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Summary

Working group proceeded with meeting focusing on closing pending issues and discussing external technology relationships with W3C standards.

eIDAS and VCDM Relationship

Update on eIDAS showed a strong preference for the Verifiable Credentials Data Model (VCDM) for business wallets and applications outside of personal identity. The related issue discussing the relationship between eIDAS and VCDM was marked as outdated and closed.

Product Identifier Persistence Settled

The issue regarding the persistence of product identifiers, related to Digital Product Passport (DPP) requirements, was reviewed. Because the core questions were already addressed in document 601, the related issue was marked as closed.

Cleanup of Old Issues

Several long-standing issues and those that had been addressed by merged Pull Requests (PRs) were closed to clean up the task list. This included closing an issue about DPP data variants, deeming it outside the scope of the technical working group.

Next steps

- [Harley Thomas] Join W3C: Investigate method to join the W3C group. Phil suggested participation would be valuable.

Details

- **Meeting Status and Focus:** Harley Thomas opened the meeting by noting that other working groups had paused due to the upcoming stable release, and they considered doing the same since all participants are volunteers. However, they decided to proceed with this meeting to close issues marked as pending close and briefly discuss graph validation.
- **Update on eIDAS and Verifiable Credentials:** Phil Archer provided an update on eIDAS, noting the strong push for the use of W3C Verifiable Credentials Data Model (VCDM) for business wallets, distinguishing them from personal identity wallets. While the eIDAS personal identifier is currently trending toward SD-JOTs (Selective Disclosure JSON Web Tokens), VCDM is being advocated for all other applications, including those related to the United Nations Programme (UNP). Phil Archer suggested the related issue discussing this relationship is outdated and should be closed.
- **Persistence of Product Identifiers:** The issue concerning the persistence of identifiers within the identifier specification was discussed, noting its relation to the European Union Digital Product Passport (DPP) requirements. It was acknowledged that rules exist regarding product identifier persistence, and because the core questions around persistence were already addressed in document 601, the related issue was marked as closed.
- **Closing Old Pending Issues:** Several long-standing issues that had not received recent attention or were already addressed were closed to clean up the task list. This included an item about adding link structure and QRS to a verifiable credentials page, which Harley Thomas and Phil Archer agreed to close due to its age and lack of response.

- **Digital Product Passport (DPP) Data Variants:** A discussion about finding and accessing data claims used in the DPP was deemed to have potentially drifted into the GTR (Grid) project and was being discussed by other groups. Harley Thomas and Phil Archer agreed that this issue, which stemmed from the supply chain working group and focused on different data claim variants, was not a priority for the current technical working group and could be closed.
- **Review of Merged Pull Requests:** An issue related to a draft Pull Request (PR) was closed after confirming the PR had been merged, which incorporated language stating that the change was neither mandated nor precluded. Phil Archer advised that any issue resulting in a merged PR should be immediately closed.
- **Invitation to W3C Group:** Phil Archer mentioned the upcoming release of the specification (version 7 or 0.8), which will soon be available for public review. Following this, Phil Archer expressed an interest in having Harley Thomas join the W3C group, which Harley Thomas received positively.

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