Decentralized Identifiers



User Guide

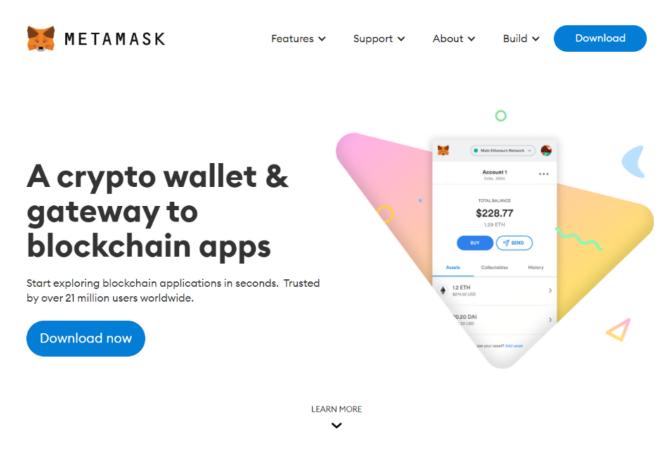
MetaMask Wallet

Each person should have a unique address in order to have an identity. To reach that address we create an account in Ethereum Network, which has a public key and a private key. The public and private keys show our address (e.g. home address) and a private password, respectively.

To create and manage our accounts we use MetaMask, an extension on browser. Instead of having centralized database, that stores our private and public keys, we store our keys there in a decentralized order, which is safer.

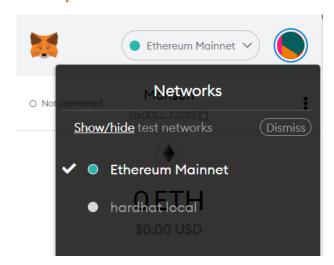
In MetaMask we have a master key, which is the unique password of our wallet and holds all of our accounts. If anyone has that master key he/she has access to all of our public and private keys.

Here is the MetaMask website where you can install MetaMask for the platform you are using.

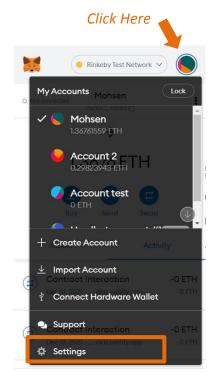


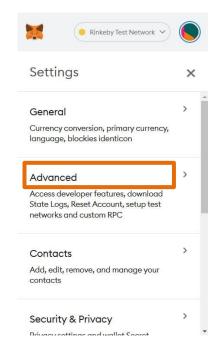
We have different networks. One of which is main net, and all of the coins have a real value, and you have to pay real money to earn coins. Another network is test net, and it is used for testing, where the coins do not have real value, and there are some websites where you can buy these coins freely. Some famous test names are Rinkeby, Kovan, Ropsten.

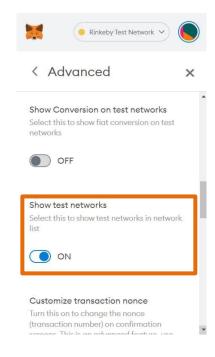
In this project we chose Rinkeby as our test net. MetaMask shows main nets as default.



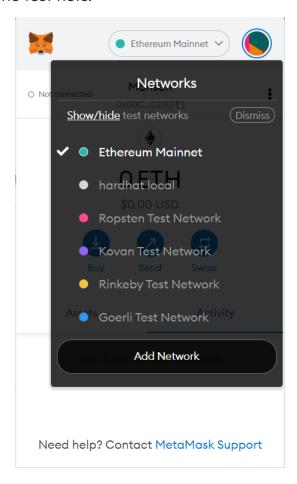
In order to make test nets visible, you have to go to setting, then head to advanced section, and activate show test networks. These steps are shown below:





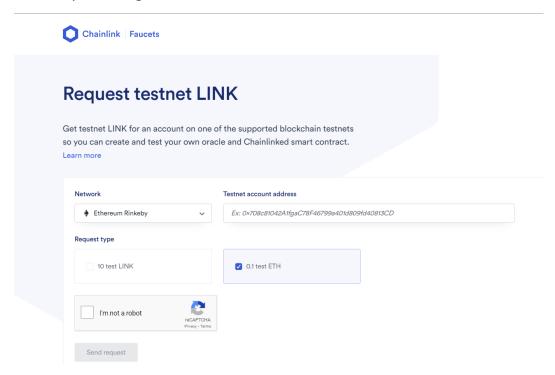


Then MetaMask shows all the test nets.



