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Web 3.0 Communication Technology

Web 3.0 communication framework with dMail, dChat and dNotary
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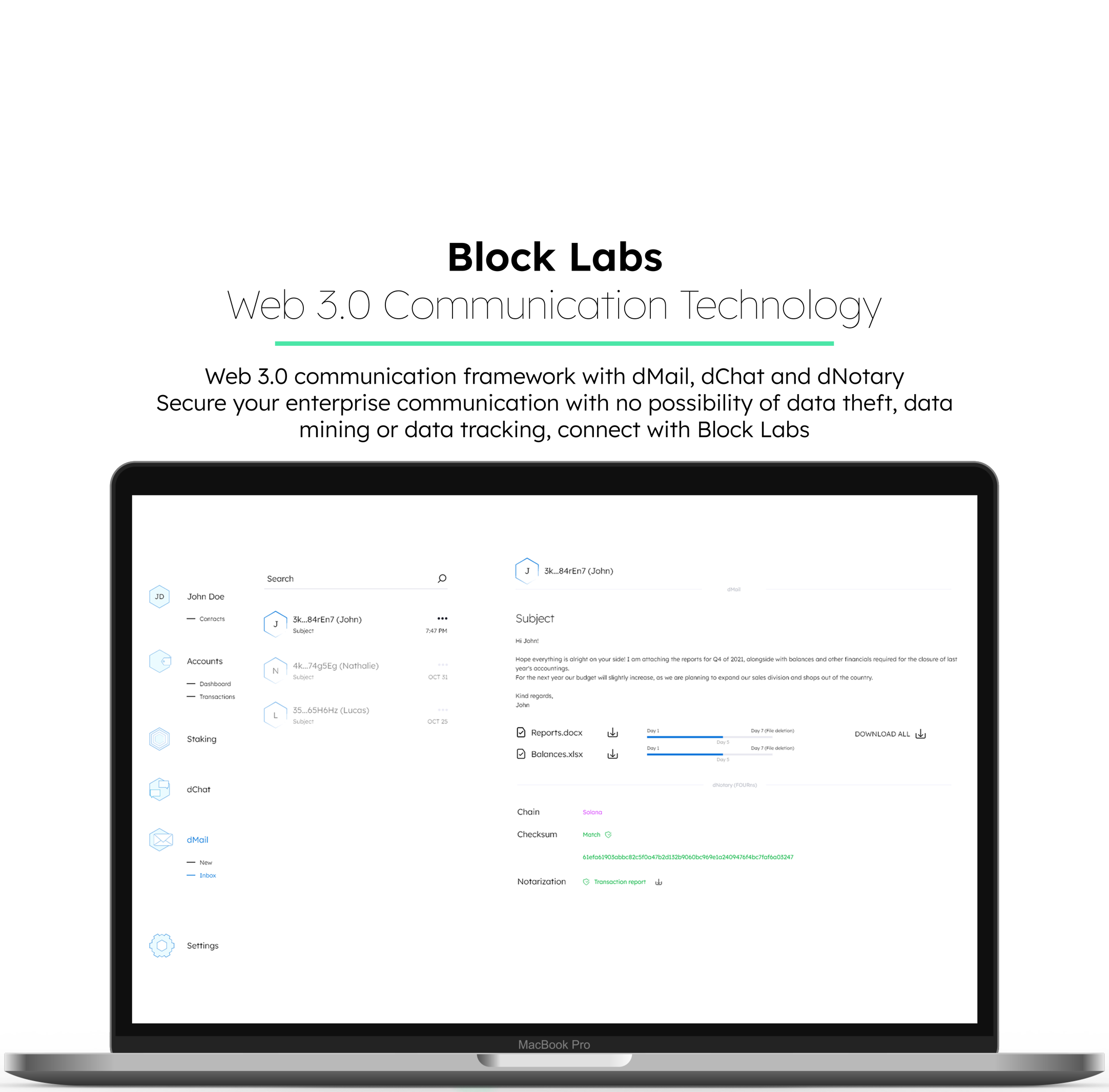


Secure your enterprise communication with a GDPR compliant and scalable public or DLT dMail, dChat and dNotary platform designed for regulated markets.

