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# IMPACTING WITH VALUE: The Republic of Conscience Proof-of-Impact Transaction Platform

Seratio Blockchain White Paper 3.11

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Essential Reading: preceding white papers

Seratio Blockchain 1.0: Currency of Intangible Non-Financial Value <sup>1</sup> Seratio Blockchain 2.0: Values Based Impact Interventions

**Description**: The Seratio Platform integrates multiple heterogeneous tangible financial and intangible non-financial interventions by ensuring financial benefit is contingent on the social impact. Scalability and Sustainability are achieved through the introduction of digital value currency to create a circular impact economy, maintaining the brand link to the impact through the intervention life cycle. Outcomes are interpreted through any framework including the United Nations SDG's. At the heart of the solution is the ability to transact value based on our values.

Abstract: Sitting at the cross-over of Fintech Innovation and Social Innovation, this paper represents the best-in-class combination of Blockchain and Social Earning Ratio technologies to provide a radical build on existing well tried and tested platforms. Aimed at all those broadly interested in the impact investment marketplace covering public, private, civil society and community interventions, this is a solution to the current dissatisfaction of a failing marketplace. Grounded in world leading academic research, the Seratio platform is an open source initiative developed irrespective of the impact metric used, and the impact reporting adopted. Several commissions already address significant global issues of SDG, Gender Inequality, Islamic values, Care Givers, Bluelight Services, City solutions, Ethical Leadership, etc. This is a call to collaborate within a not-for-profit framework, taking advantage of the convening power of all those interested in significant structural change.

Key words: Value(s), Blockchain, Seratio, SDG, Social Impact, Digital Currency, Proof

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://github.com/seratio/whitepaper

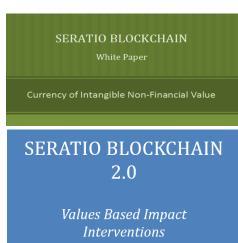
#### Introduction to CCEG Blockchain UN Lab

The Centre for Citizenship, Enterprise and Governance is the leading international Think Tank on the Movement of Value. Since 2011 we have been pre-occupied with the measurement of impact value across scale. We focus on the connection between good thoughts and the translation to a good citizen, good family, good community, good organisations, good cities, good networks, good regions, good nations ... and a good world. Our metrics are behind many laws round the world in Corporate Social Responsibility, Procurement based on Social Value, Supply Chains Transparency, Modern Slavery, etc.



#### Mind Citizen Family Community Organisations Cities Networks Regional Nations Continents Global

We have now moved from capturing value, to transacting value where we have developed the complex theoretical framework upon which we now deliver several commissions for Sustainability Development Goals (SDG), Care Givers, Islamic community, Bluelight government services, Cities, etc. As part of the global Open movement, meeting the burgeoning demand for our services, we have established the CCEG Blockchain UN Lab to make available our enterprise level tools and capability to a broader audience in the areas of measuring impact, translating impact, transacting impact and reporting impact.



#### **CCEG Blockchain Lab - Service Capability**

# **VALUE IMPACT**Measurement and Certification

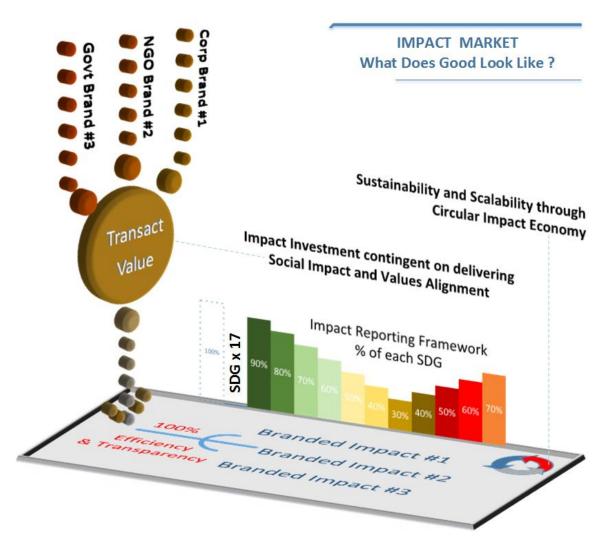
MODELLING IMPACT
Forecast, Refine &
Determine



UPHOLDING IMPACT
Supply Chain Provenance and
Transparency

## The Impact Marketplace

Let's circumnavigate the usual 'statement of problem' – how we aim to resolve it – start. In our experience, this approach only lends itself to incremental change. To effect wholescale structural, possibly disruptive, change, we need to map out what 'good' would like in the impact marketplace.



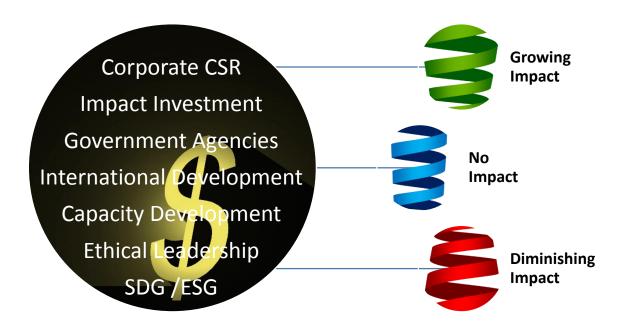
In the ideal world, multiple corporate brands, NGO's, governments, and impact solution providers would undertake their financial interventions contingent on the impact to be achieved, and aligned to the values of the target community. Seeking 100% efficiency, transparency and traceability, with no middlemen to dilute and divert funds, the outcomes would be reported live through the prism of any impact framework eg United Nations SDG (Sustainable Development Goals). Sustainability of the intervention would be achieved through the creation of recurring impact – the Circularity Impact Economy, transacting impact value between individuals and organisations within the private, public, civil society and communities. Scalability is achieved through ensuring the investing brands keep the integrity of their brand marketing directly associated with the interventions well past post launch through the growing circular transactions in ensuing years eg. enabling substantial marketing budgets, not just diminishing corporate social responsibility budgets (CSR).

