SWE-573 Purposeful Community Platform

Software Requirements Specification

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## 1. Introduction

### 1.1. Purpose

This document is created for the lecture "SWE573 - Software Development Practice" @ Boğaziçi University Software Engineering Department for fall 2019 semester.

This project is about Purposeful Community Platform where registered members submit content to the platform such as links, text posts, images and etc, on moderated topics.

Topics are created by community builders who are able to define the community specific custom datatypes.

The site recommends its users (registered or anonymous) related topics based on constructed relations between these topics using tagged WikiData information.

Intended use of these topics are;

* Ability to accumulate information stored on these topics.
* Ability to request/provide structured information in a fast and supervised way.

This document also provides an overview of the Software Requirements Specification for "SWE573 Class Project - Purposeful Community Platform" with system characteristics, description, functional and non-functional requirements, behavioral description and questions. The document aims to gather and analyze the specifications of Purposeful Community Platform.

### 1.2. Overview

The document examines the implementation goals in Section 2, overall description in Section 3, functional and non-functional requirements in Section 4.

### 1.3. Environmental Characteristics

#### 1.3.1. Hardware

There are no requirements for a bare-metal server. For ease of use, cloud-based service providers will be used. (PaaS and IaS services can be used, leaving out SaaS components)

Candidates for cloud providers:

* Microsoft azure
* Amazon Web Services

#### 1.3.2. Software

Web Server: Any container supporting Java/Python  
Programming Language: Java/Python  
Database: PostgreSQL/MongoDB  
Frontend: Angular/React/Bootstrap

In client side, the web application should be reachable from common web browsers with HTML 5.0 support.

#### 1.3.3. Usability

User interfaces of the platform should be friendly enough to enable non-technical people to use the platform from targeted client environment which can be mobile or web application.

## 2. Goals of Implementation

* Develop a timeline to insure milestone dates are met and the project is completed within the established timeline.
* Manage implementation within pre-determined time.
* Follow SDLC- Software/System Development Life Cycle
* Follow Agile project management practices.

The application development phases include requirements analysis (gathering requirements), design (high level design and detailed design), implementation (development to transfer a design to product), testing (unit and integration testing) and evolution (deployment and maintenance) phases.

## 3. Overall Description

### 3.1. Product Functions

#### 3.1.1 General

* Register new user
* Login
* Browse anonymously

#### 3.1.2 Community

* Create new community
* Delete community
* Search for a community
* View recommended communities
* Join community
* Leave community
* Create Custom Data Type
* Modify own Custom Data Type
* Delete own Custom Data Type

#### 3.1.3 Post

* Read all posts inside a community
* Modify own posts inside a community
* Submit own posts inside a community
* Delete own posts inside a community
* Query all posts inside a community

#### 3.1.4 Administration

* Delete users
* Modify users

#### 3.1.5 Generic Data Type

PCP provides a primitive datatype for all communities which is called "Generic Data Type". Common fields;

* Title - used for short name, required
* Description - used for detailed description
* Semantic Tag - used for semantic search and relations, required

#### 3.1.6 Custom Data Type

Community specific datatypes which inherit fields "Title" and "Semantic Tag" from primitive structure "Generic Data Type". A community can have multiple data types. Custom Data Type posts can use the following field types;

* Image
* Audio
* Video
* Text
* Enumeration
* Email
* URL
* Datetime
* Number

### 3.2. Platform Roles and Functions

#### 3.2.1 Roles

* Registered User
* Anonymous
* Administrator

#### 3.2.2 Roles & Functions

| **Function** | **Registered User** | **Anonymous** | **Administrator** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Register |  | x |  |
| Login | x |  | x |
| Browse | x | x | x |
| Create Community | x |  | x |
| Search Community | x | x | x |
| Join Community | x |  | x |
| Leave Community | x |  | x |
| Delete Community |  |  | x |
| Browse Community | x | x | x |
| View Recommended Community | x | x | x |
| Create Custom Data Type | x |  | x |
| Modify own Custom Data Type | x |  | x |
| Delete own Custom Data Type | x |  | x |
| Read Posts | x | x | x |
| Submit Post | x |  | x |
| Modify Own Posts | x |  | x |
| Delete Own Posts | x |  | x |
| Query All Posts | x | x | x |
| Delete Users |  |  | x |
| Modify Users |  |  | x |

### 3.3. Product Glossary

* Community - A group of Data Type's with subscribed users having a particular characteristic in common
* Data Type - A structure to hold information with predefined fields
* Community Builder - Community User's who create new communities or custom data types
* Community User - Registered user who has "Registered User" role
* Anonymous User - Unregistered users who has "Anonymous" role
* Field - Representation of data in specific types
* Primitive Data Type - A basic structure to hold the predefined format of a community (Title, Description, Semantic Tag)
* Generic Data Type - Initial common datatype and official channel of a community
* Custom Data Type - A predefined structure and sub category to gather data from community users in a structured way

## 4. Requirements

### 4.1. Functional Requirements

| **Requirement** | **Short Description** | **Perspective** | **Details** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 4.1.1 | Register | User | Users shall be able to register to the platform if they need to join communities and create custom data types. Users shall be able to register by providing First name, Last name, username, password details. If all fields are valid, then the user should be saved to the user table in database. After successful registration, platform should redirect to login page. |
| 4.1.2 | Database | Product | Database used for the platform shall be MongoDB or PostgreSQL |
| 4.1.3 | Programming Language | Product | Programming language used to implement the platform shall be Java or Python |
| 4.1.4 | Roles | User | Platform shall provide users two user roles. 1) Community builder - Can define data types, create new communities 2) Community user - Can join communities, can create content on generic or predefined custom data types |
| 4.1.5 | Content Evolution | User | Platform shall provide a way to evolve stored information. User created custom data types shall be evolved by adding or removing fields |
| 4.1.6 | Generic Data Type | Product | Generic Data Type shall have Title, Description and Semantic Tag fields |
| 4.1.7 | Custom Data Types | Product | Custom Data Type's shall inherit Title and Semantic Tag fields. Community builders shall be able to customize custom data types from predefined primitive types |
| 4.1.8 | Recommendation | User | Platform shall provide users a way to relate communities or posts with recommendations from WikiData services. Platform shall provide suggestions to relate information to WikiData content using entered query text |
| 4.1.9 | Front-end | Product | Platform front-end shall be mobile or web application |
| 4.1.10 | Full-Text Search | User | Platform shall provide a full-text search function for users to search stored generic information inside communities. Users shall be able to query generic content with full-text search |
| 4.1.11 | Filtered Search | User | Platform shall provide a custom search function for users to search stored information inside communities. Users shall be able to query stored custom content with filters on fields |
| 4.1.12 | Data Types | User | Platform shall provide users a way to create Custom Data Type's using primitive types Image, Audio, Video, Text, Enumeration, Email, URL, Datetime, Number} |

### 4.2. Non-Functional Requirements

| **Requirement No** | **Short Description** | **Type** | **Details** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 4.2.1 | WikiData Tag Selection | Usability | Platform shall provide an easy to use way to select from recommended WikiData tags when entering Semantic Tag field data |

## 5. Assumptions

| **Assumption No** | **Short Description** | **Details** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 5.1 | Alter Custom Data Type | When builders alters Custom Data Type definition, the platform shall behave optimistic about orphaned information |

