

Letter of Endorsement

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Endorsement of the statement of ESSIC

To Whom it May Concern,

This is the formal endorsement regarding the statement and the project of ESSIC - the European Self-Sovereign Identity Consortium. We, Dutch Trust Network align with the given concept and principles of ESSIC and endorse their Intention.

The Dutch Trust Network (DTN) is a consortium of public and private entities in The Netherlands developing and managing the common infrastructure for Self-sovereign identity (SSI) applications. We aim for this infrastructure to be open to all stakeholders, based on international technical standards and interoperable across borders while maintaining trustworthiness and compliance with European law (such as the GDPR).

We believe the essence of SSI solutions is the decentralized data control (sovereignty) by the data subject (individual), allowing individuals to exercise their personal data rights. In order to be able to deploy such solutions, a Dutch foundation infrastructure for controlling and sharing of personal data by all individuals is needed; We also recognize the importance of interoperability with other Dutch, European and other international solutions.

This is why we support the initiatives for a “network-of-networks” where DTN and other existing networks can be connected to increase reach of the SSI solutions being piloted on them, without sacrificing the individual governance of each network. A network-of-networks will prevent fragmentation and increase adoption without forcing anyone to adopt a network infrastructure that is not their own or fit for their own purpose.

We realize the implementation of such a network-of-networks is not trivial and will require effort from many stakeholders. DTN is committed to take the necessary steps towards interoperability with this network-of-networks and to provide input, where possible in its design.

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Signature Endorser

Jacob Boersma, Dutch Blockchain Coalition

On behalf of the Dutch Trust Network consortium