Introduction

Blockchain has been acknowledged and recognised also in the mainstream enterprise sector. With its ability to improve online trust, transparency, efficiency and cut the middle man, blockchain solutions are developing at a light speed with the potential to revolutionise digital communication and collaboration. According to PwC Time to trust Report, blockchain has the potential to boost global domestic product (i.e. GDP) by 1.76 trillion dollars over the next decade and hit the mainstream by 2030. PwC report also points out that some 60% of CEOs are placing digital transformations among their top three priorities and that organisations have recognised the value of online trust and cybersecurity between their business partners and customers.

Problem

The current commercial Web 2.0 data exchange services do not provide suitable solutions that could be used by enterprises. On the outside, the commercial services are free, but the user pays greatly with the loss of privacy and data ownership. There are industry-based payable solutions on the market that offer higher security but are mostly based on centralized databases which are always vulnerable to SPOF (i.e. single point of failure). The exchange and ownership retention of confidential and process critical digital data and communication between partners in any industry relies on complete protection and privacy, whether from service providers, competitors or hackers in general. Enterprise data exchange and communication need dedicated services that use encryption and high-end security technology to enable privacy and data ownership as data is becoming a new digital oil.

Solution

To retain data ownership within secure enterprise data exchange communication, Block Labs developed a unique and immutable blockchain-based public and DLT solution. Ecosystem, platform and a suite of multi-blockchain dApps that solve privacy and secure Web 3.0 communication with encryption and decentralization. Block Labs enables E2EE (i.e. end-to-end encrypted) data exchange while providing file-checksum data notarisation, blockchain digital identity and on-chain instant messaging. At its core, Block Labs prevents data theft, data tracking or data mining, while it's impervious to content surveillance.

Why blockchain?

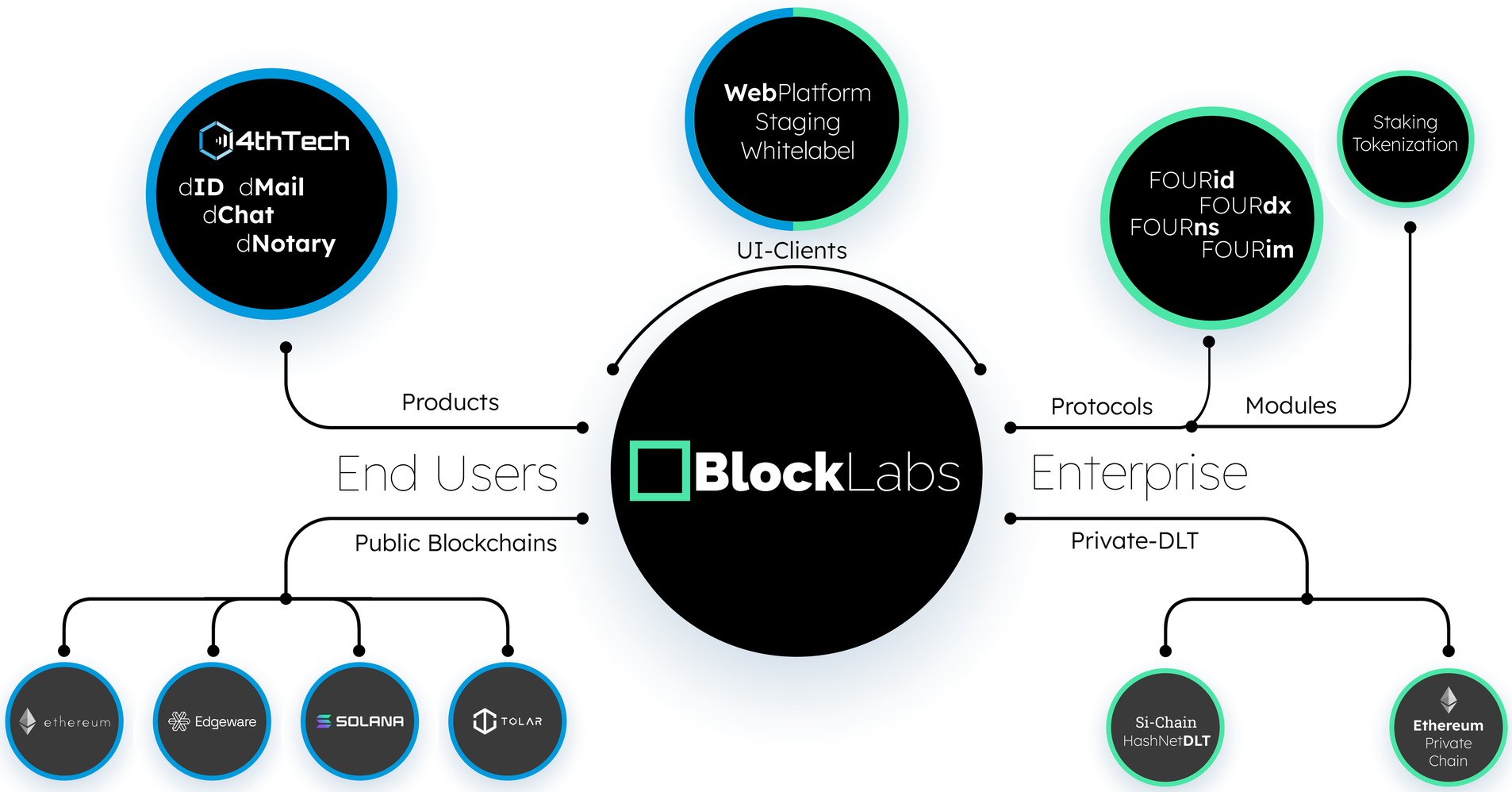
Blockchain technology enables enterprises to optimize business and industrial challenges. Unique to blockchain specific features emerge; (1) blockchain enables trust and transparency by giving all parties access to reliable, immutable data; (2) encryption private key is used to verify the authenticity and grant access to the data or identity; (3) due to decentralization and core technology immutability, no single entity can alter the data; (4) smart contracts enable process automatization, and; (5) no need for trusted third-parties, disintermediation helps to streamline operations and saves time and money.

