

A Blueprint for Reopening International Travel

Over the last six months, countries have begun issuing certificates of **proof of COVID-19 health status** (e.g., a negative test or vaccination) to help restart international travel and local economies.



Global Monthly Passengers (COVID-19)

Losses to Travel & Tourism sector

- In 2020, the travel & tourism sector lost almost USD\$4.5 <u>trillion</u> (down from almost USD\$9.2 trillion in 2019)
- 62 million travel & tourism jobs were lost globally (- 18.5%), impacting primarily lower and middle income workers
- Domestic visitor spending decreased by 45%
- International visitor spending declined by an unprecedented 69.4%

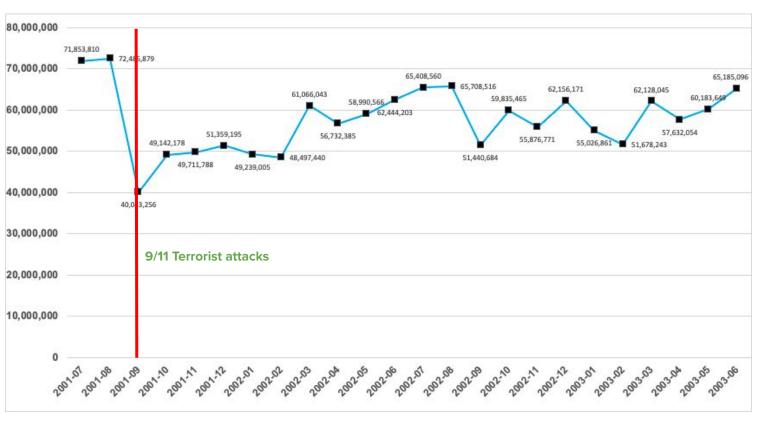
Travel & Tourism contributions to Global GDP

- In 2019, the travel & tourism sector contributed 10.4% to global GDP
- 2020, the travel & tourism sector contributed 5.5% to global GDP, a net decrease of 49.1%
- By comparison the net decrease in <u>Global</u> GDP in 2020 totally only 3.7%

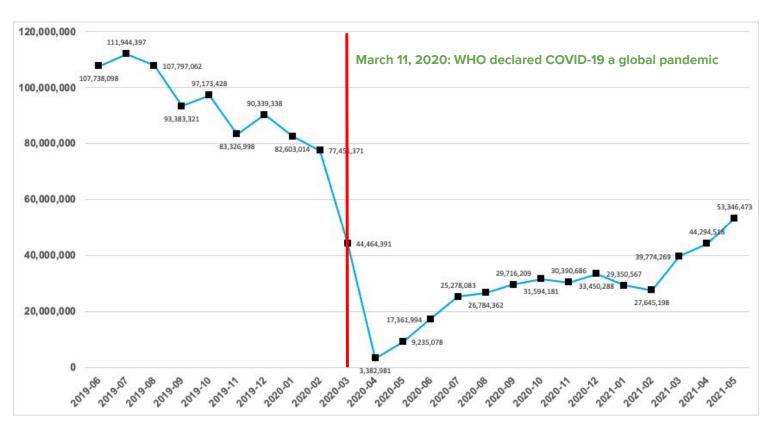
Possible future economic impacts

- Airline bankruptcies and call for bailouts ("too big to fail", especially national carriers)
- Continued hit to GDP's especially in smaller, tourism dependent countries

Global Monthly Passengers (Post-September 11)



Global Monthly Passengers (COVID-19)



Factors Limiting International Travel

Travel Restrictions

Outright travel bans

Fear

- Delta (and other new variants of concern)
- o Breakthrough cases, fear of onward transmission
- No vaccines for children
- Vaccine hesitancy

Cost

- Fewer flights = higher ticket prices
- Testing
- Mandatory hotel quarantines

Inconvenience

- Mandatory quarantines
- Airport wait times
- Testing
- Proof of vaccination

Dozens of solutions have rushed to market. These vary greatly in terms of **privacy**, **security**, and **user control over personal data** — and in the absence of standards, **none are interoperable**.



Countries, airlines, and businesses began rolling out programs. But with concerning new variants, and inequitable vaccine rollout, and the fact that vaccination does not prevent transmission, these systems are likely to be with us Ionger than anticipated.

The New York Times

Seven European Countries Begin Issuing Covid Travel Certificates

A digital Covid certificate system intended to ease travel within the European Union became operational in seven countries on Tuesday...

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British Airways Begins Trialling IATA's Travel Pass Health Passport

Health passports are being lauded as a solution to enabling widescale travel following the vast impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Currently, the ... 8 hours ago



top The Washington Post

E.U. agrees on covid certificates to sweep away barriers on travel between countries

The deal will eliminate quarantine requirements by July 1 for travelers who can prove they're a low risk to spread infection.

