

ESSIF v1 Architectural / Tech Spec Foundations

ESSIF Vision

ESSIF Datamodeling

ESSIF key Flows

ESSIF (supporting) components

Preview / "under the hood"



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The Targeted eco-system

ESSIF ecosystem: the totality of the actors and systems within the context of ESSIF and according to the rules and standards of the ESSIF-ecosystem.

ESSIF (Trust) Framework: the totality of all policies, guidelines, standards, processes, ... which for the "terms and conditions" of membership and/or usage of ESSIF-services.

ESSIF architecture: the definition of ESSIF and all related actors and building blocks at functional level, at level of concepts, at level of resilience/trust requirements, at level of interactions (incl all corresponding technical and operational standards).

ESSIF infrastructure: all supporting capabilities/services which support the functioning of ESSIF and all its members and framework-obiding relying parties, issuers and users.



SSI and blockchain

ESSIF v1

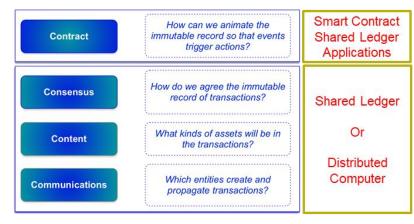
- * Build upon / Reuse SSI-community materials
- * Use blockchain where useful / added value
- * Avoid complex / unstable scenarios

Core required properties:

- * Reuse knowledge / experience from eIDAS
- * Privacy / Data Protecting by Design
- * Trusted / Resilient / Secure by design

Leitmotiv:

* Think Long Term... but Act Short Term

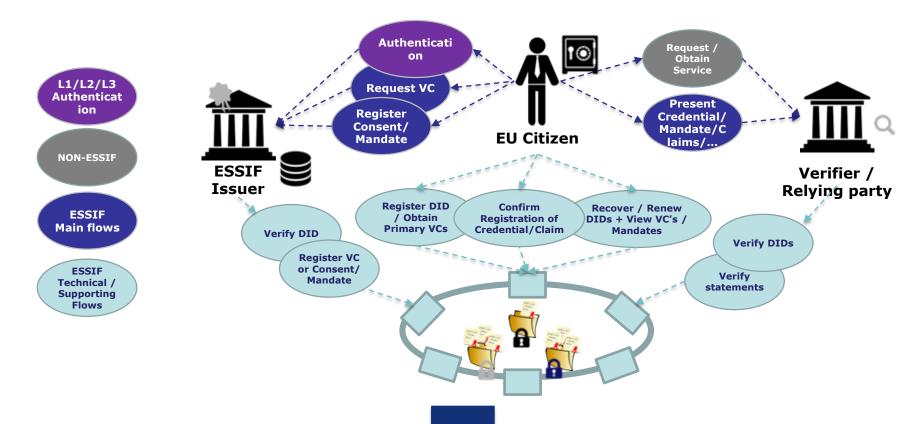


"the consensus computer"



In / Out scope

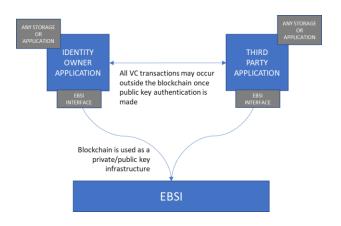
ESSIF will NOT intervene in the business flow between the EU citizens/entities and relying parties. The requesting of services and the obtaining of those services are out of scope of ESSIF. ESSIF however will allow an EU entity to "obtain" Verifiable Credentials, to "register" Verifiable Mandates/Consents, and to "obtain" Verify Verifiable Claims which then can be use to identify/authenticate towards relying parties and provide those with required claims/attestations.



