Press Release





Resonate's Community Credentials Project Nears Launch

Resonate has successfully reached Stage 3 of the European Union's Next Generation Internet 'ESSIF-Lab' - a leading incubator for work on "Self Sovereign Identity".

At <u>Resonate</u>, we think identity is *human*, not digital, so we like to keep it simple and rooted in *community*.

Resonate artists in every field want to collaborate with each other and with their own community-supporting audiences. But trusted collaboration without face to face interaction is difficult. Many of us let the major corporate social platforms manage the majority of our identity information, even if we would prefer to work in trusted 'peer-to-peer' circles.

Our <u>Community Credentials</u> project helps communities to award simple badge-like credentials that can be proven and recognised across organisations. We will assure safety, confirm identity and protect all data and private information.

The music streaming eco-system needs better authentication and digital proof, all with privacy. Credentials are essential for membership, music purchases, music copyrighting and gig ticketing scenarios.







<u>Verifiable Credentials</u> are a new web standard for proving things digitally, thanks to some clever cryptography. We are building Community Credentials to be the 'Know Your Co-operator' equivalent of KYC (Know Your Customer for business) for co-op social trust, all without reliance on centralised providers (or blockchains).

We're providing an open source 'plugin' solution product, initially for Discourse, the biggest of the community software platforms. We will reach out to its active developer community and beyond that to other open source forum software providers.

We are partnering with Pavilion, https://thepavilion.io/ - a workers' co-operative for online communities and VerifiableCredentials Ltd, a spin-out from the University of Kent, UK, led by Professor David Chadwick, a co-author of the W3C Verifiable Credentials Data Model Recommendation.

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