Blockchain vs Database

Blockchain in design works in an immutable decentralized manner, whereas the databases, in general, are always centralized and non-persistence. Blockchain brings significant security advantages, especially if it's paired with decentralization. To understand the core differences let's start by examining how the centralized database works. In most cases, the administrator holds complete control over the database, which means that he or she can edit, manage, modify, and control the database access and its data. The database is based on a client-server architecture where communication is maintained with a secure but vulnerable connection.
Blockchain on the other hand uses peer-to-peer distributed ledger architecture where each peer can communicate with another using a set of private and public keys. In the case of Block Labs, the communication is handled by FOURwaL and FOURid protocol paired with military-grade AES and RSA encryption used to secure the data transactions. Most enterprises use Hybrid DLT or private blockchains, where the authority can be as decentralized as needed removing a one point failure weak spot. The immutability of blockchain transactions also removes the risk of data falsification or data manipulation.

Overview

Horizontally, Block Labs expands to service end-users (i.e. 4thTech) and enterprises, while Block Labs development expands vertically into products, clients, protocols and modules:



▶ UI-Platform Client

(in production, proprietary licence, white-label available)

Public & private-DLT Ethereum, Tolar HashNet, Substrate & Solana blockchain support

Connects and hosts all the Block Labs protocols and services in one UI ecosystem, giving the user all in one access.

(TypeScript, Vue 3, PHP)

▶ UI-Staging Client

(proprietary licence)

Kovan Ethereum, SI-Chain, Substrate & Solana blockchain support TestNet support

Connects and hosts all the Block Labs protocols and services in one UI ecosystem, giving the user all in one access and serves as an enterprise-pilot framework open for public testing.

(TypeScript, Vue 3, PHP)

▶ FOURwaL Client

(in production, proprietary licence, white-label available)

Public & private-DLT Ethereum, Tolar HashNet, Substrate & Solana blockchain support

The multi-chain wallet provides a secure way to connect to the blockchain protocols as it contains a pair of public and private cryptographic keys. Deployed in production as Chromium and Mozilla extension.

(Javascript)

FOURdx dMail Protocol
(open-source EUPL licence smart contract available)

Public & private-DLT Ethereum, Tolar HashNet, Substrate & Solana blockchain support

Can be described as the E2EE Web 3.0 “WeTransfer or email” alternative. GDPR compliant protocol leverages supported blockchains to enable encrypted, immutable wallet-to-wallet data exchange (i.e. email messages, data files, confidential product data) in the form of a dMail that can be deployed on existing enterprise server infrastructure.