## 6. Use Cases

### 6.1 Actors

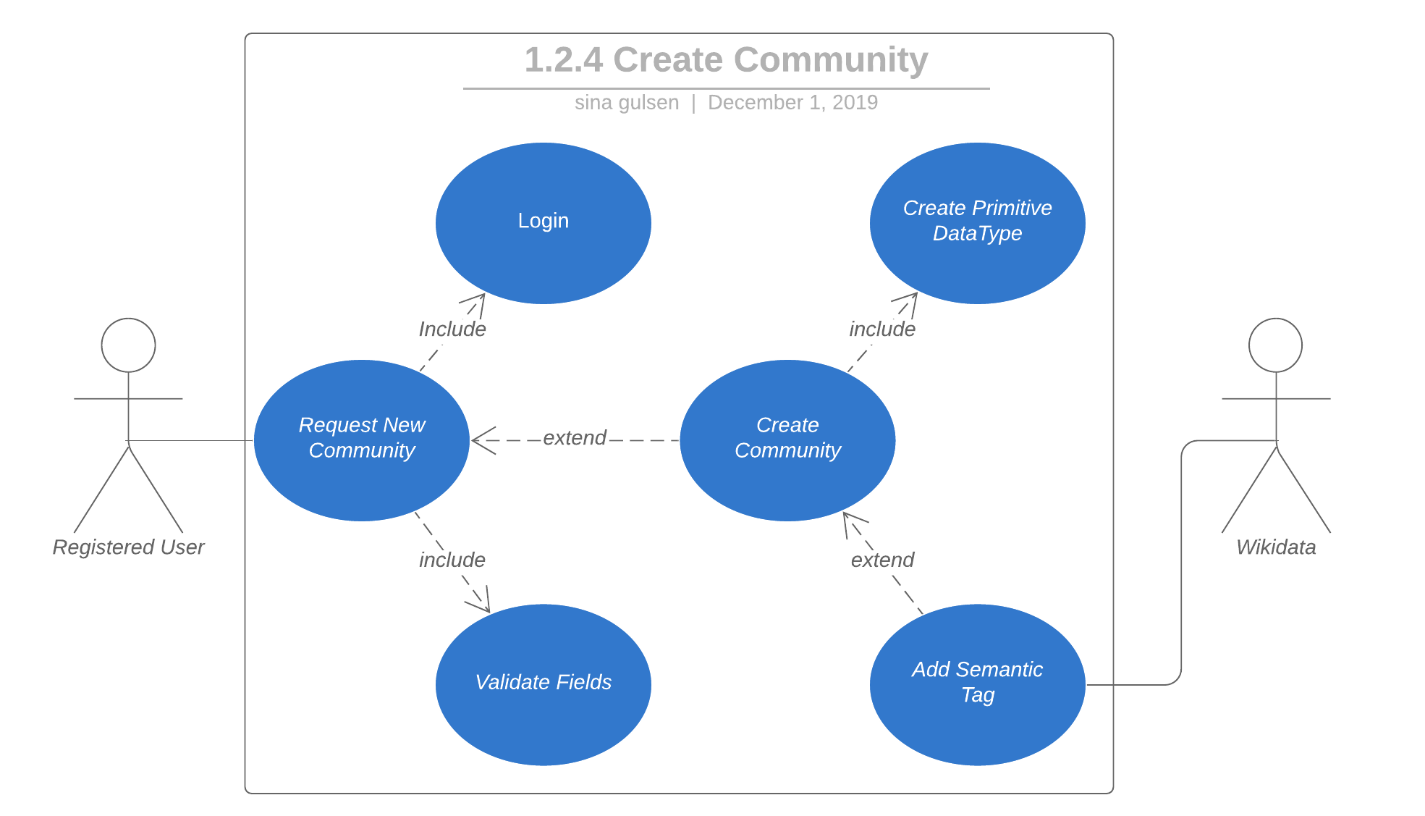
| **Id** | **Name** |
| --- | --- |
| 1.1.1 | Administrator |
| 1.1.2 | Anonymous |
| 1.1.3 | Registered User |
| 1.1.4 | WikiData |

### 6.2 Use Case Definitions

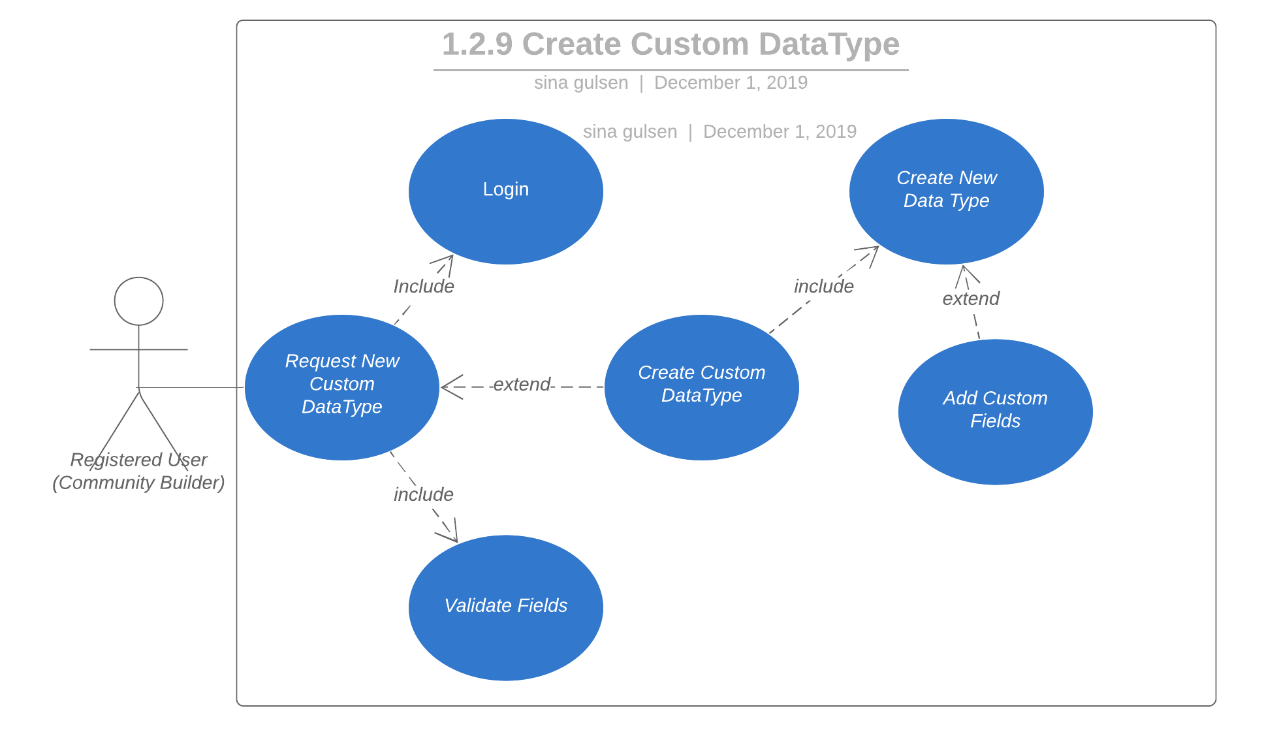
| **Id** | **Name** |
| --- | --- |
| 1.2.1 | Create User |
| 1.2.3 | Login |
| 1.2.4 | Create Community |
| 1.2.5 | Browse Community |
| 1.2.6 | Join Community |
| 1.2.7 | Leave Community |
| 1.2.9 | Create Custom Data Type |
| 1.2.10 | Modify Custom Data Type |
| 1.2.12 | Create Post |
| 1.2.13 | Modify Post |
| 1.2.14 | Browse Posts |
| 1.2.15 | Delete Posts |
| 1.2.16 | Delete Users |
| 1.2.17 | Modify Users |
| 1.2.18 | Get Semantic Tags |
| 1.2.19 | Get Recommended Communities |
| 1.2.20 | Generic Search |
| 1.2.21 | Custom Search |