And then for charging your account you can go to some sites which are called faucets and buy coins without paying money.

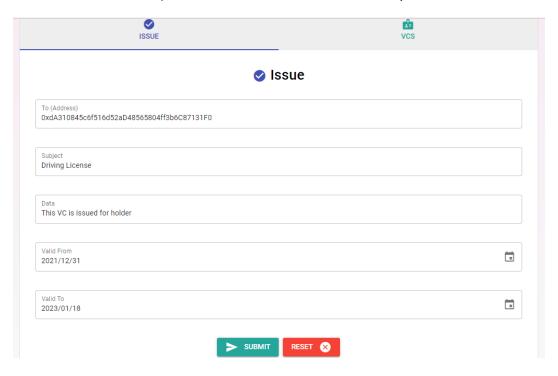
https://faucets.chain.link/rinkeby is one of those sites. By getting there and entering your account's address you can get free test coins.



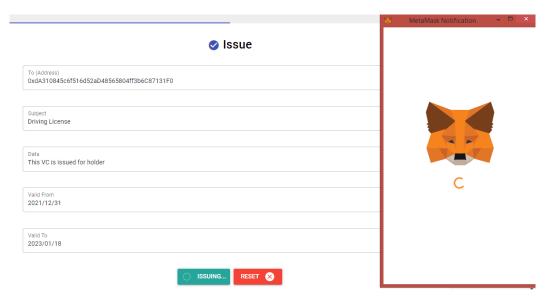
Issuer

♣ Issuer is an entity creating a verifiable credential, associating it with a specific subject and transmitting it to a holder. Examples of these are corporations, governments or nonprofit organizations.

With having the address of a holder, the issuer can issue a verifiable credential (VC) for that specific holder. The VC has subject, data, issuance date and expiration date.



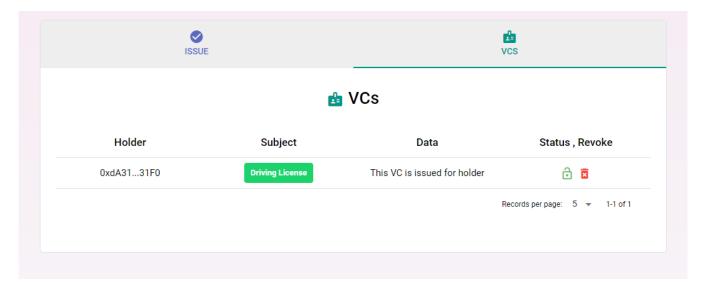
After submitting a VC for the specific holder, issuer must confirm the transaction (issuing a VC) in MetaMask to end up issuing successfully.



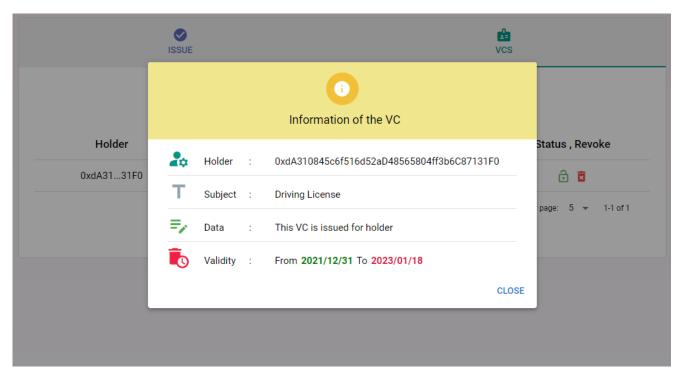
Caution : if the issuer and the holder have the same addresses or expiration date is earlier or equal to the issuance date, the following error dialogs would apper.



