie value to be encrypted
)
```

Table Definitions

The single sign-on SDK contains two tables for partner applications: WWSEC_ ENABLER_CONFIG_INFO\$ and WWSEC_SSO_LOG\$. The first stores configuration information that enables the application to determine which single sign-on server to connect to. The second stores client-side debug information, which can be accessed when debugging is enabled.

WWSEC_ENABLER_CONFIG_INFO\$

```
CREATE TABLE wwsec_enabler_config_info$
(
lsnr_token VARCHAR2(255)
, site_token VARCHAR2(255)
, site_id VARCHAR2(255)
, ls_login_url VARCHAR2(1000)
, urlcookie_version VARCHAR2(1000)
, encryption_mask_pre VARCHAR2(1000)
, encryption_mask_post VARCHAR2(1000)
, url_cookie_ip_check VARCHAR2(1)
);
```

WWSEC_SSO_LOG\$

```
CREATE TABLE wwsec_sso_log$
(
, SUBSCRIBER_ID NUMBER NOT NULL
, id NUMBER
, msg VARCHAR2(1000)
, log_date DATE
);
```

Exceptions

Table A–9 lists and describes the exceptions raised by PL/SQL functions and procedures.

Table A–9 Exceptions

Exception	Description
UNKNOWN_ERROR_EXCEPTION	Generic error.
CONFIG_MISSING_EXCEPTION	SDK configuration table is unpopulated, or its contents are invalid.
DUP_CONFIG_EXCEPTION	Partner configuration with same listener token already exists.
ENCRYPTION_FAILED_EXCEPTION	Wrong key or bad input data.
DECRYPTION_FAILED_EXCEPTION	Wrong key or bad input data.
UNSUPPORTED_VERSION_EXCEPTION	SDK version and single sign-on server version are incompatible.
IPADDR_ERROR_EXCEPTION	Pre- and post-authentication addresses do not match. User might be accessing applications through a proxy, or there might be a security attack, or user's computer might not use fixed IP addresses.
COOKIE_EXPIRED_EXCEPTION	Authentication token sent by single sign-on server timed out.
NULL_ATTRIBUTE_EXCEPTION	Wrong input data.

Java APIs

Java APIs can be used in place of PL/SQL APIs to create partner applications. To learn how to use the Java APIs, see *Oracle Application Server Single Sign-On API Reference.*

Java APIs

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Using the PL/SQL and Java APIs

This appendix provides sample programs that illustrate how to enable partner applications for single sign-on.

The appendix contains the following topics:

- Before Using the APIs
- Writing Partner Applications Using PL/SQL APIs
- Writing Partner Applications Using Java APIs

Before Using the APIs

Before you begin writing partner applications with the single sign-on SDK, make sure that you have correctly installed and configured it. Follow the instructions included with it. The SDK is available at \$ORACLE_HOME/sso/lib/ssosdk902.zip.

Writing Partner Applications Using PL/SQL APIs

The example that follows shows how to develop a partner application using PL/SQL APIs. If you need help creating a database access descriptor, see *Oracle Application Server 10G mod_plsql User's Guide*. If you need help writing PL/SQL applications, see *Oracle Application Server 10G PL/SQL Web Toolkit Reference*. The example incorporates three procedures: SAMPLE_SSO_PAPP.SSOAPP, SAMPLE_SSO_PAPP.SIGN_ON, and SAMPLE_SSO_PAPP.LOGOUT.

SAMPLE_SSO_PAPP.SSOAPP

This procedure constructs the application URL. The procedure checks to see if the application cookie exists and user information can be retrieved; otherwise it redirects the user to the single sign-on server by generating a redirect URL.

SAMPLE_SSO_PAPP.SIGN_ON

This procedure gets the URLC token from the single sign-on server, decrypts it, and retrieves user information and the requested URL. The procedure sets the application cookie and redirects the browser to the partner application URL.

SAMPLE_SSO_PAPP.LOGOUT

This procedure implements the logout URL for the application.

The sample code for the package papp.pks and papp.pkb is in the file ssosdk902.zip, which is located in demo/plsql.

Note: The request URL and the cancel URL must be URL encoded if these URLs contain a URL parameter. For example:

http://host:port/dad/schema.procedure?itemid=1234&type=purchase

In PL/SQL, the <code>wwwtl_htf.encode</code> procedure can be used to encode the URL.

Writing Partner Applications Using Java APIs

Initially, the partner application redirects you to the single sign-on server for authentication and, after successful authentication, sets its own application session cookie. Any subsequent request first attempts to validate the application session cookie. If the application session cookie is not found, the partner application redirects the user to the single sign-on server. To spare the server from having to verify every user request, all partner applications should maintain their own application session.

