Externalized Authorization in the Cloud

What's it about?
Embedding authorization functionality directly in application is widely applied scenario. However, the definition and enforcement of entitlements on the level of application make the centralized maintenance of access policies within organization less efficient and secure. This issue is even more emphasised in cloud environments, where user entitlements have to be maintained cross-organizationally, in multi-site, heterogeneous environments.

Goals:
- Define a concept
- Apply externalized authorization to a web application

Interests:
- Web technologies
- Protocols
- Identity management & access control
- Cloud security and services

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