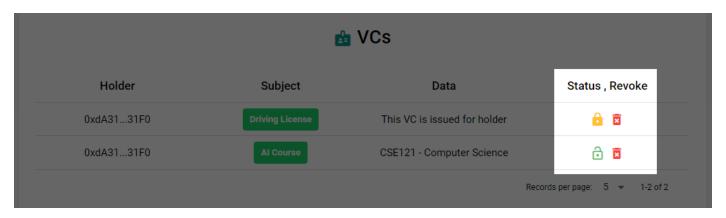
When the transaction is confirmed, issuer can see the issued VC in "VCS" tab. All issued VCs are shown in that tab.



In each row, general information of each VC is shown briefly. However, by clicking on each row full information of that VC would be displayed in a dialog

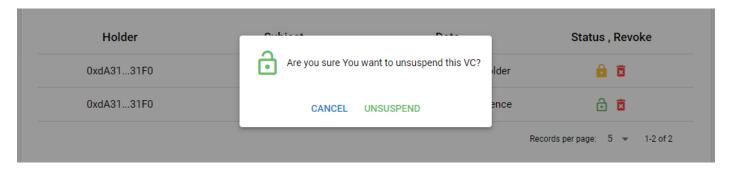


In each row, you can see a column named "Status, Revoke".



If a VC is suspended, its status is shown like $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$, although if a VC is unsuspended, its status is shown like $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$.

By clicking on the "lock" icon in a <u>suspended VC</u>, a dialog like below would be turned up and you can <u>unsuspend</u> that VC.

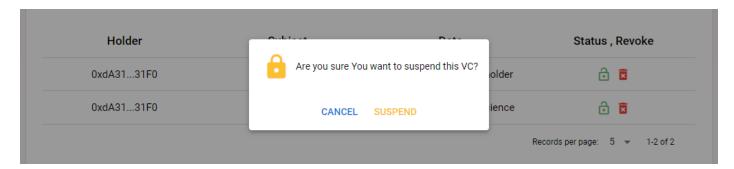


Result:



Note that you have to confirm the transaction in MetaMask to suspend or unsuspend a VC.

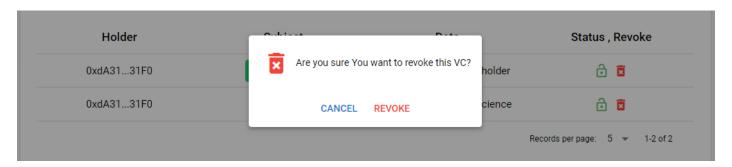
By clicking on the "opened lock" icon in a unsuspended VC, a dialog like below would be turned up and you can suspend that VC.



Result:

Holder	Subject	Data	Status , Revoke
0xdA3131F0	Driving License	This VC is issued for holder	<u> </u>
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Apart from "Status", you can see "Revoke" which means that you can revoke any issued VC as an issuer. By clicking on the "Trash Can" icon in each row, the following dialog would be shown and issuer can revoke the specified VC.



Result:

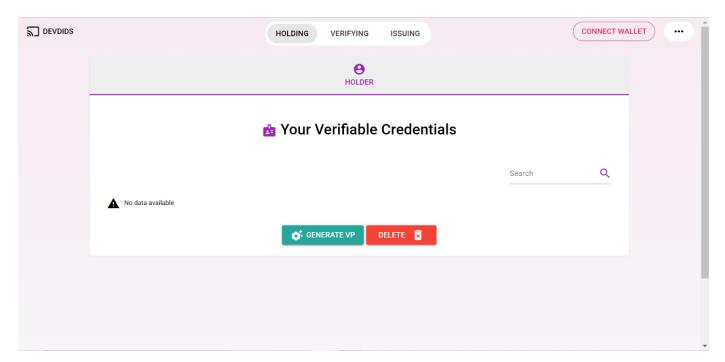


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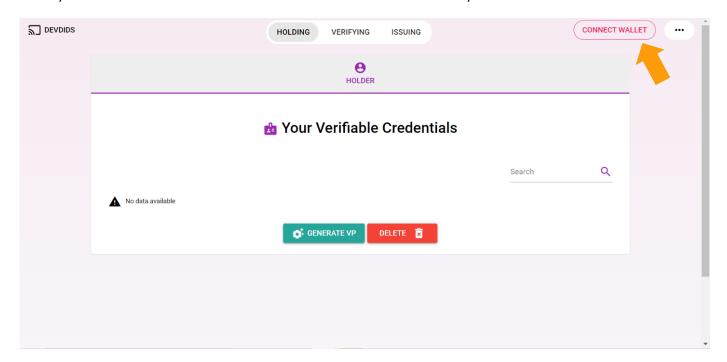


Holder is an entity possessing one or more verifiable credentials and generating presentations from them. Like students, customers, and employees

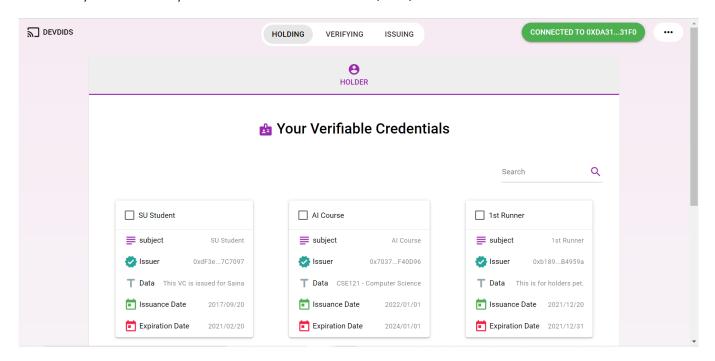
To access the holder page you have to head to https://dev-dids.netlify.app/holder. Firstly, this page looks like this :



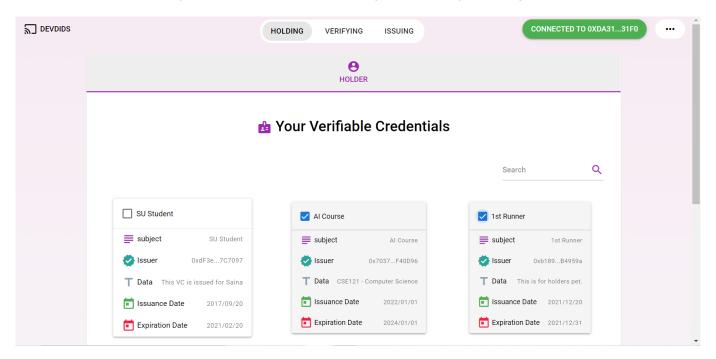
Then you have to click on CONNECT WALLET to connect to your wallet.



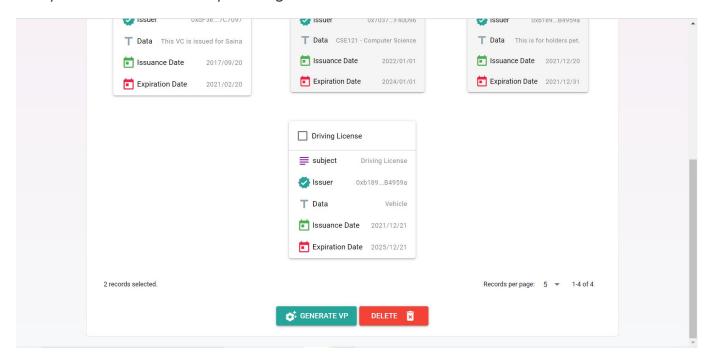
And then you can see your verifiable credentials (VCs):