### 6.3 Use Case Diagrams

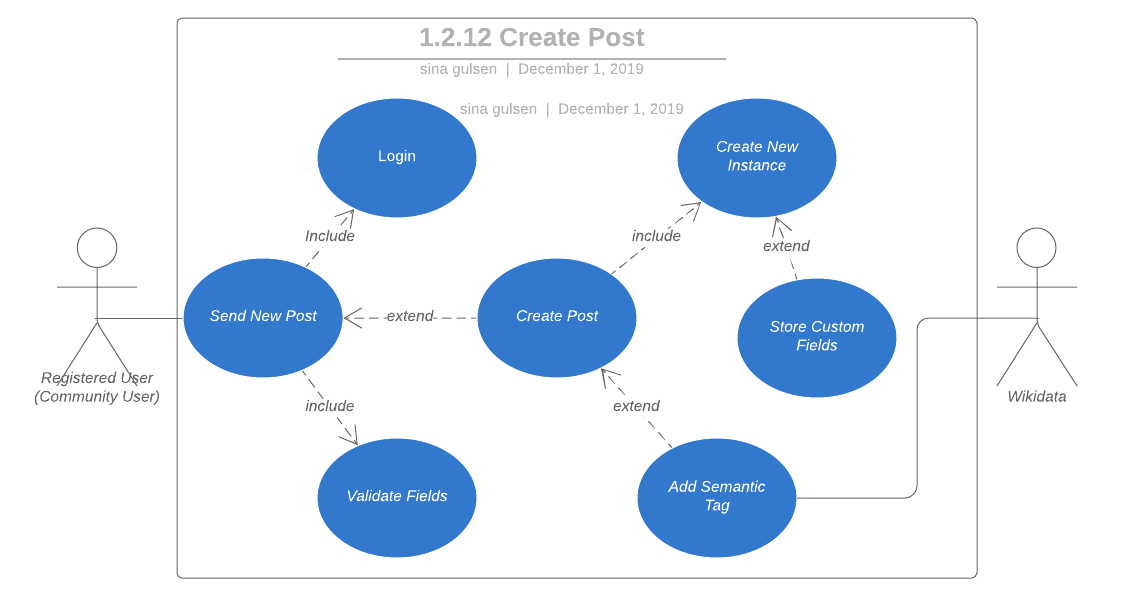
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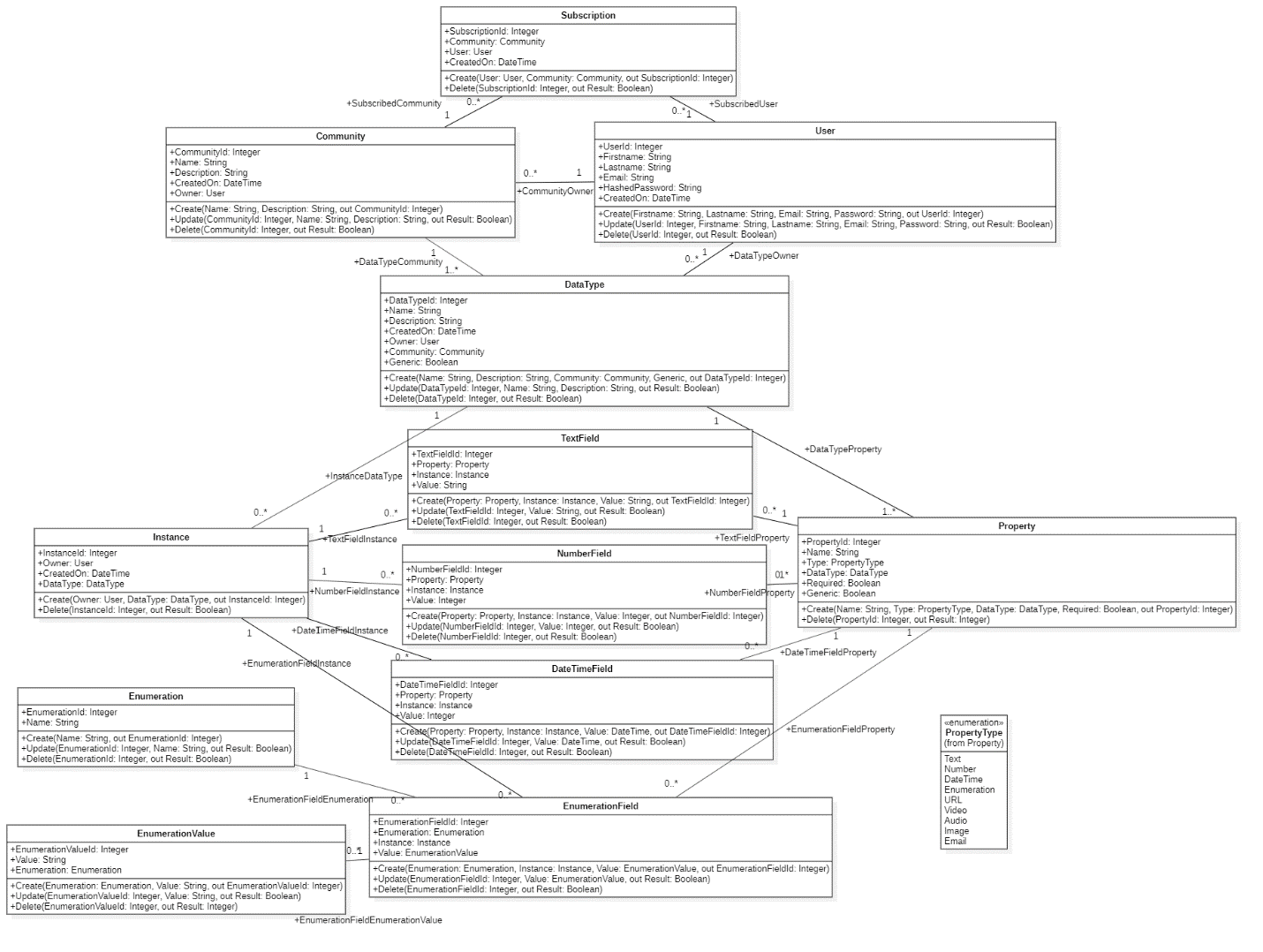
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#### 6.3.3 Create Post (Use case 1.2.12)

