

# Blockchain Commons

*Advocating for the Creation of Open, Interoperable,  
Secure, and Compassionate Digital Infrastructure*

Blockchain Commons #GordianDevelopers Meeting 2023-03-01



# What is Blockchain Commons?

- We are a community interested in self-sovereign control of digital assets.
- We bring together stakeholders to collaboratively develop interoperable infrastructure.
- We design decentralized solutions where everyone wins.
- We are a neutral “not-for-profit” that enables people to control their own digital destiny.

# Who am I?

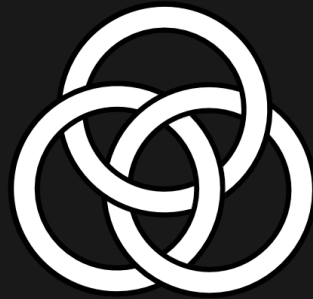


Christopher Allen (@ChristopherA)  
*Principal Architect & Executive Director*



# What are the #Gordian Meetings?

- Developers jointly expand & use the Gordian specs.
- Open, interoperable, secure, compassionate infrastructure.
- Goals for 2023:
  - dCBOR libraries
  - Gordian Envelope deployment
    - Swift & Rust Libraries
    - IETF/W3C Backing
    - Crypto-request Signing
  - Collaborative Seed Recovery (CSR)
  - Collaborative Key Management (CKM)



# Last Regular Meeting

It's Been a While!

Getting Back into Gear Today!

*Monthly 1st Wednesdays Calls  
+ special topic calls*



# Today's Topics

- Community Channels
- UR Interoperability Success
- dCBOR & Community Review
- Crypto-Request for Signing
  - ExampleSigner
  - Future Proofing
- Next Month's Priorities



# Community Channels

- Virtual Meetings: 1st Wednesdays
  - *(possibly swap back and forth between 9am and 4pm to allow EU & Asia folk)*
  - Some Special Topic Calls
  - Send me mail if you want gCal invites
- Ephemeral & Synchronous
  - Signal: [Gordian Developer](#)
  - *(Also: Speciality Signal groups like [UR Signing](#), [Silicon Salon](#))*
- Persistent & Asynchronous
  - Github Discussion: [Gordian Developer Community](#)
- Announcement Lists
  - [Join Here](#)
  - Gordian Developer
  - Silicon Salon



# UR Interoperability Success

The following wallets use Gordian UR-based Animated QRs for PSBTs or other URs:

Wallet	Animated PSBT	ur:crypto-psbt	ur:crypto-*	Future
Sparrow	YES	YES	-account, -address, -bip39, -hdkey, -output, -seed	
Passport	YES	YES	(-request/response with Casa for health check)	-account
CASA	YES	YES	-hdkey (-request/response for health check)	
SeedTool	YES	YES	-account, -address, -bip39, -hdkey -output, -seed, -sskr	
Keeper	YES	YES	-account	
Fully Noded	YES	YES	?	
DIYBitcoin	YES	?	?	
Jade	YES	?	?	
Keystone	YES	?	?	
SeedSigner	YES	?	?	



*Submit corrections in the Gordian Developer repo:*

<https://github.com/BlockchainCommons/Gordian-Developer-Community/blob/master/README.md#urs>



# dCBOR & Community Review

- dCBOR Libraries for Rust and Swift Released
  - <https://github.com/BlockchainCommons/bc-dcbor-rust>
  - <https://github.com/BlockchainCommons/BCSwiftDCBOR>
- dCBOR-CLI
  - Currently Swift on macOS & soon Linux  
<https://github.com/BlockchainCommons/dcbor-cli>
- Presentation: What is dCBOR?
- Community Review
  - Can you test them?
  - Are the APIs expressive for your needs?
  - Are the APIs idiomatic?
- Submit for use by CBOR standards groups at IETF & W3C



# ExampleSigner

- Educational mockup of a Bitcoin-based (ECDSA) message signing service in Swift.
- Uses Gordian Envelope as the transport encoding for requests and responses.
- Demonstrates the Uniform Resource (UR) format.
- Built on deterministic CBOR (dCBOR).



# Future Proofing Signing

Many scenarios for Envelope crypto-request:

- Both Signing & Auth, safely
  - Not make SIWE (Sign-In With Ethereum) mistakes
- Simple single-round-trip and multi-round-trip scenarios
  - Legacy message, multi-device & multiparty processes
- Establish pairing for multig coordinators & MuSig/FROST
- *Signatures*: ECDSA; Schnoor; *Formats*: hash-only; PSBT; legacy messages; other payloads; P2SH; Taproot; BIP-344; SIWB
- Summary of [special call](#) available
- Add more requirement & prioritize in [Requirements for Gordian UR Signing & Auth Discussions #102](#)



# Next Month Priorities

- Blockchain Commons
  - Envelope-Rust library
  - Update Envelope BLAKE3  $\Rightarrow$  SHA256
  - Present Envelope at IETF
  - Demo of crypto-envelope CSR-SSKR
- Gordian Developer Community
  - SSKR code for constrained JavaCard
  - QR Demo of Legacy Bitcoin Messages

**Join us on April 7th!**



[www.BlockchainCommons.com](http://www.BlockchainCommons.com)



Christopher Allen (@ChristopherA)

