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# Technical Advisory Circle

## Meeting II

16.10.2023



# Create maximum value

- Shared thoughts – shared reasoning
- Use «your» tongue
- Also mention basic assumptions
- No need to defend – but challenge!



# Role of Federal Representatives

## «We ask and listen»

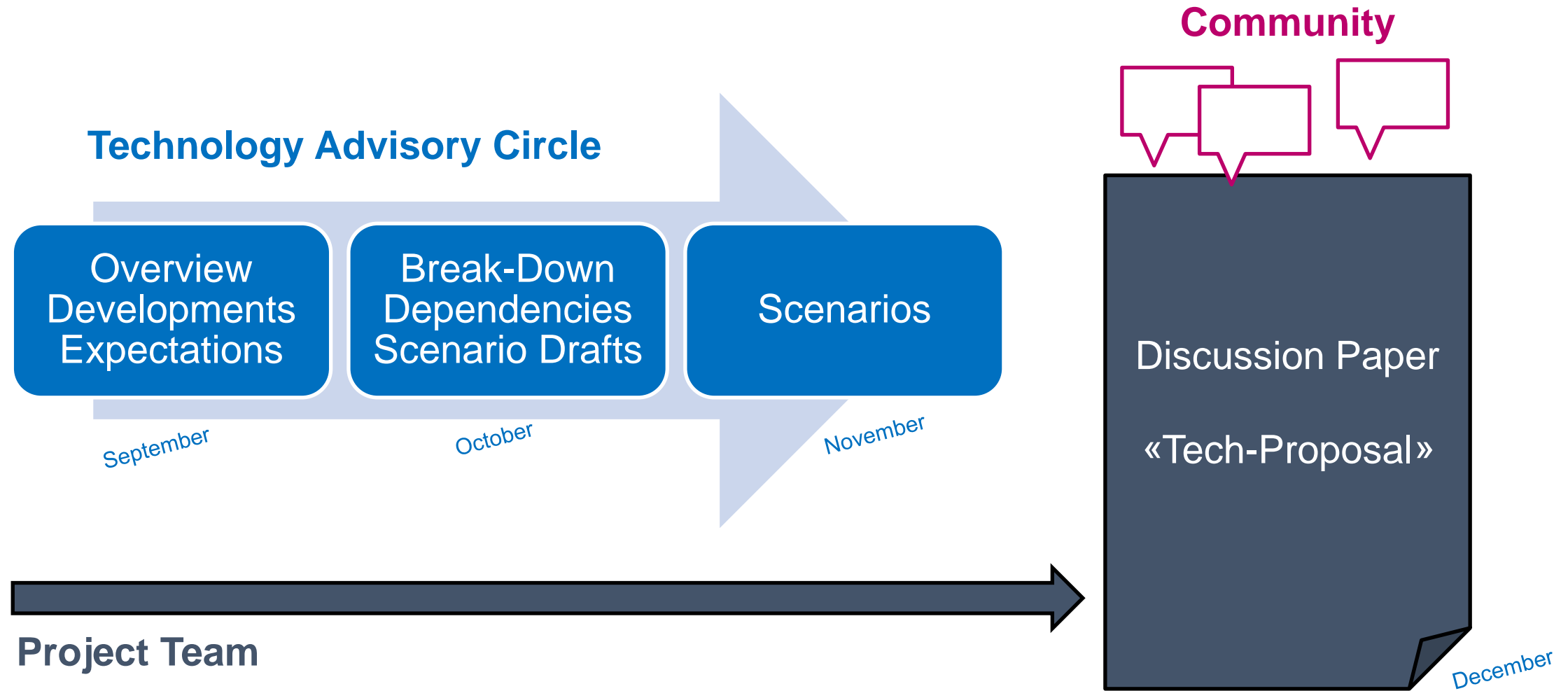
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# What are we doing?





