**Open Badges**

* VCs who provide evidence of participation in training or examinations and, as a result, demonstrate certain skills or knowledge
* Users use them to tell other entities what they have learned or what skills they have
* Are based on common standard and can build on each other, whether they are issued by same issuer or not
* Users can collect learning badges with Open Badges Backpack and display them anywhere on the network
* PNG image file
* Software is open source

**Backpack**

* Place where all badges of a user are stored
* Each user owns a backpack

**API**

* Application Programming Interface
* is a program part which is made available by a software system to other programs for connection to the system
* can provide access to data bases or hardware as hard disk or graphics
* developers use it to develop applications