

Open Source SSI and Inclusive Safety Communities

Topics

- Aries Framework JavaScript
- Inclusive Safety Communities

Aries Framework JavaScript

Aries Framework JavaScript is a framework for building SSI Agents and DIDComm services that aims to be compliant and interoperable with the standards defined in the Aries RFCs.

<https://github.com/hyperledger/aries-framework-javascript>

Cross Platform

- Server (Node.JS) - <https://github.com/animo/aries-agent-demo-nodejs>
- Desktop (Electron) - <https://github.com/blu3beri/aries-agent-electron>
- Mobile (React Native) - <https://github.com/hyperledger/aries-mobile-agent-react-native>

Popular Language

- JavaScript is the most popular language according to the StackOverflow Developer Survey 2020
- TypeScript on top of JavaScript takes away a lot of the JavaScript headaches

Ease of Use

```
npm install @aries-framework/core @aries-framework/react-native
```

```
// agent.ts
import { HttpOutboundTransporter, Agent } from '@aries-framework/core'
import { agentDependencies } from '@aries-framework/react-native'
import { BCGOV_TEST_GENESIS } from './utils'

const agentConfig = {
  label: 'Aries Framework JavaScript',
  walletConfig: { id: 'AriesFrameworkJavaScript' },
  walletCredentials: { key: 'AriesFrameworkJavaScript' },
  genesisTransactions: BCGOV_TEST_GENESIS,
  autoAcceptConnections: true,
  mediatorConnectionsInvite: 'https://mediator.animo.id?c_i=eyXXXX'
}

const agent = new Agent(config, agentDependencies)
agent.setOutboundTransporter(new HttpOutboundTransporter())
await agent.initialize()

// Scanned using QR scanner
const url = 'https://agent.com?c_i=eyXXX'

const { id } = await agent.connection.receiveInvitationFromUrl(url)
const connection = await agent.connections.returnWhenIsConnected(id)
```

```
import React, { useEffect, useLayoutEffect } from 'react'
import { View, Text, StyleSheet } from 'react-native'
import { CredentialsSelectors, CredentialsThunks, initializeStore } from '@aries-framework/redux-store'

const { useAppDispatch } = initializeStore(agent)

export const Credentials = () => {
  const dispatch = useAppDispatch()
  const credentials = useAgentSelector(CredentialsSelectors.credentialRecordsSelector)












  useEffect(() => {
    dispatch(CredentialsThunks.getAllCredentials())
  }, [])

  return (
    <View style={StyleSheet.absoluteFill}>
      {credentials.map((c) => (
        <View key={c.id}>
          <Text>{c.id}</Text>
        </View>
      ))}
    </View>
  )
}
```

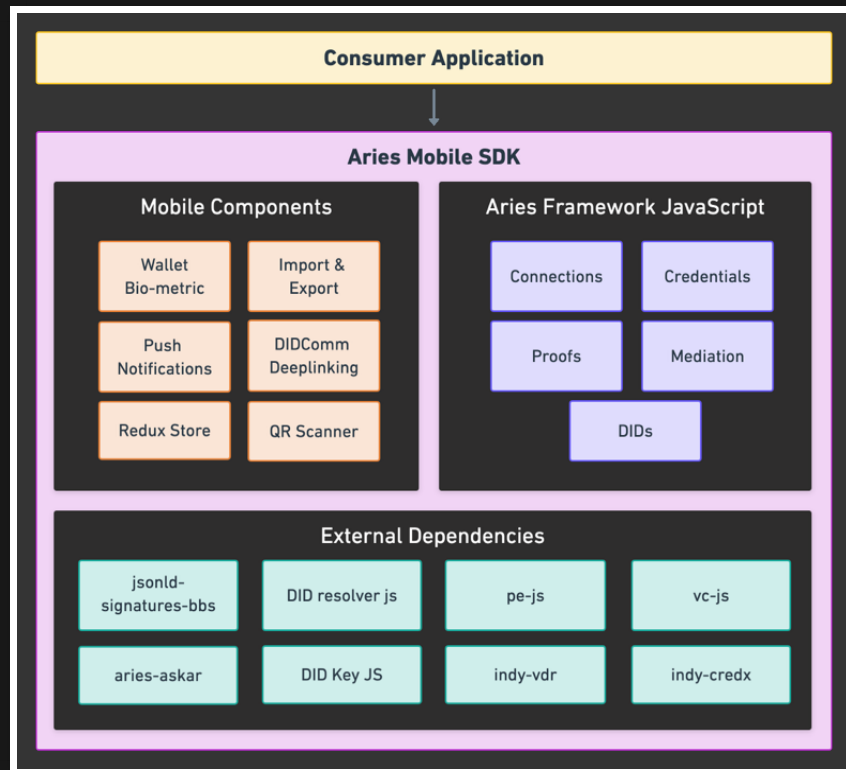
Some projects

- Cardea - [Site](#)
- UNICC - [Article](#)
- Aries Mobile Agent React Native - [Repo](#)
- Several Student Projects (HU)
- Inclusive Safety Communities