## Surely It's Not Rocket Science

Actually it is; this is not a trivial exercise. That's why the impact market is fragmented, ineffective, with no consensus, scale and rarely sustainable. It requires a deep understanding of the movement of value, influencing parameters, and how we measure it – particularly defining a currency of intangible non-financial value to match the maturity of the sophisticated system of tangible financial value we have constructed over hundreds of years. In particular, we trichotomise the above task:

- [TASK A] Integrate the impact of multiple providers from all sectors using different intervention resources, comparing 'apples and oranges' objectively and consistently eg. health, education, employment, etc.
- [TASK B] Provide a fast and transparent instrument to capture and link non-financial outcomes with financial programme investment, and to be able to transact both kinds of value attached to each investment brand eg. \$ cash investment linked to Health & Wellbeing outcome within SaaS
- [TASK C] Report and articulate the combined impact in any desired format, framework and metric to be meaningful in different reference templates, and provide this as a return of social investment framework to inform future projects eg. SDG, MDG, GRI-4, IIRC, B-Corp, etc.

A large number of sectors are focussed on bringing to bear economic resources to achieve non-financial goals – *a financial bet on a social outcome*. It has been a perennial challenge to link the two in a practical, real-world environment,



The answer is neither in Social Innovation, or Fintech Innovation, but at the cross-over of these two burgeoning industries. This paper describes the merging of industry leading instruments in both sectors to bring together an exciting and well-received proposition - at both the organizational and individual

level - that has only become available in the past decade, following developments in Blockchain Technology and Fast Data Impact Technology.

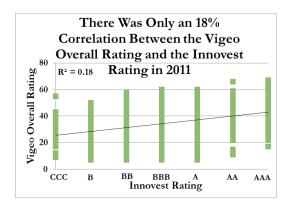
## The Journey so Far

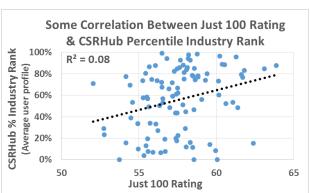
Impact is the defining term of the decade. The impact of policy, strategy, ideas, individuals, corporates, NGO's ... the list is endless. To achieve impact requires a thorough multi-disciplinary understanding but mankind is still learning what it takes. This is a short paper – we have no intention to start with 'Adam and Eve' and explain the science that brought us here. What we do intend, however, is to explain the role of the building blocks that allowed us to make what others consider a scale leap.

## Value Transaction and Impact Metrics

The failure of impact investment in its broadest term, however, is its inability to link financial investment with the economic, social and values of the communities the interventions are aimed at. There are already many value transaction instruments in existence, ranging from standard FIAT currencies through to a range of digital tokens. Latest of these is the Blockchain, which is reported in the Fintech world as a revolution in the transmission of value, primarily financial and hard asset classes. In our experience, it is better to go with existing inventions that have found large-scale backing, than invent our own. To allow blockchain, however, to fulfil its optimal position in the 'Internet-of-Value' chain, it has to address ALL kinds of value not just the hard asset classes.

Equally important and challenging, there is a plethora of impact metric solutions out there all claiming to represent the impact value chain.<sup>2</sup> In reality all c. 1500 metrics have their part to play, but appropriate for a particular application. Back in 2011 the ESG data warehousing specialists CSRHub found the 'best' correlation they could find between the sets of data was 18%; in December 2016 they reported an 8% correlation between their 491 data feeds and the recently released and well-funded Just-100 ie. no correlation at all.<sup>3</sup>





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Social Value in Public Procurement, CCEG (2014) 250 p http://ow.ly/CbFUa or http://ow.ly/CChMi

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://blog.csrhub.com/topic/just-100

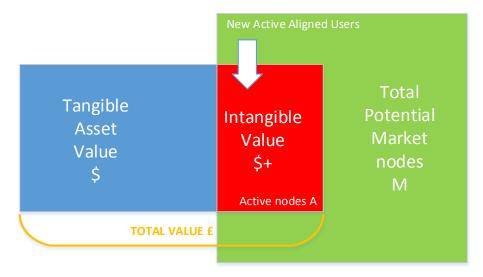
So any hope of arriving at a consensus is a very long way away. Rather, the focus here should be on a framework to translate from one metric to another; this paper describes that framework.

To marry impact metrics with blockchain requires a system that not only can translate other measurement systems, but is mainstreamed, objective, replicable, comprehensive, cost effective and fast. The latter attribute of speed is important in resolving blockchain proof-of "work, stake, value, impact, etc" calculations where a transaction is ideally approved in seconds, and certainly within a few minutes. For instance, imagine standing at a shop EPOS, attempting to purchase based on social credit and the provenance of the product or retailer, only to be told that the transaction cannot be completed until they know the social impact following a 3-18 month impact analysis report, and US\$ 3,000 – US\$ 200,000 (typical ranges of such reports). For these reasons, we have adopted the Social Earnings Ratio as the first in a new class of Fast Data metrics that fulfil the <10 second and <US\$ 5 criteria, with the ability to translate impact metrics universally.

#### Whitepaper 1.0

Whitepaper 1.0 introduced and proved the ability to capture total value. Exploring the relationship between the intangible and tangible values and demonstrating the capability to effectively and speedily record both values within transactions by using the Social Earnings Ratio® on a blockchain.

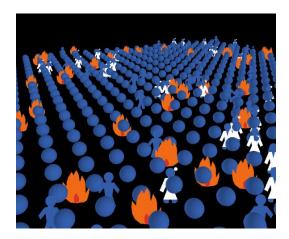
A significant discovery was the role of values alignment to Total Value. Through it we demonstrated, for the first time, the direct relationship between recognized indices (eg. corporate capitalization, product brand, etc) and being aligned to your target audience or community.

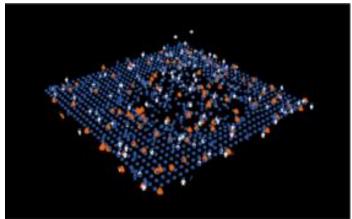


## Whitepaper 2.0

Whitepaper 2.0 continued to illustrate the power of merging Social innovation and Fintech developments to improve intervention impact. By understanding and aligning to a community's value framework, accurate forecasting is enabled and a material improvement to investment outcomes and impact is achieved. Of particular note, was the ability to go from granular detail of individual

interventions with people, services (eg. Fire, health) and employment to arrive at a multi-layer dynamic map of integrated impact - ie. Multi heterogeneous interventions combined into a single impact metric.





