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- We are a community interested in self-sovereign control of digital assets.
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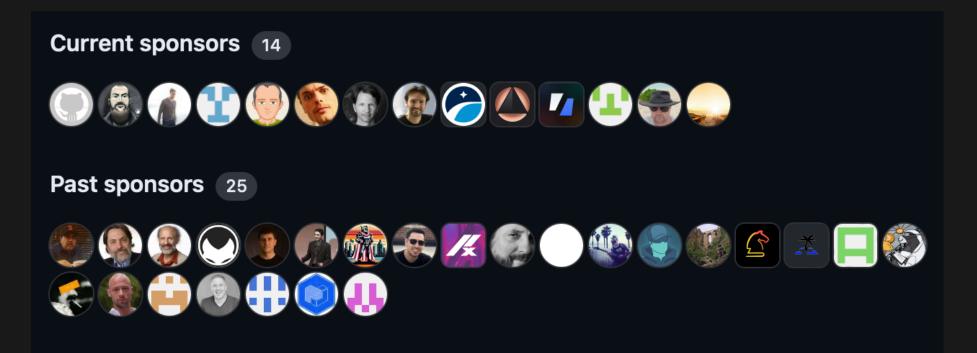


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Last Meeting

- PayJoin Presentation!
- SSH-Envelope
- The Request/Response Use Case



Today's Topics

- Seedtool in Rust
- Why SSH?
 - SSH Envelope-CLI Updates
- Gordian Sealed Transaction Protocol (GSTP)



Seedtool-CLI-Rust Release

- Seedtool-CLI Is Now Available in Rust
 - seedtool-cli-rust
- Updated to Our Newest Specifications
- See The New User Manual
- What's Next?
 - Descriptors? Attachments? BIP-85?
 - We'll have a full presentation on BIP-85 next month!



Why SSH?

- We're updating Envelope-CLI for SSH
- Traditionally, SSH keys have been used for authentication
- But now they can be used for code signing
 - Git & GitHub are the leaders here
 - We'd like to see more tools for software supply chain
- Offer SSH keys also shows flexibility of Envelope.
 - Not agility, but flexible.
- So here's what we've done ...



Envelope-CLI Updates

- bc-envelope-rust is now at 0.9.0
 - The older envelope-cli-swift has been deprecated
 - diffs & mermaid output not yet ported
- New Envelope-Rust Features
 - generate signer has options for deriving SSH keys
 - import & export SSH keys
 - sign with SSH keys!
 - Info on URs with SSH keys & signatures
 - Verify SSH signatures!



Envelope-CLI Breaking Changes

- --prvkeys is now --signer
- --pubkeys is now --verifier



Gordian Sealed Transaction Protocol (GSTP)

- GSTP is our Envelope Protocol for Secure Transmissions
 - See BCR-2023-014
 - Uses Envelope Request/Response with Encryption
- New! Support for Bidirectional Cryptographic Continuation
 - Preserve the state to pick up operation at a later time
 - Methodology for doing this now standardized
- Our Research Sponsor for this work is FOUNDATION DEVICES
 - https://foundation.xyz/
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Next Month's Meeting!

- Back to our Regular First Wednesday Date
 - Wednesday, August 7
- Planned Topics
 - A Special Presentation on BIP-85
 - More on Using SSH with Envelope



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