



# Identity Ecosystem Steering Group, Inc.

*Use Case Ad Hoc Group*

## Terms of Reference

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**Purpose:**

The Use Case Ad Hoc Group was formed to facilitate the development of use cases. A Use Case is meant to help identify, clarify, and organize identity ecosystem requirements by enumerating a set of interactions among users and components of the identity ecosystem. Use Cases describe digital identity problems and or illustrate best practices to be solved within the identity ecosystem, and may be specific to particular stakeholder communities and goals. Use Cases may include one or more suggestions or proposals for solving those problems in ways that satisfy the NSTIC Guiding Principles.

The IDESG Use Cases are meant to:

- Frame the IDESG's initial objectives and scope of work,
- Provide a basis for the development of IDESG work products,
- Provide the basis for consensus among IDESG plenary members about the characteristics of the ecosystem and identity ecosystem framework that the IDESG is trying to bring into existence,
- Provide a method for the elicitation and capture the requirements of the various NSTIC constituencies for the ecosystem,
- Make more concrete the application of the NSTIC guiding principles in terms of real world scenarios,
- Serve as a test target against which IDESG work products can be evaluated,
- Serve as a guide for the collective efforts of the IDESG, to maintain a common focus and alignment,
- Support value cited by IDESG to addresses challenges in navigating the new identity-enabled online world,
- Be considered as a basis for analyzing potential challenges for a trusted identity ecosystem and identify gaps where stakeholder solutions in whole or in part may apply,
- Support the goal of comprehensive inclusion for all citizens and stakeholders taking into account affordability, ecosystem scalability, civil liberties, individual privacy, and public policy.

The Use case Ad Hoc Group was formed to facilitate the development of use cases which are meant to describe digital identity problems to be solved and not to constrain solutions or prescribe business, legal or technological means to implement solutions to these problems. The Use Case Ad Hoc Group was formed to facilitate the development of use cases that are aligned, addressed, accommodated and mapped to the NSTIC Guiding Principles.

**Scope:**

The Use Case Ad hoc Group will strive to meet the purpose for which it was organized by:

- Establishing a common method for IDESG Member contributors of use cases to easily submit their contributions to the IDESG.
- Working with contributors to refine their contributions to align with the most current Criteria as it may change at given intervals based on the direction received from the Standards Committee.
- Facilitating use cases progression through the Use Case Lifecycle.
- Recommending use cases to the SCC for inclusion in the 'IDESG Use Cases' deliverable.

**Deliverables:**

- Completed use cases for committee review
- Recommended use cases for SCC consideration for approval
- Use Case Wiki (as maintained by the UCAHG)

**Membership:**

Participation in the Use Case Ad Hoc Group and its listserve is open and voluntary to all. Only IDESG members may submit use cases.

**Meeting Frequency:**

The Use Case Ad Hoc Group will meet on as frequent a manner as may be determined by various factors including the needed velocity of delivery for a work product and membership schedules. We encourage members or individuals interested in the current meeting schedule to visit the [Idecosystem.org](http://Idecosystem.org) website.

**Timeframe:**

The Use Case Ad Hoc Group will continue to meet until the Standards Committee determines a sufficient number of use cases have been developed to satisfy needed goals as may be amended.

**Authority:**

The Use Case Ad Hoc Group will operate within the full jurisdiction of the IDESG Rules of Association and under the sponsorship of the Standards Committee.

**Roles and Responsibilities:**

The roles and responsibilities within the Use Case Ad Hoc group will be determined as necessary but generally follow a common structure with a leader, note taker/wiki editor, and Use Case Ad Hoc Group members.

**Leadership**

Leadership of the UCAHG is voluntary and by appointment of the SCC Chair.