## Whitepaper 3.0

This paper sets out the next phase of evolvement of the platform and functionality to measure, capture and transact impact. It proves the capability of the S/E Ratio as a translation tool for all value sets both as intervention inputs but also as impact outputs. In particular, this paper illustrates the inclusion of all of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) within the values framework.

## The Phronesis Impact World and the Republic Of Conscience

The Phronesis inspired impact world – one with real world instruments that are practical today, not just in a lab – exists in the CCEG Blockchain UN Lab – a not-for-profit organization that is a spin-out from a UK university. This lab encompasses an open-source blockchain platform which has the capability to capture, measure, assess and transact ALL values. By using the S/E as the translation tool, we can compare values accurately across a range of measures, whilst retaining existing mechanisms and systems.

The Blockchain UN lab facilitates a revolutionary measurement capability for Asian-based partners, the World Sustainability Organization, the Republic Of Conscience and the Caring Currency and CHANGE WEDNESDAY projects of the McMaster Institute. This "Blockchain Onramp" consortium for 3<sup>rd</sup> sector organizations, social credit development and the achievement of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (by year 2030) is supported and communicated within the large Asian blockchain industry membership of DACA, the Distributed Autonomous Coalition Asia. These neutral organizations and institutes have been devoted to helping an ill-equipped world adapt to the rapidly changing social, economic, and environmental situation for over 10 years.



## [World Sustainability Project at SDG themed DACA event in Beijing China]

The partnership of the CCEG Blockchain UN Lab and McMaster Institute's Republic Of Conscience has evolved to assist both individuals and organizations educate, coach, deliver and measure investment interventions in partnership with an organisation's own systems. The partnerships provide full and complete measurement of value across all the Sustainable Development Goals, translating diverse value systems into a common language, participating in their transaction of value and significantly improving and recording impact.

Why is this important? Because we tend to measure only those categories and things that we already understand and believe we have the ability to monitor. This can be very limiting. Often, those types of measures of performance and outcomes are only a few of the impacts that are actually achieved. Complex measurement systems and data gathering efforts are expensive to implement and run. Their costs compete with the core funding to achieve the primary goal of the intervention investment. However, by not capturing the total results, inaccurate, uncertain measures are reported which frustrate and stymie potential future intervention confidence, ambition and appetite.

Additionally, and no less important, developing, coaching, recording metrics, following up and further promoting the Social Credit side of the total equation requires a special kind of complimentary non-traditional O2O (Online to Offline) education and de-centralized enrolment process pioneered by the McMaster Institute. CHANGE WEDNESDAY is the universal, weekly day of reflection and action related to understanding and solving the SDG goals as well as facilitating individual or company citizenship in the virtual Republic Of Conscience as an achievement.

An important historical precedent in 2015, just prior to COP21 - the United Nations achieved a global consensus for the Sustainable Development Goals 'SDG' with all the 193 Member States signed up. The 17 goals each have sub layers, targets, and the support of governments, NGOs, corporations and individuals who are working to achieve them. Reporting and progress assessment is already proving a mammoth and complex task. Simplicity and speed are being sought to de-mystify and align effort. The holy grail of reporting has, until now, only been a dream of the United Nations.



[CHANGE WEDNESDAY banner at Marrakech Climate Change Conf COP22]

The CCEG Blockchain UN Lab provides a new and effective way to deliver, capture, measure and translate value across all data sets, bringing all into one efficient framework, a consistent system that can scale across all markets.







































#### The Assured Coin

The 'Assured Coin' is the principal tool for intervention impact in a full-service offering. The Coin integrates a total impact measurement tool and the Assured Coin Guarantee. As an investment tool, the coin gives a full and complete audit trail of spend and impact. This ensures full transparency of investment profile, which is not possible with Fiat currency. The audit trail will also prevent lost funds and investment monies deliberately/accidently diverted to non-targeted developments and geographies.

Another significant advantage is the ability to track the ongoing use of funds beyond the first round of spend/investment. Subsequent rounds of transactions are also tracked through all levels to determine the ongoing impact and value measurement creating a circular economy. This gives unparalleled clarity of outcomes and impact across all value sets. Transaction level value measurement and recording is built in. We believe this is a totally unique capability.

The ongoing measurement of secondary and subsequent transaction activity of the coins enable the value to be continually exchanged and created. Because this value is measured and recorded in the Seratio Blockchain, it forms the evidence of further sustainability of the investment and impact.

Full control of the spend of the investment funds can be exercised by using smart contracts. Blockchain technology and fast data value measurement allows a wide and variable level of options of contracts to control transactions. This will ensure appropriate targeted use of funds and achievement of value objectives. For example, mandating that transactions are contingent on value creation, or may only be made within a specified geography. Transactions which fall outside of given boundaries can be prevented by a fully automated process.

The Assured Coin Guarantee is also unique in the crypto currency markets. Setting the standards and providing a guarantee to increase consumer confidence and acceptance globally. Coins issued under the Seratio Assured Card branding benefit from a Guarantee of value, a built-in value measurement, promised settlement terms and have a set of 'Good Values' explicitly and implicitly built in; a replication of the Schemes - MasterCard/Visa/Diners/Amex assurety of settlement.

The value of this cannot be underestimated. With cryptocurrencies increasing at the rate of c. 100 per month, the lack of use has been hampered by:

- No-where to spend it other than the Fiat exchange or internal to the community creating it (with only the one notable exception of Bitcoin).
- The inability for one branded cryptocurrency to be accepted by another branded community
- The uncertainty and guarantee of settlement
- Fluctuations in value

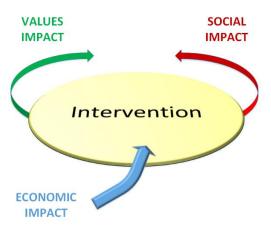
The Assured Coin is the only cryptocurrency incorporating a value guarantee; the only coin to track and measure impact and the only coin to have inherent values as its core. It is agnostic of the blockchain, wallet, exchange, impact measurement techniques, type of intervention, invested currency. Like the Centre for Citizenship, Enterprise and Governance, the body behind the Blockchain Lab, it is a neutral enabler to operationalize impact and the sentiments behind those values that drive it. It allows the transaction of value through values of the issuer aligned to the receiver.

