Intuitive, risk-based authentication for mobile apps

Demand for mobile banking introduces competing pressures for the organisation seeking to innovate yet remain secure.

- 1. Consumers and organisations need to be comfortable with the risk profile of mobile devices;
- 2. Consumer IT has created a highend user expectation of the digital experience;
- 3. Many more organisations are now accessible and striving for customer attention.

Traditional security techniques, such as authentication with PINs and passcodes, are highly disruptive to the consumer experience. We believe that a significant competitive advantage can be gained by offering a superior user experience without compromising security.

Frictionless ID&V is a pilot project with an innovative, patent-pending, layered approach to mobile authentication. Rather than relying on the user's ability to recall a passcode, this technology gathers information about the user from a variety of sources.



Secure and usable authentication across mobile consumer platforms

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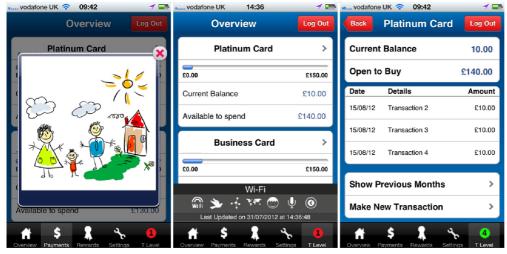
This information is used to build a profile of the user in which useful contextual clues are stored, for example current location and

network identity. Analysis of this context produces a **trust score** which represents the confidence the business has in the authenticity of the user. The business can use this analysis to determine the level of access to be granted to the user. Furthermore, the user may be prompted to interactively logon, from a selection of managed authentication methods.

With Frictionless ID&V, the business retains complete control of risk to ensure compliance with risk profiles across mobile channels. The flexible, context-aware authentication process can be fully managed, resulting in enhanced usability and customer sentiment.

Highlights

- Manage mobile
 channel risk through
 flexible multi-layer
 access control policies.
 Risk profiles are
 enforced consistently
 across all mobile
 platforms
- Exceed user's
 expectations with an
 intuitive solution for the
 traditional passcodebased authentication
 challenge
- Real-time situational analytics to enhance the customer's journey and mobile platform experience
- Built on enterprise middleware for first-class integration with existing business infrastructure



Screenshots from a typical scenario showing an authentication screen and the resulting layered trust levels, with context as the user navigates between pages.

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