This section shows how to implement a generic bean that can be used in servlets and JavaServer pages (JSPs). The section contains the following topics

- Servlet Partner Application
- JSP Partner Application

Note: The request URL and the cancel URL must be URL encoded if these URLs contain a URL parameter. For example:

http://host:port/jsp/order.jsp?itemid=1234&type=purchase

In Java, the java.net.URLEncoder class can be used to encode the URL.

Servlet Partner Application

The example Java servlet provided consists of files that are located in ssosdk902.zip. These are the files:

Bean classes

The files SSOEnablerBean.java and SSOEnablerServletBean.java are located in demo/java/beans. Edit these files to suit your deployment.

Servlet classes

The files SSOPartnerServlet.java, SSOSignOnServlet.java and SSOPartnerLogoutServlet.java are in demo/java/servlet.

You must compile the bean and servlet files and deploy them in OC4J before you can access your application.

The authentication flow for this application is as follows:

- 1. The user goes to the SSOPartnerServlet application URL. This servlet retrieves user information with the help of SSOEnablerServletBean. If the user information is found, it is used inside the application; otherwise, the browser redirects the user to the single sign-on server.
- 2. After authentication, the single sign-on server does the following:
 - Redirects the user to the SSOSignOnServlet URL to set the application cookie
 - Redirects the user to the requested application URL using SSOEnablerServletBean. The servlet uses the application cookie to shows user information.

JSP Partner Application

The example JSP partner application also consists of files that are located in ssosdk902.zip. These are the files:

Bean classes

The files SSOEnablerJspBean.java and SSOEnablerServletBean.java are located in demo/java/beans. Edit these files to suit your deployment.

JSP files

The files ssoinclude.jsp, ssosignon.jsp, papp.jsp, and papplogoff.jsp are located in demo/java/jsp.

You must compile bean java files and then deploy them with JSP files in OC4J before you can access your application. For detailed information about compilation, see ssosdk902.zip.

The authentication flow for this application is as follows:

- 1. The user goes to the papp.jsp page.
- **2.** papp.jsp retrieves user information with the help of the ssoinclude.jsp page. If the user information can be found, then it is used by the application; otherwise, the browser redirects the user to the single sign-on server using SSOEnablerJspBean.
- **3.** After authentication, the single sign-on server redirects the user to the ssosignon.jsp page. This page sets the application cookie and redirects the user to the requested application URL using SSOEnablerJspBean.

С

Adding and Editing SDK-Enabled Applications

The Administer Partner Applications page, accessible as a link on the SSO Server Administration page, is used to register and edit applications integrated with the single sign-on SDK. This page is also useful for viewing mod_osso configuration information. Starting with release 9.0.2, mod_osso is registered automatically by the installer.

If you use the UI to manually register an SDK-enabled partner application, bear in mind that you are registering the application only with the single sign-on server. To register the application in the partner application database, you must manually copy the registration information from the single sign-on UI.

This appendix contains the following topics:

- Add Partner Application Page
- Edit Partner Application Page

Add Partner Application Page

Selecting the Add Partner Applications link on the administration pages takes you to the Create Partner Applications page. Use the fields on this page, described in the tables immediately following, to register an application with the single sign-on server. Once you add the application, it appears with existing applications in a list sorted by date.

Field	Description	
Name	Enter a unique name for the partner application.	
Home URL	Enter the URL of the home page for the application.	
Success URL	Enter the URL to the routine responsible for establishing the partner application's session and session cookies. This routine should redirect the browser to the URL that the user originally requested.	
	The URL must point to a procedure that processes the user identification information from the single sign-on server. Include the http:// prefix in the URL. The following example shows a success URL for OracleAS Portal:	
	<pre>http://server.domain.com:5000/pls/DAD/portal.w wsec_app_priv.process_signon</pre>	
Logout URL	Enter the URL for the logout routine of the application. The single sign-off page invokes this URL in parallel with others, enabling users to simultaneously log out of the server and active partner applications.	

Table C–1 Partner Application Login

Description
Enter the date when users are first able to access the partner application through the single sign-on server. Use the format shown next to the field label.
Enter the date when users are last able to access the partner application through the single sign-on server. Use the format shown next to the field label.
Note: If you leave this field blank, this partner application is valid for an indefinite period.

 Table C–2
 Valid Login Timeframes

Field	Description		
Administrator E-mail	Enter the e-mail address of the administrator of the partner application.		
Administrator Information	Enter any additional information that you want to include about the administrator of the partner application.		

Table C–3 Application Administrator

Edit Partner Application Page

The Edit Partner Application page contains all of the fields that are on the Create Partner Application page, plus five additional fields in the **Partner Application Login** section. Table C-4 on page C-3 describes the additional fields.

Field	Description
ID	The ID value is automatically set when a partner application is added. It is used by the single sign-on server to identify the partner application.
Token	The token is automatically set when a partner application is added. It is used by the single sign-on server to identify the partner application. The partner application must use the application token to identify itself to the single sign-on server when requesting authentication.
Encryption Key	The encryption key for the partner application.