## Framework for Decentralized Proof of Everything

A central tenet of blockchain philosophy is that there is no singular higher authority of transaction verification (and thus control), but that it is a decentralized peer-to-peer system – proof-of-work, proof-of-stake, etc are all variations on a theme. In financial blockchain transactions, comprehensive complex systems have become accepted to allow verification using the framework. Extending this to non-financial blockchain transactions where it's not possible to have one view of what is ethical leadership, love, health & wellbeing, happiness, etc, the corollary is to have a framework to accommodate multiple Proof-of-[...] interpretations. The framework is the consistent feature, the value set can be localized. Thus there is no single authority, but multiple parallel authorities ranging from individuals to institutions whose interpretations are valid within in their particular sphere of influence even if unaccepted within other sectors. A framework cannot be based on only one set of human values.

#### The Measures

The measures of value and impact are performed using the Social Earnings Ratio<sup>®</sup>. Each coin, or each project supported, will have a value set bespoke to its community values for example, that may incorporate religious, cultural or ethnic principles and ideals. By aligning values, the improvement to investment outcomes and impact is achieved as proven in whitepaper 2.0.

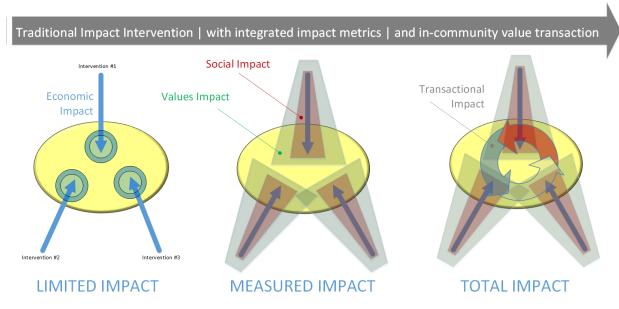


What is important to note is that the S/E Ratio® will also measure the impact on each of the Sustainable Development Goals. Beyond the individual key performance indicators that a standard intervention would expect, the S/E ratio will measure the full value impact of a program on both the targeted goals and on each of the Sustainable Development Goals.

The result is a full and complete suite of impact measures for any given intervention. Why measure?.... because Reality doesn't exist until we measure it.<sup>4</sup> If you don't measure you have no idea of success or failure, no control, no influence ... basically it implies the outcomes are less

important. Corporations measure profit because it matters. They know If you can't measure it, you can't bill it.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> HRABETOVA J. and TA'EED O., Measurement of Intangibles In Current Society: Challenges, Perspectives and Choice, International scientific conference in Cultural Studies, Yekaterinburg, March 2016



So by measuring your own interventions, broadening them from economic to social and values alignment, integrating other projects from other providers aimed in the space, and finally adding transactional value from your legacy coin, you achieve much greater impact with layers upon layers.

#### More than the Sum of the Parts: Many Brands, Many Metrics

The old adage "the whole is bigger than the sum of the part" depends on one key factor, that everything you add has a common denominator. Branded interventions do not have the same aims — each has their own particular perspective. Equally there are many varied forms of value measurement and metrics that they use. One clear reason why the sum of all this intervention, all this good intent, all this money, all this goodwill, has been a negligible or incremental improvement in the world. We have overcome this by using the S/E Ratio as the currency of exchange between brands and outcomes to form a unified view — an internal currency within our ecosystem ensuring our outputs can be articulated in the language/metric/currency of the service users choice and globally recognized standards.

Whilst the S/E ratio is the world's fastest adopted value measure<sup>5</sup>, and can apply to any global market, we have built in the ability to use any measure. The S/E ratio is used as a translation tool to standardise and simplify other methodologies and measure to give consistent accurate comparisons within the framework. Any and all existing measures and systems can be adopted and built into a measurement framework. We can undertake the translation to S/E, the addition of other value sets, and if required, the translation back to the original metric or measurement tool. The key benefit of this approach is that existing programmes like the World Sustainability Project / Republic Of Conscience and methodologies like O2O CHANGE WEDNESDAY and even SDGhackathons using currency baskets like the Caring Currencies can be accommodated for internal comparison, whilst have the total value included as well as be a comparator in global standards and Sustainable Development Goals.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> http://ow.ly/GPnAi



Going further, by branding the Assured Coin with a corporate or organisational brand, a clear link to the purpose and impact becomes visible as well as measurable. At the level of individual citizen motivation, action and self-branding, a variety of differentiated affinity tokens and coins such as the Care Coin, Conscience Coin, Happy Coin and of course SDG Coin, which has, to date, been promoted primarily as the 'SDG Token' to reflect its social sentiment and to avoid the disassociated, business-as-usual, homogenous, commercial, monetary implication of "coin".

The global basket of affinity coins will eventually offer a wide choice of meaningful, tradable, culturally-specific, locally-adapted validations of personal interest and effort, to address the complexity of social values around the world. Visibility on a variety of levels from individual to social and organizational enables the leverage of the brands in any intervention both directly and indirectly.

Positive investment interventions will impact more than the directly targeted delivery objectives. We have demonstrated how the measurement of these additional values can be captured and recorded. The intervention impacts act like a rainbow, with varied positive outcomes and impacts being experienced. In a similar fashion, multiple interventions and coins within communities and markets have a wider impact than is immediately evident. The flow of value within the communities, the economic, social and values impact at transactional level all have a multiplier effect to create Total Impact.

## Interoperability, the Individual and the Circular Economy

Most impact interventions have a start, and an end, and nothing much after. Whilst a lot of lip service is given to interventions that outlast the initial branded campaign, in reality, sustainability of the effect is a key problem. The next intervention by another brand rarely adds to or builds on the first – it's off topic and distracts or possibly detracts from the preceding intervention.

The consistency of focus on Individual Social Responsibility (ISR) in the World Sustainability Project and the continuity of Republic Of Conscience ecosystem and its circular economy is designed to avoid this

"staying on track" problem and facilitate weekly CHANGE WEDNESDAY follow-ups to achieve real, lasting change in people's lives and the lives around them.

