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1 Introduction

This document is the user manual of Soldino, a project by $8Lab\ Solutions$ based on the Erhereum infrastructure.

1.1 What is Soldino

Soldino is a platform that allows users to buy goods and services, allows business to manage the VATs related to those products and allows the Government to mint and distribute Cubits and reimburse businesses of their VAT credit. More precisely:

- citizens can:
 - buy goods and services;
- business can:
 - sell goods and services;
 - buy goods and services;
 - manage VAT;
- Government can:
 - mint Cubits;
 - distribute Cubits;
 - reimburse businesses of their VAT credit;

1.2 Requirements

To be able to use Soldino you need to have the desktop version one of the following browsers:

- Google Chrome version 71 or newer;
- Mozilla Firefox version 64 or newer.

You also have to install the MetaMask plug-in in your browser. More information will follow.



2 MetaMask

2.1 What is MetaMask

MetaMask is a browser extension that manages your Ethereum wallet and allows you to send and receive Ethers (Cubits or CCs in *Soldino*). This plug-in is necessary to perform all the basic in this platform such as login and transactions.

2.2 Installation

After entering Soldino's homepage check if you have MetaMask, installed. You can check this by looking for its icon on the top right of your browser

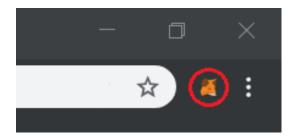


Figure 2.2.1: MetaMask's icon

If you have it proceed with the configuration of your account. Otherwise, watch the video introduction, click the link under the video and follow the instructions to download it.

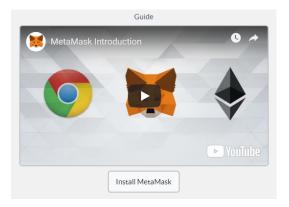


Figure 2.2.2: Introduction to MetaMask

After the installation process is complete you will see MetaMask's icon on the top right of your browser. A new window will then open where you will have to configure your account. The download page can also be found at https://metamask.io/.

2.3 Configuration

Click on MetaMask's icon on the top right of your browser, and set up your personal Ethereum wallet by following the instructions. You can either create a new account or import an existing



one from the 12 words seed phrase.

New to MetaMask?

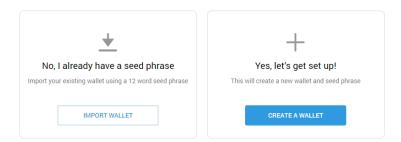


Figure 2.3.1: MetaMask setup

After setting up your account you will be able to join and use Soldino.

Note that MetaMask has to be installed in your browser as long as you want to use the platform: removing it from your browser will render you unable to use Soldino.

2.4 Transactions

Every time you make a transaction MetaMask will open a pop-up window that shows you its total cost. From this window you will be able to accept it or decline it.



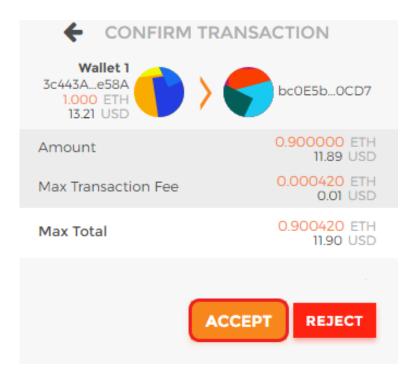


Figure 2.4.1: Example of a MetaMask transaction

Every change made on the Ethereum Network has a cost. This is called gas and is measured in GWEI, a billionth of an Ether. When you make a transaction you can choose whether it should have a high or low priority, higher priority will consume more gas than a lower one but will be mined quicker. We do not recommend changing the priority for transactions made in *Soldino* as it does not matter much.

Note that all prices shown in the platform are in Cubits (CC), Soldino's own special token. Also, note that 1 Cubit = 1 Euro.



3 Citizens

3.1 Registration

If you want to create a personal account for *Soldino* visit the homepage and make sure that the slider is set on "Citizen".



Figure 3.1.1: Select "Citizen" from the slider

Then, insert your data in the form.

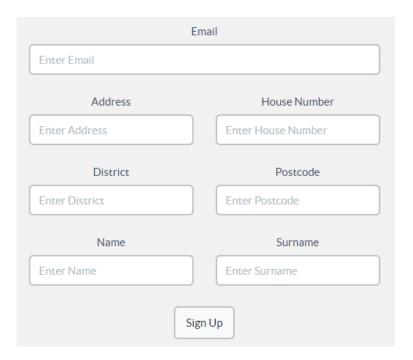


Figure 3.1.2: Citizen signup form

After you have completed all the fields with your informations press the "Sign up" button. If an entry is not valid (i.e. the email address does not contain a valid domain) the system will let you know and you have to correct that field to continue. If all informations are correct a pop-up window will open asking you to allow *Soldino* to access your information.