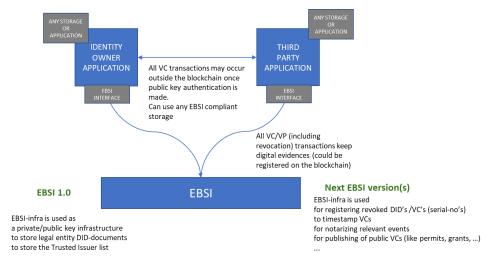


ESSIF miss-conceptions

Wrong understanding



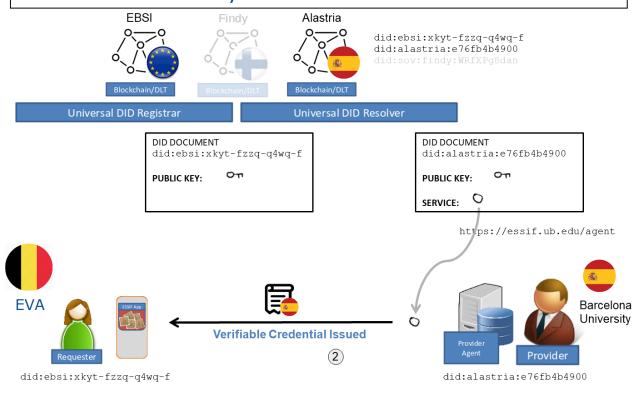
Right understanding





ESSIF v1 (Verifiable IDs & Attestations)

Barcelona University issues Verifiable Credential to Eva



generated and stored in wallet

PRIVATE KEY: OT

DID Private Keys - Verifiable Credentials -

stored in wallet, associated with DIDs





DID Private Keys –

generated and stored in wallet

PRIVATE KEY: OT

Verifiable Credentials -

issued and signed by DID's private key





Warning

Due to time/resource limitations ESSIF v1 / EBSI v1 does not fully reflect the architectural / technical specifications listed here.

The specifications should be read as "target" and ESSIF v1 / EBSI v1 should be understood s a non-production "demonstrator"

In reality these specifications will be fine-tuned in light of ESSIF v2 / EBSI v2 and taking into account the lessons learned from v1 + input from the use cases + legal considerations.



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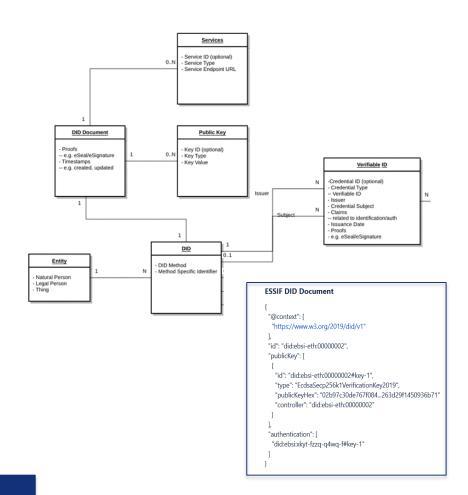
Identities <> DIDs

Key Properties:

- One entity can have multiple DIDs!
- DIDs of Issuers / Relying Parties will be anchored on ledger.

DID-docs in ESSIF v1:

- DID Subject: This is the subject (individual, organization, thing, animal, etc.) identified by the DID.
- Public Keys: Public Keys associated with a DID are a prerequisite for secure and authenticated communication between DID Subjects.
- Authentication: The Authentication block in a DID Document simply references the DID Document's Public Key (see above) that is intended for proving control/ownership of a DID. This is used when two parties (e.g. a Holder and a Verifier) connect and exchange data and messages.
- Proof: This can be added to a DID Document to prove integrity or correctness or other security and trust aspects of a DID Document.



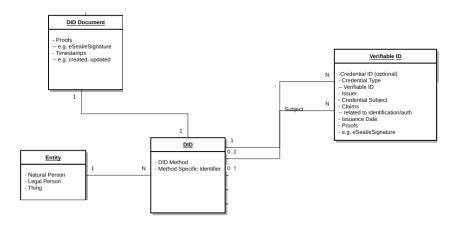


Verifiable IDs

Key Properties:

- One DID can have multiple Verifiable IDs
- Verifiable IDs can have official identifiers.

```
ESSIF Verifiable ID
 "@context": [
 "https://www.w3.org/2018/credentials/v1",
  "https://essif.europa.eu/schemas/vc/2019/v1",
 "https://essif.europa.eu/schemas/eidas/2019/v1"],
 "id": "did:ebsi-eth:00000001/credentials/1872",
 "type": ["VerifiableCredential", "EssifVerifiableID"],
 "issuer": "did:ebsi-eth:00000001".
 "issuanceDate": "2019-06-22T14:11:44Z".
"credentialSubject": {
 "id": "did:ebsi-eth:00000002",
 "currentFamilyName": "Franz",
 "currentGivenName": "Hinterberger",
  "dateOfBirth": "1999-03-22T00:00:00Z",
  "placeOfBirth": "Salzburg, Austria"
 "proof": [ {
  "type": "EidasSeal2019",
 "created": "2019-06-22T14:11:44Z",
  "proofPurpose": "assertionMethod",
  "verificationMethod": {
   "type": "EidasCertificate2019",
   "CertSerial": "1088321447"
  "proofValue": "BD21J4fdlnBvBA+y6D...fnC8Y="
}]
```



Verifiable IDs in ESSIF v1:

- •eIDAS minimal data set + Optional national / University ID
- •The following Basic Concepts of the W3C specification ARE used: Contexts, Identifiers, Types, Issuers, Credential Subject, Issuer, Issuance Date, Proofs
- •Attention Points: (national) identifiers, LoA-Information, linked eSeal

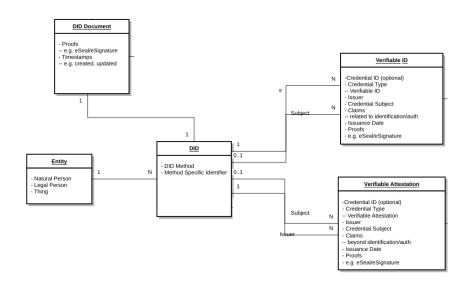


Verifiable Attestations

Key Properties:

- One DID can have multiple Verifiable Attestations
- Verifiable Attestations can inherit attributes from "parenting" Verifiable IDs

```
"@context": ["https://www.w3.org/2018/credentials/v1","https://essif.europa.eu/schema/diploma/v1"],
 "id": "did:alastria:e76fb4b4900/credentials/1872",
 "type": ["VerifiableCredential", "DiplomaCredential"],
 "issuer": "did:alastria:e76fb4b4900".
 "issuanceDate": "2019-06-22T14:11:44Z",
 "credentialSubject": {
 "id": "did:ebsi:xkyt-fzzq-q4wq-f",
 "alumniOf": {
  "name": "Barcelona University"
 "graduatedAtTime": "2017-06-30T12:00:00Z",
  "degree": "MBA"
 "proof": {
 "type": "EidasSeal2019",
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Links with LoA's

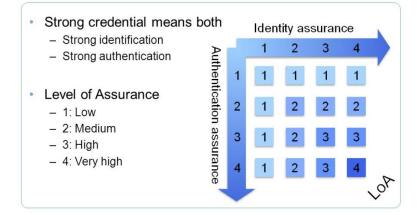
In context of Identification/Authentication:

- When doing an eIDAS identification / authentication:
 - * Need to control proof of DID + "Authentication strength"
 - * Need to rely on eIDAS-Identification
 - + "Authentication strength"
- When presenting a Verifiable ID:
 - * Need to verify the "presented VC", incl the LoA claimed by the Issuer incl the possibly present eSeals.
 - * Need to check the "presence" of the issuer + "Authentication strength"

In context of presenting Attestations:

- When presenting a Verifiable Attestations:
 - * Need to verify the "presented VCs", incl the LoA claimed by the Issuer incl the possibly present eSeals.

EU Electronic Identification and Trust Services (eIDAS) Regulation Article 8(2), 23 July 2014	Level of Assurance (LoA) US/CA/AU/EU Stork	Key features
Minimal	LoA 1	Little or no confidence exists in the asserted identity; usually self-asserted
Low	LoA 2	Limited confidence as asserted identity Controls to decrease risk of misuse or alteration of identity
Substantial	LoA 3	Substantial Confidence as to asserted identity Controls to decrease substantially the risk of misuse or alteration of identity
High	LoA 3+/4	Higher Confidence as to asserted identity Controls to prevent misuse of alteration of identity





Links with Legal Value

Legal value of Verifiable IDs / Attestations:

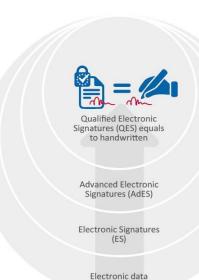
- Some VCs need to provide assurance wrt Authenticity / Integrity / Non-repudiation
- · REUSE eIDAS eSeals
- Legal Value = "Issued by OrganizationX"
- IN SCOPE of ESSIF v1

Legal value of Presentations

- •When presenting a Verifiable Attestations it might be legally required to know who submitted the VCs
- •REUSE eIDAS eSignatures
- •Legal Value of QeS = same as handwritten signatures.
- •OUT of SCOPE for ESSIF v1

Identity <> eSeal/Signing-keys

- •DID <> eSeal-key probably cumbersome
- •DID <> Verifiable ID flexible







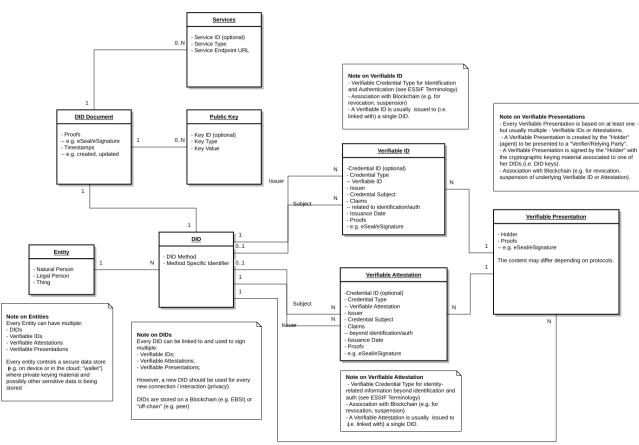
Resulting (flexible) DataModel

Key Properties:

- One entity CAN have multiple DIDs
- One DID can have multiple Verifiable IDs
- One DID can have have multiple
 Verifiable Attestations

Attributes:

- Verifiable IDs can be linked to eg GOV IDs