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India Today

How to download Covid-19 vaccine certificate online: Stepby-step guide

The second phase of the Covid-19 vaccination drive began in India on March 1, and it includes people who are above the age of 60 years and ...

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How do we ensure these solutions are "good"?

How do we create standards that promote privacy and inclusivity?

And how do we ensure solutions are **interoperable** with one another?

The Good Health Pass Collaborative (GHPC)

The Good Health Pass Collaborative is a multi-sector global initiative to establish principles and standards for digital health passes for international travel.



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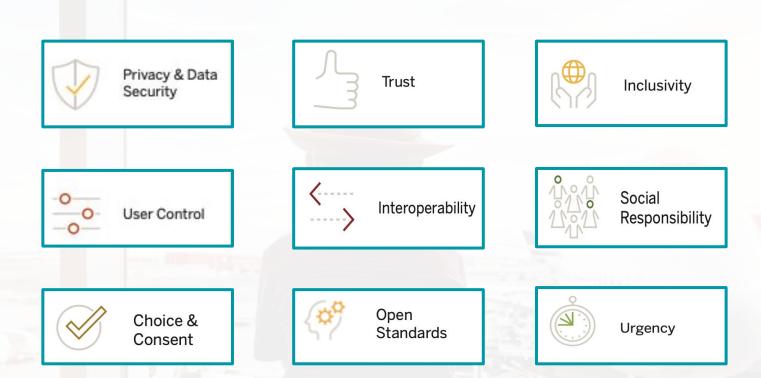
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Commitment to Principles







Establishing Common Terminology: What is a "Good Health Pass"?

Almost a dozen different terms have been used publicly to describe what a person needs to present to prove their COVID-19 health status

We focus on four primary terms



- Contain the full set of health data necessary to prove health status to any verifier
- Not context-specific
- Does not include other data



Purposespecific selective disclosure

Health pass Travel pass

- Contains only the minimum data necessary to prove health status to one verifier
- May contain other contextspecific data (e.g., travel)

Health certificate Health credential

Examples

- WHO Digital Documentation of COVID-19 Certificates
- EU Digital COVID Certificate
- ICAO CAPSCA
- VCI Smart Health Card
- Many others...

Health pass Travel pass

Examples

- IATA Travel Pass
- ICC AOKpass
- IBM Digital Health Pass
- CommonPass
- Many others...

All four can be produced in either paper or digital versions

Health certificate
Health credential
Health pass
Travel pass

Paper version

Digital version

Guide to the GHPC Interoperability Blueprint



The GHP Blueprint articulates recommendations on how to design a globally interoperable digital pass and trust ecosystem

Overview of GHP Blueprint

#1	Consistent User Experience
#2	Security, Privacy, and Data Protection
#3	Identity Binding
#4	Standard Data Models and Elements
#5	Credential Formats, Signatures, and Protocols
#6	Paper Credentials
#7	Rules Engines
#8	Trust Registries
#9	Governance and Trust Frameworks



Problem description & context



Good Health Pass design requirements & considerations



Normative & phased recommendations

GHP Blueprint Design Considerations

A "GHP-compliant" health or travel pass follows the Good Health Pass Principles by:



GHP Blueprint Design Considerations

DESIGN PRINCIPLE	ARCHITECTURE CHOICE	
Individual must be at the center of the data exchange	Decentralized identity architecture, incorporating the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) Verifiable Credentials Standard and selective disclosure	
Equity and inclusion is essential	Recommendations reflect minimum datasets for COVID-19 tests and vaccines Considerations for paper-based credentials and passes	
Decentralization for global security and scalability	Global ecosystem of decentralized trust registries using W3C Decentralized Identifier Standard	
Open standards for interoperability and participation	W3C Verifiable Credentials (specifically the most privacy preserving type: JSON-LD ZKP BBS+)	
Grounded in reality	Phased recommendations (e.g., 30/90/180 days) to support incremental improvements Recommendations for ingesting existing or legacy approaches into GHP ecosystem	

Recap and Comparison



THANK YOU!

WHO Digital Documentation of COVID Certificate

travel is out-of-scope.