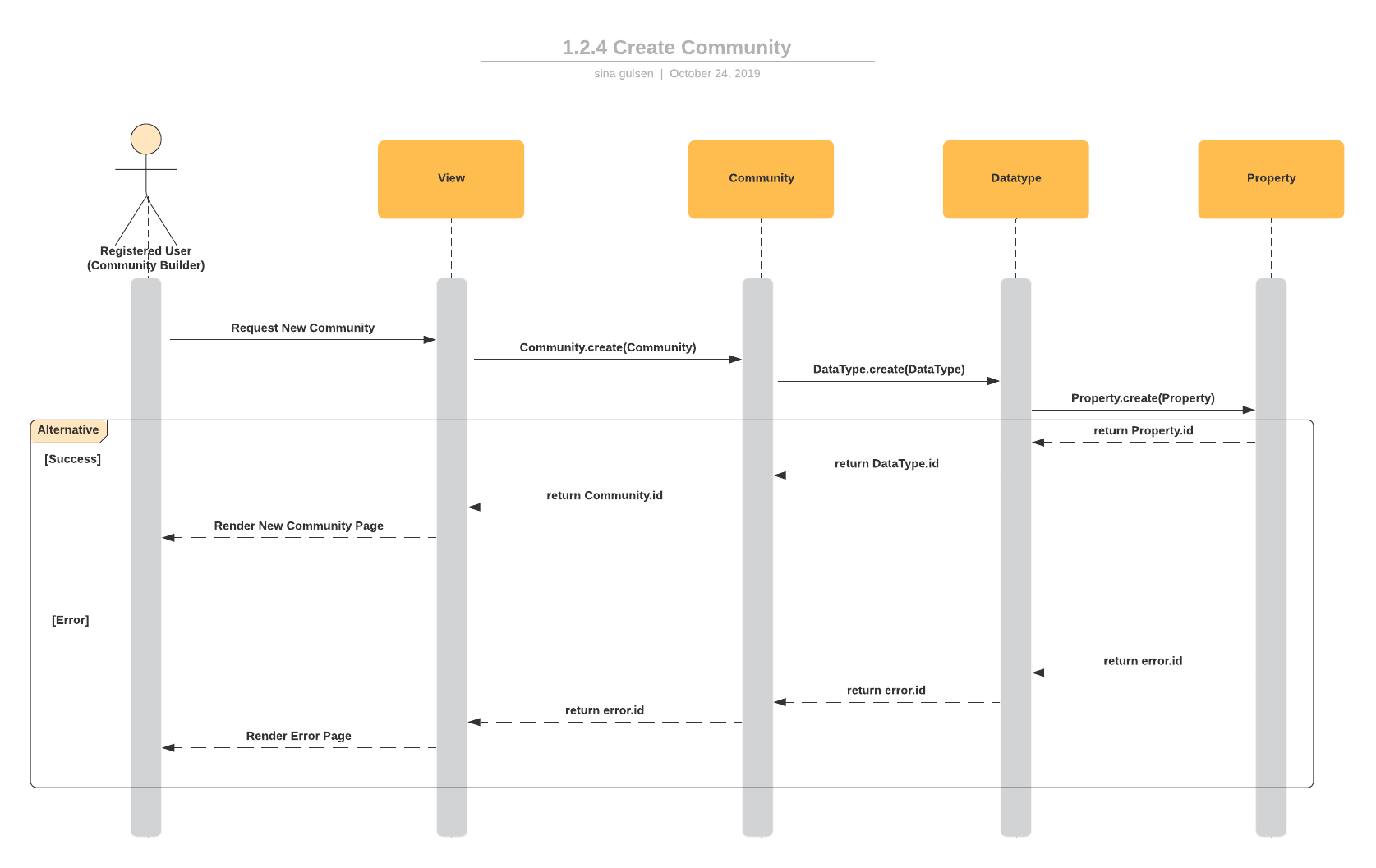


## 7. Class Diagrams

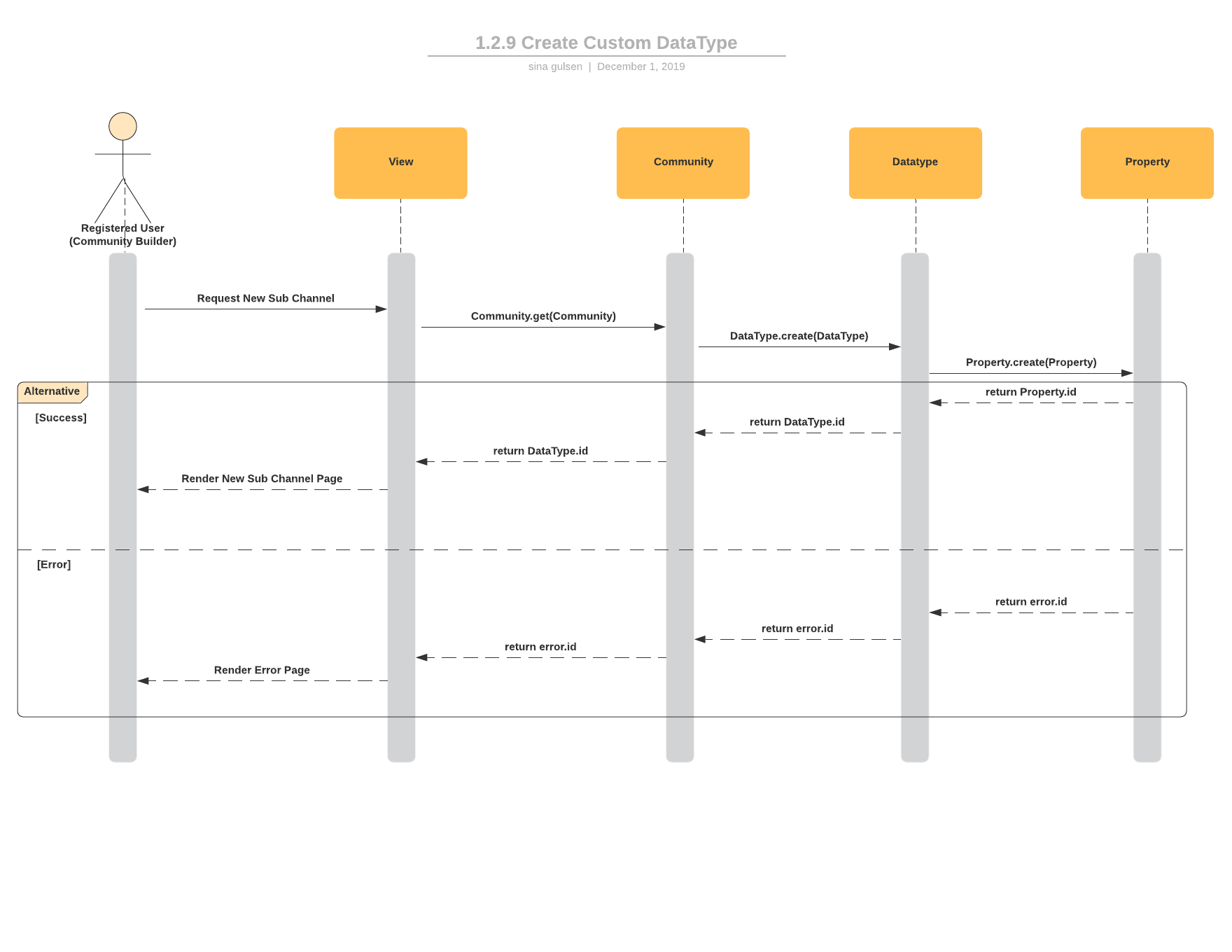
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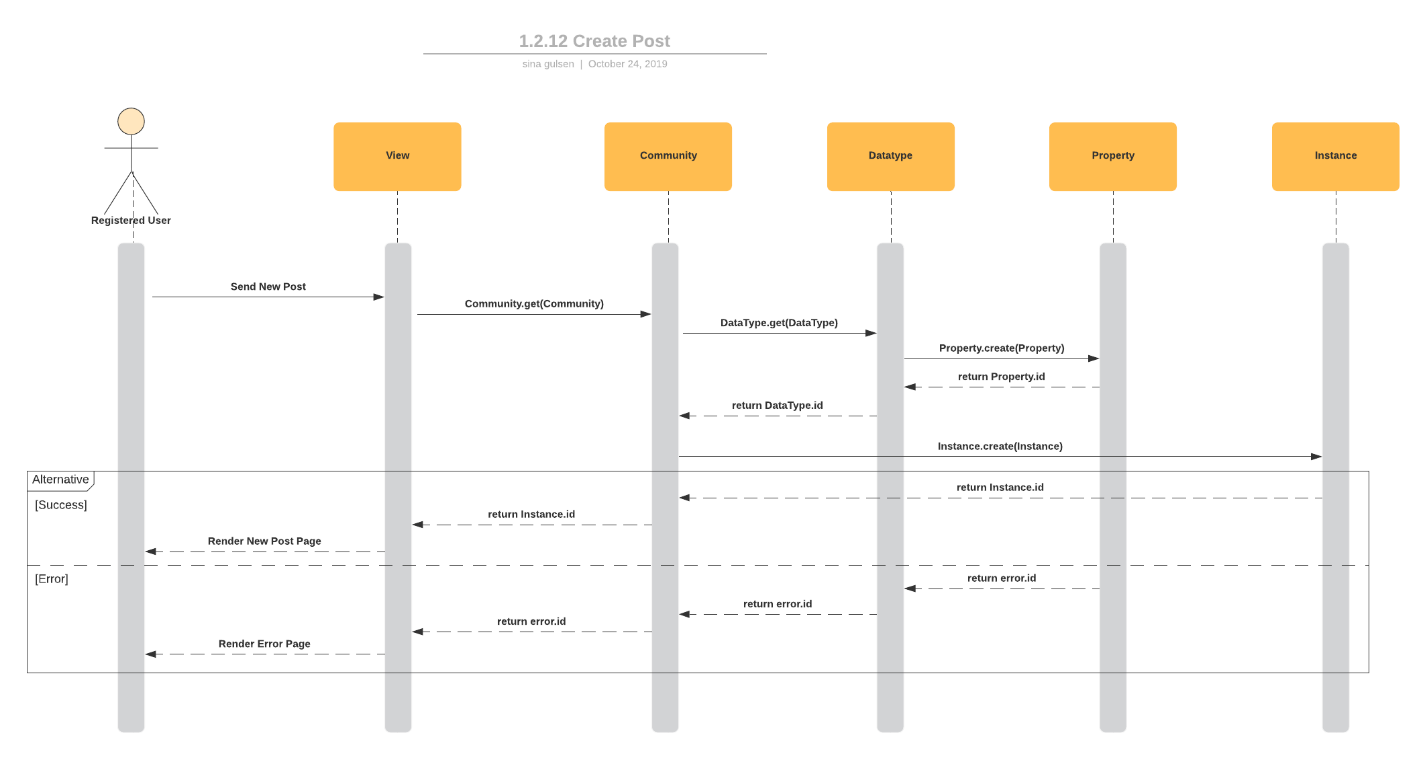
### 8.1 Sequence Diagram for 1.2.4 Create Community



