

Kantara Initiative – Discussion Group Proposal

Title of Proposed Discussion Group

Blinding Identity Taxonomy (BIT) Discussion Group

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1. Purpose and Scope

The purpose of the Blinding Identity Taxonomy (BIT) Discussion Group is to evolve and maintain the BIT as an informative taxonomy for identifying and managing personally identifiable information (PII) and quasi-identifiable information (QII).

BIT is not intended to prescribe requirements; rather, it serves as an informative tool to:

- Support privacy-preserving data handling.
- Provide a clear structure for categorizing identity-related data fields.
- Enable use cases such as filtering data unsuitable for AI training.

The scope of this DG includes:

- Migrating BIT 1.0 and 2.0 assets into the Kantara process.
 - Refining and publishing BIT v2.0 as a Kantara Discussion Group Report.
 - Hosting quarterly meetings to gather feedback and consider updates.
 - Exploring applications of BIT in identity, privacy, and AI contexts.
 - Assessing whether the work should progress toward a Work Group to produce requirements-based outputs.
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2. Objectives

- Establish BIT as a “true” Kantara product through collaborative consensus.
 - Refine and publish BIT Report v2.0 as an informative DG deliverable.
 - Create a sustainable review process via quarterly meetings.
 - Encourage cross-disciplinary input from legal, privacy, AI, and identity experts.
 - Evaluate progression to a Work Group if requirements emerge.
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3. Deliverables

Deliverable	Description	Target Date
Blinding Identity Taxonomy Report Version 2.0	Refinement and publication of the Blinding Identity Taxonomy Report v2.0 under Kantara auspices	Within 3 months of DG approval
BIT Supplementary Document 2.0	Supporting document outlining recommended de-identification techniques and context for applying the taxonomy	Within 6 months of DG approval
Quarterly Meeting Notes	Summary notes and update logs documenting DG discussions and proposed field category changes	Ongoing
Future Deliverable (Optional)	Recommendation to establish a Work Group if requirements development is needed	TBD

4. Membership

- Participation is open to **all Kantara members**.
- Secours.ai will contribute up to **three participants**:
 - **Paul Knowles** (Chair, DG Lead)
 - **Tim Reiniger** (Legal perspective)
 - **Keith Dugas** (Augmented Intelligence perspective)
- Additional recruitment will be undertaken to ensure representation from identity, privacy, AI, and legal domains.

5. Sponsorship

- **Sponsor:** John Wunderlich has confirmed willingness to act as DG Sponsor.
 - **Role of Sponsor:** Provide oversight, facilitate Leadership Council approval, and assist in onboarding members.
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6. Leadership and Roles

- **Chair / Lead:** Paul Knowles
 - **Optional roles:** Rapporteur or Secretary to be appointed if needed
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7. Meeting Cadence and Logistics

- **Quarterly meetings** (every three months).
 - Communication via Kantara collaboration tools (e.g., mailing list, shared workspace).
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8. Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)

- All DG outputs will be subject to the Kantara IPR Policy.
 - BIT v1.0 and v2.0 materials are contributed for incorporation under Kantara's open publication rules.
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9. Lifecycle

- The DG will operate on an open-ended basis with quarterly relevance reviews.
 - Transition to a Work Group may occur if prescriptive requirements emerge.
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10. Expected Impact

- Establish BIT as a recognized Kantara product, ensuring wider credibility and adoption.
- Provide a reference taxonomy for identity data management and privacy-preserving practices.

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- Offer practical utility in areas such as responsible AI training data curation.

Attachments:

- Draft Blinding Identity Taxonomy (BIT) Report v2.0