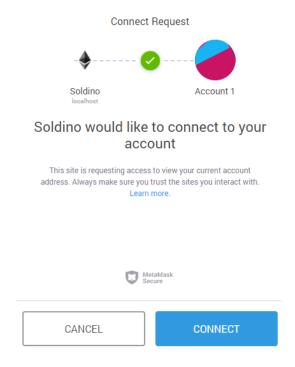


Figure 3.1.3: Connecting MetaMask to Soldino

Press "Connect" and you will be redirected to a page congratulating you for your registration on the platform.



Figure 3.1.4: Registration completed message

3.1.1 Citizen already registered

If your address is already registered in our platform you will see an error page telling you that you cannot create a new account.

3.2 Login

If you already have a personal account press the "login" button on the top right of the homepage, you will automatically log in your account (there is no need for a username or password, all is done via MetaMask).

To be able to log in you have to be logged in your MetaMask account.



3.2.1 Account is disabled

If your account was disabled by the Government you will see an error message and, if provided, the reason why that happened.

3.3 Logout

To log out of *Soldino* you just have to log out of your MetaMask. To do this you have to press MetaMask's icon on the top right of the browser, press your account's icon and then press "Log out" on the top right.

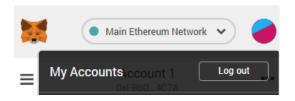


Figure 3.3.1: Logging out

3.4 Buying

3.4.1 Searching

You can search for products by name using the search bar that can be found right at the top of the page. After you start typing you will see all results that match your search. If no matching products are found you will a message showing you that.

3.4.2 Cart

You can add products in your cart, after selecting the quantity you need, by pressing the "Add to cart" button under it.

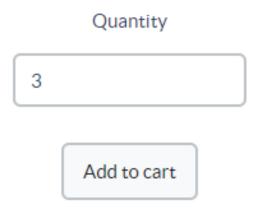


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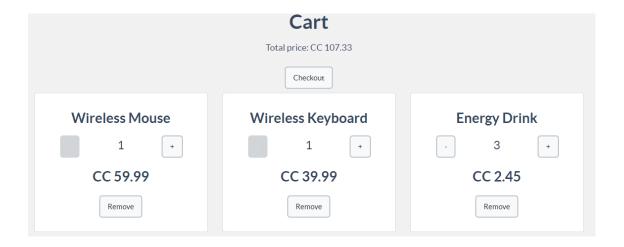


Figure 3.4.3: Example of a cart's content

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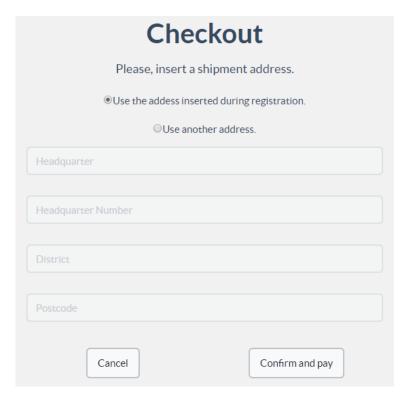


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Press the "Confirm and pay" button to proceed. In a new pop up window MetaMask will ask you to confirm the transaction. The price shown here will be a little higher because it includes the gas fee.

Otherwise, press "Cancel" to return to your cart.

3.4.4 Past orders

You can visit the page containing all past orders by pressing the "Orders" button in the bar at the top of the page.

Here you will find a chronological list of every purchase that you made with *Soldino*. Each order tells when it was made, who was the seller, what were the items bought, where it was shipped to and how much you paid.



Order # 9	2019/03/29	Via S. Dona	ato 33, Bologna, 40127
S	eller		VAT Number
Biagetti A	Arredamenti		01384571004
Products		Quantity	Unit price
Blue Chair		3	CC 9.99
Red Chair		3	CC 9.99
VAT Price: CC 4.395	6	Net Price: CC 15.5844	Total Price: CC 59.94
Order#8	2019/04/01	Via Alberto Ca	valletto 10, Padova, 35122
S	eller		VAT Number
Vanuzzo In	terni & Design		91388421067
Products		Quantity	Unit price
White Table		1	CC 9.99
	8	Net Price: CC 7.7922	Total Price: CC 9.99

Figure 3.4.5: Example of past orders



4 Businesses

4.1 Registration

If you want to create a business account for *Soldino* visit the homepage and make sure that the slider is set on "Business".



Figure 4.1.1: Select "Business" from the slider

Then, insert your business's data in the form.