As a result of extensive three years legal and procedural research, the FOURdx Protocol can be recognised as a GDPR compliant application as no personal data is stored on-chain but resides off-chain. FOURdx records links to encrypted JSON metafiles and checksums of the encrypted JSON metafiles on the blockchain.

A suitable Web 3.0 replacement for current EUs eDelivery, the solution targets all users (i.e. law firms, enterprises, automotive, pharma, posts) that are dealing with sensitive and confidential on-line electronic data exchange.

(TypeScript, Solidity, Ink!, Rust)

FOURim dChat Protocol
(open-source EUPL licence smart contract available)

Public & private-DLT Solana blockchain support

Fully on-chain, the instant messaging protocol completes the communication suites of Block Labs Web 3.0 solutions. The protocol enables E2EE (i.e. end-to-end encrypted) dChat interoperable with Solana blockchain and has the ability to exchange E2EE instant messages from wallet SOL address A to wallet SOL address B.

The solution targets privacy-sensitive users. The reality is that more and more companies are exchanging messages using services such as WhatsApp that are centralised in nature and are not secure or compliant enough for corporate communication.

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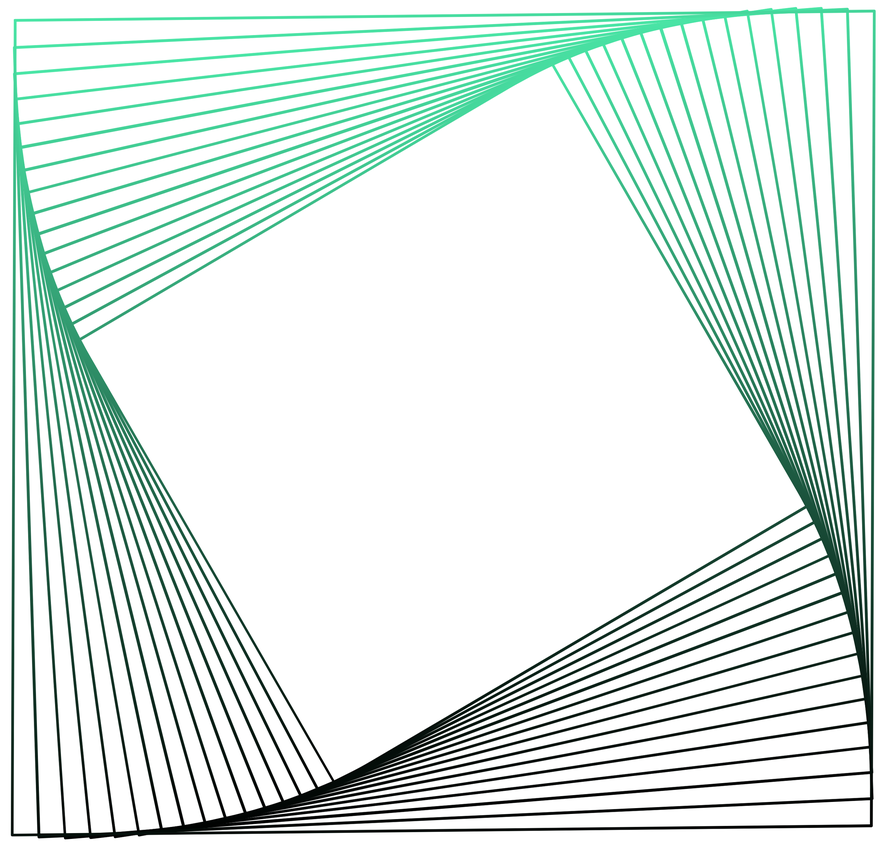

FOURns dNotary Protocol
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Uses blockchain transaction file-checksum to check for potential data changes during the FOURdx data exchange. If one byte of the exchanged data changes, the checksum changes and invalidates the transmission.

Acts as a dNotary, bypassing notary intermediates and enables automatic data source verification and time-stamp.

