The SAC Group
(Updated with Changes from WISAC ’00)

Mission Statement:

To advance Strong Access Control (SAC) technology and increase its awareness in the marketplace.

Strong Access Control:

Strong access control provides effective protection and assured behavior under concerted and sophisticated attack.
Goals:

1. Increase market awareness and demand for SAC technology and products.
2. Facilitate interoperability of SAC products.
3. Identify commercial and research opportunities for SAC.
4. Enhance communication within the SAC community.
5. Define the appropriate resistance to attack for SAC implementations.
Promotion and Education:

1. Web site
   - White papers
   - Briefings
   - FAQs
   - Links to research, vendors, interesting activities
   - WISAC briefings and information
   - Library including reference lists and articles

2. Organize sessions at conferences (papers/panels) [infiltrate program committees]

3. Electronic Newsletter

4. Workshops with archival quality publications (i.e., paper)

5. Press releases, articles on organization and WISAC

6. Liaison with professional societies

7. Mailing List
General:
1. Define SAC.

Standards:

1. Appropriate assurance emphasis and criteria.
2. Framework for specifying product behavior and policy requirements.
3. Define Interoperability specifications (e.g., labels and attributes for customer domains).
Customer Requirements:

1. Identify customer security needs that can be met by SAC.
   - Target by market segment

Research:

1. Identify research areas for next generation of SAC products.
2. Explore approaches for making SAC-based systems easier to use and administer.
Structure:

1. Membership open to any organization
   - One vote per organization [?s: What is an organization: government, segment, divisions, ??]
   - Unlimited # of participants
2. Two classes of membership:
   - Members
   - Sponsors (possibly multiple levels)
3. Dues:
   - Sponsors – TBD
   - Members - TBD, based on budget
4. Quarterly membership teleconferences
5. Yearly meeting or Workshop (WISAC)
6. Leadership is determined by vote of membership
Start-up Tasks:

1. Specify and prioritize initial tasks
2. Sign-up interested organizations
3. Develop an execution plan for initial tasks
4. Establish leadership
5. Solicit sponsor funding
6. Create web site