### 8.2 Sequence Diagram for 1.2.9 Create Custom Data Type

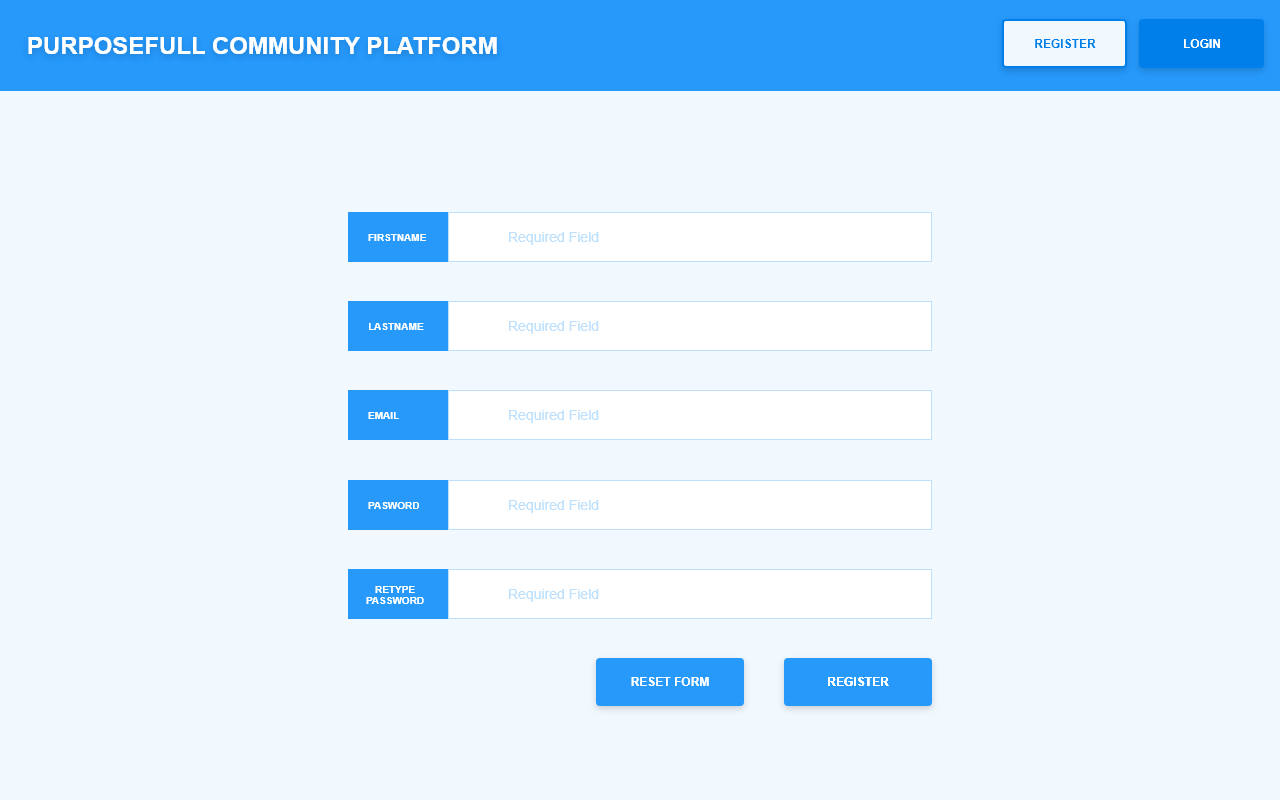


### 8.3 Sequence Diagram for 1.2.12 Create Post

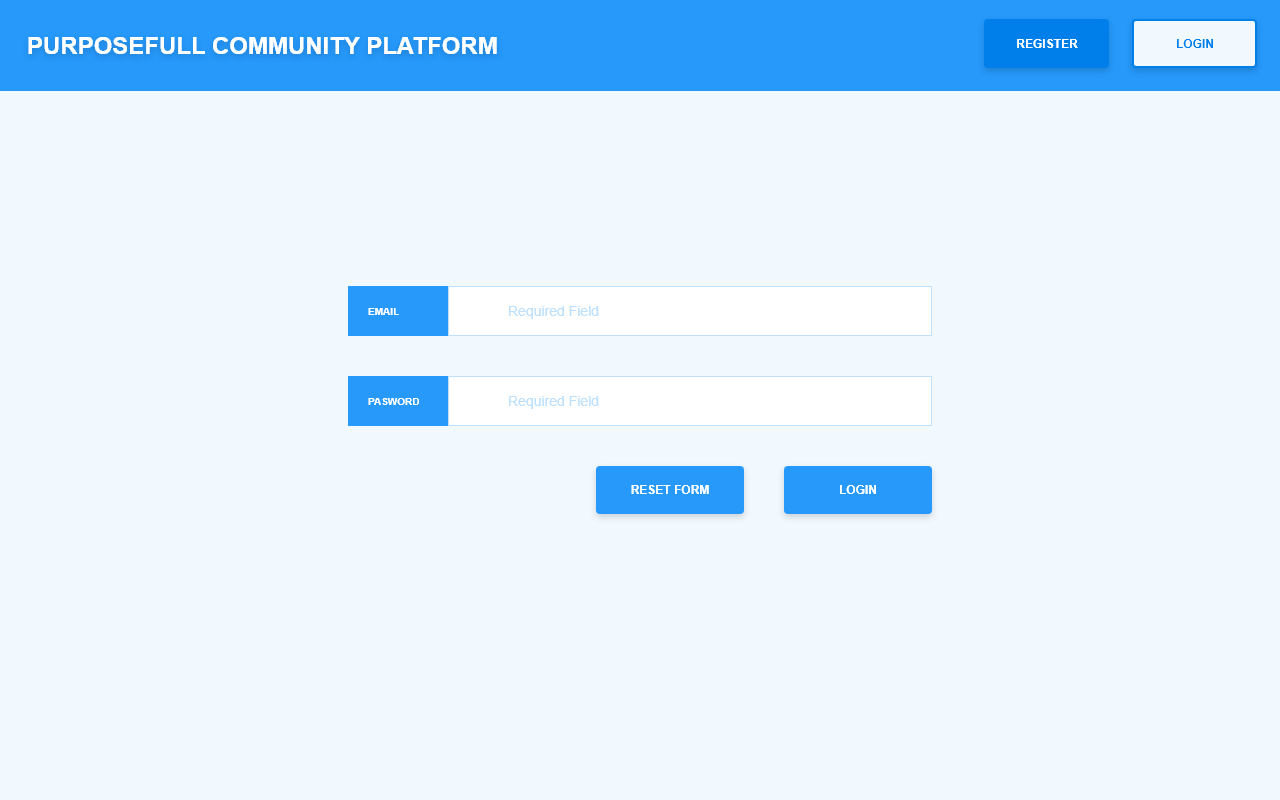