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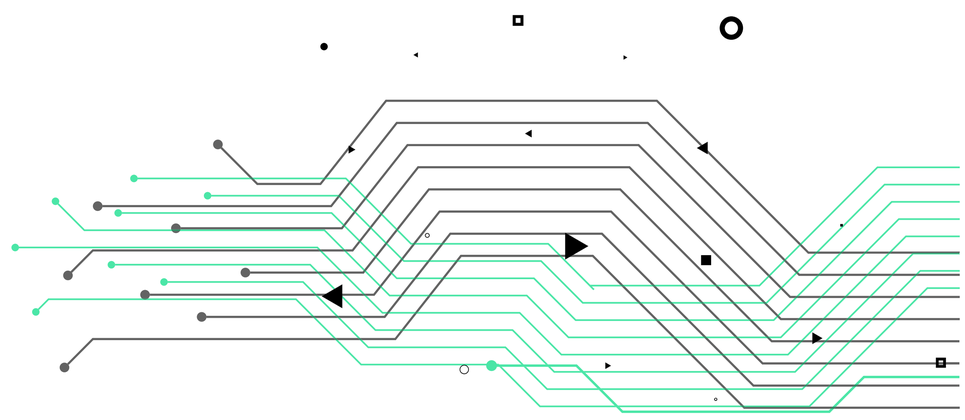

FOURid dID Protocol
(proprietary licence, protocol module available)

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Connects wallets when data is exchanged and serves as the public key exchange point between users.

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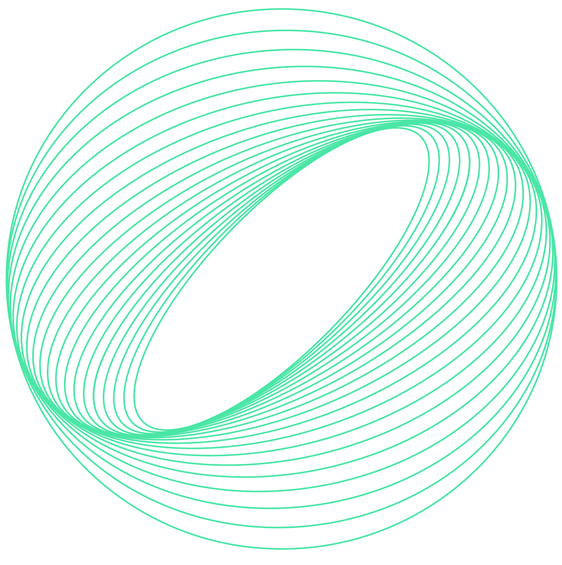


Tokenization module
(proprietary licence, module available)

ERC20, BEP20, POS support

Tokenization addresses the weaknesses such as cybersecurity and disintermediation while enabling advantages such as; (1) 24/7 borderless access; (2); the speed of execution (3) lower transaction (i.e., TX) cost; (5) scalability, and; (6) transparency, as such it enables enterprise systems to evolve beyond the current Web 2.0 framework.

Block Labs enables organizations to deploy tokenization Web 3.0 solutions in any shape or form.

(TypeScript)

FOURid Cards
(proprietary licence, module available)

Public & private-DLT Ethereum, Tolar HashNet, Substrate & Solana blockchain support

Enable users to organise, edit or add nicknames to multi-chain wallet addresses inside of the UI clients.

(TypeScript)

FOURid - X.509
(open-source EUPL licence smart contract available)

Public & private-DLT Ethereum, Tolar HashNet, Substrate & Solana blockchain support

Enables a self-sovereign framework of data authorisation and ownership representation. All ID processes are fully automated and decentralized by their design, thereby enabling users to have full control and ownership of any data that may be connected with them. Attached with a specific blockchain wallet address the data can now be verified, while the X.509 digital certificate standard provides the off-chain connection with individuals and organizations.

(TypeScript, PHP)

Staking protocol
(open-source smart contract available)

ERC20, BEP20, POS

As a part of tokenization, it enables enterprises to incentify users to stake tokens in exchange for rewards or right to services access.

