2019 Q3 Identity WG
Working Group
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Working Group Health
The working group health has been good. Regular attendance has increased. This is due to efforts to run multiple calls on the same day and constant evangelizing. "Convergence" is a natural for this group as all running DLTs need multiple notions of Identity. We are constantly refining our raison d'être. We are a launchpad and mothership of Identity related projects in Hyperledger. The whitepaper has a lot more contributions.

Issues
The issue of gender diversity continues to dog us.

Overall Activity in the Past Quarter
Regular meetings are being held. Some examples of presentations given in the last quarter include:

- More on Aries
- FATF/GAFI recommendations
- India Consent layer
- Are dlts needed for SSI (see the peer DID spec as an example that challenges this assumption)
- An example of Identity layer and Transaction layer converging - see notes
- CULedger a perspective
- A paper on the complementarity of Hubs and Agents

Copy editing of the current content in the Identity Working group paper is almost complete. Many thanks to Kelly Cooper for the exemplary diligence and persistence with this work.

We have become a standing or permanent conference on Identity; going all year around; the material we produce can be consumed asynchronously by people interested in digital Identity on DLTs. This is a mix of demos, works in progress, techniques, tips, commentary on regulatory activity etc.

Planned Work Product
Slow and steady progress on the Identity whitepaper which we hope to bring to a first draft by the end of the year. We still have a few sections to fill in, mostly on DID and the latest from the FATF. A comprehensive reference section will be included.

We have a proposal to bring back further cross project work for all the Identity work being done inside Hyperledger, taking over part of the Indy WG calls. We may adopt this as a standing extension to our regular call or setup a different time for the coordination call. This will be an implementation specific extension of the Identity WG call and will happen every two weeks on Thursday, folding the Indy WG call into the Identity WG Implementors call. In the beginning this will be Aries, Ursa and Indy. If you’re writing identity code for a Hyperledger project, or anything that intends to be interoperable with a Hyperledger project, please join the first Identity Implementers call next Thursday (July 25) at 9 AM mountain time.

We will be fine tuning the timing (as we all struggle with a 24 hour clock for global inclusion).

Annotation of the notes and the presentations to make them more friendly to discovery and research.

Continue presentations and discussions. One of the themes is convergence of Identity Standards and solutions.

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Implement CHA OSS metrics.

Participant Diversity
Geographic - very good, APAC is still a challenge
Industry - Good mix, tech companies along with identity related companies and independents
Gender - This is a challenge.

Additional Information
We look forward to the working group task force report, to implement some of their recommendations.

Other Working Groups and Special Interest Groups Participation - we try to bring the work in Identity WG to these groups through cross presentations and emails. We have our first official two-way liaison with the SISIG through Andres Bonifacio.

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