- Verifiable Attestations can inherit attributes from the "parenting" Verifiable ID





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DID registrations

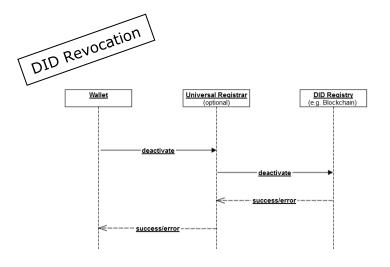
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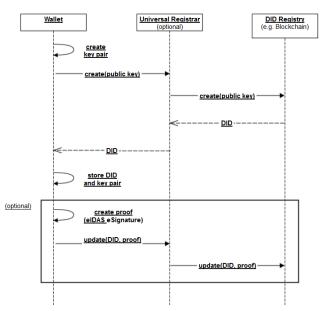
DID(-key) registration in ESSIF v1

- •For Issuer / Relying Parties ON LEDGER
- •For Holders / Subjects OFF LEDGER

DID(-key) revoaction in ESSIF v1

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Attention Points

- "Gating" of Registrations / Updates
- •Authoritive ledgers for DID(-type)s



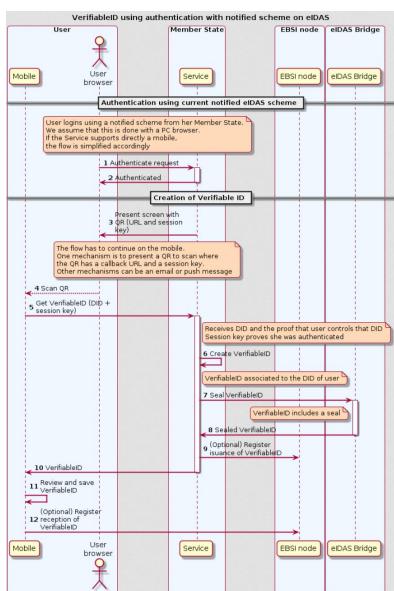
Obtaining a Verifiable ID

Flow:

- •Trusted Issuer can be requested for a Verifiable ID
- •Trusted Issuer can rely on eIDAS-authentication service to authenticate the holder/subject
- •Trusted issuer needs to mind the LoA stated by the authentication service
- •Trusted Issuer must check ownership (and strength) of the DID(-keys)

Properties:

- Verifiable ID should state LoAs
- •Linked with (Qualified) Trusted Issuers
- •Should be eSealed by Trusted Issuer in case of "High LoA"





Obtaining a Verifiable Attestation

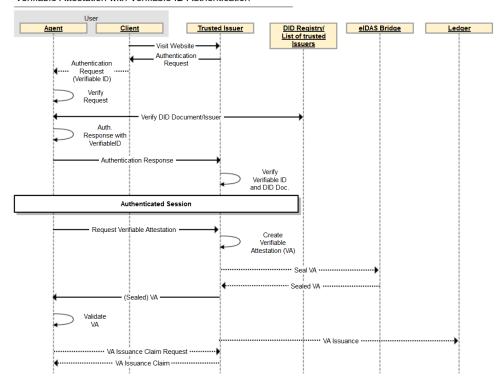
Flow:

- •Issuer can be requested for a Verifiable Attestation
- •Issuer should identify / authenticate the holder/subject relying on his/her Verifiable ID
- •Issuer needs to validate the Verifiable ID (eSeal, DID-ownership, relevant attributes)
- •Issuer to do any additional checks needed before generating a Verifiable Attestation
- •Issuer generated Attestation

Properties:

- •Verifiable Attestation should include type-info, LoA-info, ...
- •Should be linked with (Qualified / Trusted) Issuers
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Verifiable Attestation with Verifiable ID Authentication





Details >> Link SSI and OIDC

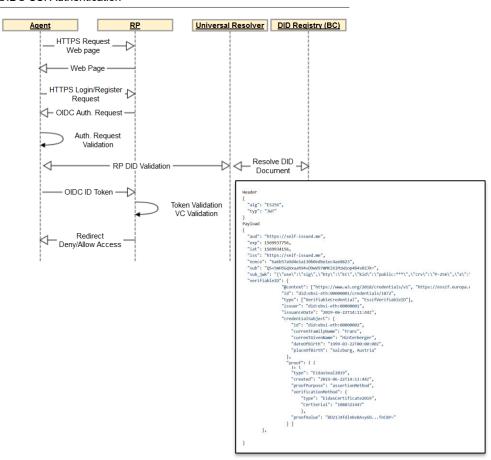
OIDC SSI Authentication

Point of Departure

- OIDC is the standard lots of online services use today
- In OIDC Relying Parties redirect users to an IDP to authenticate/identify users.
- IDP's provide IDtokens to Relying Parties.

Linking ID Tokens and V.IDs

- Proposal is to inject V.IDs into IDtoken and generated "self-declared" IDtokens
- Relying party can decide to trust V.IDs of certain LoAs of certain Trusted Issuers.
- Relying Party OIDC-client must be enabled to "consume" such tokens >> specific library needed to consume "self issued IDs"





Submitting an Attestation (in an authenticated session)

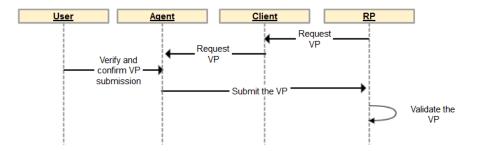
Flow:

- •User has authenticated the RP and RP has authenticated the user
- •RP ask to (instead of filling in a form) to submit certain Verifiable Credentials
- •User decided to provide (or not) the VCs and constructs needed Verifiable Presentation(s)
- •User submits (over API) the VPs
- •The RP checks if the VP-signature matches the Authenticated user.