As a voluntary Citizen of Conscience, actively seeking to live a Lifestyle Of Health Happiness And Sustainability (LOHHAS), the participant attracted into the realm of the Republic Of Conscience has numerous advantages and rewards.

Starting with the common trust platform of the BLOCKCHAIN and the common global 'currency' of Assured Coin representing intangible benefits, the ability to receive investment through a common brand becomes interoperable with related cryptocurrencies like Caring Currency's SDG Coin.

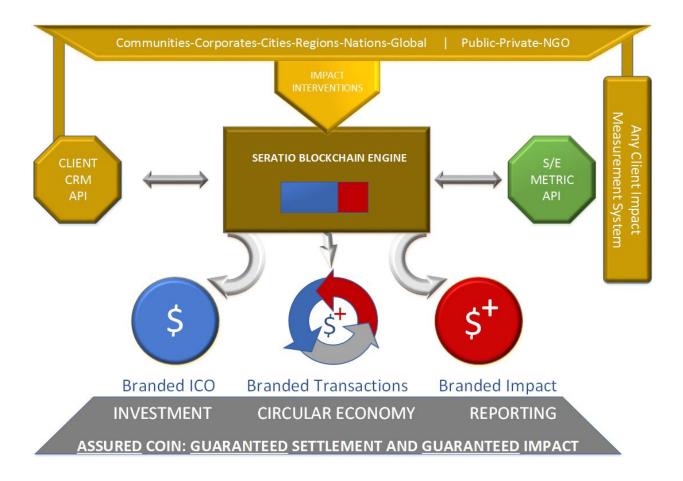


As adoption of the Seratio platform grows, the opportunity to spend and invest Assured Coin alongside other branded interventions and, for instance, pay certain suppliers who share any of the SDG values with an SDG coin (to build their recorded and accumulating social credit) is enhanced. Even partially paying suppliers with SDG Coins to record and enhance their related contributions, or incentivising staff with SDG tokens becomes an option.

This interoperability provides for the circular impact economy we seek, to make such interventions sustainable and scalable - You buy what you want, with what you want, and spend wherever you want – as long as they share your values and will accept the coin. This is why the SDG Coin – with its universal appeal – has the ability to gather momentum. You are not only buying and getting value from what you want, you are at the same time, 'buying into' and supporting the (LOHHAS) Lifestyle Of Health Happiness And Sustainability that we must all encourage and promote.

#### Seratio Platform

The Seratio platform has been architecturally designed to meet Enterprise level specifications. In its simplest form, it can be described by this diagram. It is currently being implemented with the assistance of the Ethereum Classic Community both Internationally (R&D) and in China (ICO).<sup>6</sup> The Seratio Blockchain, however, is not part of ETC and can be implemented using any base protocol. Our Proof-of-Concept, for instance, is in Multichain. As an open source idea, we actively encourage other blockchain protocols and API's to utilise the Proof-of-Impact framework.



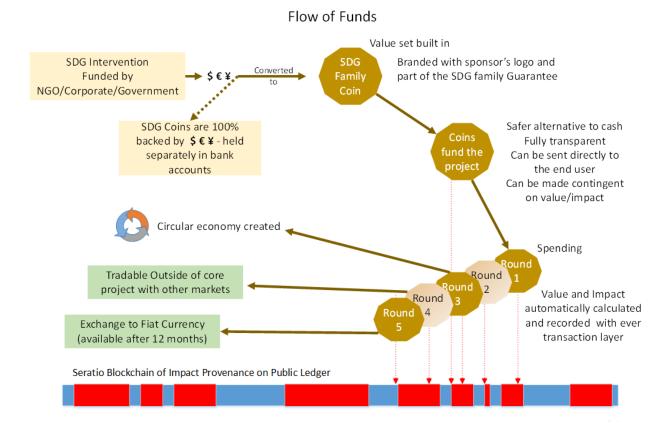
The Proof-of-Value framework has been described in whitepaper 1.0. The Proof-of-Impact framework is described in this paper below.

## Fiscal Policy

The diagram illustrates our fiscal policy which determines fund flows. The key components are:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> https://ethereumclassic.github.io/blog/2017-01-06-sustainable-development-goals/

- Funds are 100% securely held by CCEG, a not-for-profit organisation, to back the ICO (Initial Coin Offering). Only the interest from these funds will be used to fund the continuing research and development work of the Blockchain Lab. This way whilst we cannot guarantee the spot rate in any given future, we can guarantee what you paid into the ICO is fully backed.
- Initial transaction costs when the coin is being traded will be 2.5%. This figure will reduce over time as relative overheads diminish.
- Each coin is linked by value sets, not by a common exchange rate. For example, the Islamic Coin<sup>7</sup> is linked to the price of gold.
- All transactions are recorded in the public ledger which provides transparency, but of course not the details of the sender/receiver. Above all, however, it provides us all with a track of impact provenance.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> http://ow.ly/9nD3306wUdk

## **Comparative Advantages**

FEATURES	TRADITIONAL IMPACT INVESTING	VALUES BASED BLOCKCHAIN
Economic Impact	٧	√ can be exchanged for FIAT currency
Circular Economy	X	√ Transactional Legacy
Impact Measurement	Х	<b>√</b> Any Impact Metric converted to S/E Ratio
Investment Contingent on Impact	X	<b>√</b> Smart Contract makes automatic decision
Social Impact	Х	√ If you can measure it, you can influence it
Values Alignment	X	<b>√</b> part of Family of SDG coins
Branded Interventions	X only as launch marketing	√ Branded Coin
Administration Efficiency	X substantial fees to middle players	√ Zero fee structure
Transparency	X diversion of funds common	√ Public Ledger
Economic Inclusion	X reliant on banking infrastructure	<b>√</b> Democratization of access to funds
Empowerment to Service Users	Х	√ Coin carries governance vote, delivers voice