(Solidity)

Dev Roadmap & Project Maturity

The evolution of Block Labs tech reaches back to 2018 when the first solution beta (i.e. v1.0) was deployed on Ethereum MainNet proving the Block Labs concept for encrypted wallet-to-wallet data file exchange (i.e. FOURdx). The Si-Chain (i.e. Enterprise HashNet based DLT protocol with up to 50k TPS) integration and network support followed in 2020, which is now open to the public as a part of the staging environment. The 2.0 update in 2021 brought data notarisation (i.e. FOURns), upgraded on-chain identity (i.e. FOURid), FOURwaL support for all Chromium and Firefox browsers and added Substrate and Solana blockchain support. The coming 3.0 update in Q4 2022 will be the biggest up to date bringing several new features and technoloy advancements.

Integration Use Cases

Block Labs blockchain technology enables enterprises to secure digital identities of employees and partners (i.e. FOURid), encrypt enterprise communication (i.e. FOURdx & FOURim), enable the immutability of transactions and enable data verification with embedded notarisation features.

Enterprise Web 3.0 identity; (1) secure digital identities of employees and partners in the form of a wallet address; (2) digital dSignature in the form of transaction signing; (3) X.509 digital certificate standard integration (i.e. connection is created between X.509 digital identity with users wallet address)

Enterprise Web 3.0 communication; (1) highly secure encrypted dMail; (2) E2EE (i.e. end-to-end encrypted) and secure enterprise data file exchange and eDelivery, and; (3) E2EE on-chain enterprise short messaging.

Enterprise Web 3.0 data verification and on-chain data notarisation; (1) on-chain digital identity (2) file-checksum (i.e. checks for potential data changes during data exchange), and;(3) data delivery time-stamp feature.

Market Overview

Product & Licence	Platform	Data size limit	Used for	Security & Encryption	Adds & Privacy	Digital Identity
WeTransfer Pro (proprietary software)	Web & database	No size limits	Data file exchange	Centralised service and storage, TLS & AES-256, encryption	Data tracking, data gathering	No data available
Odette (proprietary software)	Desktop & database	Large file exchange supported	Secure data file exchange	Centralised service, PKI, CA	Not applicable	Odette CA
OpenDXM (proprietary software)	Web & database	Large file exchange supported	Large data file exchange	Centralised service, PKI	Not applicable	No data available
UBITECH (proprietary software)	Web, Desktop & database	No data available	Secure data file exchange	Centralised service, PKI, CA	Not applicable	No data available
Block Labs (open-source & proprietary software)	Web, desktop, server & blockchain DLT	1 GB limit (public blockchains) No size limit (DLT)	On-chain identity, data file exchange, data, dMail, dChat, dNotary	Decentralized service, AES & RSA PKI E2EE, X.509	No adds, no data mining, no data tracking, no data sharing	X.509 Web 3.0 on-chain identity

- **E2EE**, end-to-end encryption
- **PKI**, public key infrastructure
- **CA**, certificate authority
- **ERP**, organization back end systems
- **X509**, digital certificate based on the widely accepted International Telecommunications Union (ITU) X. 509 standard
- **DLT**, distributed ledger technology
- **AES**, advanced encryption standard
- **RSA**, public-key cryptosystem used for secure data transmission
- **Web 3.0**, world Wide Web based on blockchain technology

Product Availability

Block Labs Web 3.0 communication platform offers predictable budgeting with a plug-and-play solution. With no subscription and membership fees, there are several onboarding options available;

