



2019

M e d i a & E v e n t s

Awards



2019 Wins and Key Mentions

Semi-finalist, Security

Blue Tulip, Accenture Innovation Awards
February 2020 (Finals March 2020)

Top 10 Identity Influencing Organizations

Goode Intelligence
December 2019

Named, Featured Company leader in Identity Landscape,

Standards Organizations and Protocols
One World Identity (OWI)
December 2019

Winner, Digital Safety, Governance, and Privacy

SuperNova Awards
Constellation Research
November 2019

Top 100 Influencers in Identity

Phil Windley & Drummond Reed
One World Identity
2019

Finalist, Innovative Entrepreneurship, Blockchain Award for Services, Platforms and Solutions

Enterprise Blockchain Awards
2019

Top 25 Finalist

Blue Tulip, Accenture Innovation Awards
2018

Winner, Greatest Social Impact

One World Identity
2019



Public Relations



Social Media Following



TWITTER
8,100+



LINKEDIN
1,800+



TELEGRAM
7,000+



NEWSLETTER
8500+

2019 Press Releases: [here](#)

Please see the **Sovrin Blog** for news, updates, and more in-depth information about the **Sovrin Network**, **Foundation**, and **self-sovereign identity**.

January

- Ledger Insights: [Evernym to work with Red Cross on Digital Identity](#) (1/30)
- Chain Partners press release: [체인파트너스, 글로벌 블록체인 인증 네트워크 '소브린' 설립 참여](#) (1/30)
- Evernym: [Three Dimensions of Identity](#) (1/29)
- Chain Partners company news: [Chain Partners Joins the Sovrin Foundation as a Founding Steward](#) (1/23)
- PaymentsSource: [How GDPR enforcement promotes development of digital ID](#) (1/22)
- CUToday.info: [Where Does CU Ledger/MyCUID Stand? Here's An Update](#) (1/22)
- dbcrypto YouTube video: [Sovrin Foundation – Interview with Phil Windley](#) (1/20)
- Speaking of Crypto podcast: [Governance, Self-Sovereign Identity and Ethics in Blockchain Tech w/ Elizabeth Renieris](#) (1/8)
- Phil Windley's blog: [The Laws of Identity](#) (1/7)
- BankInfoSecurity: [Will 2019 Be a Turning Point for 'Self-Sovereign Identity'?](#) (1/2)
- Computerworld: [How blockchain may kill the password](#) (1/2)

February

- Phil Windley's blog: [Decentralized Identifiers](#) (2/25)
- Medium blog; Tim Bouma: [Self-Sovereign Identity: Making the Ecosystem REAL](#) (2/24)
- Newsweek: [Can Blockchain Finally Give Us The Digital Privacy We Deserve?](#) (2/22)
- Bitnews Today: [Digital Identity And Blockchain. "Data Is The New Oil"](#) (2/21)
- SA Crypto: [Big names take to the stage at the Blockchain Africa Conference 2019](#) (2/21)
- Nasdaq: [How Blockchain Can Fight Fraud Based on Know-Your-Customer Data](#) (2/11)

- Medium blog; Validated ID: [Bruce Schneier, Blockchain and Self-Sovereign Identities](#) (2/11)
- Medium blog; dbcrypto: [Sovrin Telegram AMA](#) (2/8)
- Medium blog; Milan Patel from IBM: [Accelerating Decentralized Identity at THINK 2019](#) (2/8)
- Disruptor Daily: [Blockchain For Identity Management: 33 Startups To Watch In 2019](#) (2/8)
- Cointelegraph: [Blockchain-Based Digital ID Systems Are Increasingly Finding Real-World Use](#) (2/7)

March

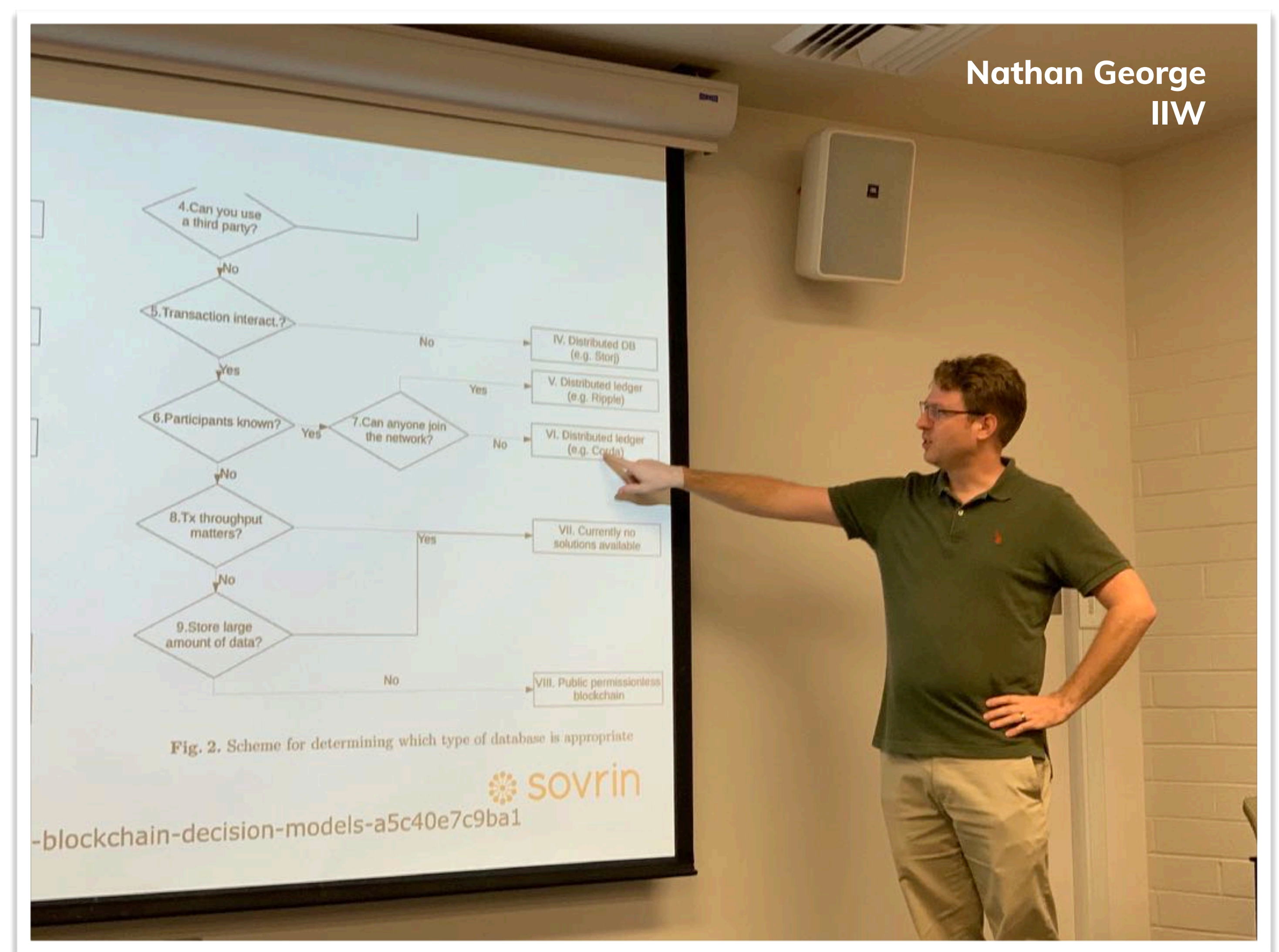
- Bitcoin Events YouTube video: [PHILLIP WINDLEY – Chair and Board of Trustees at the Sovrin Foundation](#) (3/29)
- The Paypers: [CULedger, IBM, and more join Sovrin Alliance for self-sovereign identity](#) (3/29)
- BlockTribune: [Blockchain ID Sovrin Foundation Launches Global Collaborative For Developing Digital Identity](#) (3/29)
- BlockTribune: [Using Hyperledger Indy To Reduce Red Tape](#) (3/29)
- TokenPost: [CULedger, IBM, and others join Sovrin Alliance to collaborate on blockchain-based self-sovereign identity](#) (3/29)
- Medium blog; globaliD: [globaliD is a founding sponsor of the Sovrin Alliance](#) (3/28)
- Ledger Insights: [Sovrin wins award, launches collaborative Alliance](#) (3/28)
- Clinical Research News: [Patient-Centric HIE Could Be A Reality In 2021](#) (3/28)
- Validated ID YouTube video: [VIDchain, building the digital identity of tomorrow](#) (3/27)
- PaymentsJournal: [IBM, Mastercard, Microsoft, and Others Plan To Give The Power Of Identity Back To The People](#) (3/27)