# How does the Technical Advisory Circle work?

- Sharing current knowledge, opinions, expectations
- Collecting valuable sources (pointers to other relevant papers, PoCs, activities...)
- Outlining potential contributions «of Switzerland» to an SSI-world
- **Get stuff done:** Having two scenarios defined at the third meeting



**Input creation for the Discussion Paper «Tech-Proposal»**

*Will the TAC continue after the announced meetings? Most probably.*



# Inputs from 37<sup>th</sup> Internet Identity Week (IIW)





# Discussion Paper «Tech-Proposal»: Structure

## Discussion Paper – Structure:

0 References/Sources

1 Purpose of the document

2 Background

3 Design Principles & Criteria

4 Lessons learned

5 Scenarios

6 Public discussion of the “how to”

Structure on GitHub: [Discussion paper content collection · e-id-admin/open-source-community · Discussion #25 \(github.com\)](https://github.com/e-id-admin/open-source-community/discussions/25)

References/Source-Collection on GitHub: <https://github.com/e-id-admin/open-source-community/discussions/25#discussioncomment-7292021>

- A Working Group of the E-ID Team is in charge of writing
- Inputs from TAC and Dev-Team E-ID is taken into account
- Goal is to have a paper which allows a public consultation regarding the technology decision and the potential compromises it brings regarding the fulfilment of requirements.



# Discussion Paper «Tech-Proposal»: Planned next steps

- Third TAC meeting: November 9, 2023
- Public discussion paper: December 1, 2023
- Informal public consultation process until end December 2023
- Analysis of feedbacks
- Decision by the confederation beginning 2024





# Requirements: The principles as in the six motions and proposed law (Gesetzesvorentwurf)

- **Privacy by Design**
  - “A holder can present a verifiable credential to a verifier without the issuer being informed.”
- **Data Minimization**
  - “A holder can define which credential, which parts of a credentials (selective disclosure) or which derived information of a credential shall be transmitted.”
- **Decentral Storage of eID**
  - The credential is sent from the issuer to the holder and from there presented to verifiers.
  - The choice of the technical means of storage is up to the holder.
  - No credential information resides in the base registry except revocation information.
- **Governance**
  - The system is run by the Confederation



# Let's talk about «Unlinkability»

*Input from the public consultation (Vernehmlassung):  
«Overidentification», misuse of unnecessarily collected data, risk  
of tying need to be better addressed*

- Misuse linkability? Issuer and verifier collude; different verifiers collude; verifier colludes different use-cases. Countermeasures?
- On what data can correlations be made?
  - Attribute value/content (e.g. Social security number)
  - Hashes (SD-JWT)
  - Public keys (Key binding verification)
  - Revocation (StatusList Index)
  - Context-Data (Browser fingerprint ...)
- Mitigation possibilities for the user?
- Unlinkability as a risk for the verifier? (Hello Proxy!?)



# Criteria cluster(s)

## ***Privacy preservation***

- Resilience
- Unlinkability

## ***Security***

- Protocol security
- Cryptographic primitives

## ***Ease of Use***

- *User centered*
- *Understanding*

## ***Readiness for the future***

- Crypto agility
- Modularity

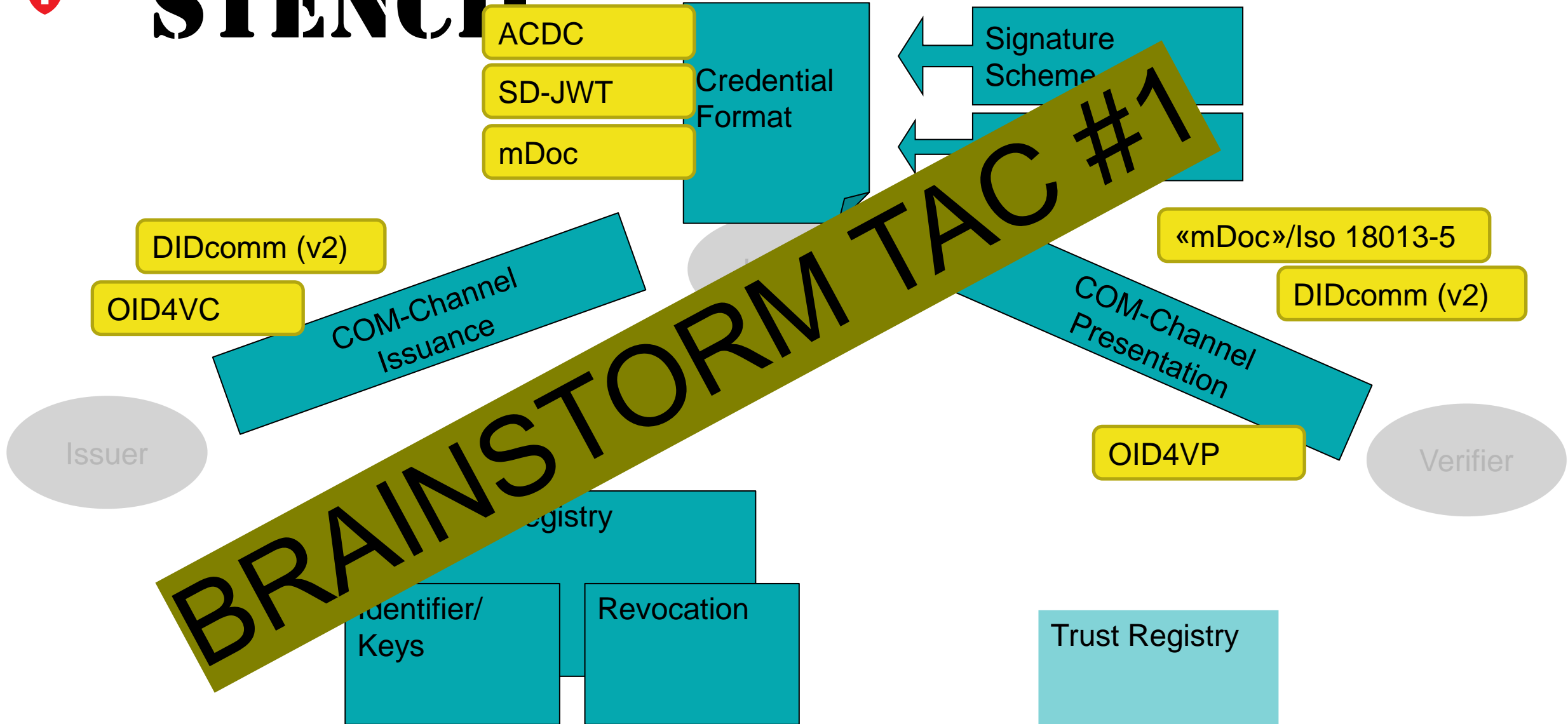
## ***Interoperability & Standardization***

## ***Maturity***

## ***Operability & Integration***



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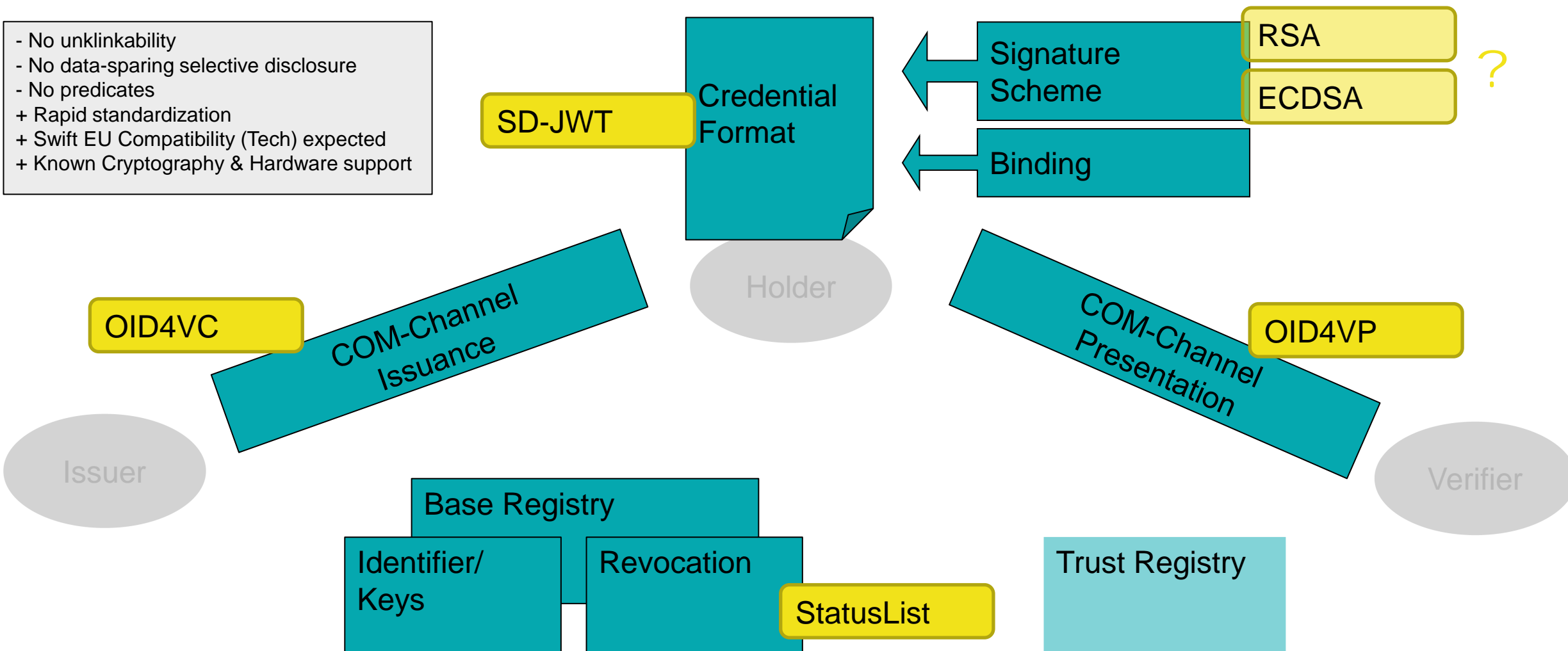




# SCENARIO A

„Direct interoperability with the EU“

- No unlinkability
- No data-sparing selective disclosure
- No predicates
- + Rapid standardization
- + Swift EU Compatibility (Tech) expected
- + Known Cryptography & Hardware support

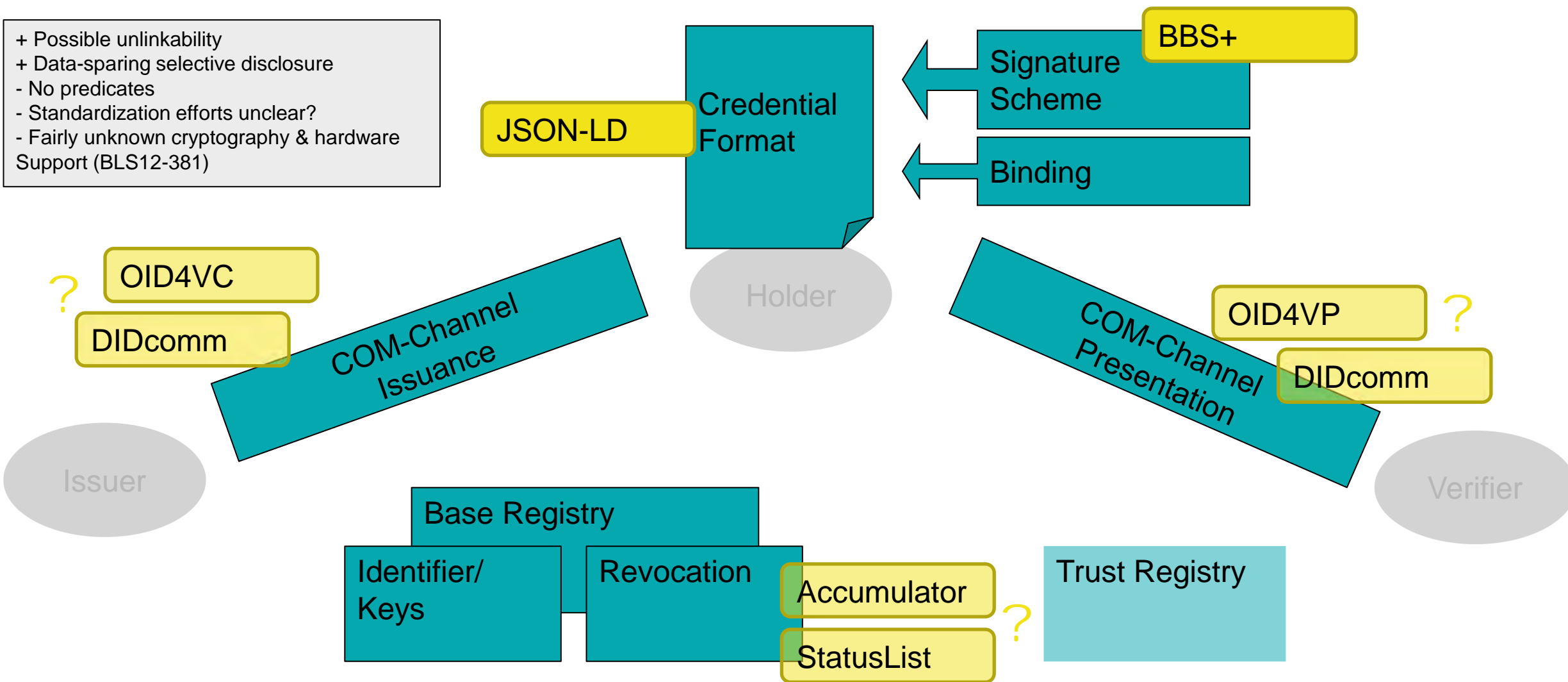




# SCENARIO B

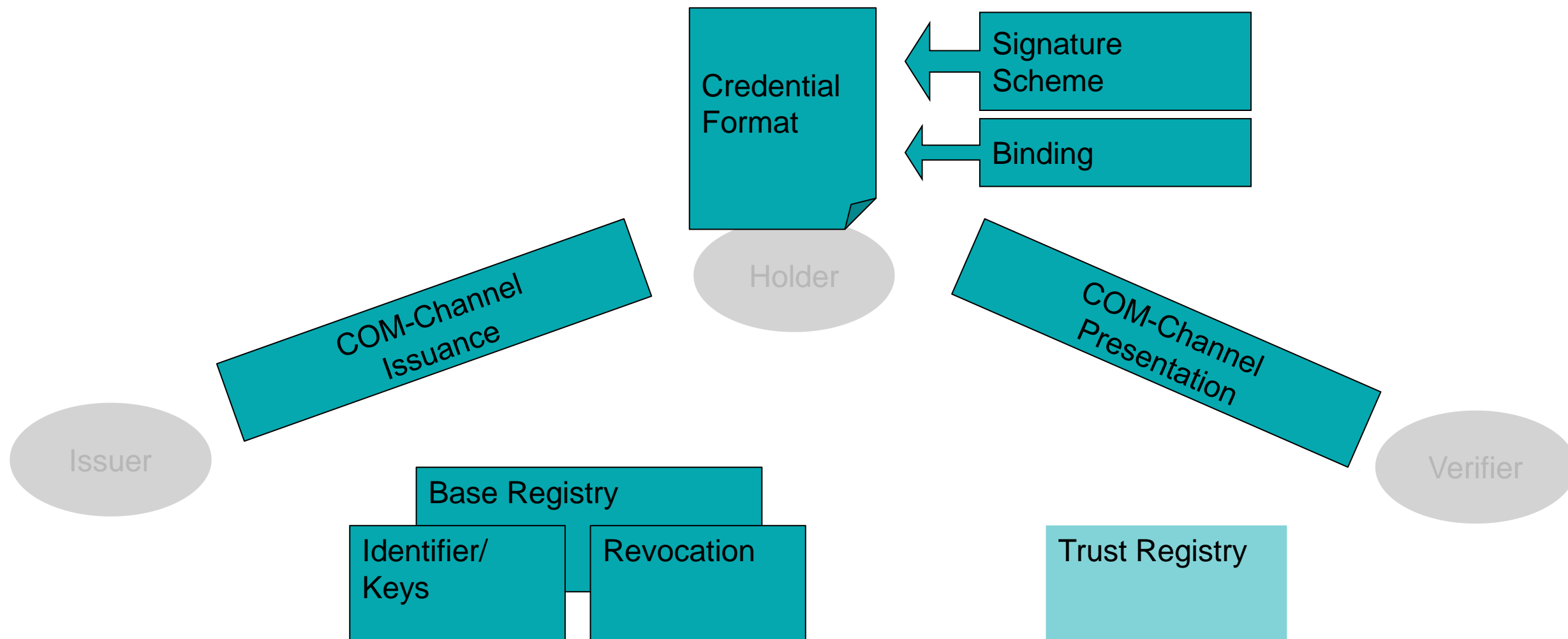
„Following a privacy path“

- + Possible unlinkability
- + Data-sparing selective disclosure
- No predicates
- Standardization efforts unclear?
- Fairly unknown cryptography & hardware Support (BLS12-381)





# SCENARIO C ?





# Any other inputs?





# Next TAC: Thursday, November 9, 2023; 15:00 – 17:00



Instructions may follow.  
Call-Link already sent.





# Announcement: Hybride Participation Meeting: Friday, December 1, 2023 approx. 9 – 17 h