Login URL	This is the same as the success URL, which sets the application session and cookies.
Single Sign-Off URL	This is the same as the URL for application logout.

Table C–4 Fields on the Edit Partner Application Page

Use the following steps to edit a partner application:

- 1. From the Administer Partner Applications page, choose an application from the list that appears under the Edit/Delete Partner Application heading.
- 2. Click the Edit link for that application. This link appears as a pencil icon.
- **3.** On the Edit Partner Application page, edit the field values in Table C–1. These are the only values that can be edited.
- 4. Click **Apply** to store changes for the current screen and to display the updated screen. Click **OK** to store all changes and to return to the previous screen.

D

User Attributes Passed to Partner Applications

Table D–1 lists all of the user attributes that mod_osso passes to applications. The table also recommends attributes to use as keys, or handles, to retrieve additional user attributes from Oracle Internet Directory.

HTTP Header Name	Description	Source	Use as Key or Handle?
Osso-User-Guid	Single sign-on user's globally unique user ID (GUID)	Single sign-on user's globally unique user ID (GUID)	Recommended
Osso-Subscriber-Guid	Realm GUID	Realm entry in Oracle Internet Directory	Recommended
Remote-User	User nickname as entered by user on the login page	Single sign-on login page	Recommended for pre-9.0.4 applications, but not for 9.0.4 applications.
Osso-Subscriber	User-friendly name for a realm	Realm entry in Oracle Internet Directory	Recommended for pre-9.0.4 applications, but not for 9.0.4 applications.

Table D–1 User Attributes Passed to Partner Applications

HTTP Header Name	Description	Source	Use as Key or Handle?
Accept-Language	Language and territory in ISO format	Single sign-on server	Not applicable
Osso-User-Dn	Single sign-on user's distinguished name (DN)	User entry in Oracle Internet Directory	Not recommended. Use GUID headers to perform user searches in Oracle Internet Directory. ¹
Osso-Subscriber-DN	Realm DN	Realm entry in Oracle Internet Directory	Not recommended. Use GUID headers to perform user searches in Oracle Internet Directory. ²

Table D–1 User Attributes Passed to Partner Applications

Deprecated. To be removed in the next release.
 ² Deprecated. To be removed in the next release.

Glossary

dads.conf

File on the Oracle HTTP server that is used to configure a database access descriptor.

database access descriptor

Database connection information for a particular OracleAS component such as the the single sign-on schema.

dynamic directive

HTTP response header that uses special error codes to enable an application to request single sign-on functionality without having to implement the single sign-on protocol.

external application

An application that does not delegate authentication to the single sign-on server. Instead, it displays an HTML login form that asks for an application user name and password. At the first login, you can choose to have the server retrieve these credentials for you. Thereafter, you are logged in to the application transparently.

forced authentication

The act of forcing you to reauthenticate if you have been idle for a preconfigured amount of time. OracleAS Single Sign-On enables you to specify a global user inactivity timeout. This feature is intended for installations that have sensitive applications.

GET

Authentication method whereby login credentials are submitted as part of the login URL.

HTTP response headers

Data embedded in a single sign-on application that instructs the mod-osso-enabled single sign-on server to perform some action such as forced authentication or single sign-off. Absent such headers, applications must use the single sign-on SDK to interact with the single sign-on system.

httpd.conf

File used to configure the Oracle HTTP Server.

mod_oc4j

Oracle HTTP module that communicates Web requests to the OC4J engine.

mod_osso

Module on the Oracle HTTP server that enables applications protected by OracleAS Single Sign-On to accept HTTP headers in lieu of a user name and password once the user has logged into the single sign-on server. The values for these headers are stored in the mod_osso cookie.

mod_osso cookie

User data stored on the HTTP server. The cookie is created when a user authenticates. When the same user requests another application. The Web server uses the information in the mod_osso cookie, not the single sign-on cookie, to log the user in to the application. This feature speeds server response time.

OC4J (Oracle Containers for J2EE)

A lightweight, scalable container for Java2 Enterprise Edition.

Oracle HTTP Server

Software that processes Web transactions that use the Hypertext Transfer Protocol. Oracle uses HTTP software developed by the Apache Group.

partner application

An application that delegates the authentication function to the single sign-on server. This type of application spares you from reauthenticating by accepting mod_osso headers or by redirecting you to the server itself. To redirect users itself, the application must be integrated with the single sign-on SDK.

POST

Authentication method whereby login credentials are submitted within the body of the login form.

single sign-off

Process by which you terminate a single sign-on session and log out of all active partner applications simultaneously. You do this by logging out of the application you are working in.

single sign-on SDK

The APIs that enable partner applications for single sign-on. The SDK consists of PL/SQL and Java APIs as well as sample code that demonstrates how these APIs are implemented.

single sign-on server

Program logic that enables you to log in securely to single sign-on applications such as expense reports, mail, and benefits.

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