## 9. Mockups

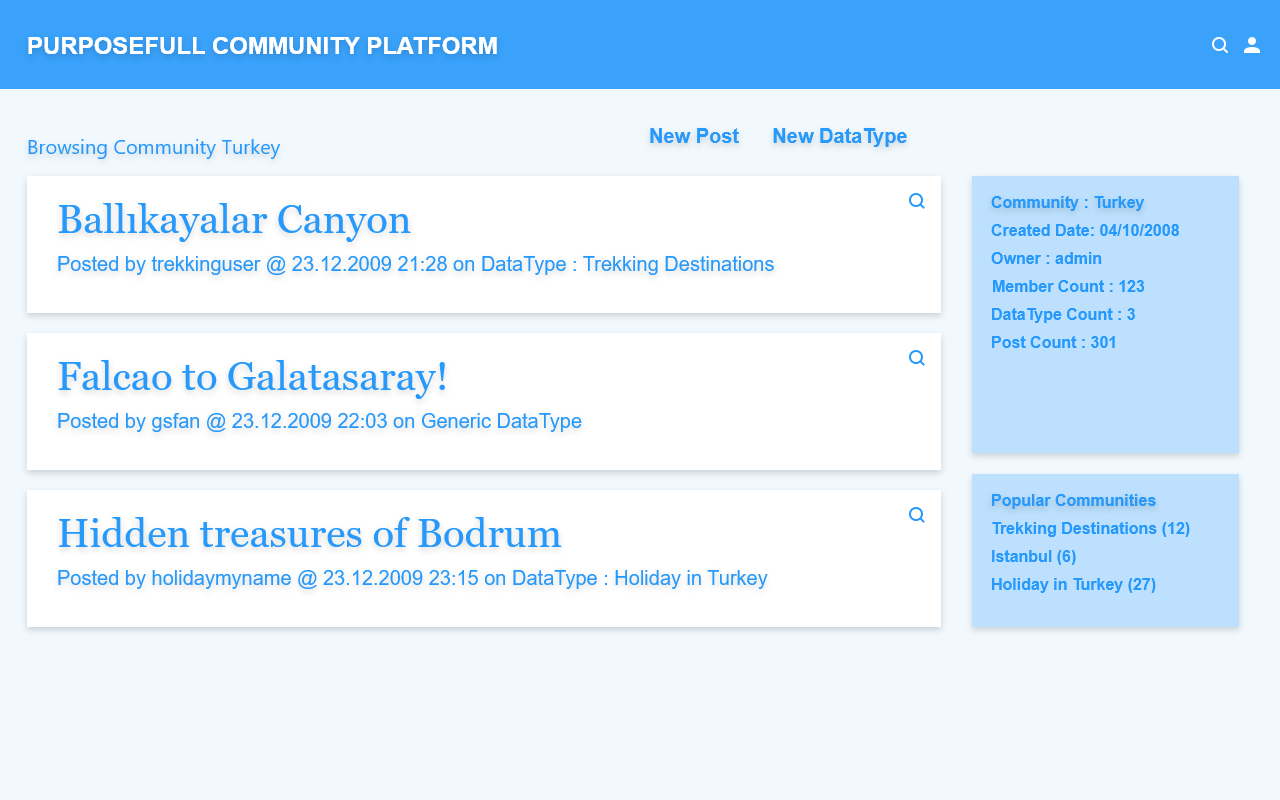
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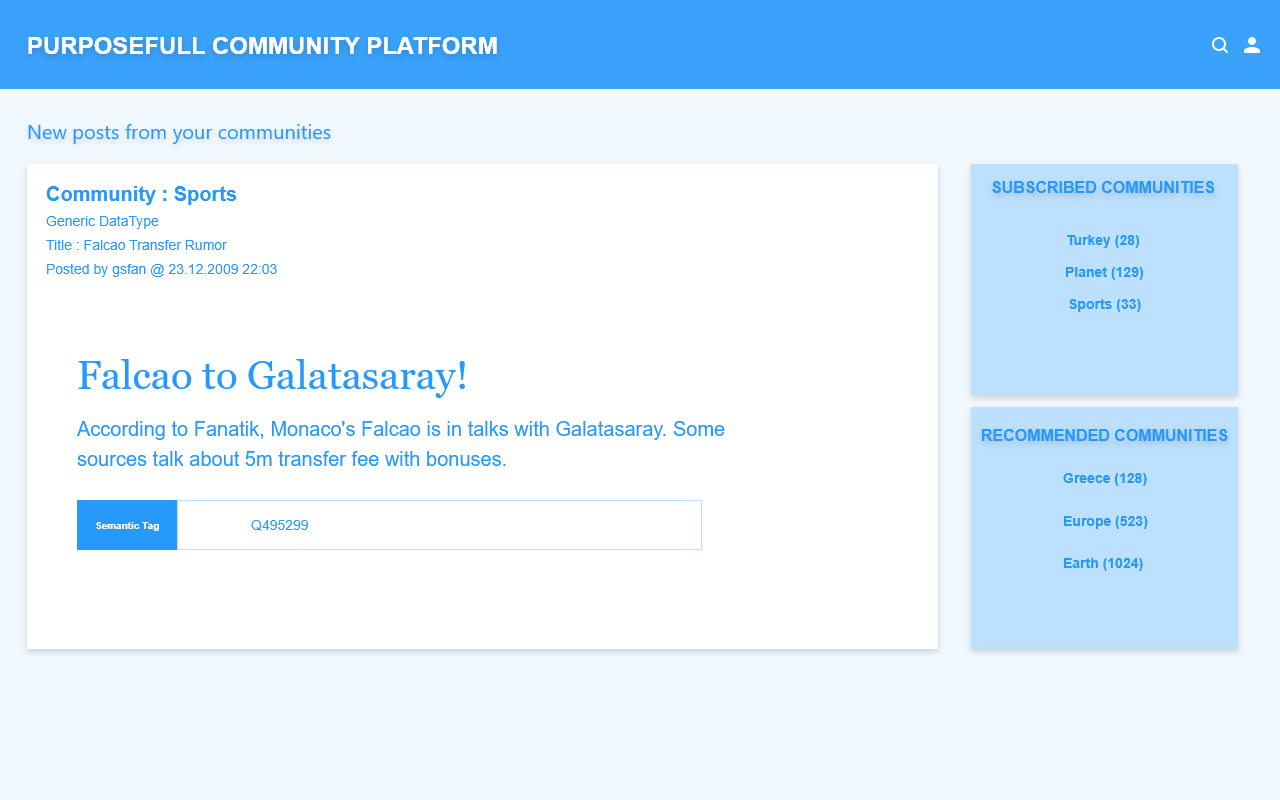
### 9.2 Login



