Dear Sue,

I would like to formally nominate Chris Eckl as representative to the OIX board, UK.

As our CTO and Identity Business Manager at Sitekit Ltd. I believe Chris Eckl is an excellent candidate as representative to the board of OIX UK.

An innovative and creative figure with an abundance of energy and focus in equal measure, Chris has been one of the driving forces behind Sitekit's growth over the past eighteen years. He has most recently pioneered Sitekit's expansion into the digital identity market, building on his innovative work in developing our digital health product suite. Chris is an expert in citizen identity management, personal health records, enterprise architecture, trust frameworks, agile development and interoperability. He is a recognised subject matter expert for Microsoft Azure Identity Solutions and an authority on the Azure Active Directory B2C platform. His understanding of both the commercial and technical identity landscape leaves him well situated to identify the key opportunities for the OIX UK Chapter in 2018.

Innovation and entrepreneurship are two words oft-overused, yet deeply applicable here. Chris established Sitekit Labs in 2008 to facilitate the growth of new ideas in the area of Sitekit's online expertise – an approach, nine years on, which continues to pay dividends to the company. His efforts placed Sitekit in a position to extensively engage with Innovate UK's £100m *dallas* (delivering assisted living lifestyles at scale) community. This included the development of a Trust Framework for the Living it Up initiative – an innovative architecture that allows applications to share data according to the authorisation rights and verified authenticity of those applications. Based on the OITF (Open Identity Trust Framework) model, a UK government framework, Sitekit's infrastructure offered users a personalised experience throughout their ecosystem journey, based on information stored within a single secure location. Chris's work at Sitekit is complemented by a long track-record of entrepreneurship throughout his twenty five year engagement with the information technology industry as a whole.

The scope of his vision, founded on a basic curiosity and enthusiasm for technology, is extremely broad and constitutes the basis for his farsighted leadership of the Sitekit Identity Business. At the heart of Chris's efforts is his passion to place new technologies at the disposal of ordinary users, a disposition that has resulted in exceptional client satisfaction and product functionality in all projects he has overseen. It is a deep-seated commitment, demonstrated in his role as lecturer and tutor at the University of the Highlands and Islands, where he helped them establish their first undergraduate web science course.

OIX members can be satisfied that Chris has both the vision and drive, as well as the requisite experience, skills and resourcefulness, to make things happen.

Yours Sincerely,

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