## **Proof of Impact: SDG**

Proof-of-Impact (PoI) is a unique mechanism that establishes the impact an entity makes though its social interventions. PoI is powered by the <u>Seratio Blockchain</u> and, as its name suggests, proves efficiency of impact interventions constructed to ensure sustainability in all forms. Together with PoV (Proof-of-Value)<sup>8</sup>, PoI offers a new approach to maintaining trust in dApps. In the core of PoI is <u>the Social Earnings Ratio</u> – umbrella metric that measures non-financial "soft" value.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Seratio Blockchain 2.0: Values Based Interventions, 2016

General case:

$$\widetilde{SE}(t_0) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} SE_i(t_0)$$
 (1)

$$\widetilde{SE}(t_1) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} SE_i(t_1)$$
(2)

$$n \ge 1 \tag{3}$$

$$I = \widetilde{SE}(t_1) - \widetilde{SE}(t_0) \tag{4}$$

$$I = \begin{cases} < 0, & negative impact \\ = 0, & no impact \\ > 0, & positive impact \end{cases}$$
 (5)

where  $t_0$  and  $t_1$  – time before and after the intervention respectively;

 $n\,$  - number of goals targeted (same organisation or many), or alternatively number of organisations targeting a social goal (if only one goal is targeted);

 $SE_i(t_0)$  and  $SE_i(t_1)$ , i=1...n – per sustainability framework adjusted SE ratios before and after the intervention respectively;

 $\widetilde{SE}(t_0)$  and  $\widetilde{SE}(t_1)$  – mean SE ratios at time  $t_0$  and  $t_1$  respectively;

*I* – impact made by means of the intervention.

As many of the global challenges are covered by the UN Sustainability Agenda and grouped into Sustainable Development Goals <sup>9</sup>, we choose to use the former as a common standard and to differentiate interventions according to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). Therefore, further in the work "intervention" will indicate any social campaign, project and/or targeted event that contributes to the implementation of one or more SDGs.

For all seventeen goals targeted by one organisation the impact intervention system will look like:

$$\widetilde{SE}(t_0) = \frac{1}{17} \sum_{i=1}^{17} SE_i(t_0)$$
 (6)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, 2015

$$\widetilde{SE}(t_1) = \frac{1}{17} \sum_{i=1}^{17} SE_i(t_1)$$
 (7)

$$I = \widetilde{SE}(t_1) - \widetilde{SE}(t_0) \tag{8}$$

$$I = \begin{cases} < 0, & negative impact \\ = 0, & no impact \\ > 0, & positive impact \end{cases}$$
 (9)

where  $t_0$  and  $t_1$  – time before and after the targeted event(s) respectively;

 $SE_i(t_0)$  and  $SE_i(t_1)$ , i=1..17 – per SDG adjusted SE ratios before and after the targeted event(s) respectively;

 $\widetilde{SE}(t_0)$  and  $\widetilde{SE}(t_1)$  – mean SE ratios at time  $t_0$  and  $t_1$  respectively;

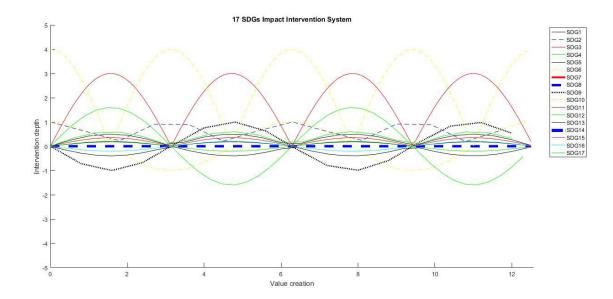
*I* – impact made by means of the targeted event(s).

## Modelling: Intervention layers & levels

Our approach is to introduce 17 different (per SDG adjusted) Social Earnings Ratio (SE) prodigy metrics. Each ratio metric becomes a basis for the intervention layer. Thus, we get 17 impact intervention layers each with different impact intervention depth, value creation velocity and value creation acceleration. Every single impact intervention layer is computed according to the principles of the Theory of Total Value (described in the previous white papers) and shows value created through specified interventions - they can be (social) programmes, campaigns, events and services run by the organisation / entity. It is worth mentioning that value created by the organisation / entity via different interventions is mostly intended (deliberately designed company policies & actions), however there are rare cases when an organisation / entity creates value in an unintended way (e.g. often, a small locally operated businesses will create clear social value but may not be designated as a social enterprise). <sup>10</sup>

As it was said earlier, impact intervention layers are determined via impact intervention depth (later on simply "depth"), value creation velocity (later on "velocity") and value creation acceleration (later on "acceleration"). Depth of the layer shows the level of effect the intervention had on the community. In other words, the depth shows whether corresponding intervention had individual, family, community, region or global effect. For instance, not only do women empowerment campaigns tend to impact individuals but also communities at whole. These described campaigns impact community level and hence the depth of such an intervention will stand at the community level.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> WMFS Impact Model with Values Alignment, 2016



Whilst this is a multi-layered diagram, and essentially 3D dynamic model as with the ones illustrated in the CCEG Research playlist<sup>11</sup>, for the sake of brevity we have given here for illustration in the asymptotically stable state which of course does not occur (only in rare conditions like a Soliton wave). In real life the above wave could diminish impact value or grow impact value, so the state in the diagram is merely a cusp point or perhaps more commonly known as the impact 'tipping point'.

## Case Study: West Midlands Fire Service

The following example is used to demonstrate how Proof-of-Impact works from a live commission CCEG has been undertaking since February 2015. West Midlands Fire Service (WMFS) is one of the largest impact providers in the West Midlands region (UK), and the largest Fire Service provider outside London. Besides direct services, WMFS delivers (social) value though its prevention, safety and engagement campaigns and/or targeted events. Most of the targeted events are aimed at engaging communities through: a) vocational & fire prevention trainings and b) recruiting women and people from minority ethnic groups. Although community members are recruited mainly as volunteers and relatively few become paid employees, Women and Minority Groups empowerment-through-recruiting events have proven to be comparatively successful. <sup>12</sup> <sup>13</sup>

Considering the latter, it is useful to turn to the general demographics of the West Midlands region. Our research shows (and is in line with previous research on the subject matter), the Muslim Women community stands out for its low indices. Despite being relatively large group, Muslim women are among most deprived and socially inactive communities. There are several factors contributing to it, including:

- Traditional family pressures (parental dominance)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T72AlcxaZcE&list=PLyF9vaRnnfNOIYW8Xpmvp4L4HWlbhveo3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Written Evidence Submitted by West Midlands Fire Service, 2016

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Beyond fighting fires: The role of the fire and rescue service in improving the public's health, 2015

- Gender discrimination
- Poor education
- Early marriages (especially among Asian Muslims)
- Islamophobia and religious prejudices
- Limited finances

To demonstrate the scale of the problem it is worth mentioning that Muslims in West Midlands (and the UK at whole) represent the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest religious group. The community has the highest rate of unemployment in the region (and country). Its members tend to live in close communities and are highly aligned with each other. Combination of the three results in low rates of social activism, which makes integration with the rest of population particularly challenging. <sup>14</sup> <sup>15</sup> <sup>16</sup>

However, the situation is different with Muslims in employment. Recent research shows, employed Muslims show better tendencies of interacting with people not only within the community but also beyond it. <sup>17</sup> They are also more willing to participate in the "targeted events" and consequently these events yield better impact. So, bringing more Muslim women into employment (even if unpaid), through capturing their values would mean growth of the employed community and engagement in general and hence greater impact. Besides, that may thus help with unemployed prone-to-radicalization youth as more people will be in employment.

Summarizing, through women and minority groups empowerment events, WMFS creates value for one of the most disadvantaged communities. Although the intervention happens on individual basis, the impact of such an intervention goes from individual level to family level to community levels. The following parts of the research are dedicated to illustrating thus created value as well as to proving impact made by WMFS.

Using SDG language, the service provider contributes directly to the Gender Equality (n. 5) and Reduced Inequality (n. 10) Goals and indirectly to the Decent Work and Economic Growth (n. 8) and Sustainable Cities and Communities (n. 11) Goals. Then, for the four goals targeted by WMFS the impact intervention system will look the following:

$$\widetilde{SE}(t_0) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^{4} SE_i(t_0)$$
 (10)

$$\widetilde{SE}(t_1) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^{4} SE_i(t_1)$$
 (11)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Portrait of the West Midlands, 2011

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Employment Opportunities for Muslims in the UK, 2016-2017

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Charts which show the employment barriers faced by British Muslims, 2016

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> <u>British Muslims in Numbers: A Demographic, Socio-Economic and Health Profile of Muslims in Britain drawing on the 2011 Census, 2015</u>

$$I = \widetilde{SE}(t_1) - \widetilde{SE}(t_0) \tag{12}$$

where  $t_0$  and  $t_1$  – time before and after the targeted event respectively;

 $SE_i(t_0)$  and  $SE_i(t_1)$ , i=1..4 – per 4 SDGs adjusted SE ratios before and after the targeted event respectively;

 $\widetilde{SE}(t_0)$  and  $\widetilde{SE}(t_1)$  – mean SE ratios at time  $t_0$  and  $t_1$  respectively;

I – impact made by WMFS by means of the targeted event.

Now, if to assume:  $t_0 - Q1 \ of \ 2015$ 

$$t_1 - Q4 \ of 2015$$

$$SE_1(t_0) = 2.4$$

$$SE_2(t_0) = 2.1$$

$$SE_3(t_0) = 1.7$$

$$SE_4(t_0) = 1.8$$

$$SE_1(t_1) = 2.45$$

$$SE_2(t_1) = 2.19$$

$$SE_3(t_1) = 1.73$$

$$SE_4(t_1) = 1.9$$
,

Then

$$\widetilde{SE}(t_0) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^{4} SE_i(t_0) = \frac{SE_1(t_0) + SE_2(t_0) + SE_3(t_0) + SE_4(t_0)}{4} = \frac{2.4 + 2.1 + 1.7 + 1.8}{4} = 2$$
 (10.1)

$$\widetilde{SE}(t_1) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^{4} SE_i(t_1) = \frac{SE_1(t_1) + SE_2(t_1) + SE_3(t_1) + SE_4(t_1)}{4} = \frac{2.45 + 2.19 + 1.73 + 1.9}{4} \approx 2.07$$
 (11.1)

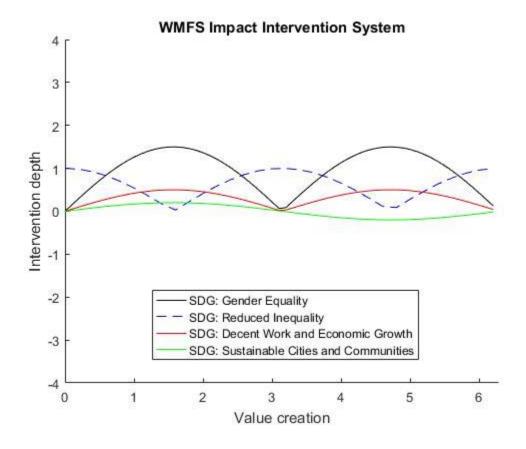
$$I = \widetilde{SE}(t_1) - \widetilde{SE}(t_0) = 2.07 - 2 = 0.7 \tag{12.1}$$

Hence,

$$I = 0.7 \rightarrow I > 0$$

Given (12.1) and (5), it is established – impact created through WMFS intervention from the  $1^{st}$  quarter to  $4^{th}$  quarter of 2015 is positive and is equal to 0.7.

Now once the impact made by the service provider is proven, we can build a model of this impact intervention. The latter is made deploying the principles of the Theory of Total Value. Four layers of the model show 4 different SDGs covered through the WMFs intervention.



As before, the above illustrates the 'tipping point' for sustainable impact propagation within the region. This is of particular use in city planning.