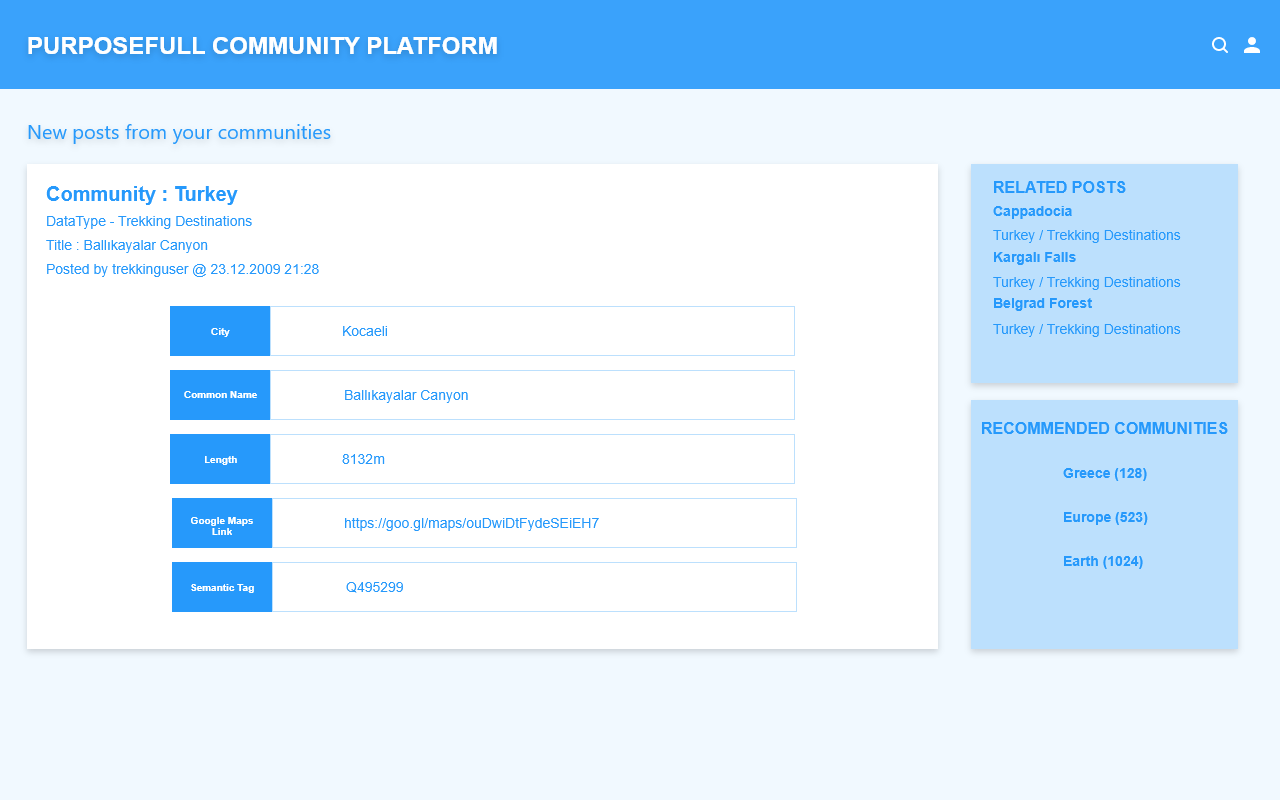
### 9.3 Browse Community



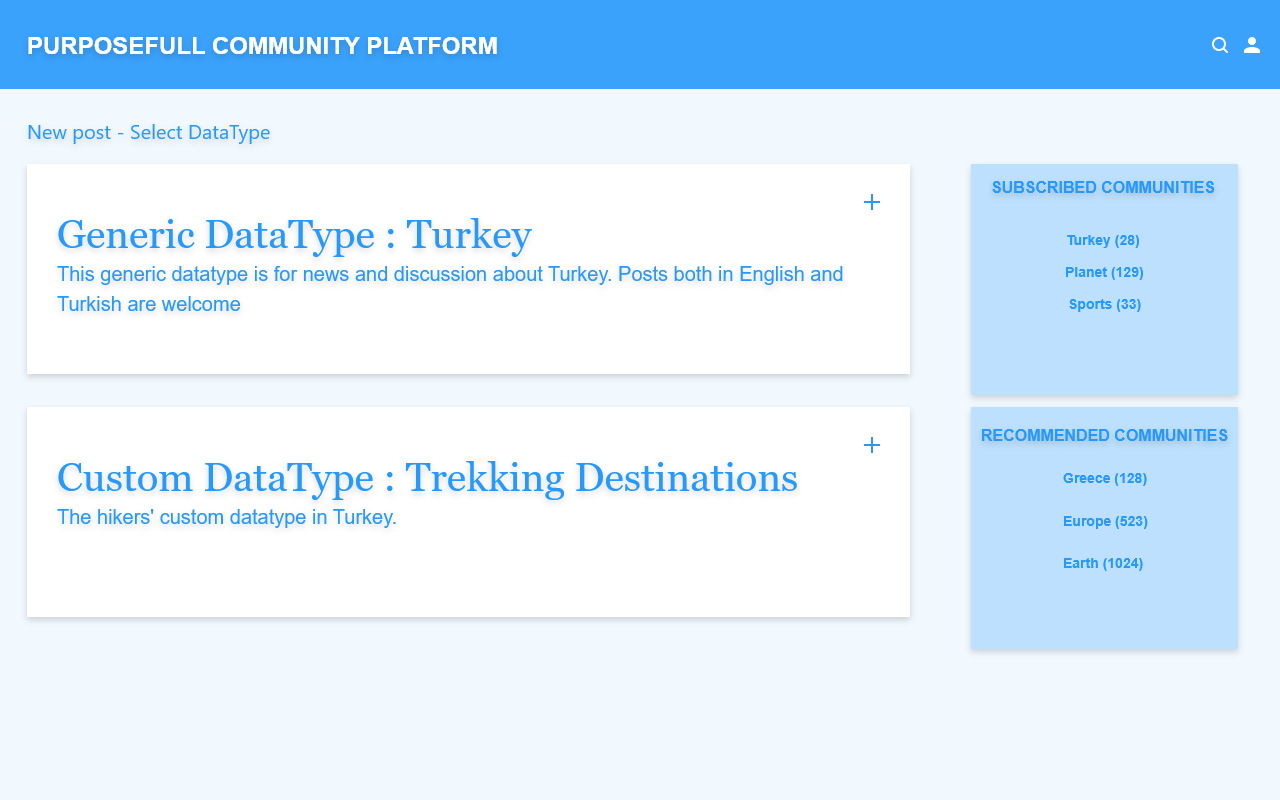
### 9.4 View Generic Post



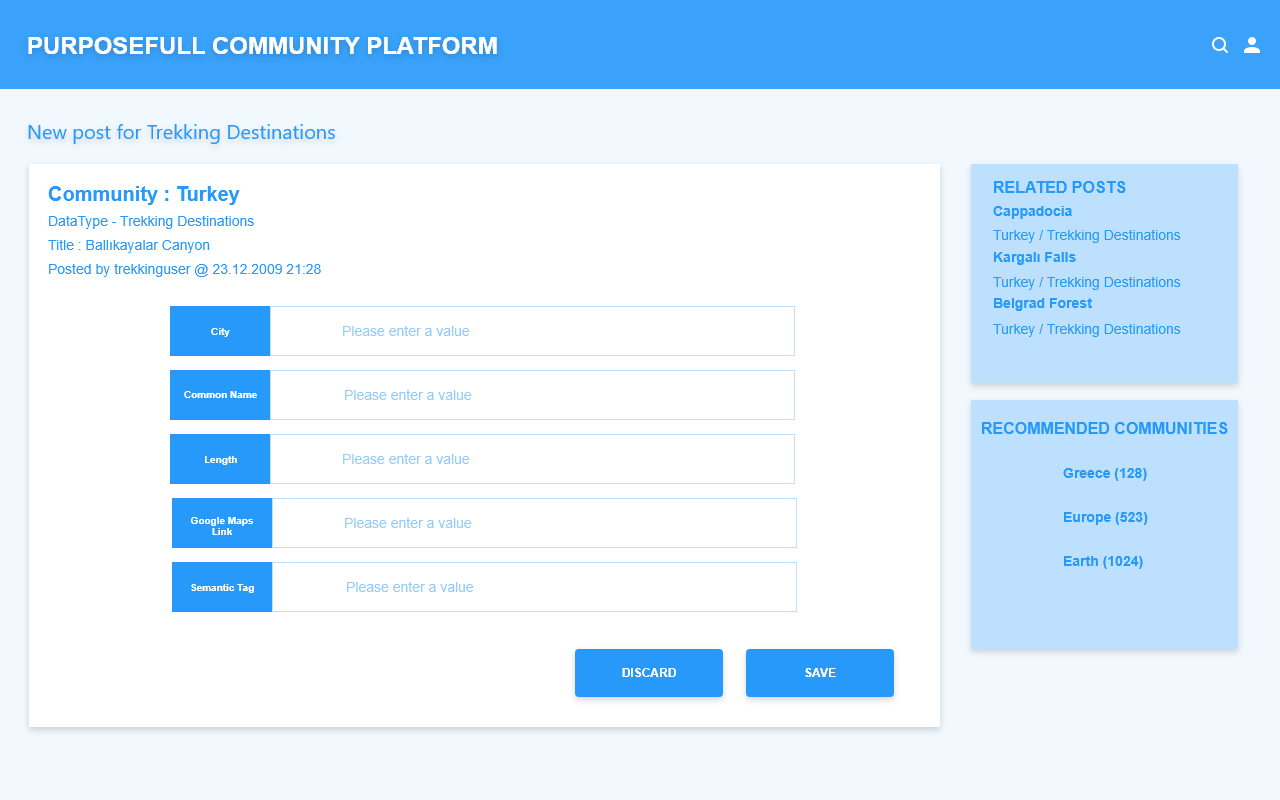
### 9.5 View Custom Data Type Post



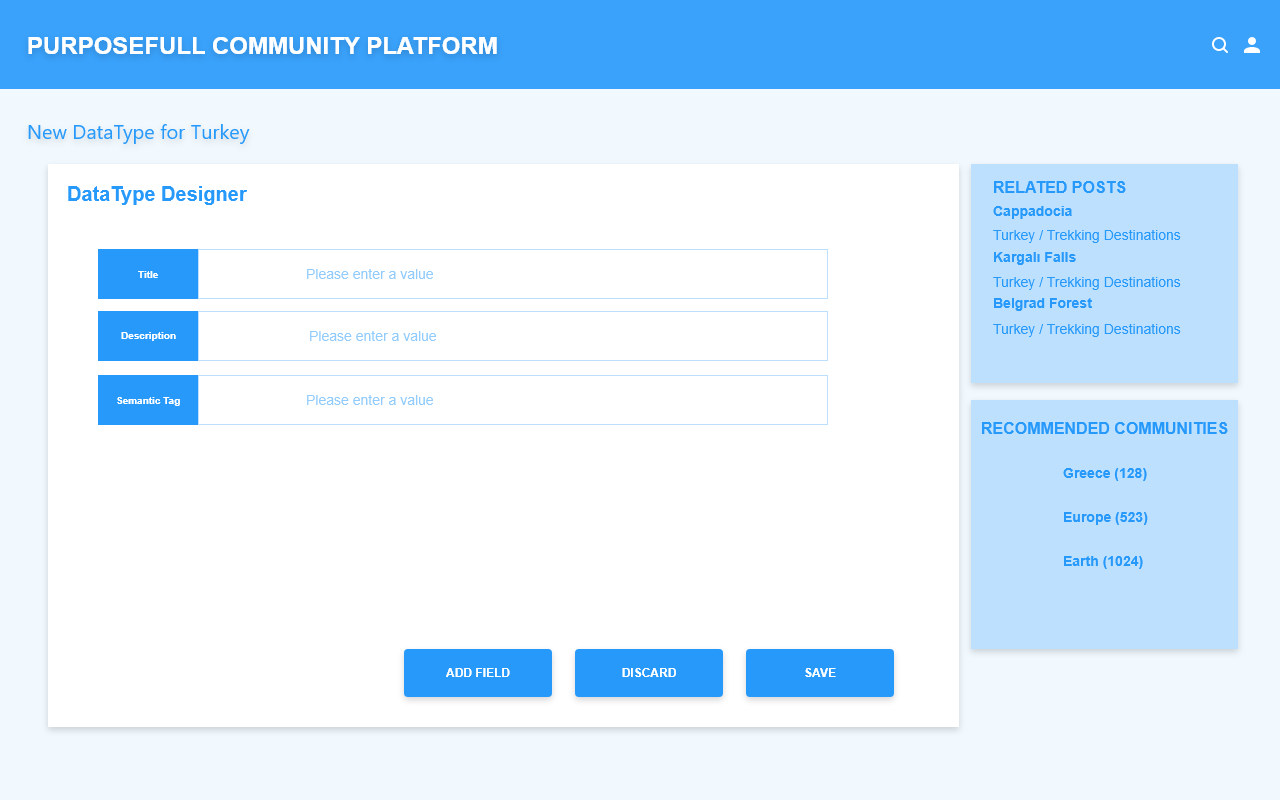
### 9.6 New Post - Select Community



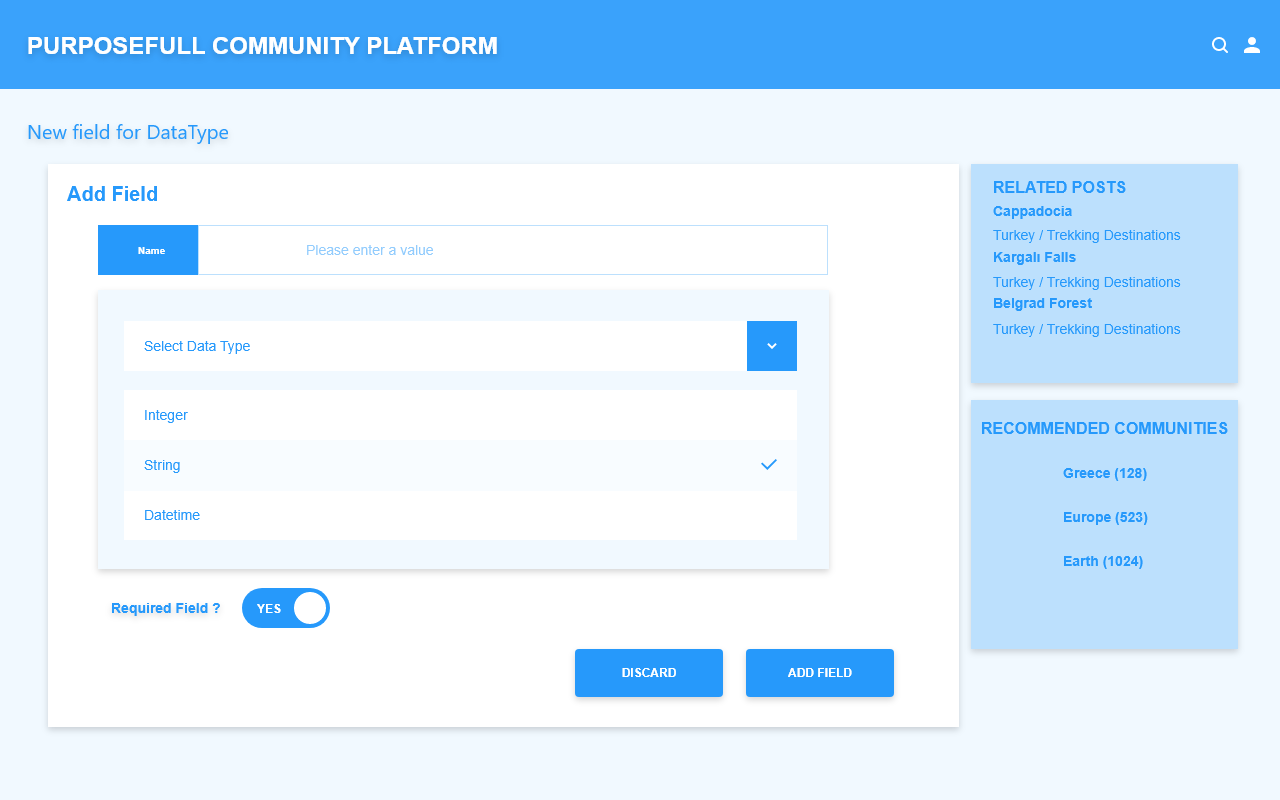
### 9.7 New Custom Data Type Post



### 9.8 New Custom Data Type



### 9.9 New Custom Data Type Field



## 10. Abbreviations

List of commonly used abbreviations used in this documentation.

* IAS - Infrastructure as a service
* PaaS - Platform as a service
* SaaS - Software as a service
* SDLC - Software development life cycle
* PDT - Primitive data type
* CSDT - Community specific data type
* PCP - Purposeful Community Platform