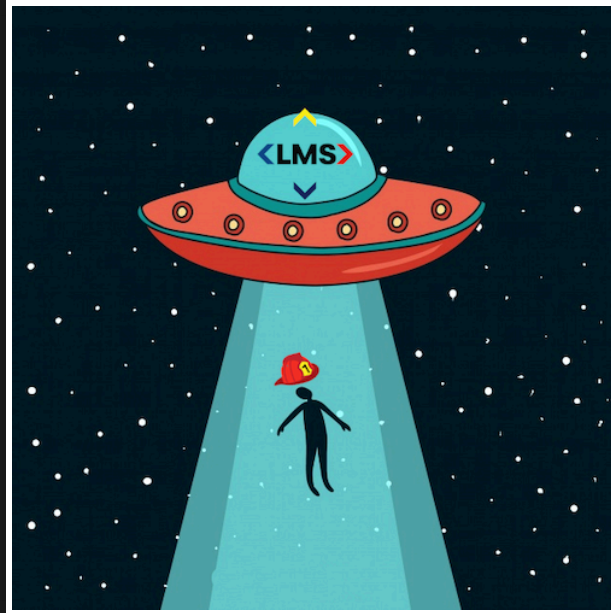
Current Status

-  React Native, Node.JS
-  Connections, Issue Credential, Present Proof
-  Basic Messages
-  Indy Credentials (with did:sov support)
-  HTTP, WebSocket Transport
-  Mediator Coordination Protocol
-  Dependency Injection
-  Breaking up into multiple packages
-  Smart auto-acceptance of credentials and proofs
-  Connection-less Issuance and Verification
-  Revocation of Indy Credentials

Road Ahead



Inclusive Safety Communities



Animo is working with the LMS (a national collaboration of emergency dispatch offices) to facilitate citizen volunteering in emergency situations

- Odyssey Hackathon
- Challenge set out by the Dutch Police and the Dutch Public Safety Alliance

<https://odyssey.org/past-editions/odyssey-2020/public-safety-and-security/inclusive-safety-communities>

