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# Steering Committee Monthly Meeting

Plenary and Discussion Meeting

January 17, 2024

12-13:30 PT / 20:00-21:00 UTC

# Antitrust Policy & Member Participation

- › Attendees are reminded to adhere to the meeting agenda and not participate in activities prohibited under antitrust and competition laws\*
- › Only members of Trust Over IP who have signed the necessary agreements and charters are permitted to participate in this activity beyond an observer role

\* Examples of types of actions that are prohibited at Linux Foundation meetings and in connection with Linux Foundation activities are described in the Linux Foundation Antitrust Policy available at <http://www.linuxfoundation.org/antitrust-policy>

# Agenda

- Agenda Review (1 min)
- Minutes Approval (1 min)
- New Member Review (1 min)
- ETSI Liaison Request (3 min)
- Understanding JDF Charter License Selection Options (15 min)
- Upcoming deliverables for Steering Committee Approval (15 min)
- Review of Stages of Development for deliverables (5 min)
- Retiring Working Groups (5min)
- V3 ToIP Diagram (10 min)
- Spring Conferences (5 min)
- Upcoming Meetings Reminders (1 min)
  
- Open Discussion

# Minutes Approval

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the December 13th, 2023 meeting of the Steering Committee, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, are hereby confirmed, approved, and adopted.



# ETSI Liaison Request

- June of 2022 we investigate creating an MOU/Liaison agreement with ETSI
- Discovered that LF already had a liaison agreement in place with ETSI and that ToIP could be added to the scope in that agreement.
- Recently discovered that the document between LF and ETSI is currently in the process of being updated and that now would be a good time to add ToIP to the scope.
- Viky Manaila and Drummond Reed have been working with the Technical Secretary of the TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (TC) ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES AND INFRASTRUCTURES (ESI) on the wording and information needed.

**Next Steps will be discussed at the  
TSWG Plenary on Tuesday  
January 23 8-9AM PT**

# JDF Working Group Charter License Options

- TSWG was closed and TSWG-2 was opened December 15th after doing all the proper announcements to change the Patent and Copyright Lic from CC/W3C to OWF CLA and OWFa.

## Techstack Working Group - 2

- Final Notice: TSWG closure, creation of TSWG-2 went out December 14th to the TSWG. December 15th to all Members.
- August 23rd, 2023 Steering Committee resolution  
BE IT RESOLVED that the Steering Committee approves a new Working Group charter for the Technology Stack Working Group (TSWG) which is identical to the original charter with the exception of the following three revisions:
  1. The Copyright Policy shall be Open Web Foundation 1.0.
  2. The Approved Deliverable Patent Licensing shall be Open Web Foundation Agreement 1.0 Mode.
  3. The Working Group Scope shall be:

Working Group Scope. The scope of the Technical Stack Working Group is to define (directly or by reference) the technical standards, test suites, and interoperability certification standards for the Trust over IP architecture stack as described in the [Introduction to ToIP](#) paper and the [Design Principles for the ToIP Stack](#) paper.

## Techstack Working Group - 2

On Wednesday, December 15, 2023 [ToIP](#) will close the TSWG to any further contributions. The mailing list will also be closed and all specifications, documentation, and other **work-in-progress will be tagged and branched in GitHub.**

# JDF Working Group Charter Lic Options

- One of our SC members had some concerns about the use of OWF, and brought it to my attention.
- Several discussions followed. It was decided to leave TSWG-2 on the OWF license, however that we need to educate ourselves better about the ramifications of the various JDF licensing options moving forward.
- **Our next discussion meeting will be on this topic.**
- Today, I have asked Steve McCown to give an introduction to why this is important for us to explore and educate ourselves for future decision.



# JDF Working Group Charter License Options

- Background
  - [JDF Agreement](#): *"...define and support a complete architecture and interoperability certification framework ... as defined in [Hyperledger Aries RFC 0289](#)"*
- JDF Approved Licenses
  - Specifications:
    - [Copyright](#): Copyright Grant to Project, Creative Commons Attribution 4.0, Open Web Foundation 1.0
    - [Patent](#): RAND Royalty-Free Mode, International Mode, Open Web Foundation Agreement 1.0 Mode, W3C Mode, No Patent License
  - Source Code
    - Apache 2.0, MIT License, Mozilla Public License 2.0

# JDF Working Group Charter License Options

- Future Discussion: License Selection Questions
  - What do various licenses provide / require?
  - How do licenses affect participants or organizations?
  - How many topics (Task Forces) should a WG have?
  - What happens when licenses change?
  - How to communicate obligations to participants?