GHPC Interoperability Blueprint

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critical to scale, given the nearly infinite # of potential

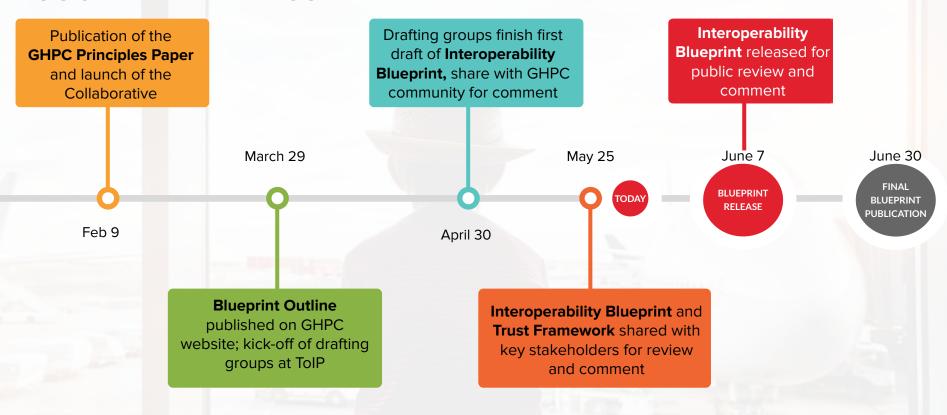
Primary Focus	Guidance for countries on how to implement health certificates, primarily for continuity of care.	Guidance for developers and implementers of health passes, primarily focused on international travel.
Ethics of Processes	Public, transparent process, including civil society and privacy advocates.	Public, transparent process, including civil society and privacy advocates.
Equity and Inclusion	Obtaining and using should be as inclusive and fair as possible. Accessible digitally and using paper.	Obtaining and using should be as inclusive and fair as possible. Accessible digitally and using paper, with paper-based passes designed to be as privacy-preserving as the digital formats.
Data Models and Elements	Similar data elements and use of HL7 FHIR standards, but until recently, did not support proof of testing.	Recommendations reflect minimum datasets for COVID-19 tests and vaccines, based on the EU Digital COVID Certificate data set.
Selective Disclosure	Technical specification does not support selective disclosure	Technical specification natively supports selective disclosure
Issuer Registries / Trust Framework	WHO focuses on the steps necessary to set up a centralized, national PKI. No discussion of an international PKI given decision that international	GHPC a global ecosystem of decentralized trust registries using the W3C Decentralized Identifier Standard. This decentralized approach is seen as



The Good Health Pass Collaborative is now actively soliciting feedback on the recommendations in the blueprint



Timeline & Deliverables



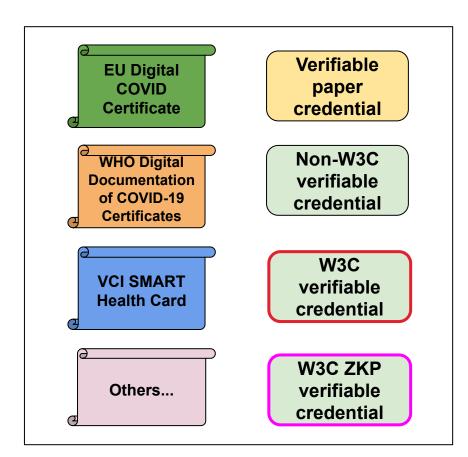


Calls to Action

ENDORSE	Endorse the <u>GHP Blueprint</u> and <u>join GHPC</u> to help drive technical discussion, communication, and education around the need for global interoperable health passes.
IMPLEMENT	Adopt the GHP blueprint and implement standards for an interoperable, privacy-centric, and principles-based approach to "good" health passes. Connect with implementers through the COVID-19 Credentials Initiative.
PROVE	Participate in a GHPC Compliant Interoperability Trial.
EXTEND	Support connectivity initiatives with the EU Digital Covid Certificate and other public and private sector initiatives.
COLLABORATE	Help establish a network of trust registries to address health pass provider (public and private) interoperability and certification, along with essential education and communication around GHP-compliant solutions for the air travel industry.

Over the past year, countries have debated requiring proof of COVID-19 health status (e.g., a negative test or vaccination) as a means to restart international travel and restore global economic activity.

Health Certificates & Credentials



Health Passes

Purposespecific selective disclosure Verifiable paper pass

GOOD HEALTH PASS

Verifiable digital pass

Costs of Testing (US Travel to UK)

United States (California)

- Diagnostic COVID-19 PCR Test (results in 2+ days, not for travel): No cost to patient
- Expedited COVID-19 PCR Test (results in 1-2 days): \$150
- Rapid COVID-19 PCT Test (results in 2 hours): \$299

UK

- Minimum of three tests required
- Cost recently reduced by UK Government from \$120 to \$92 per test (if administered by the NHS
- Private clinics may be less expensive tests and some airlines offering discount codes

Minimum Testing Cost per Traveler: \$520
Minimum Testing Cost (family of four): \$2,080