The Global Identity Foundation
A single global identity for humanity

What is the Global Identity Foundation?

The Global Identity Foundation is an organization constituted as a "not-for-profit" foundation working with research sponsors and partners to facilitate the development and enabling the delivery of a viable decentralized global identity ecosystem;

- That is truly privacy enhancing
- That scales globally
- That supports all entities[1], not just people, in a distributed global, identity ecosystem
- That is globally acceptable to all parties; to consume identity attributes with a known level of trust.

To achieve this the foundation will;

A. Promote understanding of the issues around identity, including;

   - The need for all entities to have identity
   - The privacy and security aspects of identity
   - The global nature of identity
   - The political and social issues surrounding identity and identity ecosystems
   - The linkage between attributes, persona and identity
   - The factors that affect trust in identity
   - The linkage between a physical entity and its electronic identity
   - The cryptographic solutions supporting identity, security and privacy
   - The acceptability of identity solutions to the general public

B. Encourage and provide education, training and the dissemination of information about digital identity.

C. Educate, promote, understand and change the way individuals perceive Identity and digital risks, irrespective of age, ethnicity, religion, politics or global location

D. Advance research and development in the area of identity, particularly digital identity

E. Advance the development of solutions in all areas related to digital identity; including but not limited to personas, attribute management, trust and cryptography.

[1] Entities are: People, Devices, Organizations, Code & Agents. [Definition: Jericho Forum/Open Group]

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