2019 News Highlights

- Forbes: **What US Business Owners Need To Know About GDPR** (3/26)
- Medium blog; Evernym: **Evernym and IBM team up to accelerate adoption of Self-Sovereign Identity** (3/26)
- Disruptive.Asia: **Is blockchain the missing link for digital identity?** (3/26)
- Ledger Insights: **Sovrin ready to issue blockchain credentials** (3/20)
- Medium blog; Fetch.AI: **Removing the honesty box from the economy with an ANVIL** (3/20)
- Paul Ashley's LinkedIn article; Anonymome Labs: **Self-Sovereign Identities** (3/19)
- CSO: **Self-sovereign identity: 3 key questions** (3/15)
- esatus Academy YouTube video: **Das Sovrin Network lässt die Self-Sovereign Identity Wirklichkeit werden** (3/13)
- Bitcoin Exchange Guide: **IBM Continues Showcasing How Blockchain Disrupts And Benefits The Decentralized Identity Future** (3/13)
- Tykn: **Identity Management with Blockchain: The Definitive Guide (2019 Update)** (3/13)
- Forbes: **IBM Cuts Credit Unions Deal For Blockchain Services In \$1.7 Trillion Industry** (3/11)
- Ledger Insights: **Credit union consortium CULedger unveils IBM blockchain deal** (3/11)
- Hyperledger blog: **Reducing Government Red Tape: British Columbia Creates New Business Identity Model with Hyperledger Indy** (3/11)
- Big Innovation Centre YouTube video: **Evernym and Truu – APPG Blockchain Online Showcase** (3/11)
- Medium blog; KC Tam: **Exploring Hyperledger Indy through indy-dev Example** (3/11)
- Medium blog; Hacker Noon: **How Blockchain Could End Identity Theft on Dark Web** (3/9)
- Medium blog; Jolocom: **40 women in identity you should be following on Twitter** (3/8)
- Medium blog; Hacker Noon: **GDPR and Self-Sovereign Identity: What Lies Ahead** (3/7)
- Forbes: **Blockchain 50: Billion Dollar Babies** (4/16)
- Good ID: **Why over one billion people lack identity (and what can be done about it)** (4/15)
- Computerworld: **Google, Hyperledger launch online identity management tools** (4/15)
- CBPN: **British Columbia OrgBook – ‘Tell Us Once’ via Blockchain and Self-Sovereign Identity** (4/12)
- Ledger Insights: **Hyperledger's Indy identity protocol graduates to production mode** (4/10)
- Hyperledger: **Hyperledger Indy Graduates To Active Status; Joins Fabric And Sawtooth As “Production Ready” Hyperledger Projects** (4/10)
- Cointelegraph: **EU Launches International Blockchain Association, Bringing Crypto One Step Closer to Mainstream Adoption** (4/9)
- CU Broadcast: **#1087: Why Decentralized Identities are Vital to the Future of Global Banking's Convenience and Security...** (4/9)
- Evernym: **Crossing Silos With Self-Sovereign Identity** (4/9)
- TechCrunch: **Some ruminations on decentralization of identifications** (4/7)
- OnBlock Podcast: **Karen Ottoni, Director of Ecosystem at Hyperledger** (4/5)
- Coinspeaker: **Ripple, IBM, SWIFT and 100 Other Firms Join New EU Blockchain Association** (4/4)
- PresseBox: **The Sovrin Network makes the self-sovereign identity a reality** (4/4)
- Medium blog; globalID: **What we learned at KNOW 2019** (4/3)
- Tykn: **Digital Identity Management: NO personal data is put on a blockchain** (4/2)
- Evernym: **The Inevitable Return to Self-Sovereign Identity** (4/1)

April

- Medium blog; Fetch.AI: **What are you working on? Checking in with Chris Atkin** (4/26)
- IBM: **Episode 1: The future of protecting your wallet and identity** (4/24)
- Dan Gisolfi's LinkedIn post: **SSI: Purists v. Hypocrites** (4/23)
- ETCIO.com: **Blockchain to embrace the future of Homo-Robo Sapiens: Rajesh Dhuddu, Tech Mahindra** (4/22)
- Forbes: **Blockchain 50: Billion Dollar Babies** (4/16)
- Good ID: **Why over one billion people lack identity (and what can be done about it)** (4/15)



