Editor's Note - Issue 6

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Nearly a year and a half ago, IDPro launched the <u>Body of Knowledge</u> (BoK) to provide a much needed resource for industry information and insight. Twenty-six articles published by twenty-four authors and over one hundred terms defined later, the sheer amount of knowledge collected in the IDPro Body of Knowledge (BoK) is amazing. The collection continues to grow with three brand new articles and three refreshed articles for Issue 6.

This latest Issue contains some powerful fundamentals, including articles describing an IAM Reference Architecture and how that architecture can be applied to SAML flows in a cloud-based infrastructure. It features practical information on Authentication and Authorization, PKI for Identity Practitioners, and updates on three classic articles introducing concepts in IAM architecture, access control, and privacy and consent.

Based on the feedback we received from IDPro members at our Plenary earlier this month, throughout the next year we'll be focusing on the completion of a collection of core IAM material as it pertains generally across all industries and specifically to the enterprise sector. Other sectors will have their day as we still intend to publish articles that describe IAM considerations and best practices in the health care, fintech, and higher education verticals, among others.

The BoK would not be the useful, practitioner-oriented resource it is today without *you*. It is IDPro members that have the expertise to write and review these articles, creating a resource that supports the mission and vision of this organization. We hope you will join us in celebrating this new Issue and also <u>consider how you might be able to contribute</u> to the future of the BoK.