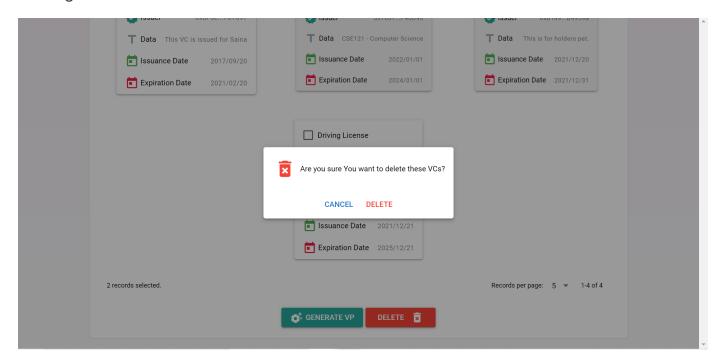
You can select as many verifiable credentials as you want by clicking on them:



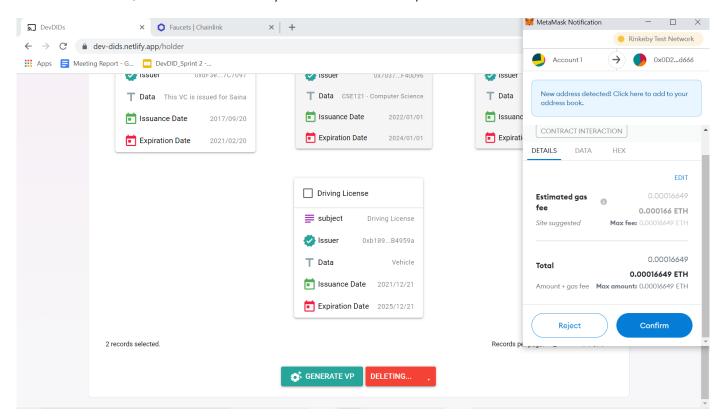
Then you can delete them by clicking on delete button:



Then a dialog appears on the page asking if you want to delete or cancel the process of deleting those VCs:

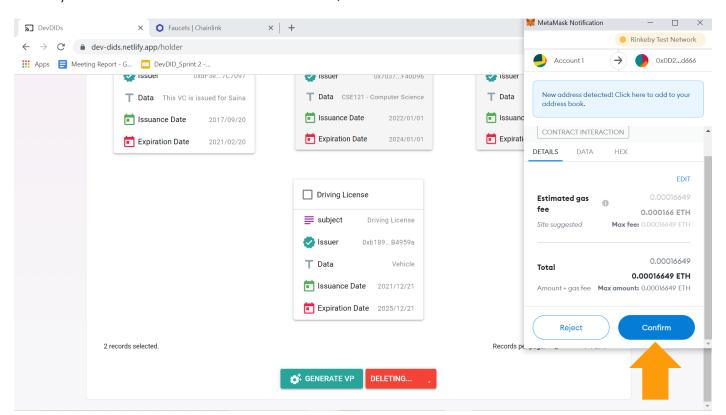


If you click on CANCEL the process will be canceled and the selected VCs remain, but if you click on DELETE, MetaMask wants you to confirm the process:

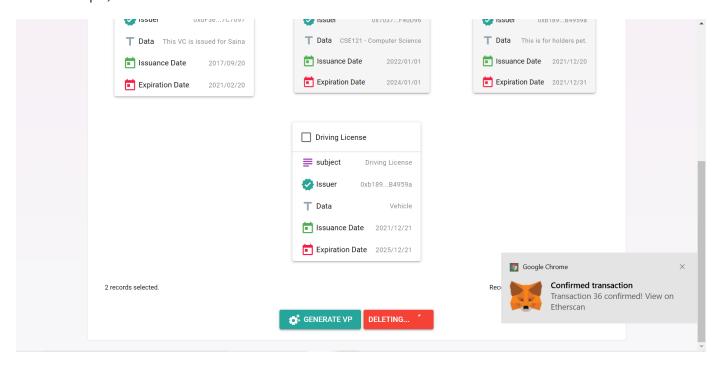


By clicking on Reject Button the process will be canceled.

