Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Social Media Posts by FINOS Ambassadors

Purpose:

This SOP outlines the steps and best practices for FINOS Ambassadors to create, publish, and promote social media posts that align with the FINOS mission, promote open-source financial technologies, and engage with the broader community.

Scope:

This SOP applies to all FINOS Ambassadors who post on social media platforms, including Twitter (X), LinkedIn, and others, on behalf of FINOS or to promote FINOS-related content and events.

Procedure:

1. Content Creation

- Responsibility: FINOS Ambassador
- Description:
 - Identify the Purpose: Posts should focus on:
 - Promoting FINOS events, meetups, or conferences.
 - Highlighting contributions to FINOS projects.
 - Sharing insights on open-source technologies in finance.
 - Announcing new releases or updates from FINOS.
 - Keep it Concise: Social media content should be direct, engaging, and no longer than necessary. Use short, attention-grabbing statements or questions.
 - Hashtags: Use relevant FINOS and industry-specific hashtags to increase visibility, such as #FINOS, #OpenSource, #Finance, #OpenFinance, #FinTech, #FinancialServices or others that are relevant to the post's content.
 - Visuals: Where possible, include images, GIFs, or videos to increase engagement. FINOS can provide branded visuals or templates for use.
 - Branding: FINOS logos, project logos, and SIG logos can be found here
 - Tagging: Tag FINOS (@FINOSFoundation on Twitter, @FINOS on LinkedIn) and other relevant accounts to increase visibility and cross-promote.

- Call-to-Action (CTA): Encourage engagement by including a CTA, such as:
 - "Join us at the next FINOS meetup!"
 - "Contribute to our latest open-source project."
 - "Learn more about FINOS's mission."
- **Deliverable:** Social media post draft, including hashtags, visuals, and CTA.

2. Post Scheduling and Publishing

- Responsibility: FINOS Ambassador
- Description:
 - Select Optimal Timing: Post at times when your target audience is most active.
 Ideal times may vary by platform:
 - LinkedIn: Weekdays between 8 AM and 10 AM or 12 PM and 2 PM.
 - Twitter: Weekdays between 9 AM and 11 AM or 1 PM and 3 PM.
 - Frequency: Aim to post regularly, but ensure that posts are spread out to avoid overwhelming your audience (once or twice per week is a good balance).
 - Re-Posting Support: To amplify reach, share a link to the published post with FINOS so it can be re-posted on official FINOS channels (especially LinkedIn).
- **Deliverable:** Social media post scheduled or published live, with link shared to FINOS for potential re-posting.

4. Engagement and Interaction

- Responsibility: FINOS Ambassador, FINOS POC and FINOS Marketing
- Description:
 - Monitor Engagement: After posting, monitor the post for comments, likes, shares, and interactions. Respond to comments or questions to maintain engagement and foster conversation.
 - Amplify the Message: Share with FINOS and other community members to reshare or engage with your post, engage with their responses and amplify their messages by resharing relevant posts or providing additional commentary.
 - Encourage Collaboration: Promote engagement by inviting followers to share their thoughts, contribute to projects, or ask questions about the content.
- **Deliverable:** Ongoing engagement with social media audience.

5. Post-Event or Follow-Up Content (If Applicable)

- Responsibility: FINOS Ambassador
- Description:
 - Share Event Highlights: If the post was related to an event, share a follow-up post with key takeaways, speaker highlights, or a link to the event recording.
 - Thank You Post: Acknowledge participants, speakers, and attendees, and thank them for their involvement.
 - Survey or Feedback: If applicable, include a link to a post-event survey or encourage participants to provide feedback.

• **Deliverable:** Follow-up or post-event social media post.

Roles and Responsibilities

• FINOS Ambassador:

- o Draft, review, and publish social media posts.
- o Engage with the audience and promote open-source financial technologies.
- o Monitor post performance and adjust strategies as needed.

• FINOS Marketing/Communications Team:

- o Provide branded templates, visuals, and any necessary support.
- Review and approve posts for major announcements if the Ambassador requests
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