

Closing SolidLab Launching Trustflows

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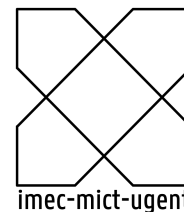




SHARCS

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The Challenge



Personal Data for HR

As a candidate, your data is held by:

- Companies, where you directly applied for a job

- Recruiters, sharing your data with companies they present you to

For companies and recruiters

- Privacy issues (who can see what and why)

- Confidentiality issues (information is often more detailed than needed)



SHARCS: Selective Sharing of Accredited Solid Pod Data

Put the Candidate in Control

Secure disclosure

- Strict **identity management**

- Explicit approval by the candidate

- Access control**

Selective disclosure

- You only share what is strictly needed

End-to-end demonstrator that empowers end-users

- Backed by societal, legal and business research



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Ideal scenario – JobMatch

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Scenario validated by Randstad Group

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Combining TrustBuilder and Itsme

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Enhansa could check all TrustBuilder-authenticated interactions

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MAGDA data via Athumi pods

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Via DocByte



Jobmatch

Een job vinden was nog nooit zo eenvoudig.

1. Haal **moeiteloos** jouw professionele gegevens zoals jouw diploma's op.
2. Wij **matchen jou anoniem** met jobs op basis van jouw gegevens.
3. Start je **nieuwe job!**



Login bij Jobmatch

- Login als Kandidaat
- Login als Recruter

Conclusions

We built an **end-to-end demonstrator** showcasing an HR use case for secure data sharing, taking identity, authorization, and data minimization into account.

We **better understood user engagement, legal boundaries, and business opportunities.**

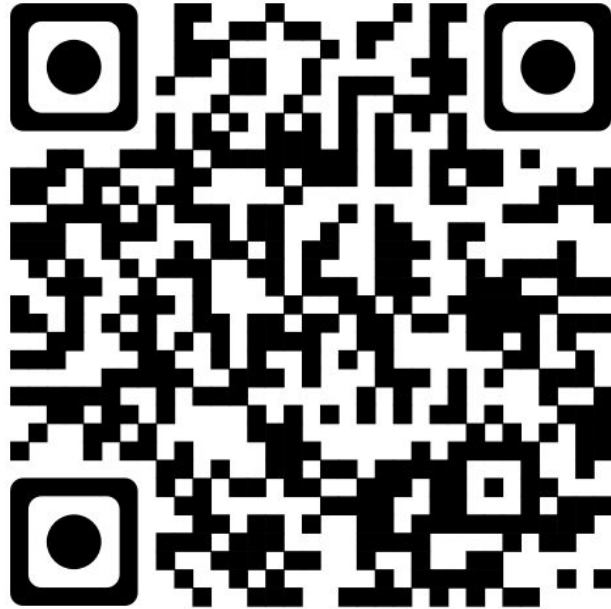
The Solid monitor showed that **HR is a very good use case** to create Solid prototypes, hence the will of intention of end-user is deemed very high for the SHARCS use case.

We hit some walls. As expected. **More research is needed** to improve and align the used technologies with other relevant projects such as the EUDI wallet and EBSI.



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SHARCS – SolidLab Closing Event

Policy Based Authorisation Decisions

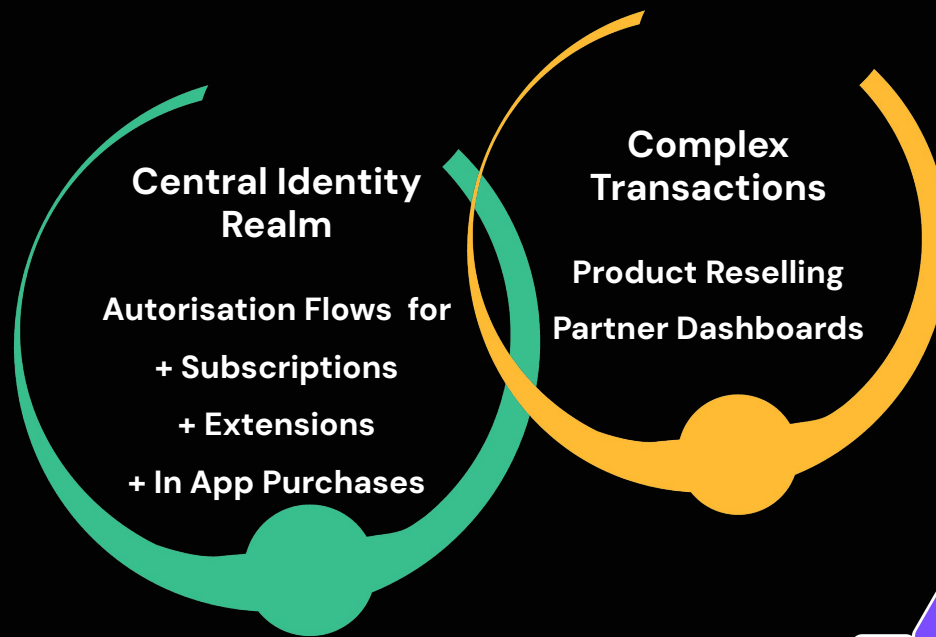


Applicable for "green fields" and/or "central governed"

ecosystems

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Problem Statement

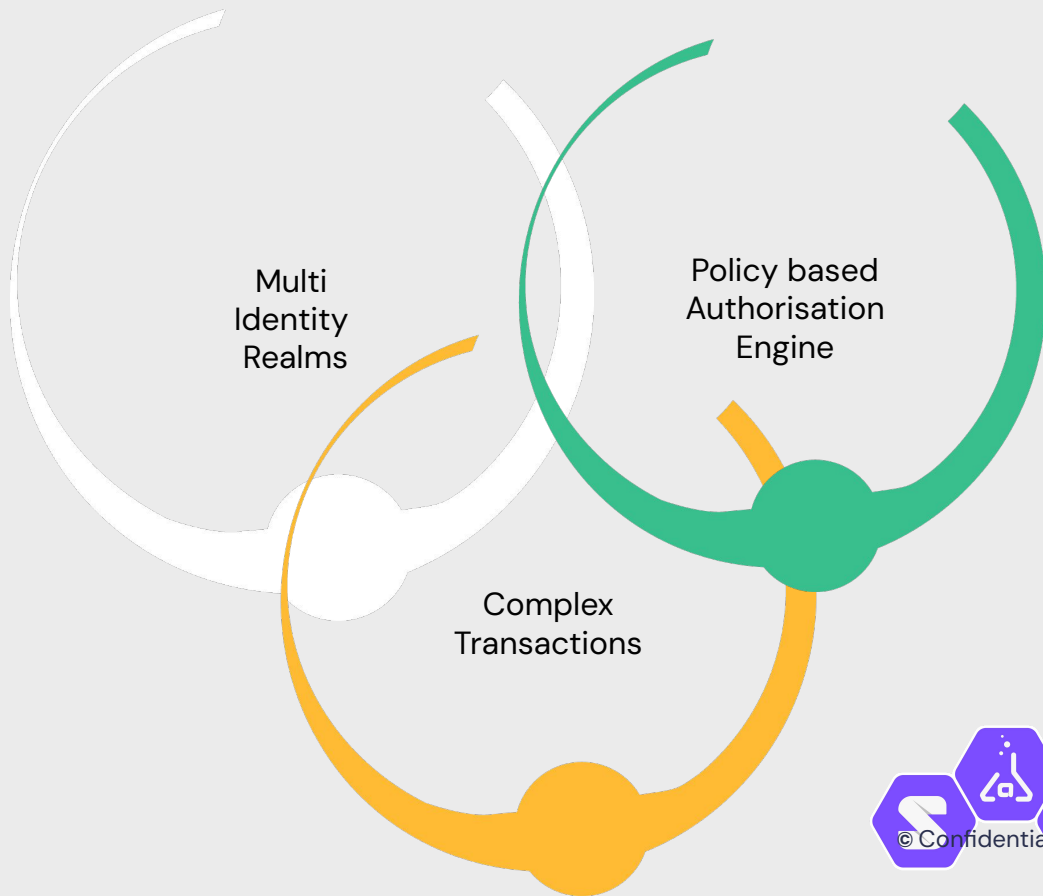
Our 'state of the art' platforms do not fully leverage the commercial opportunity, due to technical limitations. We can not include third party applications in the ecosystem catalogue due to the lack of cross Identity interoperability.

The concept of Federated Identity solves **cross IDM authentication** to implement a multi-APP SSO environment.

However we did not have a solution for **authorisations in a multi-Identity context**, to enforce the business model and usage policies.

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SHARCS R&D



Objectives

- A. Validate the IDSA Clearing House architecture as a cross Identity authorisation approach.
- B. Validate a Solid POD as a sovereign storage for digital rights on a company level.



Solution Architecture

We chose an architecture based on XACML.

We chose Eye-Reasoner technology for the PDP to ensure the storage of decision proofs and to incorporate its semantic foundation.

- We converted policies in N3 to invoke Eye Reasoner.
- We adopted XACML to interact with Trustbuilder IDM.
- We provided a PDP endpoint for Trustbuilder..
- We implemented a PoC for sovereign storage for digital rights on a company level, but did not yet implement this on a SOLID pod.