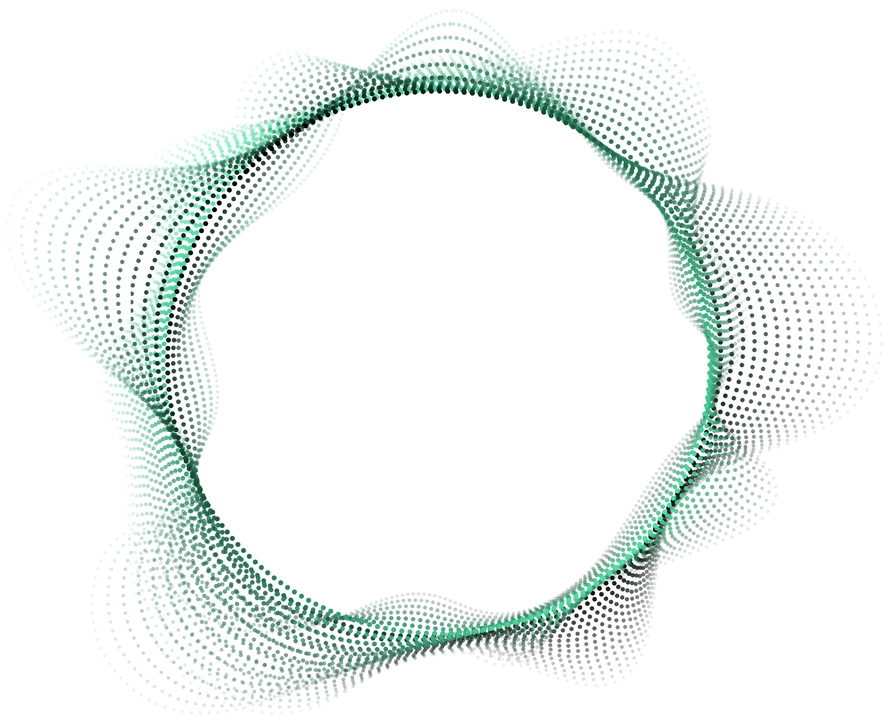
- Staging environment is a replica of the production environment and enables enterprises to test-drive the Block Labs solutions (no fee).

- 4thTech (i.e. Block Labs solution deployed on public chains) enable any user to connect and send or receive dMails or data files, exchange messages with dChat or establish his or her on-chain identity. Based on the “pay per transaction” model, the transaction cost depends on the chosen underlying network (i.e. Ethereum, Tolar, Edgeware, Solana).

- Block Labs also offers custom white label solutions that are tailored to organizational needs. The offer consists of; (1) custom DLT infrastructure setup (i.e. Ethereum, HashNet or Substrate); (2) deployment of selected communication protocols (i.e. FOURid, FOURdx, FOURns); (3) pre-build white-label UI install; (4) operational workshop, and; (5) tech support.

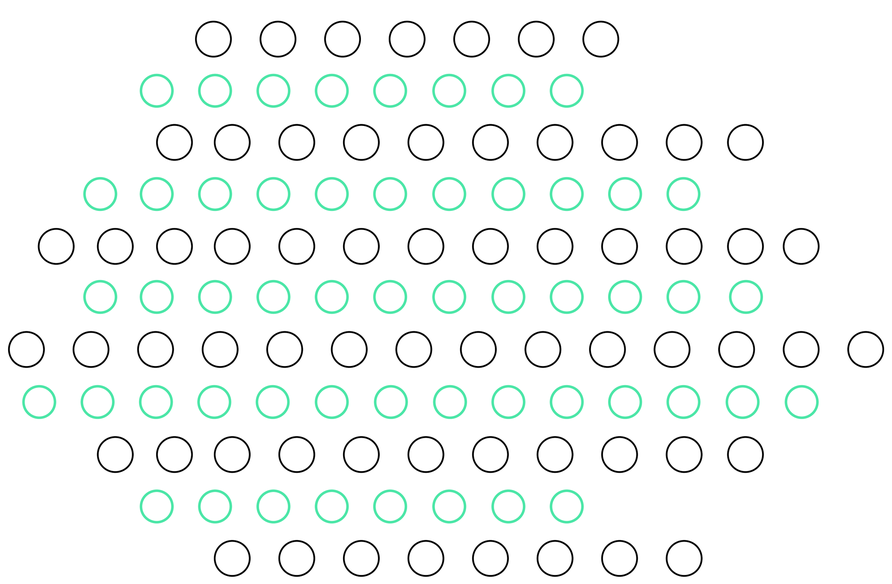
  Contact us for tailored build proposal.

- Custom module or protocol integration. Contact us for tailored build proposal.



Legal Framework

Incorporated in Luxembourg, Block Labs Sarl provides the technical support, legal and IP framework behind the solutions and implementation. All solutions are within the EU regulation guidelines.



Adoption, Events & Recognition

The project is a part of the UN/CEFACT, UNECE Chain initiative, awarded by the Adriatic Council for blockchain innovation and deployed on the first National Blockchain EU infrastructure SI-Chain. As a part of the Horizont 2020, the project received a commendation of excellence from the European Commission. The project also received a recommendation from the Slovenian Ministry of Economic Development and Technology and the Slovenian Ministry of Public Administration.