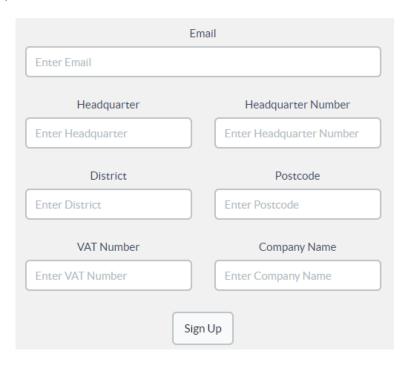


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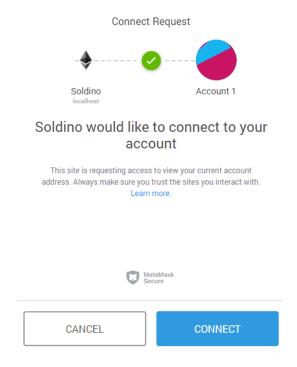


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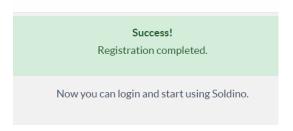


Figure 4.1.4: Registration completed message

4.1.1 Business is already registered

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4.2 Login

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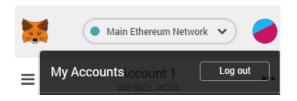


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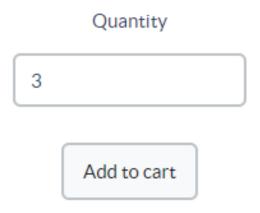


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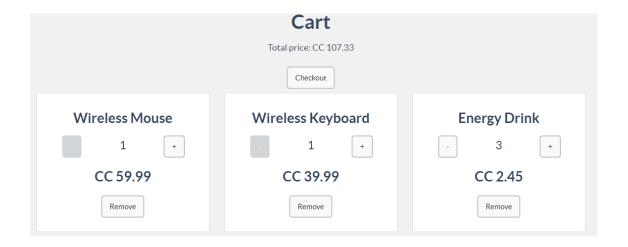


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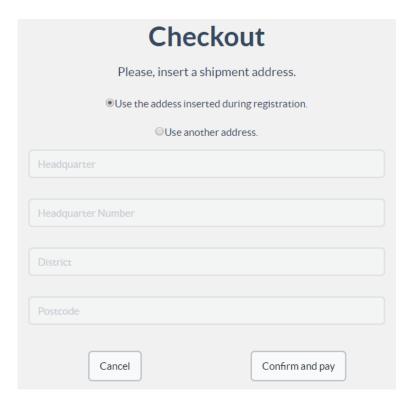


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Figure 4.4.5: Example of past orders

4.5 Selling

If you want to manage the products you are selling on *Soldino* you have to press the "Products Manager" on the bar at the top of the page. Here you will find every product you are currently selling.

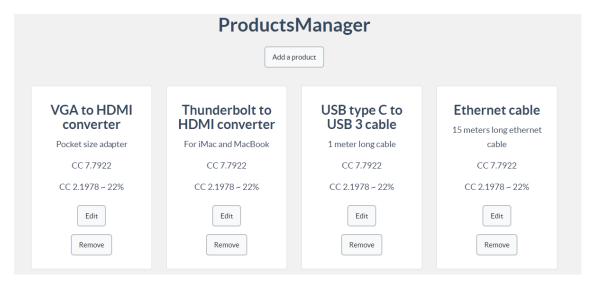


Figure 4.5.1: Products Manager page



4.5.1 Selling a new product

If you want to sell a new product you have to press "Add a product", you will be redirected to a page where you will have to insert all the informations regarding your new product.

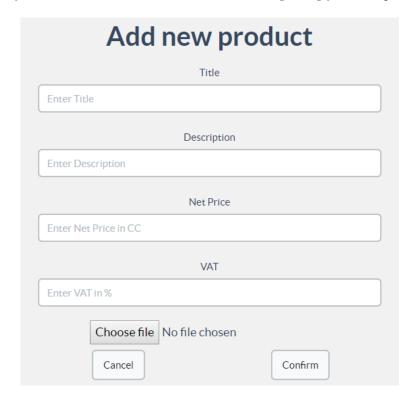


Figure 4.5.2: Adding a new product

After you entered every information and you have selected a photo press "Confirm" and it will be added to the products users can buy.

Press "Cancel" if you do not wish to continue.

4.5.2 Modifying a product

If you want to change the informations of a product you are already selling press the "Edit" button under them, you will be redirected to a page where you will be able to change all the product's information.



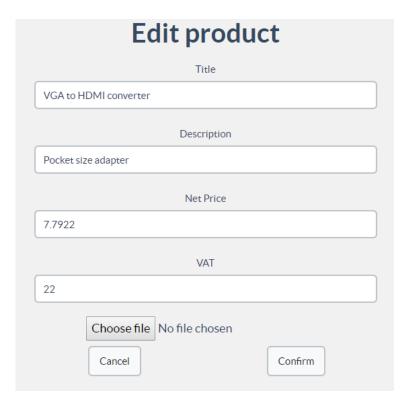


Figure 4.5.3: Editing a product's informations

After you are done with the changes press "Confirm" to save them. If you do not wish to apply the changes press "Cancel".

