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Summary

SURFnet seeks to raise the level of integration between the various collaboration services that it delivers to its community. The possibility of applying group management features across the various services is regarded as a requirement to achieve this goal.

A short investigation has been made of solutions for service spanning group management. i.e. user groups that can be managed centrally and can be used in different web based applications. Also SURFnet service managers were interviewed about group management in order to discover the utility of such groups for their service.

The general conclusion is that the services SURFgroepen en SURFmedia will immediately benefit from centrally managed user groups, but the rest is happy the way they are. If a central group manager would be implemented, some service managers could think of possible applications but they would all be related to role-based authorization based on groupmembership.

The search for a product that most likely will fulfill the needs for SURFnet is COManage/Groupier. Groupier offers the best interoperability and developer support of all evaluated products.

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