The Problem

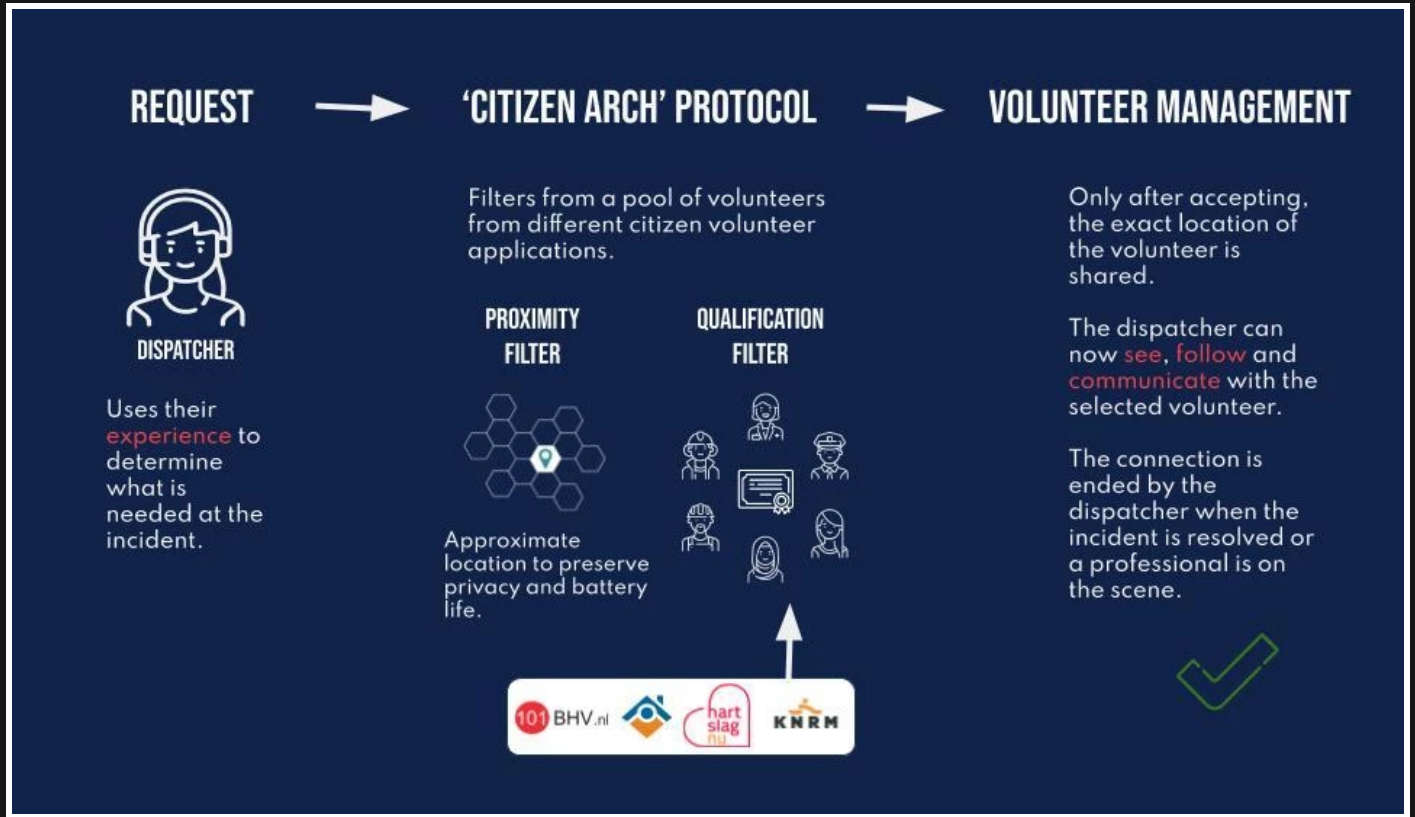
How can the 112-dispatch (911) center find and connect to qualified citizen volunteers, who are able to assist or even solve emergency situations while the professionals are on their way.

- It can take up to 8 minutes for the fire department to arrive (In the netherlands, a small densely populated country)
- Smoke inhalation will kill in 3 min