May

- Validated ID: [Self-Sovereign Identity: 3, 2, 1, partez...](#) (5/31)
- Evernym YouTube video: [What is self-sovereign identity? \[Webinar\]](#) (5/30)
- Evernym: [Hyperledger Aries: The Next Major Step Towards Interoperable SSI](#) (5/30)
- AyanWorks: [Ayanworks Becomes Steward of the Sovrin Network](#) (5/30)
- Forbes: [What Do People Misunderstand About Blockchain Technology?](#) (5/29)
- Evernym: [Could a Global Reputation System Restore Trust to Business and Governance?](#) (5/29)
- Medium blog; Fetch.AI: [Fetch.AI joins IBM, Cisco and Deutsche Telekom in becoming a Sovrin Steward](#) (5/28)
- Lisk Center Utrecht YouTube video: [Self Sovereign Identity on the Blockchain by Sovrin & Tykn](#) (5/27)
- InfoQ: [Introducing Interoperable Blockchain Identity Solutions with Hyperledger Aries](#) (5/27)
- African Cargo News: [How South African banks are using tech to improve their products](#) (5/27)
- Medium blog; Albert Solana: [EIC 19: the industry SSI “acceptance”](#) (5/26)
- MyBroadband: [How South African banks are using tech to improve their products](#) (5/26)
- Ledger Insights: [CULedger to use Corda blockchain for payments](#) (5/22)
- Bianca Lopes YouTube video: [B in the KNOW – Phil Windley – Episode 21](#) (5/20)
- JAXenter: [Exchange blockchain-based data with Hyperledger Aries](#) (5/20)
- Validated ID: [Self-Sovereign Identity: The future is upon us](#) (5/20)
- Bitcoin Exchange Guide: [IBM Touches on Innovation in Mass Blockchain Adoption: The Key is “Open” Trusted, Shared Data](#) (5/16)
- Ledger Insights: [Hyperledger launches new identity toolkit project Aries](#) (5/14)
- Hyperledger blog: [Announcing Hyperledger Aries, infrastructure supporting interoperable identity solutions!](#) (5/14)
- CoinDesk: [Hyperledger’s Brian Behlendorf and Evernym’s Drummond Reed join #CoinDeskLIVE after a big announcement at #Consensus2019](#) (5/14)
- IBM: [Open innovation in blockchain is key to mass adoption](#) (5/14)
- IBM: [Building enterprise blockchains that stand for good: 5 principles for blockchain](#) (5/13)
- Medium blog; Fetch.AI: [In association with Outlier Ventures Smart Dubai unveils ‘Dubai Decentralised Data’](#) (5/7)
- Medium blog; Hacker Noon: [Self Sovereign Identity Promises to Return The Power of Personal Data Protection to the People](#) (5/7)

- Technometria; Phil Windley’s blog: [Self-Sovereign Identity at IIW: We Have Liftoff](#) (5/6)
- Outlier Ventures: [Dubai Could Be Producing Over 620M Gigabytes By 2020, Which Will Now Have The Potential To Be Connected To Blockchain](#) (5/6)
- Forbes: [Dubai Pilots Blockchain Data Storage With Outlier Ventures](#) (5/6)
- TNO blog: [Self-Sovereign Identity – The Good, The Bad And The Ugly; May 2019](#) (5/6)
- Hyperledger blog: [An overview of Self-Sovereign Identity: the use case at the core of Hyperledger Indy](#) (5/1)

June

- CULedger: [Trusting Blockchain Technology](#) (6/28)
- Outlier Ventures: [The Convergence Alliance Launch: Realising Web3.0](#) (6/?)
- Outlier Ventures: [Fetch.AI and Outlier Ventures Become Sovrin Stewards](#) (6/?)
- Technometria; Phil Windley’s blog: [No on Universal Patient ID](#) (6/26)
- Tykn: [Libra – A solution to its identity problem](#) (6/26)
- CoinDesk: [Buried in Facebook’s Libra White Paper, a Digital Identity Bombshell](#) (6/26)
- CPQD: [CPQD é o segundo nó validador da rede mundial Sovrin no Brasil](#) (6/26)
- PresseBox: [Series of articles on self-sovereign identity \(SSI\) and how companies can benefit from it](#) (6/25)
- TREND REPORT: [Self-Sovereign Identity Part III Series: How SSI Changes Identity Management in Business](#) (6/24)
- TREND REPORT: [Series Self-Sovereign Identity Part II: The Sovrin Network and Current Identity Management](#) (6/2019)
- TREND REPORT: [Part I of the series Self-Sovereign Identity: The innovative identity solution](#) (6/2019)
- TREND REPORT: [Self-sovereign identity](#) (6/2019)
- PaymentsJournal: [Bank of England Bucks the Trend – Offers Accounts to Non-Banks and Welcomes Libra \(With Regulatory Caveats\)](#) (6/21)
- SITA: [Self-sovereign identity – giving control back to passengers](#) (6/20)
- CircleID: [Thoughts on Libra](#) (6/20)
- Evernym: [Meet Connect.Me, the first Sovrin-based digital wallet](#) (6/20)
- Technometria; Phil Windley’s blog: [Thoughts on Libra](#) (6/19)
- SSI Meetup: [Hyperledger Aries: Open Source Interoperable Identity Solution – Nathan George – Webinar 30](#) (6/18)
- PaymentsJournal: [The Big Facebook Crypto Reveal](#) (6/14)
- Tykn: [10 Digital Identity experts you should follow right now](#) (6/13)
- DigitalCanada.io: [British Columbia OrgBook – ‘Tell Us Once’ via Blockchain and Self-Sovereign Identity](#) (6/11)

July

- Coinspeaker: [Diffusion 2019](#) (7/31)
- Outlier Ventures: [The Convergence Alliance Launch: Realising Web3.0](#) (7/31)
- Hacker Noon: [Is Facebook Putting Digital Identity At Risk With Libra? Here's Why It Raises Privacy Concerns](#) (7/30)
- Medium blog; Dr. Mark van Rijmenam: [9 Components of the Decentralised Ecosystem that we Need to Build a Decentralised Society](#) (7/30)
- The Daily Hodl: [Key Ways Blockchain Will Take Back Personal Privacy in the Era of Big Data](#) (7/28)
- Jamie Burke's LinkedIn article; Outlier Ventures: [The Great Hack and the beginning of the end of Facebook](#) (7/26)
- SSI Meetup: [SSI: The Trillion Dollar Business Opportunity – Webinar 34](#) (7/24)
- Hyperledger: [Rhythm and Melody: How Hubs and Agents Rock Together](#) (7/23)
- Medium blog; Dr. Mark van Rijmenam: [How to Solve a Global Identity Crisis Using Blockchain](#) (7/23)
- DigitalScot.net: [Building a Scottish Digital Ecosystem with SSI : Self-Sovereign Identity](#) (7/23)
- CIO Applications: [CULedger: The Premium Platform of Digital Exchange](#) (7/22)
- Outlier Ventures: [Outlier Ventures and 18 organisations launch The Convergence Alliance to enable a new open data economy](#) (7/22)
- Evernym: [Claims Verification: Healthcare's \\$496B Problem](#) (7/18)
- Hyperledger: [Strengthening Hyperledger Indy and Self-Sovereign Identity](#) (7/18)
- Medium blog; globaliD: [Greg Kidd Interview: The Self Sovereign Identity Incubator and why identity has never been more critical](#) (7/18)
- Technometria; Phil Windley's blog: [It's the Autonomy, Stupid!](#) (7/16)
- Tykn: [The Innovative Technology for Government, Healthcare, Banking and Education you should know. \(2019 Update\)](#) (7/15)
- Medium blog; globaliD: [Introducing The Self-Sovereign Identity Incubator](#) (7/11)
- SSI Meetup: [Indirect Identity Control: delegation, guardianship, and controllership – Daniel Hardman – Webinar 33](#) (7/11)
- Ledger Insights: [New alliance for blockchain, Big data, AI, IoT attracts Jaguar, SAP, T-Mobile](#) (7/9)
- Encrypted: [#Ep. 44: Venture as a stack: Why Web 3.0 needs a different kind of investor](#) (7/8)
- Iain Barclay's LinkedIn article: [Insights into Self-sovereign Identity, Decentralised Identifiers and Verifiable Credentials](#) (7/4)
- Technometria; Phil Windley's blog: [Answering Questions about Self-Sovereign Identity](#) (7/1)

