NEXT GENERATION INTERNET

Pilot TALER
Taxable Anonymous Libre Electronic Reserves

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NGI Taler Work Packages

- ► WP1: Project Management
- WP2: Finance
- WP3: Verticals toward Commercialization
- ▶ WP4: Open Calls & Grants Management

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- WP5: Innovation
- WP6: Outreach & Dissemination

Work Package 5: Innovation

Three main areas:

- Software Implementation ("GNU Taler packages")
 - Broader availability, enhanced functionality+features, UX, usability, accessibility
- Asset tokenization
- Post-Quantum Cryptography

Partners:

- Taler Systems SA (lead)
- TU Eindhoven
- VisualVest
- Bern University of Applied Sciences
- Eseniors
- ► Code Blau GmbH



WP5: Tasks

- T5.1: Ubiquitous availability (M1-M36)
- T5.2: Easy deployment and run-time monitoring (M12-M18)
- ► T5.3: Third-party driven enhancements and innovation (M9-M36)
- ► T5.4: Improved auditor (M15-M36)
- ► T5.5: Asset tokenization pilot (M18-M36)
- ► T5.6: Innovate Taler protocol with a post-quantum lens (M1-M36)
- ► T5.7: Formalization and security proofs (M12-M36)



WP5: Deliverables

- ▶ D5.1 GNU Taler releases mid-term version (M18)
- D5.2 GNU Taler releases final version (M36)
- D5.3 Assessment of quantum impact on GNU Taler protocol suite initial (M12)
- D5.4 Quantum impact on GNU Taler protocol suite post-quantum replacemens and security proofs version (M36)
- ▶ D5.5 Implementation of PQC replacements (M36)



WP5: Results so far (I)

Taler Software Packages (T5.1, D5.1):

- ► Three releases since start of NGI Taler
- Release frequency increased to (roughly) one per month
- Improved project management and QA
- ▶ Wallet iOS App now available on App Store
- Preview of ARM (and more) architecture packages available for Debian/Ubuntu

Auditor Improvements (T5.4):

First student projects on real-time auditor concluded



WP5: Results so far (II)

(Regional Currency) Deployment (T5.1, D5.1, T5.3):

- CHF deployment at BFH
 - Quote from student: "It was faster to use than TWINT"
- Automated/guided deployment now available!
- Deployment with Netzbon Basel in progress
- Deployment with LUGCamp (in Germany) in May
 - Used a GLS bank account!
 - ▶ 70+ participants, 500+ transactions
 - SEPA Instant
- GLS50 showcase
- ► More planned!



WP5: Results so far (III)

POC (D5.3-D5.5):

- ► First discussions about PQC concerns/replacements
- ► TU/e hired Jonathan Levin as a PhD student
- Almost finished: Inventory and cataloging replacement options

Others:

- Cashless-to-Ecash project at BFH (T5.3, WP2)
- DONAU: Donation receipts (implemented server-side, wallet support pendina)
- Subscriptions (implemented server-side)
- ► Received/discussed/scoped first 3rd party enhancements requests (T5.3)
- Ongoing translations effort (D5.1)
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