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**Integration Partner Transition  
Student Aid Internet Gateway (SAIG)  
Briefing**

May 2004

# Project Overview

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- SAIG provides telecommunications support and facilitates data transmission between FSA's customers and the various Title IV Application Systems. SAIG is a store and forward mailbox application used by FSA's customers (post-secondary schools, lenders, guaranty agencies, state agencies, and other electronic trading partners) for sending and receiving Privacy Act data to the Title IV application systems. The Commercial off the Shelf (COTS) products that support the customers' transmissions were developed by the commercial vendor bTrade.
- SAIG is currently hosted at FSA's Virtual Data Center (VDC) in Meriden, CT operated by the vendor Computer Sciences Corporation (CSC).

# Project Owners

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- Lydia Morales – FSA SAIG Team Lead
- Phillip Wynn – FSA SAIG SSO
- Mike Fillinich – FSA CIO Manager
- Debbie Bairdain – FSA COR
- System operator/contractor - Accenture

# Business Functions

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- SAIG allows entities external to FSA (Schools, Lenders, Guaranty Agencies, State Agencies) to securely send and receive privacy act protected data from FSA application systems.
- SAIG allows schools to view and change the status of messages sent/received in their mailboxes using a web application.

# Relationship to FSA's Strategic Goals

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Strategic Goal	Applicable to Project?	If yes, why?
Modernize & Integrate Systems	Yes	SAIG moved FSA transmissions from a proprietary WAN to the internet.
Improve Program Integrity	No	N/A
Reduce Costs	Yes	Use of the internet instead of the proprietary network, reduced costs.
Improve Products & Services	Yes	SAIG improved transmission speed and allows users self-service capabilities for mailbox message administration.
Improve Human Capital	No	N/A

# Relationship to FSA's 'Big Picture'

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- The Enterprise Target State Vision allows for SAIG to provide the foundation for an FSA Gateway - a single, virtual, and secure gateway that enables standardized external exchange of commonly referenced data to simplify communication with FSA by FSA's Trading Partners.

# Delivery Process

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- SAIG conducts weekly status meetings; Information shared in these meetings is incorporated into the status report.
- For the Shared-in-Savings Report, the VDC provides the actual cost for hosting SAIG. This value is used to determine the overall savings of SAIG and to create the Shared in Savings statement.

# Project Schedule

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- June 2004– Updated version of EDconnect deployed.
- July 2, 2004 - Tentative Contract Award Date
- July through Sept – Transition to new maintenance team
- October 1, 2004 - Operations under new Contract

# Project Deliverables

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- Monthly Share in Savings Report

# Next Steps

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- Share in Savings period continues through FY 05-06.
- Maintenance ends September 2004.
- New Maintenance Procurement underway with an expected award date of July 2, 2004.