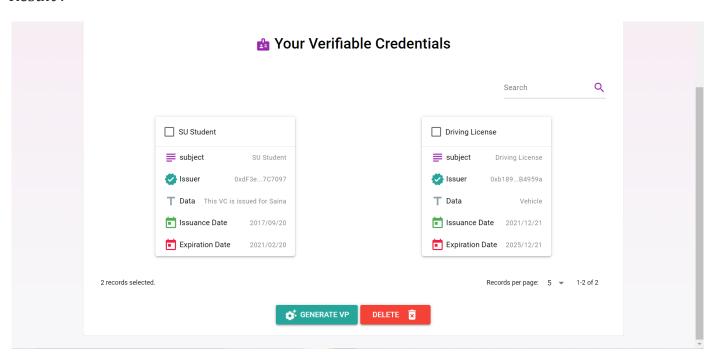
But if you click on Confirm Button as below, the selected VCs will be deleted.



As soon as the notification of the confirmed process appears and the loading of the delete button stops, the selected VCs will be deleted:

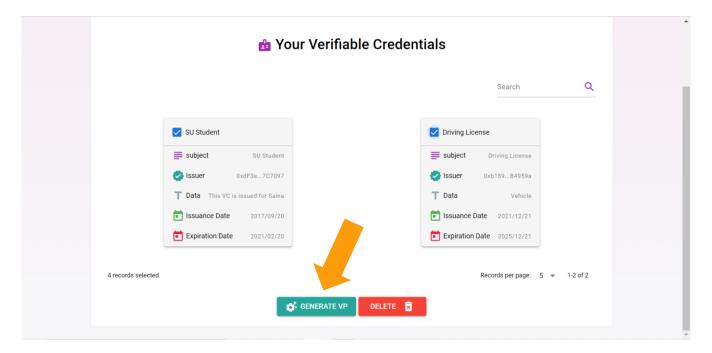


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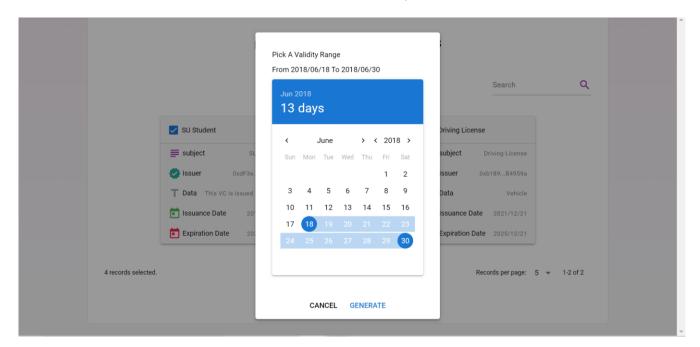


It is important to note that if you have selected more than one VC (n VCs) to be deleted, you have to confirm the transaction n times.

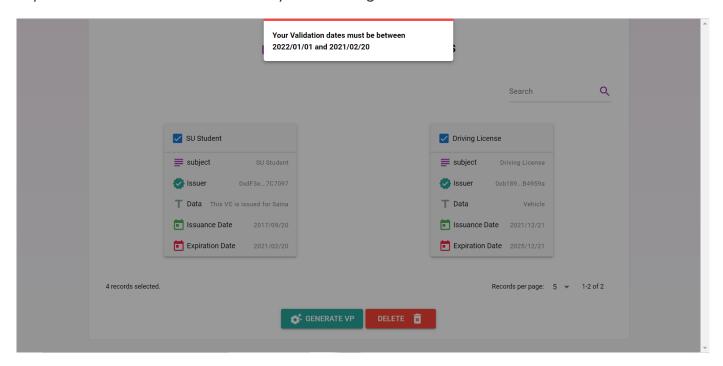
In order to give your VCs to verifier you can select some or all of them and then click on GENERATE VP:



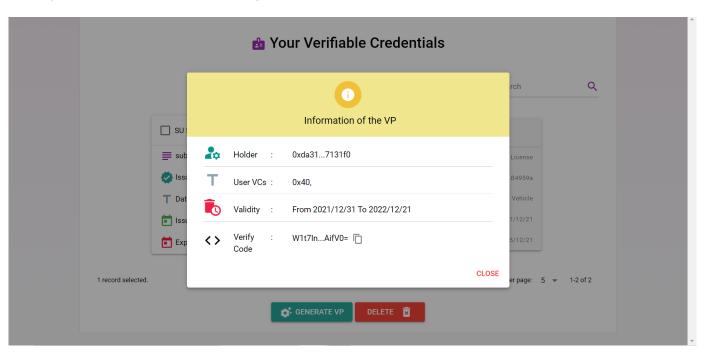
After that you have to pick a **validity range** for your new VP: (the start of this range should be more than the maximum of start date of all selected VCs and the end of that should be less than the minimum of end date of all selected VCs)



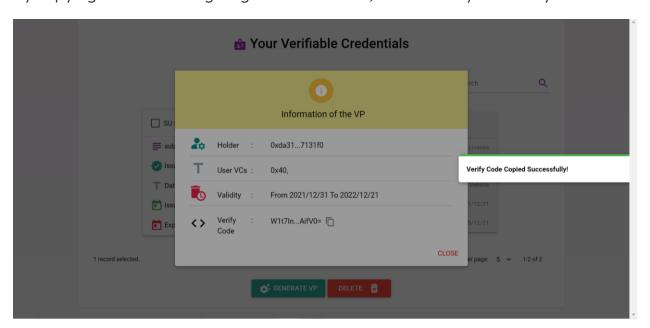
If you do not follow the above rule you cannot generate VP:



But if you follow it, the VP will be generated



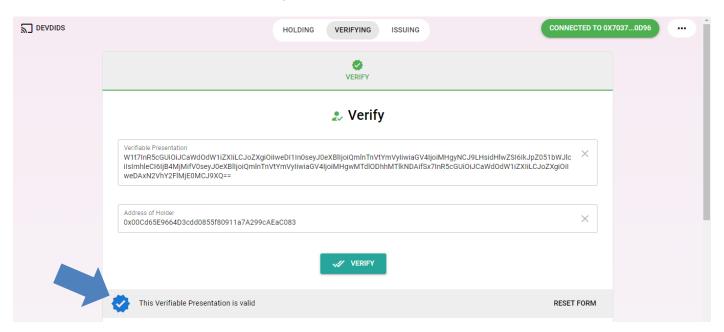
By copying the code and giving it to the verifier, he can verify whether your VP is valid or not.



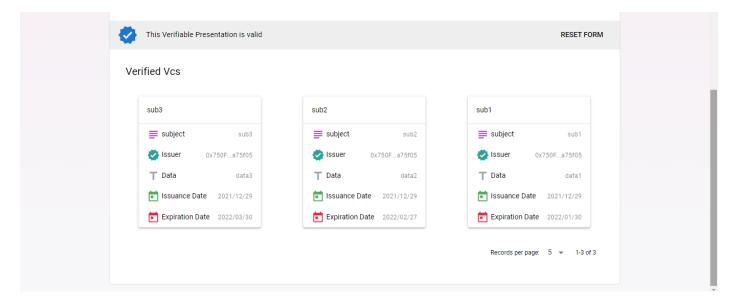
Verifier

♣ Verifier an entity requesting and receiving a verifiable presentation that proves the holder possesses the required verifiable credentials with certain characteristics.

In order to verify a VP, verifier has to get the VP code and holder's address from the holder. Then if the VP is verifiable this dialog will appear:



In addition, verifier can see the list of verified credentials in that verified VP:



Otherwise a red dialog with the reason of invalidity appears:

