# ****Introducing Verifiable Credentials to the Internet Computer****

How often do you hand over your government-issued ID to a stranger? You take a picture of it with your phone to submit to a doctor or bank online; share it with a receptionist at a hotel or hospital so they can scan it and store a copy; or pass it to a bouncer for entry into a bar.

Do you worry this isn’t the best practice? That someone could use the trail of personal details you’re leaving across the web and the real world to steal your identity? Or do you simply find this way of sharing information tedious and repetitive?