August

- VB Profiles: [IdRamp Named as a Distributed Ledger Steward by the Sovrin Foundation](#) (8/29); same press release also published on Newswire [here](#)
- MyFintech: [SSI Incubator Project Begins for Tech Startups](#) (8/29)
- Ledger Insights: [Sovrin backed incubator selects four blockchain identity startups](#) (8/29)
- El Espectador: [Xertify es la única empresa colombiana financiada por la incubadora en soberanía digital de USA](#) (8/28)
- Axuall: [Axuall Joins Industry Leaders to Become an Authorized Steward on the Sovrin Network](#) (8/28)
- Self-Sovereign Identity Incubator press release: [Four decentralized identity startups selected from around the world for intensive 12-week Incubator](#) (8/28)
- The Crypto Chick: [IBM On Digital Identity For Blockchain Networks](#) (8/27)
- DigitalScot.net: [Building an SSI Ecosystem : Self-Sovereign Identity](#) (8/27)
- City A.M.: [City A.M.'S Crypto Insider](#) (8/27)
- Medium blog; Streetcred ID: [AgentFramework for .NET joins Hyperledger Aries](#) (8/24)
- Forbes: [Draining Data Moats: What Happens When Consumers Take Control Of Their Own Data?](#) (8/21)
- Technometria; Phil Windley's blog: [Life-Like Identity: Why the Internet Needs an Identity Metasystem](#) (8/20)
- W3C Editor's Draft: [Peer DID Method Specification: blockchain-independent decentralized identifiers](#) (8/20)
- OWI State of Identity Podcast: [Sovrin: The World's First Self-Sovereign Identity Network](#) (8/15)
- Anchor; #PAY: [Dr. Mirek Sopek, Founder, LEI.INFO – More Than an LEI Finder](#) (8/15)
- Outlier Ventures: [HealthClaim: The scalable digital healthcare agent](#) (8/2)





September

- SSI Meetup: **Highlights of Internet Identity Workshop #29 with Drummond Reed (Autumn 2019) – Webinar 38** (9/30)
- New America: **Does Your Phone Know Where You Live?: Exploring Data Trails as a Tool for Property Rights** (9/27)
- Cision PR Newswire: **Axual Closes \$3 Million Seed Round of Financing** (9/25)
- Medium blog; Diffusion 2019: **Working Together: Beyond Zero Sum Crypto, Towards a Shared Web 3 Stack** (9/23)
- Cointelegraph: **Got ID? New Projects Explore Blockchain Identity Systems** (9/20)
- Hyperledger: **2019 Summer Mentee Project Update: Raspberry Pi Indy Agent** (9/19)
- Farmer Connect: **Farmer Connect SA Announces Blockchain Collaboration with the Colombian Coffee Growers Federation (FNC), Itochu Corporation, The J.M. Smucker Company, Jacobs Douwe Egberts (JDE), RGC Coffee, Beyers Koffie, and Sucafina to Improve Traceability in the Global Coffee Supply Chain.** (9/18)
- Infocert: **Infocert Presents DIZME, The First Digital Identity Platform Based On Blockchain Technology And eIDAS Compliant** (9/18)
- The Nonconformist Innovation Podcast: **Dr. Phil Windley** (9/15)
- Medium blog; Altcoin Magazine: **Digital Identity: Blockchain Supply Chain Management** (9/13)
- Quartz: **We're living in an era of digital feudalism. Here's how to take your data and identity back** (9/11)
- Tykn: **Self-Sovereign Identity at Rabobank: Interview with one of Rabobank's Blockchain Specialists, David Lamers.** (9/11)
- IBM: **Executing on the vision for a true blockchain network of networks** (9/9)
- Insureblocks: **Ep. 74 – Self Sovereign Identity – insights from Sovrin** (9/8)
- Ledger Insights: **Catalan government announces self-sovereign identity project** (9/6)
- Luxoft: **Track & Trace: Blockchain Powered Solution for Personalised Medicine** (9/3)
- Airport World: **Tech Savvy Travellers Driving Airport Strategies** (9/3)

October

- Gary Rowe's LinkedIn article; TechVision: **Decentralized Identity; Q4 2019 Update and Enterprise Level Set** (10/27)
- R3: **Building Global Payment Networks for Credit Unions: Corda Settler and Self Sovereign identity, CU Ledger, Luxoft** (10/24)
- Medium blog; Spaceman ID: **IIW: a Second Timers Perspective** (10/23)
- Evernym YouTube video: **An Introduction to Self-Sovereign Identity** (10/22)
- Medium blog; [Hodl Helper] Adrian Doerk: **LSSI — Let's initiate self-sovereign identity** (10/19)
- Medium blog; OneZero: **Blockchain Could Provide ID for Those Who Need It Most** (10/17)
- CU Broadcast: **Corelation Forum Interviews: Desert Financial's Amstutz and CULedger's Ainsworth Leverage Blockchain for CUs...** (10/15)
- Wkoecenter: **NET-WORK #16: Self-Sovereign Identity (SSI) – Next Generation Identity & AccessDr. André Kudra** (10/15)
- PaymentsJournal: **Are You a Good Steward of Your Personal Cybersecurity?** (10/11)
- Citi Ventures: **Digital Identity: Moving To A Decentralized Future** (10/9)
- Biometricupdate.com: **Self-sovereign identity community discusses the future of digital ID at IIW XXIX** (10/4)
- SITA: **A turning point in aviation's identity and data management** (10/3)
- OWI State of Identity Podcast: **IdRamp Unpacks Self-Sovereign Identity for the Enterprise** (10/3)
- 101 Blockchains: **Blockchain for Digital Identity: The Decentralized and Self-Sovereign Identity (SSI)** (10/2)
- Decrypt: **Andrew Yang's plan to make your data yours has crypto written all over it** (10/2)
- Ledger Insights: **Enterprise blockchain firm R3 joins Sovrin Network for identity** (10/2)
- Markets Insider: **R3 becomes a Steward of the global Sovrin Network** (10/1)
- Technometria; Phil Windley's blog: **Self Sovereign is Not Self Asserted** (10/1)

