

Resolutions from Porvoo 4

The Porvoo Group notes and welcomes the steady progress in national deployments and plans reported by participating countries since the Oslo meeting and the new developments reported related to driver's license directive and implementation of multi-application services for e-voting and transport. It identifies the following areas for special consideration and review.

1. eID promotion

The Porvoo group appreciates the joint session held with eEpoch and EUCLID IST projects as an excellent example of the way to ensure a constant flow of information on latest developments and activities. It urges all members to discuss and consider the results of eEpoch (to be available in October) to ensure good debate at the next Porvoo meeting. It also encourages members to continue and increase active promotion of the eID concept and benefits to decision makers.

2. Biometrics and Passports

International eID requirements are moving quickly as shown by the schedule for introduction of biometrics in ePassports. Porvoo group urges and encourages a strong mutual two way flow of information between Porvoo participants and their national ICAO representatives on the common features of eID documents and passports and their mutual realization in an interoperable pan-European / International context.

3. Legislative Environment

Implementation of pan-European IAS services involves cross-border legal issues and may require a Directive similar to that defined for electronic signatures. Porvoo recognizes and will address the legal needs of eID. As a first measure it encourages members to consider the available documentation and the insights provided by Norway and submit proposals for consideration and decision at the next Porvoo Meeting.

4. IDA_{BC}

Welcomes the launch of IDA_{BC} on Interoperable Delivery of pan-European eGovernment Services to Public Administrations, Businesses and Citizens (IDABC) and its proposed focus on work on eIdentification in addition to its focus on data interchange between administrations. Porvoo national Members are encouraged to contact their national IDA representatives and press for a major central funding and support for roll out of a common European eID based on the work underway within Porvoo and in particular in WS eAuthentication.

5. Support for Standards

Porvoo Group endorses and encourages the realization of the **Global standards Collaboration Forum** goal to establish an international standard for a common interface between native IAS and common business applications. It recognizes that Porvoo and

CEN/ISSS WS on eAuthentication need to work together and strongly recommends that all members actively join in and support this work.

6. Cross Certification

Announcement of the MOU on Cooperation on cross-certification between Finland and Estonia is welcomed and further information will be circulated to enable detailed discussion leading to recommendations for extension to include other Porvoo members at the next Porvoo meeting.

7. Porvoo Group – the way forward

Volunteers are sought to take over specific activities in the interim period pending support from future EC projects

- Porvoo Secretariat and related support
- Infrastructure (take-over of e-ID public website, webtool, mailing list...)
- planning support for Next meeting(s)

8. Next meeting

The next Porvoo Group meeting will be held in Estonia in May 2004. This initiative by Estonia who now lead the way in Europe with 30% deployment of eID cards is most welcome.

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Congratulations to Ritva Viljanen

The Porvoo Group expresses its appreciation to its founder chairman Ritva Viljanen and wishes her every success in her new appointment to the most senior levels in the Finnish Administration.