

Candidate Statement

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1. What are the key opportunities you see for the OIX UK Chapter in 2018?

In 2018 I see four key opportunities that OIX UK Chapter can take advantage of in 2018:

- OIX UK can utilise standardised identity and consent models to drive transparent data-sharing and support compliance with emerging legislation. GDPR is a prime example of this, yet other opportunities may potentially present themselves with Open Banking and PSD2.
- OIX UK can specify trust frameworks that will enable cross-sector data flow between central government, local government and the NHS – as well as providing the commercial models for operation.
- By investigating the use of assured identity models, such as social identities and locally sponsored (e.g. council) identities, OIX UK will establish a framework for widespread adoption and foster future growth in the identity sector by establishing frameworks for adoption.
- Successful delivery of the CEF project to deliver a prototype of an EU National Digital Identity will significantly expand the scope of the identity market across Europe and present substantial opportunities for growth in the UK.

2. How will you demonstrate your commitment to the work of the chapter in terms of resources, focus and leadership?

Sitekit has supported OIX as contributing members since its inception. Sitekit's business unit's focus is solely on the identity space. We are an active and contributing member of the exchange, having recently completed joint consultancy projects with stakeholders across the industry, including but not limited to: Microsoft, Government Digital Service (GDS) and the States of Jersey. Our achievements in delivering workable identity solutions – especially our Local and Regional Government Platform - will help drive the adoption of digital identity open standards across the UK.

Sitekit Identity Business Unit's forecast growth will be invested back into the company, allowing us to expand the scope of our operations, take on more staff and hone our expertise in the area to provide continued leadership within the sector. Our experience to date, listed under question five demonstrates this potential.

3. What would you like to see accomplished and how do you plan to make things happen?

I would like to see OIX UK continue to support GOV.UK Verify's roll out in central and local government. Failing that, for the organisation to deploy identity patterns, such as the use of social or locally sponsored identities that could be deployed cross-sector and at scale. This can be delivered through engagement with central and local government and the NHS to test identity models and illustrate how these could be delivered at scale. Sitekit's success in working with NHS Liverpool CCG and Kent County Council solutions demonstrates the efficacy of this approach and suggests a model for OIX UK chapter going forward.

4. What resources will you and your organisation bring to help the chapter attain its goals?

I will bring to the chapter extensive knowledge of the industry and emergent identity technologies as well as keen understanding of the legislative frameworks in place and the shape of the commercial landscape. I will be able to provide thought leadership and contribute towards the accomplishment of OIX goals in the UK that will aid in accelerating the adoption of digital identity services based on open standards. As a dedicated team which

lives and breathes identity, technical expertise, dedicated resources and demonstrable thought leadership, Sitekit Identity constitutes a team well positioned to help the chapter deliver on its objectives. Our excellent development staff and the thought leadership provided by recognised subject matter experts in our leadership team has resulted in Sitekit being recognised as Microsoft's premier UK partner in the identity sector. Resources we would place at OIX UK chapter's disposal.

As a whole, the collaborative environment actively fostered within Sitekit will empower us to act as guarantor to implement shared trust frameworks that enable cross-sector cooperation within the UK.

5. What current of past experiences, skills or interests will inform your contributions and views?

In my role CTO to Sitekit I was responsible for establishing Sitekit labs in 2008 to facilitate the growth of new ideas, placing us in a position to take advantage of the UK Government's Dallas initiative and allowed me to pioneer our entry into the digital identity market.

My experience in identity ranges across the sectors that an identity solution can be applied. In our work with NHS England Identity Alpha we were looking to find a solution for assured identities with the NHS so that NHS identifiers could be linked with a verified identity within the system. Ultimately, we were able to demonstrate a working matching service from a Verify identity to an NHS numbers. In the process we conceived of a vouching process that enables the use of social identities for government transactions, an innovation applicable beyond healthcare.

Similarly, in our work with Kent County Council Sitekit Identity I was able to demonstrate how local government databases (such as local library accounts) could be integrated to achieve identity levels of assurance up to LoA1 – while local service providers could be employed with minimal disruption to achieve face to face vouching and LoA2. In our work with Nuffield Health we again demonstrated flexible thinking and an innovative approach in using Salesforce as a means of verifying employee details.

I have contributed to OIX UK's Alpha Digital Identity Across Borders project examining the prospect of opening a bank account across borders with an EU national digital identity – as well as on its Capital One discovery, exploring how the financial sector can reuse digital identities created under GOV.UK Verify scheme. Both experiences leaving me well-placed to help OIX UK take advantage of the opportunities identified in question one.

Our creative, flexible approach to solving issues with digital identity across sectors will be an invaluable asset to the OIX UK chapter in 2018. These case studies illustrate the problem-solving thought leadership I will be able to utilise in helping OIX attain its goals.