November

- International Telecommunication Union: **Implementation of Secure Authentication Technologies for Digital Financial Services** (11/2019)
- Hackernoon: **On Self-Sovereign Identity: What's the Business Value of SSI?** (11/29)
- Hyperledger: **Hyperledger Unveils Keynotes, Speaker Line-up for Hyperledger Global Forum 2020** (11/25)
- Constellation Research: **Reframing Digital Identity as Data Protection** (11/24)
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- Hyperledger: **Aries Connectathon: A Community-Driven Event for Identity Projects at Hyperledger** (11/22)
- Evernym: **Making Digital Identity Work For All: The Role of Guardianship in SSI** (11/21)
- Self-Sovereign Identity Incubator: **Spaceman ID brings Self-Sovereign Identity to All** (11/20)
- IBM: **IdentityNEXT: Reaffirming IBM's Decentralized Identity Strategy** (11/19)
- Tykn: **Interview with Stephen Curran (Technical Architect and DevOps Specialist on the Verifiable Organizations Network)** (11/18)
- Ledger Insights: **Education orgs, IBM launch blockchain credentials to close skills gap** (11/14)
- Security Boulevard: **Self-Sovereign Identity: A Distant Dream or an Immediate Possibility?** (11/14)
- Overstock.com press release: **Medici Ventures Joins Sovrin Alliance to Promote the Advancement of Self-Sovereign Identity** (11/14)
- InfoRiskToday: **CCPA Compliance: Identity Verification Challenges** (11/12)
- Evernym: **Staying True to SSI Principles: Our Concerns about GADI** (11/12)
- Anonymome Labs: **Open End-to-End Encrypted Messaging** (11/8)
- The PIE News: **Digitary & Evernym collaborate** (11/8)
- Cision PRWeb: **Constellation Research Announces Winners of 2019 SuperNova Awards** (11/7)
- Medium blog; Spaceman ID: **Four Ingredients for Self Sovereign Identity** (11/7)
- Evernym: **Categorizing Verifiable Credentials** (11/7)
- Medium blog; Joint: **Joint wins at the Diffusion 2019 Berlin Hackathon in the "Identity and beyond" track, demonstrating the power of SSI verifiable credentials.** (11/6)
- Microsoft: **Identity: The control plane for your digital transformation, now and into the future** (11/4)

December

- Hillrise Capital: **Interview with Phil Windley, Chair of the Sovrin Board of Trustees** (12/22)
- KuppingerCole Report: **Sovrin Network Self-Sovereign Identity** (12/19)
- Coindesk: **A Year of Careful, Prosaic BUIDLing** (12/18)
- Coinspeaker: **Hyperledger Unveils Keynotes, Speaker Line-up for Hyperledger Global Forum 2020** (12/18)
- Evernym: **Self-Sovereign Identity for Higher Education** (12/11)
- Evernym: **The Three Pillars of Self-Sovereign Identity** (12/10)
- e27: **3 companies leveraging the power of blockchain technology in security** (12/9)
- Self-Sovereign Identity Incubator: **Domi Creates Self-Sovereign Identity Wallet for Rental Market** (12/9)
- Hyperledger: **Why SSI Incubator: An inside look at the program and startups** (12/6)
- Self-Sovereign Identity Incubator: **HearRo Using Self-Sovereign Identity to Smooth the Customer Service Experience** (12/6)
- Technometria; Phil Windley's blog: **Recent Revisions to the Sovrin Governance Framework** (12/5)
- Goode Intelligence: **Goode Intelligence reveals Top 10 Digital Identity Influencing Organisations** (12/5)
- Biometricupdate.com: **Top 10 digital identity influencing organizations named by Goode Intelligence** (12/5)
- CULedger: **CULedger Showcases Successful Cross-Border Payment Solution, Supported by Partners R3 and Luxoft, a DXC Technology Company** (12/5)
- Tykn: **Interview with Daniel Hardman (Chief Architect at Evernym and Technical Ambassador at Hyperledger)** (12/4)
- Medium blog; Joint: **Let's fix fake news and online disinformation. Here's how to get started...** (12/2)
- Computerworld: **How blockchain will kill fake news (and four other predictions for 2020)** (12/2)



Analyst Reports



2019 Mentions

GARTNER: [Guidance for Decentralized Identity and Verifiable Claims](#)

Published: 24 January 2020 Analyst(s): Homan Farahmand, Summary: Decentralized identity will disrupt identity management by enabling privacy-enhanced verifiable identity data exchange over the internet. Security and risk management technical professionals should identify relevant use cases and prepare for applicable adoption scenarios.

EVEREST GROUP: [BigTech Battle: Assessing Managed Blockchain Platform Readiness for Enterprise Use](#) "Gearing Up for the Adoption Wave" Published: 5 December 2019 by Ronak Doshi, Shrey Kalawatia, Suseel Menon Scope: We assess offerings from the following 12 blockchain platforms vendors in this study: Alibaba cloud, AWS, Microsoft Azure, BurstIQ, HPE, IBM, Jelurida, Multichain, Oracle, SAP, Sovrin, and VMware. The report covers the following topics: Background and definition of blockchain managed platforms Assessment of blockchain managed platforms for enterprise use Profiles of blockchain managed platform vendors

FORRESTER: [New Tech: Decentralized Digital Identity \(DDID\)](#), Q1 2020, Published: January 2, 2020, By Andras Cser, Fatemeh Khatibloo with Merritt Maxim, Patrick Carroll, Peggy Dostie, Forrester's Landscape Overview Of 21 Providers, Today's digital identity frameworks are centralized, suffer from a lack of trust, aren't portable, and don't give consumers control. As the boundary between physical and digital interactions becomes indistinguishable, new models are emerging to solve these issues. This report presents an overview of the nascent decentralized digital identity ecosystem, a category segmentation, and an overview of the key vendors in this emerging market. CIOs should use this report to understand major market segments and to inform their innovation and R&D strategy for digital identity.

