

2019: September

Hello everyone

This is the running update from the Executive Director. Have questions or comments? Suggest some added information or edits? Contact ED Colin at kantarainitiative.org.

I'm starting this month's Director's Corner from Mountain View California, on the eve of VRM/Me2B day as the prelude to Internet Identity Workshop (IIW) this week. It's tropical compared to the 3 feet of snow up in the US north and mid-west, tho' the Bay area is providing a bell-weather for the approaching fall. I'm pleased I brought a jumper for the evenings 😊.

The exciting news that I was portending in recent months was emailed to Kantara members and then released into the public domain. It is nothing short of fantastic news ([here's the announcement again if you haven't seen it](#)) that **FDX** is collaborating with Kantara on the Consent Receipt to deliver an industry game-changer for Financial Services. The agreement resonated well with [Twittersphere](#) and [LinkedIn](#) too, because it pairs Kantara's Consent Receipt specification with FDX's open banking use cases and API standards to support enhanced financial data traceability along a similar path that delivered the Financial API (**FAPI**) for authentication.

It was a massive week all up, with many Kantara members and non member participants gathering in Helsinki to speak at and participate in the MyData2019 conference - @digime @Meeco_me @Datafund @OpenConsent @IDIMAndrew @Dativa4Data Janlindq @laih1 @PrivacyCDN and @ruthpuente Staff supporting Kantara on and off the podium. In the US, there were two other conferences last week. Consumer Identity World in Seattle saw both Kantara President @GuruAllan @ForgeRock and @Airsideo member Peter Davis include Consent Receipt and UMA in their presentations while in Tampa at FedID, I presented Trust Marks and Ratings, and helped out @IdemiaGroup on a panel talking about identity programs and their requisite standards in jurisdictions globally supported the whole week by @jharkema82, Kantara Educational Foundation Board Director Angela Rey with Staff Chris Healy. Kantara participated in a further meeting further developing the work on mDL co-ordinated by **STA's** Tom Lockwood where it was great to catch up with Kantara member Exponent. Exponent is in the final phase of its KIPI R&D project facilitated by Kantara and where the technical guidance and test plan for mDL was created. Also at the show was @IDme which displayed the 'proud member of Kantara' table plaque on its booth! Thank you all for supporting our mission, ethics, ethos and values.

Moving onto later this week towards the end of IIW we gather in San Francisco for Kantara's North American member's plenary on Thursday morning followed by the Board's F2F meeting setting out the plans for the coming year with new and exciting developments at Board level pending.

The following week it's IDENTITY WEEK ASIA, October 8-9th 2019 at Suntec Convention Centre, Singapore where I have a huge few days as the conference organisers have made the [very most of my offer to help out/ fill gaps](#). 😊 .

The week after LC Chair Andrew Hughes and I are in Paris for the ISO /IEC JTC 1/SC 27/ Working Group 5 (Identity Management & Privacy) meetings where we present results of the Study Periods for Consent Receipts and Records as well as Identity Proofing and Verification that we are leading through Kantara's Category C Liaison.

We are then into the latter half of October and it's another Kantara member-fest with @ForgeRock's @GuruAllan, @NixuTigerTeam 's @MartinSandren, @OnethingLess's @JamesAschberger, @Meeco_Me's @katrynadow @iglazer and myself will be presenting at [Consumer Identity World in Amsterdam](#). Use the code CIW19Kantara and get 25% off the ticket price.

Two weeks later it's the first week of November and **EEMA's** legendary [ISSE conference in Brussels](#), @Ubisecure 's @osantolalla will demo the Consent Receipt and Ruth Puente who will present the 2nd call for NGI_Trust grant funding. If you haven't attended before, you won't get a better chance than this; From Sept 30th Kantara members enter code MEFSE for 35% off full ticket price €400 (nett €250 + VAT).

And that's not all. There is the emerging premier government focussed identity conference coming up in December but I will leave those till next month to treat you with.

But in doing so, it takes us full circle, as discussion around the latest twists and turns of the UK government's digital identity 'reset' where the Identity Assurance working group's [industry contributions](#) highlighted in September's 'Keeping up with Kantarians' email newsletter include the Department for Culture Media and Sport (DCMS)'s Call for Evidence., garnered [significant industry comment](#) as did my [own personal opinion piece](#). Both are expected to be referenced in discussion at [Think Digital Identity For Government](#) in December.

This month we welcome back several Corporate and Individual Contributor members; KnowNow Information Ltd the consent management platform from the UK, Kuma.pro the US based trust framework program assessor, Telus the highly regarded telco from Canada, Uninett the Norwegian National Research & Education Network, and esteemed individual contributor Ian Glazer.

We need you all! Please volunteer to review and comment on other industry initiatives, further develop our own specifications and programs and blog on your favourite Kantara topic.

Kind Regards,

Colin

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