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Creating a new SAML Object Validator

To implement a Validator create a class that implements the `org.opensaml.xml.validation.Validator` interface and meets the follow guidelines:

- Provides a public no-argument constructor
- Implements its validation rules in the `validate(XMLObject)` method

In order to allow other developers to extend validators at a later date we suggest that you do not implement your rules directly within the `validate` method, but instead create one additional method, per rule, and then simply invoke these rules in the `validate` method. This allows future developers to override one rule, or add new rules, without having to recreate the whole validator. The `org.opensaml.saml2.metadata.validator.EntityDescriptorSchemaValidator` class is an example of this approach.