4.5.3 Removing a product

If you want to remove a product you are selling from the platform press the "Remove" button under it.

Note that removing a product will not delete orders made prior to the removal.

4.6 VAT management

If you are a business *Soldino* will manage VAT for the products you buy and sell on the platform automatically. You can access the page containing all invoices by pressing the "Transaction Manager" button on the bar at the top of the page.





Figure 4.6.1: Example of past invoices

Here you will also see the status of the trimester.

A red value means that you will have to pay that amount to the Government.

VAT status for the selected quarter: -321.23 CC

Figure 4.6.2: Example of a negative VAT status

While a green one means that you will soon be reimbursed for that amount.

VAT status for the selected quarter: +173.87 CC

Figure 4.6.3: Example of a positive VAT status

You can see more information about an invoice by pressing the "More details" button. This will open a pop-up window containing all the details.



Invoice #9845 2019/05/01 Date: Order date: 2019/05/01 Order number: 4164 Products: Product: Cookies CC 10 **Total Price:** Net Price: CC 7.8 22 VAT %: Description: Fresh made chocolate chip cookies Quantity: CC₂ Total VAT: CC 2.2 Total Price: CC 10 Tony S.P.A. 01384571004 Seller: Buyer: Enrico Verdi

Figure 4.6.4: Example of an invoice

Via Antonio Grassi 13, Padova, 12345

Shipment:

You can also download a file containing all the trimesters' invoices by pressing the "Download PDF" button.



4.6.1 Paying VAT

If you are in debt with the government next to how much you have to pay you will see two buttons.

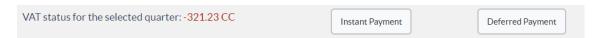


Figure 4.6.5: Paying off a negative Vat status

4.6.1.1 Instant payment

If you choose to instantly pay off what you owe press "Instant payment". MetaMask then will open a new window asking you allow the transaction, accept to continue.

4.6.1.2 Deferred payment

Otherwise, you can defer the payment by pressing "Deferred payment"

4.7 Checking past trimesters' VAT

You can see invoices of past trimesters by using the drop-down menu at the top of the page.



Figure 4.7.1: Past trimesters

From this page you will also be able to see invoices' specific details or download them as PDF as explained before.



5 Government

5.1 Registration

The government cannot register a new account like citizens and businesses because only one account is allowed. This account is provided by the developer of *Soldino*.

5.2 Login

If you want to log on the Government account press the "login" button on the top right of the homepage, you will automatically log in your account (there is no need for a username or password, all is done via MetaMask).

To be able to log in make sure you are logged in the correct MetaMask account.

5.3 Logout

To log out of *Soldino* you just have to log out of your MetaMask. To do this you have to press MetaMask's icon on the top right of the browser, press your account's icon and then press "Log out" on the top right.

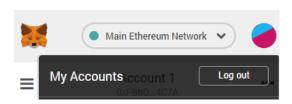


Figure 5.3.1: Logging out

5.4 Cubit

5.4.1 Minting

The Government can mint Cubits, a special token for *Soldino* that has the value of 1 Euro. This can be done by visiting

5.4.2 Distributing

The Government can distribute Cubits previously minted amongst the users of the platform. This can be done by visiting

5.5 Managing users

The Government can activate disabled accounts or deactivate active accounts. This can be done by visiting the page containing all users registered on the platform.

5.5.1 Activating users

After you have found the account you want to enable press the button "Enable". After being enabled an account will again be able to make purchases on *Soldino*.



5.5.2 Deactivating users

After you have found the account you want to disable press the "Disable" button. After pressing it a window will open where you can write a message explaining why the account was disabled that will be shown when that user will try an log in. Disabling an account means that it will not be able to make purchases on *Soldino* until it is enabled.

5.6 Reimbursing businesses

The Government can reimburse business of their VAT credit. This can be done by visiting



6 Issues

We, members of *8Lab solutions*, did our best to build *Soldino* bug-free and did extensive tests to squish all of them, but we cannot be sure that they are all gone.

If you encounter a bug we would appreciate if reported it to us at our email address (8labsolution@gmail.com) or in the dedicated page at the project's repository (https://github.com/8LabSolutions/Soldino/issues).

When reporting an issue please include:

- what type of user encountered it (citizen, business or Government);
- a detailed sequence of steps that must be done to reproduce the error;
- \bullet if the error included Metamask and what type of error it shows;
- your browser's console log output.



A Glossary