

Integrated Award Environment

The Path Forward

**Industry Meeting
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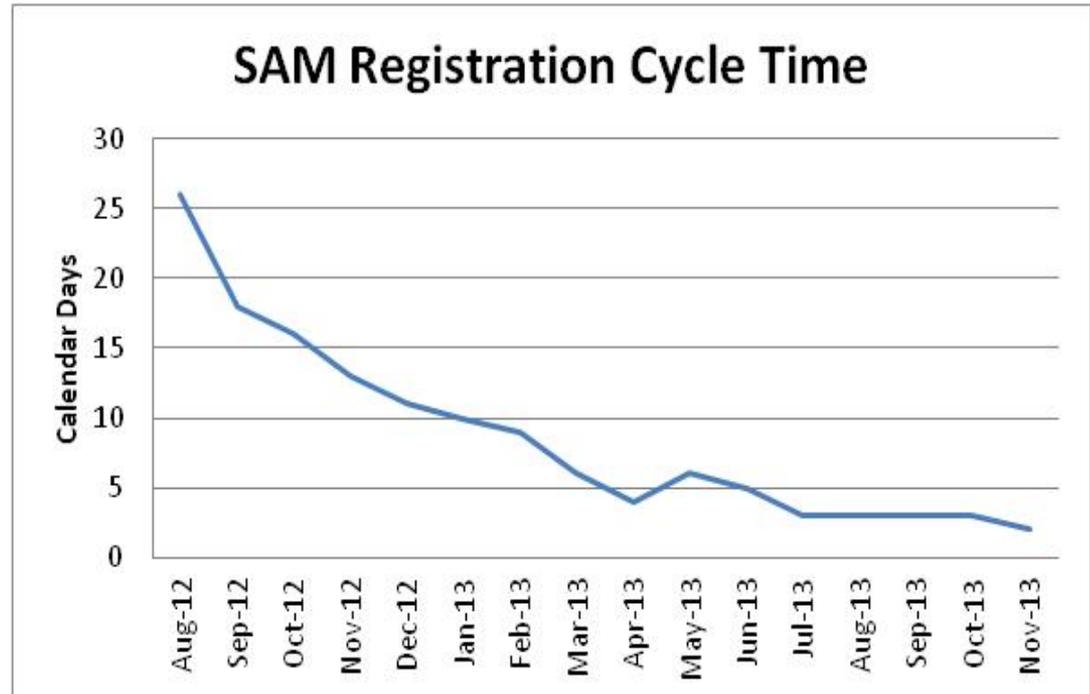
- **GSA leadership committed to IAE**
- **GSA committed to IT innovation**
- **GSA's consolidated OCIO –
Supporting the federal customer**

➤ **Registration speed is up**

➤ **System availability improved**

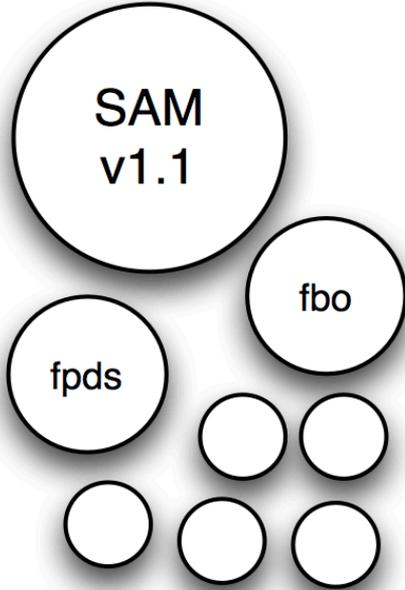
➤ **Security tightened**

➤ **Customer service enhanced**

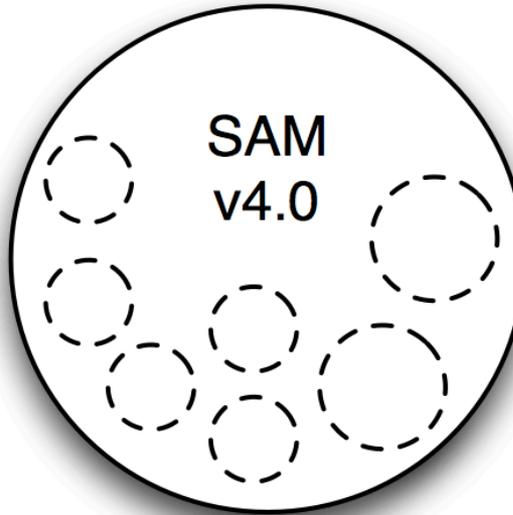


- **Compliance improved**
- **Data integrity increased**
- **User Acceptance Testing launched**
- **Costs controlled**