The Solution

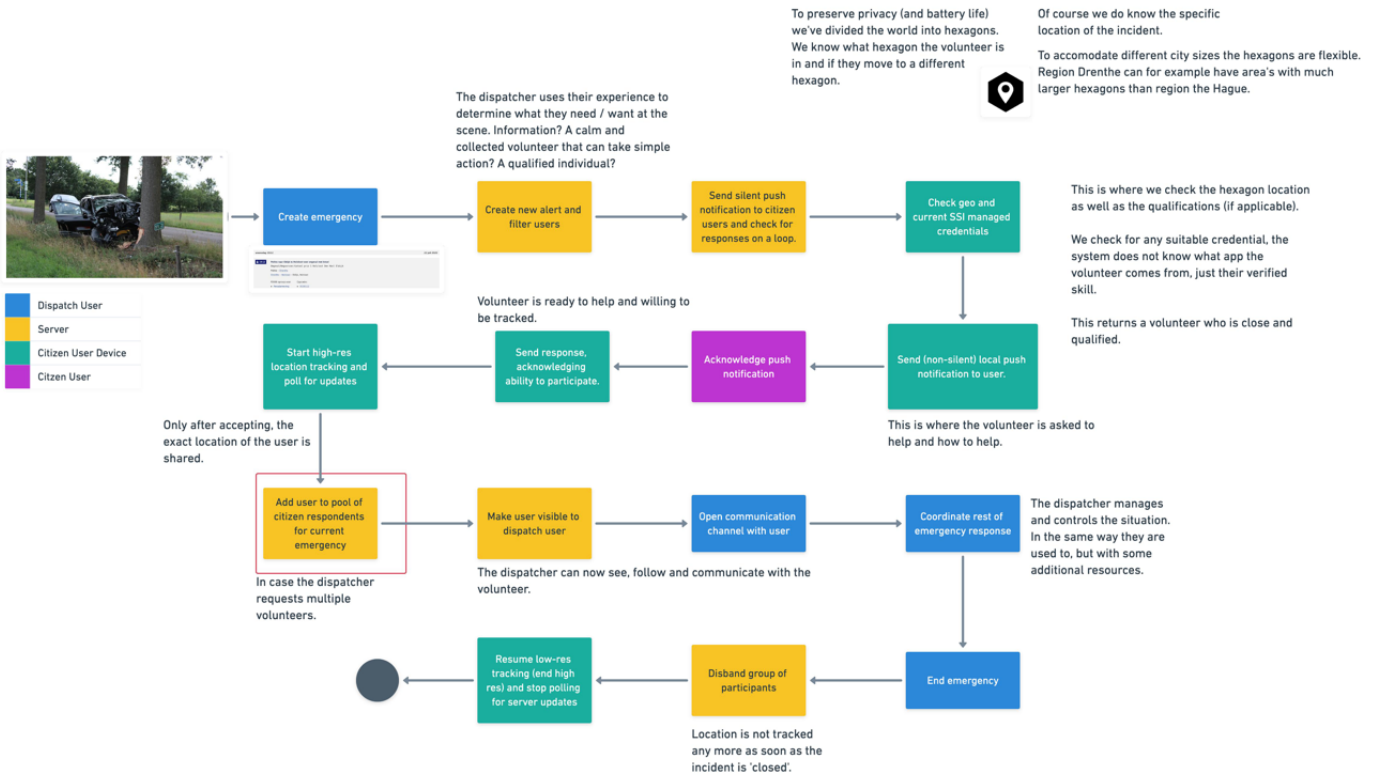
We connect the dispatch to a pool of volunteers from several citizen volunteer applications. This allows dispatchers to manage qualified volunteers in much the same way they currently manage emergency services using systems and communities already in place. Getting the right volunteer help to the right location quickly and safely.