- •The RP checks the VCs (including type/version, eSeals, LoA's, ...) and if needed relationship with the submitting user.

Properties:

- •Verifiable Presentation must be signed with DIDkey of the submittor and might be e-signed by the submittor
- •RP should be be able to inform user which VCs will be accepted (issuer, type/version, LoA, ...)

VP Submission (User is Authenticated)



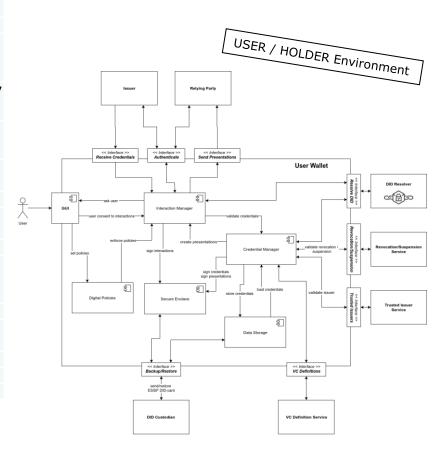


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User / Issuer / Relying Party Environments

Graphical User Interface	Interactions with the user	
Secure element	Storing the private key in a secure manner	
	Exposing API endpoints for generating digital signatures, decrypting data encrypted for the private key contained in the secure element.	
	Expose API endpoints for deriving additional key pairs, and for extracting the associated public keys.	
Data Storage	Offer generic storage capabilities (e.g. for storing digital policies, records of previous interactions, etc.)	
Credential Manager	Creating VCs	
	process VCs	
	Validating VCs	
	Create VPs	
Interaction Manager	Create Interactions	
	Validate Interactions	
	Create Interaction Responses	
Digital Policies/Preferences	store users policies/preferences	
	enforce digital polices within interactions	





Trusted Issuer Ledger / eIDAS bridge

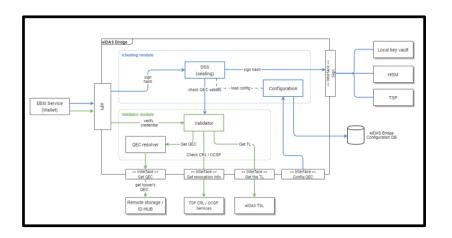
Trusted Issuer Ledger in ESSIF v1 "on ledger"

Identity of Trusted Issuer Types of VC and LoAs allowed Registered by Issuer-Registrars

ESSIF Trusted Issuer List Search a trust service by Ττ pe of trust service (e.g. time-stamping Belgium Issue date 2019-09-05 ssue date 2019-10-11 sue date 2019-09-03 Cyprus Issue date 2019-07-17 Czech Republic Issue date 2019-10-02 Issue date 2019-10-10 Finland Issue date 2019-08-12 Denmark Issue date 2019-08-05 ssue date 2019-09-05 Germany ssue date 2019-09-13 Greece Issue date 2019-10-10 Hungary Issue date 2019-10-03

eIDAS Bridge in ESSIF v1 only advanced eSeals NO HSM or QeSCD

? OV-certificates ? Link captured in issuer's V.ID





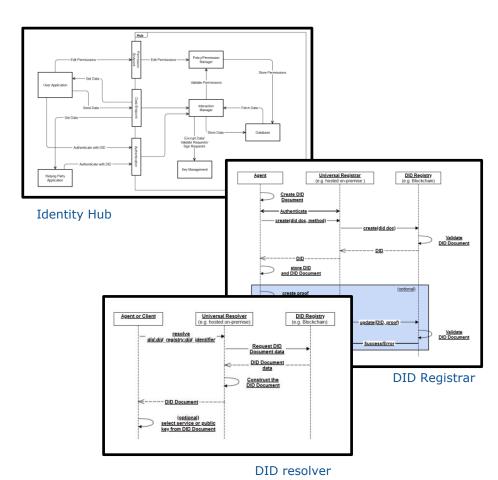
DID Registrars / Resolvers / Identity Hubs

DIF Identity Hub

- Providing users with a personal data store,
 allowing fully GDPR compliant storage of personal documents / info
- •Can be "in the cloud" allowing the user to access one's DIDs / VCs anywhere and anytime
- •Access by other agents can be provided subject to owner's or holder's consent.
- •In ESSIF v1: only access by "owner"

Universal DID-resolver

- Allow user to interact with multiple DIDschemes and to "find" required info and endpoints
- Allows to provide DID-documents in format user agent understands.
- In ESSIF v1: EBSI-ledger only





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Reusing for ESSIF v1 lots of available code / libraries:

- For User Environment
- For Issuer Environment
- For Relying Party Environment

As well as:

- For Identity hub
- For DID Resolver
- For Ledger Anchoring