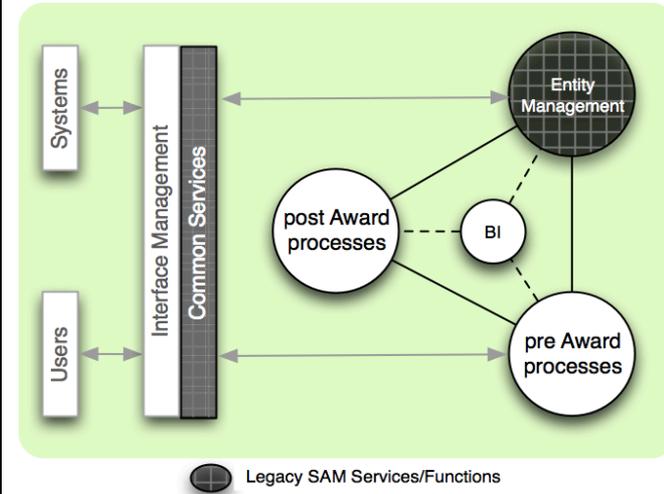
Fix SAM then Fence & Operate



Rebuild Existing SAM and Build Original Design



Move Forward with an Open and User-Centric Environment



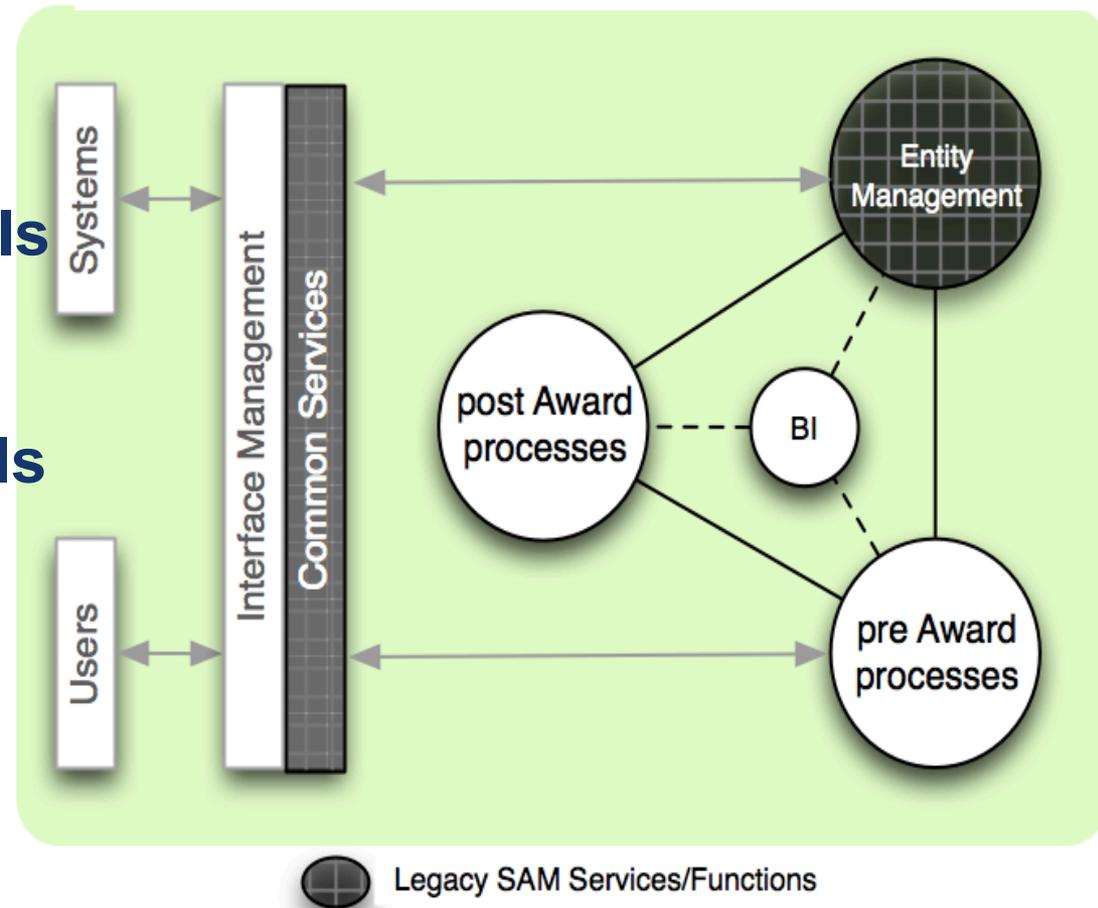
SAM v1.1: Rebuild SAM (Application) with existing functionality and no additional consolidations