High Level Overview



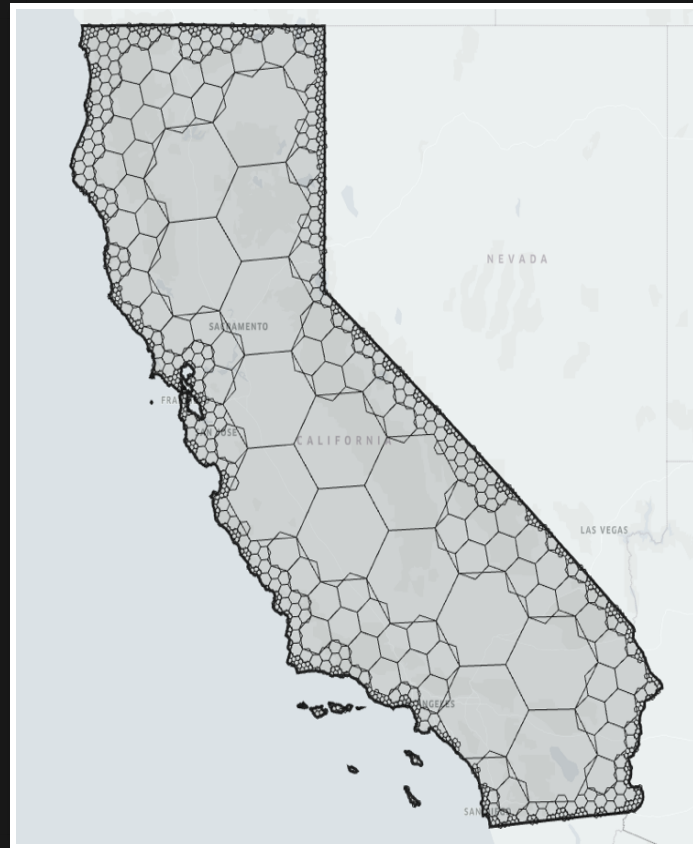
In Depth Flow

Happy-path flow for a citizen volunteer being included in an emergency response



Approximate Location Filtering

<https://h3geo.org/>

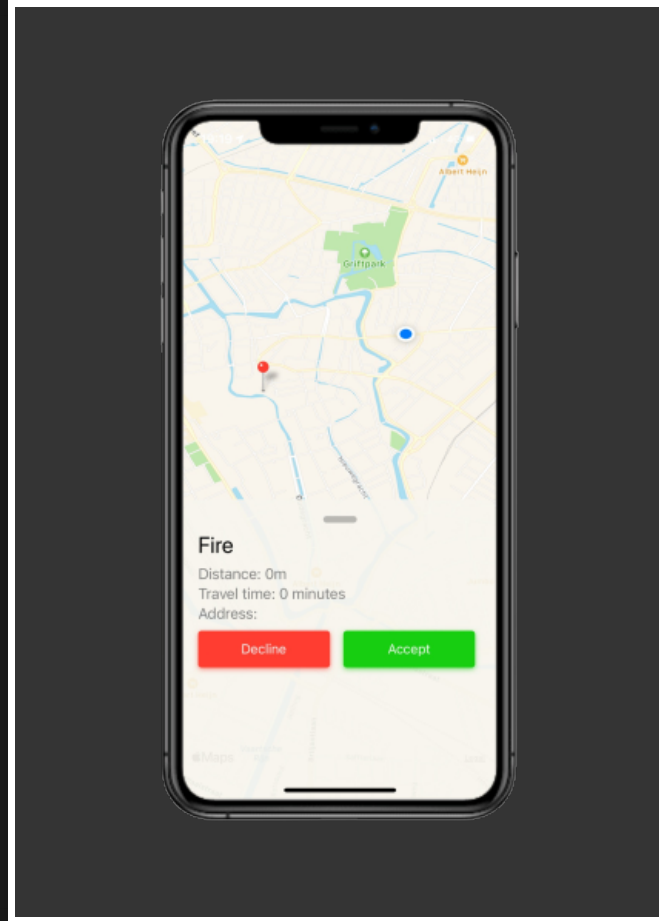


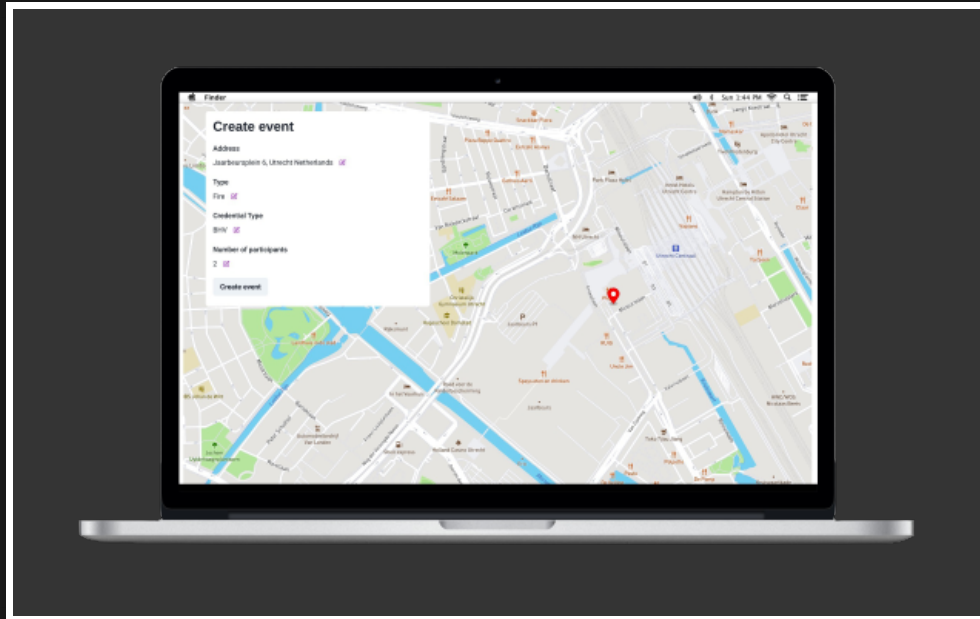
Pilot

- Regional fire department and regional dispatch office
- Low populated area in the Netherlands
- Suffer the most from long traveling time to emergency
- Start with off duty fire fighters

Pilot Flow

- Fire Fighters receive credentials based on their qualifications and training levels
- Issued by the fire department where they work
- Credentials are stored in a custom holder application
- Dispatch matches existing low-risk emergency codes to qualifications
- Custom DIDComm protocols facilitate location sharing and communication





Challenges

- Storing the minimal amount of data that could be used to locate citizens
 - Push Notification Identifiers
 - Approximate Location
- Approximate, but still usefull location data
- How to integrate a wallet into existing volunteer mobile applications?
- How to scale
 - One of the applications for CPR volunteers has more than 170.000 volunteers

Why SSI / Aries

- DIDComm allows for secure communication channel between dispatch center and volunteers
- Protocols allow for an open standard, other volunteer apps can integrate.
- Credentials allow the dispatch center to verify skills before sending them to the emergency, without storing data about its citizens

The benefit of AFJ for this use case

- Provides a framework that we can use for issuer, holder and verifier side
- Open source foundation for other applications to integrate
- Accesible language means higher chance the government can mantain and extend it on a national scale
- Implement custom protocols once, use it on both mobile and server side

Next

- Start practical implementation of pilot
 - Approx. 6 months to build and test first pilot version
- Keep working on AFJ (AIP 2.0, BBS+, DIDComm V2, etc...)
 - Will provide more efficient flow for users and dispatch
 - Multiple credential formats and signature suites will make it easier to add more and more qualifications

Discussion