## Techstack Working Group - 2

### Action Required:

If any organization or individual would like to join the new ToIP Technology Stack Working Group 2 (TSWG-2)

Use this [link to sign-up for the TWSG-2 mailing list](#) to signify acceptance of the new charter and desire to participate in the TSWG-2.

1. Scroll to the bottom of the page.
2. Log-in using your group.io username/password or LF ID.  
(Green Button)
3. Click **[+Join This Group]**. (Blue Button)

## Deliverables Coming Soon

- Issuer Requirements Guide for Governance Frameworks of Verifiable Credentials
- Keri Suite (KERI, SAIDs, ACDC, CESR, OOBI)
- ToIP Technology Architecture Specification
- ToIP Trust Spanning Protocol Specification
- ToIP Trust Registry Protocol Specification
- ToIP Profile Discovery Specification
- ToIP did:webs Method Specification
- ToIP X.509 Verifiable Identifier Specification

# Stages of Development

- Our Wiki outlines the Stages of Development  
<https://wiki.trustoverip.org/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=27724781>
- At several Working Groups recently, we have been discussing the need to tighten the use of informative language in specs and stick to **normative language**, putting informative language in other supporting documents. This should happen before public review.
- One of these stages is Public Review.
- This may slow the process of some upcoming deliverables, but will make them better in the end.
- Let's discuss...

## Stages of Development - retiring a WG

- Should we discuss a process for retiring working groups? For example, do we still need the Utility Foundry WG?
- Let's discuss...

## V3 ToIP Stack Diagram

- We have decided that a single diagram to explain the ToIP Stack is not enough for various audiences.
- John Phillips has come up with a design plan so that we can have a unified set of diagrams that meet specific purposes and audience. “Think architecture blueprints”
- Coming Soon: a wiki page and VIDEO tutorial on how to create the additional “ToIP blueprint diagrams” that meet the specific needs of your WG, TF, or other audience.

## Upcoming SC Meeting Dates

Planned

- **February 14th** - Plenary
- **February 28th** - Discussion



# Next All Members Meeting



**Santiago Lyon, Head of Advocacy and Education  
for Content Authenticity Initiative at Adobe**

**February 21st, 2024**

**Content Authenticity Initiative**  
Guest Speakers

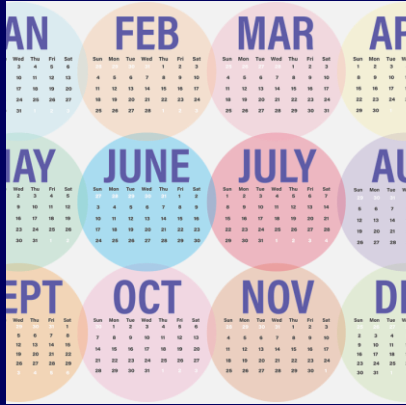


**Eric Scouten, Senior Engineering Manager  
for Content Authenticity Initiative at Adobe**

The Content Authenticity Initiative was formed in 2019 as a partnership between Adobe and the New York Times and has since grown to over 2000 members who share an interest in promoting transparency in content provenance. We do this by promoting open technical standards to make content provenance information readily available to content producers and consumers, through creating open source software that implements those standards, and through education to ensure public awareness and adoption of these standards. Santi will talk about the current state of adoption and our education efforts and Eric will provide an introduction to the current technical standards and upcoming work that draws upon the work of Trust Over IP.



Open Discussion



# Upcoming Meetings

## **Steering Committee - Plenary Meeting - Wednesday February 14th**

noon PDT / 3pm EST / 19:00 UTC / 21:00 CEST

## **All Members Meeting - Guest Speakers- CAI**

### **- Wednesday February 21st**

10:am PDT / 1pm EST / 17:00 UTC / 19:00 CEST

## **Steering Committee - Discussion**

### **- Wednesday February 28th**

noon PDT / 3pm EST / 19:00 UTC / 21:00 CEST

## **Communications Committee**

### **- TBD**

1pm PDT / 4pm EST / 20:00 UTC / 22:00 CEST



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