SAM v4.0: Rebuild SAM (Application) and integrate all legacy systems

SAM 3-Core API: Extracting common requirements from existing SAM

Move Forward with an Open and User-Centric Environment

- User centric design
- Agile development
- Data transparency
- Open source, open APIs
- Strong testing
- Strict security protocols
- No code handoffs
- Government owns integration with technical governance support



Stage 1 Activities FY14-Q3 FY15

Stage 2 Activities Q2 FY14-Q1FY16

Stage 3 Activities Q3FY15-Q1FY17

“To-Be” Architecture Q3-FY16-Q1FY18

Target State:

- Identity & Access Management (I&AM) as a Service
- Initial Application Programming Interfaces (API) built
- Common Services (I&AM, cloud hosting, data warehouse reporting & extracts, search)
- SAM refocused

Target State:

- FBO functions moved to Pre-Award Core
- New Entity Management Core IOC
- eSRS, FSRS, FBO, decommissioned
- Legacy SAM Infrastructure decommissioned
- Capabilities added to Common Services

Target State:

- WDOL functions moved to Pre-Award Core
- Post-Award Core deployed
- Additional capabilities with Common Services including improved Data Warehouse
- WDOL and FPDS-NG decommissioned

Target State:

- CFDA functions moved to Pre-Award Core
- Data Warehouse updated
- All legacy systems decommissioned

Chevrons represent major release planning cycles, not software development cycles

- **Today's meeting is a start**
- **We will conduct follow-on Industry meetings on topics of interest**
- **Join us on Interact at interact.gsa.gov**
- **Contact us at IAEoutreach.gov**
- **GSA is focusing on the requirements for these solicitations planned for late FY2014**
 - **Common Services**
 - **Technical Governance Support**

What do we mean by principle?



- **A principle is a guidepost for our decision-making at all levels**
- **Everything from our strategy to architecture, to implementation is affected by our principles**
- **They are not hard and fast rules – in fact, they are in tension with each other**
- **They should distinguish us from other programs and our own history**

- **Open (source code, data, APIs)**
- **Data as an asset**
- **Continuous improvement**
- **Effective user experience**
- **Measurable transactions**
- **Security is foundational**
- **Build value over maintaining status quo**

“Open source, open data, open APIs”

Implies

- Open source IAE code where possible
- Use open source tools
- Provide open access to IAE data
- All IAE business functions are also open

Balance

- Closed tools (e.g., Oracle) and their stability vs open tools and their agility
- Security and openness

Ask ourselves

- “How does this make us transparent?”
- “How does this make us more accessible?”

“Accurate, timely, complete, and authoritative”

Implies

- Significant effort to manage data quality; implementors must have data-oriented SLAs
- Change control of the data needs to be transparent
- Will follow the data->information->knowledge chain

Balance

- Our flexibility has to account for the strong change management of our data

Ask ourselves

- “How do we ensure that we are providing timely and accurate data?”
- “How are we enabling decision-making through use of our data?”

“Agile, flexible, and responsive”

Implies

- Agile development – frequent, controlled releases with high stakeholder engagement
- Design in flexibility – policy changes should be easier to implement

Balance

- Flexibility, security and change management are in tension

Ask ourselves

- “Are we waiting too long to show demonstrable results?”
- “Does it cost too much to make changes to IAE?”

“We invest in our stakeholders’ experience”

Implies

- Constant engagement with users
- Understand the personae of our stakeholder community
- Actively choose which groups are of priority

Balance

- Cost of being a “gold-plated” solution for everyone

Ask ourselves

- “Who are we serving?”
- “Whose mental model are we implementing?”

“Our performance is quantifiable”

Implies

- Granular business process definition
- Strong understanding of internal and external dependencies
- Transactions are built to be cost-measurable
- Can become a fee-for-service organization

Balance

- API development supports this
- Agile development may change costs frequently unless we select appropriate baselines and change processes

Ask ourselves

- “What is our business measure for this process?”
- “How do we improve our transactional costs?”

“We are a trusted service provider”

Implies

- Design security into each transaction and data store
- Continuous evaluation of security posture

Balance

- Being open and secure can be (but is not always) at odds; can leverage openness to quash security issues
- Consider the incremental costs of additional security

Ask ourselves

- “How do we assure our users that we are conforming to the principle of least access?”
- “How do we prove that we are secure?”

“Run to Grow”

Implies

- Incremental expenditure should bring high value
- Develop maintainable systems and processes so our dollars can be spent in growing stakeholder capability

Balance

- The need to serve our legacy users against new development

Ask ourselves

- “Are we spending a lot of money to stay in the same place?”

How do we use the Principles?



- **As you make decisions about contracting, business processes, architecture, and the other planning, consider the principles**
- **The questions are examples of things to consider—not comprehensive**
- **Guideposts not fences**