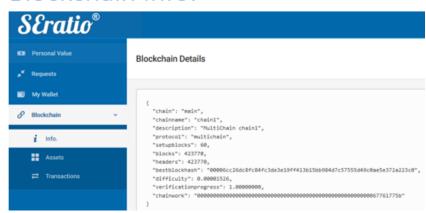
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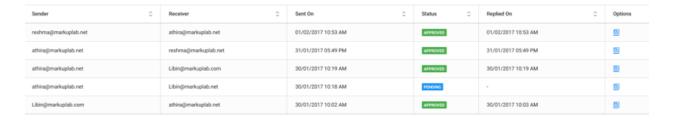
The Seratio PoC used a Multichain protocol to build the Seratio Blockchain and was successfully completed at the end of January 2017. For Pol we used the existing PoV system – of c. 10 SaaS platforms

existing on the Seratio platform. This has given us the confidence to release this paper ahead of our participation in the Shanghai ETC / SDG Hackathon at the end of March 2017. <sup>18</sup>

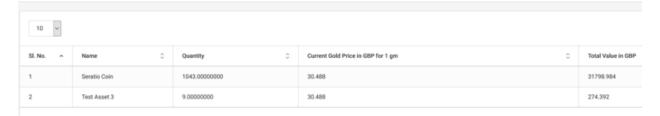


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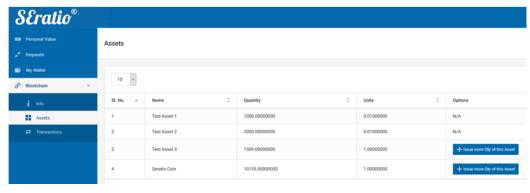




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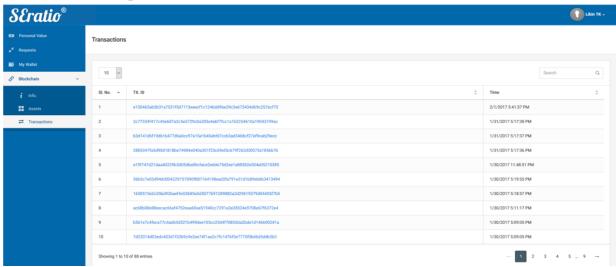


## Issue Assets



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> http://ftconnect.org/html/index.html#page1 http://www.SDGhackathon.com

# Transaction Log of the entire Blockchain



#### Schedule

Design: Jun-Sept 2016 Complete

Whitepapers: Oct-Feb 2017 Complete

Proof-of-Concept: Nov-Jan 2017 Complete

Hackathon: Feb 2017

Alpha Blockchain: April 2017

Blockchain API: June 2017

Beta Blockchain: Aug 2017

Partner Pol: Sept 2017

Release v1: Oct 2017

Release v2: Dec 2017

## **Convening Power CCEG Blockchain UN Lab**

#### **Open Source**

The Seratio platform is an open source development and available freely to members of the CCEG Blockchain UN Lab under Creative Commons 4.0 (Attribution-NonCommercial-NoDerivatives 4.0 International) to ensure integrity. Members are able to host the solutions themselves, or have it hosted by CCEG at a service cost integrating with their own Proof-of-[...] value proposition. The Centre for Citizenship, Enterprise and Governance remains an academic not-for-profit vehicle to curate both the Seratio Blockchain and the Social Earnings Ratio.

#### Membership

As is the practice with great and successful open source projects, we welcome and encourage others to convene and collaborate with us. We welcome individual contribution and support and have put in place a governance structure for membership allowing participation by: Corporates, Not-for-profits, Foundations, Government, NGO's and Academic entities. It does not have to be a full scale provision, experimentation is also encouraged with testing smaller portions of impact responsibility and non-critical projects that provide a more gentle glidepath to success.

Membership will give an organisation Blockchain and Social Innovation capability within an open source convention. Expertise, real world application, experience and a robust test bed environment to experiment in are available to learn from and use. There are two categories of membership: Associate and Full Membership.

Associate members are provided with:

- A structured pathway to determine an entity's blockchain participation strategy from the very start point through to complete platform build.
- An ability to develop member blockchain applications in any field of choice.
- Design input into the blockchain platform that enables financial and non-financial value to be transacted.
- Issue of guaranteed, branded SDG family of digital Coins (cryptocurrency).

Full Membership has all the benefits of Associate membership above plus voting rights. Voting rights influence and determine:

- The strategic direction of the lab's work
- The current priorities and funding imperatives
- The governance structure of the lab

Voting criteria is based fairly on the amount invested. For example, the University of Northampton has already invested US\$100,000 giving them 100 votes. Seratio Ltd has invested US\$150,000 giving them 150 votes. Smaller organisations have paid commensurate amounts.

As an open source development, the results will be available to all members. For those who wish us to host the blockchain where there are costs, then membership gives a very low cost of entry into these important high-tech fields.

- Discounted fees to run their branded blockchain on their behalf by our professionally dedicated team.
- Discounted rates to access the Software-as-a-Service <u>Seratio</u>® API's to integrate into any existing project or system
- Discounted rates to accurate impact forecasting, consultancy, reporting and improved delivery through the developed <u>Social Earnings Ratio</u>®

We invite your membership to the CCEG Blockchain UN Lab



## **Background Note**

Information on the open source Social Earnings Ratio® (Creative Commons, 2011) may be found at the not-for-profit Think Tank, Centre for Citizenship, Enterprise and Governance (<a href="www.cceg.org.uk">www.cceg.org.uk</a>) which focuses on Movement of Value. CCEG has received over 100 commissions, shown at <a href="www.socialearningsratio.com">www.socialearningsratio.com</a> and operates 10+ SaaS platforms through the trading arm Seratio Limited (<a href="www.seratio.com">www.seratio.com</a>). CCEG has over 55,000 members including 7,000 heads of CSR of the world's largest companies and 2000 politicians. Members receive the journal Social Value & Intangibles Review <a href="https://issuu.com/seratio">https://issuu.com/seratio</a>. CCEG has founded the IoV Blockchain Alliance for Good (Bisgit.IoV) at <a href="www.bisgit.org">www.bisgit.org</a>

## Whitepaper Schedule

Updates are available at:

https://github.com/seratio/whitepaper

- 1.0 Currency of Intangible Non-Financial Value (October 2016)
- 2.0 Values Based Impact Interventions (December 2016)
- 3.0 IMPACTING WITH VALUE: Capture-Translate-Transact-Report (February 2017)
- 4.0 Transference of Value across Scale
- 5.0 Zero Sum Gain Acknowledgement of Value where value is not transacted, lost or gained
- 6.0 Niche Applications (Ethical Leadership, Mental Health, Health & Wellbeing, Eternal Value, Brand Value, Provenance, Capacity Development, etc)

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