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"For example, in the identity space, the Sovrin ecosystem, is a blend of permissioned and public models; the aim here is to balance the benefits of public and permissioned networks. Sovrin also leverages a trust framework to ensure that all participants, namely the identity stewards (trusted entities), follow a set of guidelines. "By 2023, due to a growing number of privacy regulations, self-sovereign identity will be present in 40% of consumer IAM initiatives, up from less than 5% today. By 2024, bring your own identity (BYOI), combined with decentralized and self-sovereign identity, will unlock the value in digital identities, leading to a multibillion-dollar industry, up from an under \$100 million industry today.

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Sample Vendor

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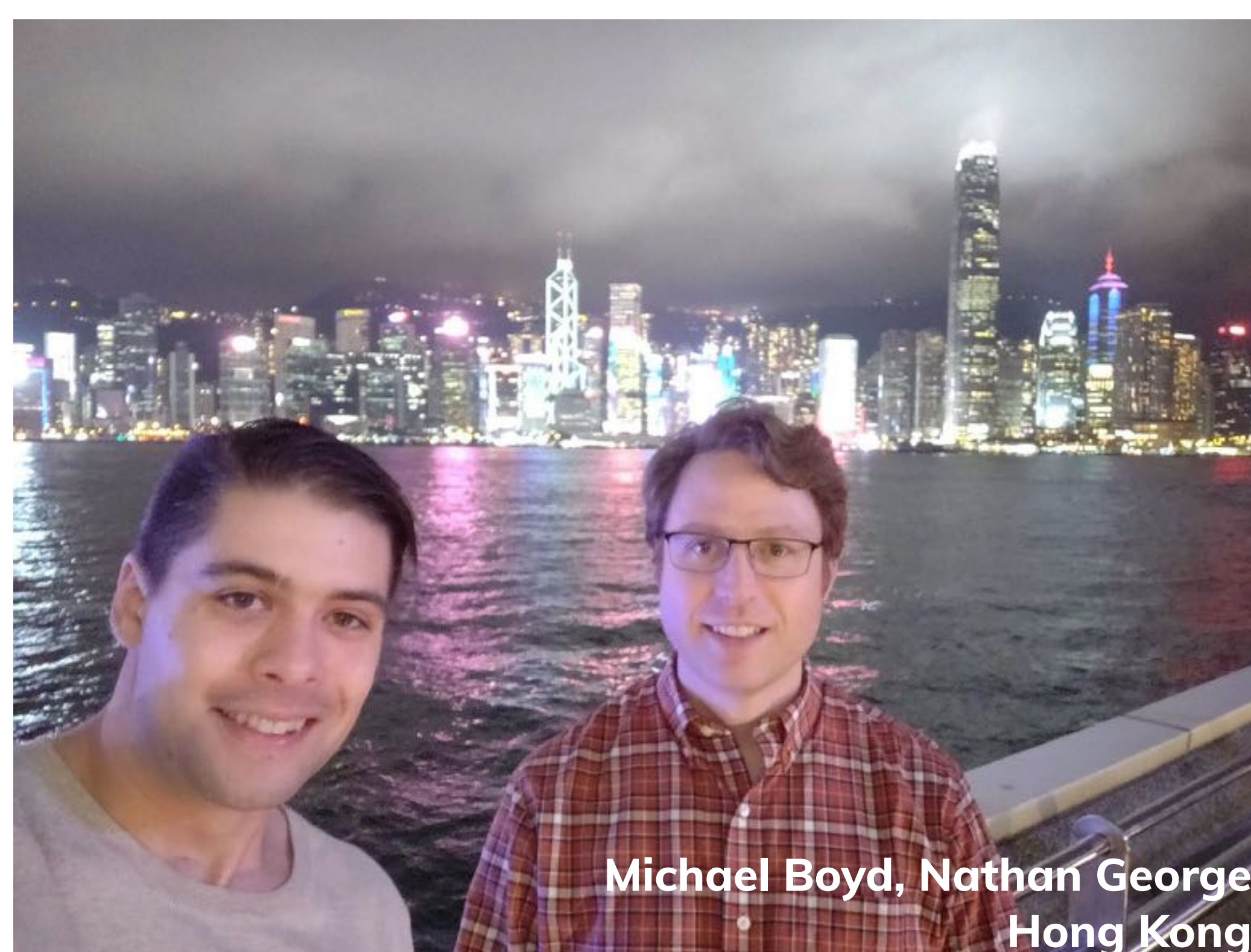
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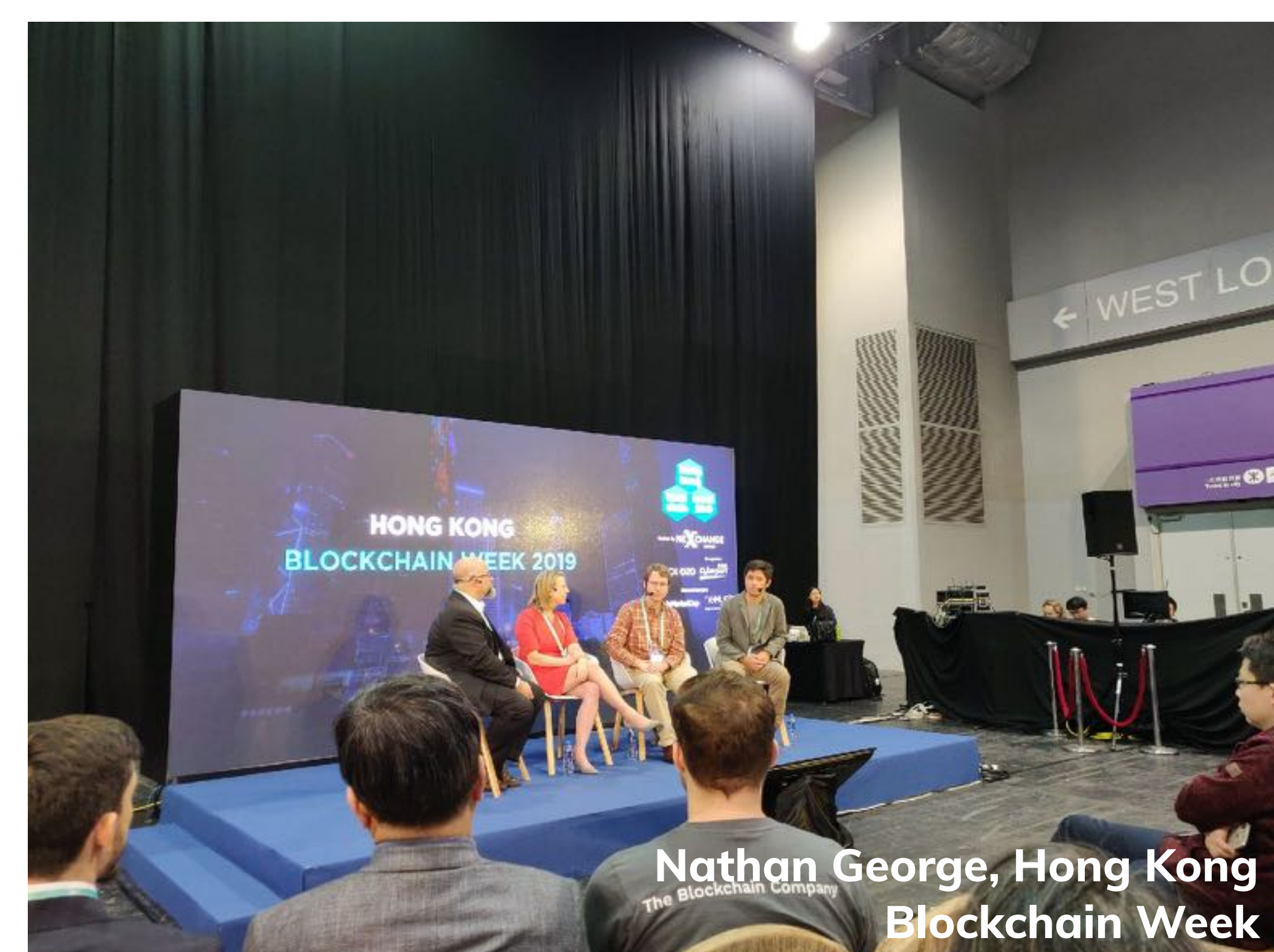
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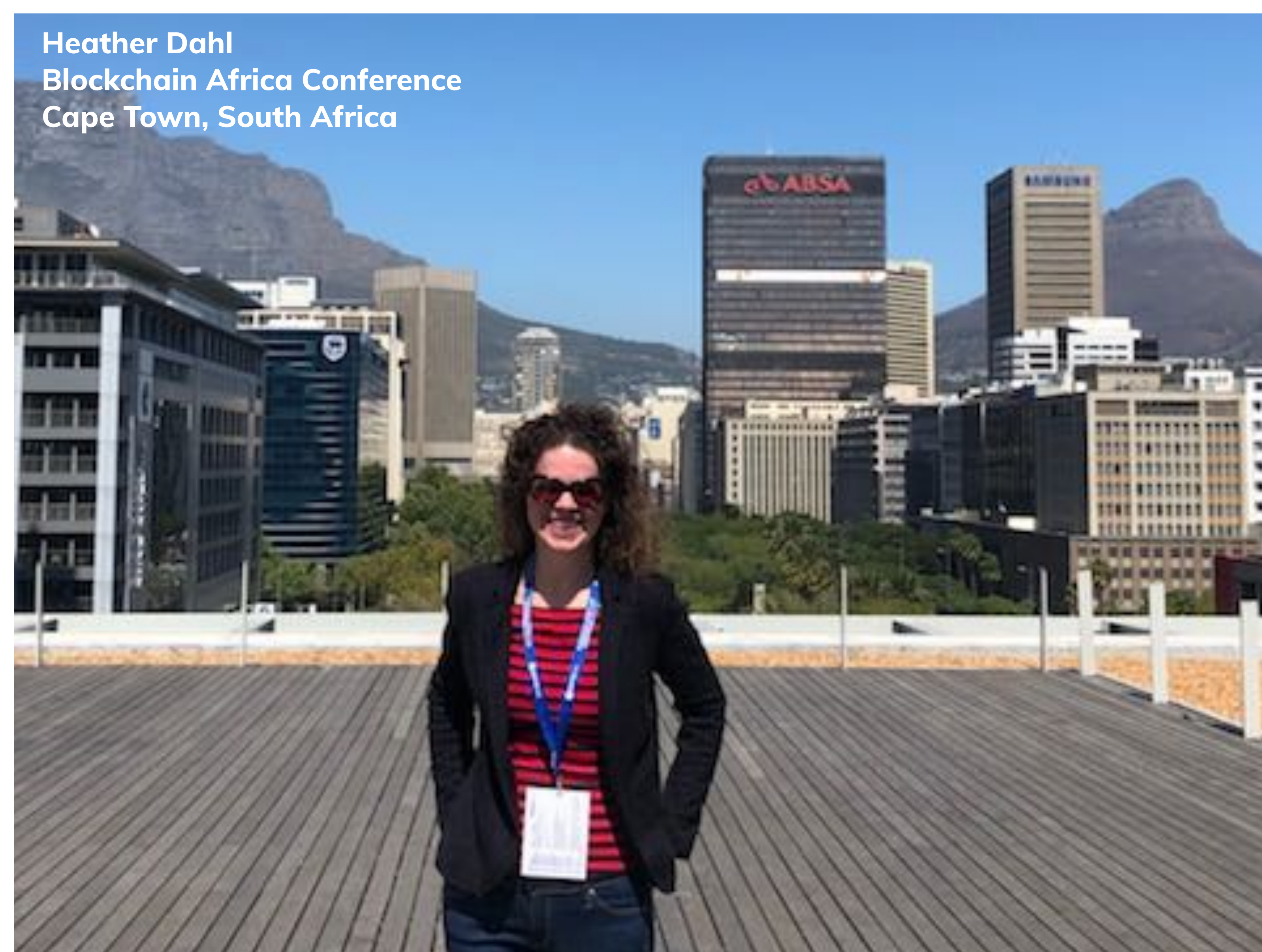
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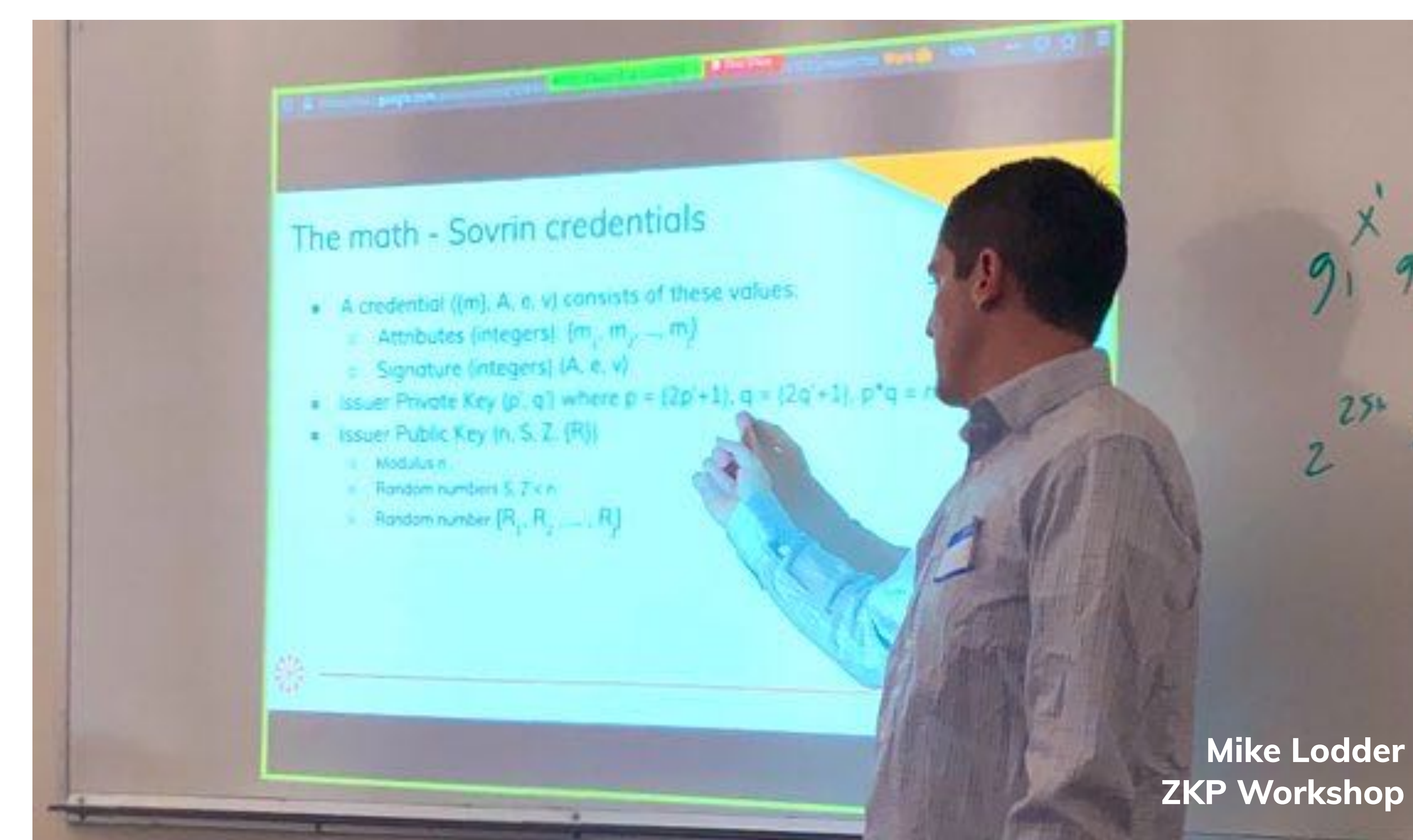
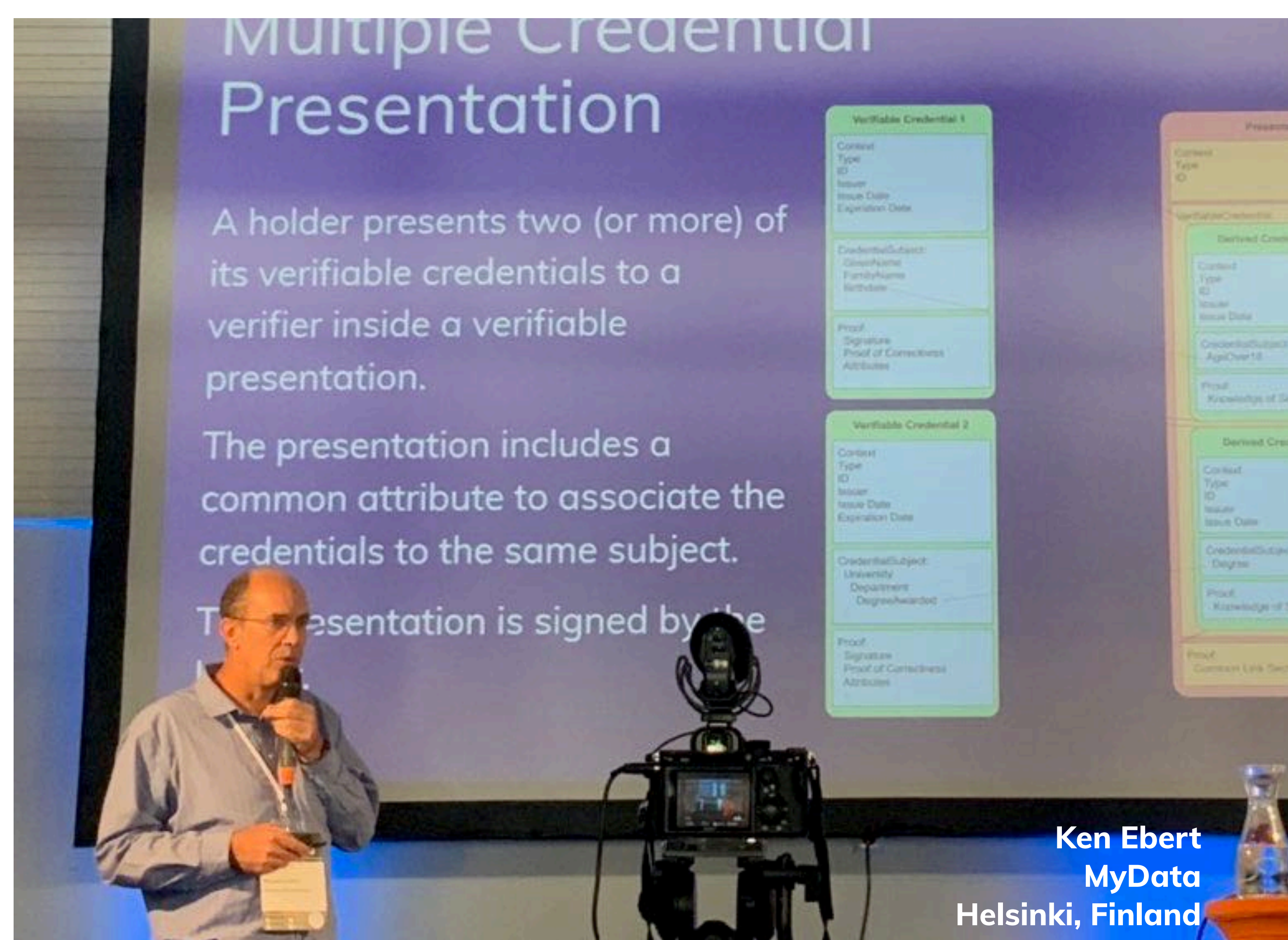
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