Authentik & Access

Who can use this: Everyone.

`https://auth.necc.me`

1. What is Authentik?

Authentik is the central security hub for this server. Think of it as your **universal key**.

Instead of creating a separate username and password for every tool (like **Forgejo** for code, **Immich** for photos, **Vaultwarden** for passwords), you log in **once** with Authentik. It then securely tells every other service who you are. This means:

- You only remember **one password**.
- Your **Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)** works everywhere automatically.
- If you ever lose your password, you only need to reset it in one place.

2. How to Log In to Services

When you open a service, you will be asked to log in.

Always use your Authentik account.

Different software projects use different technical names for this "single login" feature. You might see buttons labeled:

- **SSO** (Single Sign-On)
- **OIDC** (OpenID Connect)
- **OAuth2** / **OAuth**
- **OpenID**
- **Federated Login**
- **Login with Provider**
- **Sign in with...**

Don't be confused by the names! They all mean the same thing here: "*Click this to use your main server account.*"

Important Warning: I have tried to make SSO the only option, but unfortunately, **not all services support this perfectly**. Some applications might still show a standard "Username/Password" box with the option for SSO somewhere on the page.

- **DO NOT** create a new password or enter your Authentik password in these boxes.
- **LOOK** for a small link or button nearby saying "Log in with SSO," "Use External Provider," "OIDC," or similar as explained above.

3. Who Can Access What?

Not all services are available to everyone. Think of each service as a **private room** in a big house.

- Even if you have a key to the front door (your Authentik account), you can only enter rooms where you have been invited.
- Some tools are only for specific family members, friends, or project groups.
- **If you try to access a service and get an error** (like "Access Denied" or "Unauthorized"), it means you are not on the list for that specific room.
- **To get access:** Simply **contact the owner**. Tell me which service you need, and I may add you to the list.

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