- UNECE Geneva (eDelivery DLT use case): Watch
- Blockchain Adria 2021 (enterprise adoption): Watch

Dr. Tali Rezun
Founder & Project Head

After finishing his doctorate, Dr Rezun established Block Labs, where he dedicates his time to Web 3.0 R&D, more specifically he focuses on on-chain communication privacy. Tali is also a guest lecturer on the Cotrugli MBA program, Blockchain Adria resident speaker and a UNCEFACT expert.

Denis Jazbec
Head of Development Lab

Software engineer with more than a decade of experience. Highly proficient in PHP, JS, Vue.js, Typescript, MySQL and specializes in IT infrastructure, DLT networks and blockchain implementation, while developing in-depth knowledge on multi-blockchain processes and transactions, which makes Denis an expert in its field.

Vitaly Bondar
Legal Framework & Support

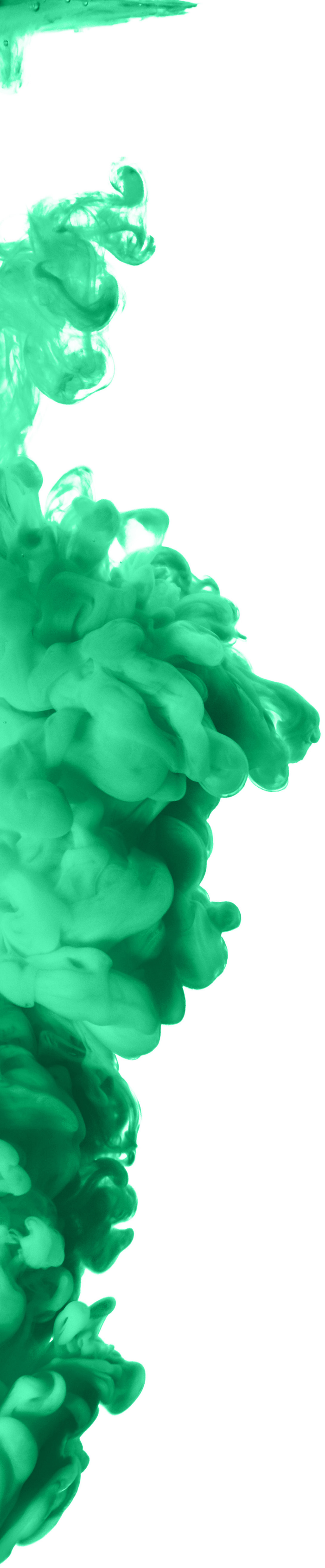
Blockchain legal expert and ACAMS Certified FinTech AML Associate with almost 20 years of legal experience. He helped clients to develop and launch a number of award-winning blockchain projects. Vitaly was featured in the GC BeNeLux POWER LIST of Legal 500 (leading ICT attorneys) and won three awards at the ICT Spring Europe with his LegalTech project.

Drazen Kapusta
Web 3.0 Advisor

The Principal and founder of TOLAR. io, a cryptocurrency based on the revolutionary beyond blockchain project HashNet. Drazen is a successful entrepreneur with 30 years of business experience. Mr Kapusta also serves as Principal of COTRUGLI Business School and holds the function of Blockchain Adria president.

Sandi Nemet
Partner Development

Senior financial industry executive and entrepreneur with 20 years of international experience & expertise in Banking and Finance. Sandi spent most of his career as a dedicated leader in reputable international financial institutions e.g. UniCredit group, Bank Austria Creditanstalt and Alfa Group acting as a CEO of Alfa Asset Management (Europe) SA.



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Conclusion

It is imperative to identify beneficial enterprise adoption use-cases and start small, 100% adoption will not come overnight. What does every organization need and already use, that can be done better? Every organization exchanges digital data in one form or the other, is it product data, payslips, contracts, merchandise manifests, cargo documents. With the help of advanced Web 3.0 blockchain protocols as an underlying infrastructure, Block Labs provides a suitable blockchain adoption toolbox, helping individuals and organizations on their way towards the adoption of this new advanced technology. Despite the current adoption challenges, early blockchain technology adopters will be able to secure a considerable advantage in regard to technology understanding and tailored use-case solutions. Blockchain technology adoption is here with technology-specific solutions that will change the digital landscape as we know it.

Additional project research

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