

Dear reader,

A quarter of a century of DAASI International is a reason to celebrate! In this issue, we take you back to our anniversary event and its highlights.

We also present the recently published anniversary booklet, welcome another new face to the team and announce good news for all Shibboleth users on Ubuntu.

Of course, we will also keep you up to date on upcoming events organised by and with DAASI International and take a look at current developments relating to digital sovereignty in Europe.

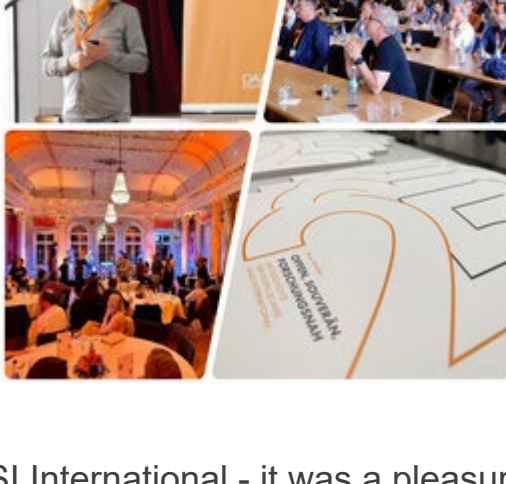
You can find out more about this and other exciting topics in this newsletter.

As always, we hope you enjoy reading it!

*Jennifer Vosseler*

Head of Marketing at DAASI International

## News



### 25 years of DAASI International - it was a pleasure for us!

In 2000, the Internet was still young, free software was a niche topic and DAASI International had just been born from an idea. A lot has happened since then: a research project has become a medium-sized IT company with vision and impact.

Today, DAASI International can look back on a quarter of a century of identity management with open source technology in the service of digital sovereignty. One reason to celebrate and many more reasons to say thank you – to our customers, partners and friends.

We did indeed celebrate on 22 May, with a specialist conference and festive evening event at which we looked back on 25 years of company history together with our guests and announced the course we have already set for the coming years.

Find out more about the event and its highlights in our press release. (german only)

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### Max Witzler wrote history

... ours. :) To mark the occasion, Tübingen historian Max Witzler has spent months researching the history of DAASI International and has finally recorded on 88 pages what has shaped and moved the company over 25 years and who has accompanied it along the way.

Our anniversary booklet is now available for download at the following link. We hope you enjoy reading it. (german only)

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### Welcome, Aleyna!

We are very happy to welcome Aleyna Nasher Taher as our new Solutions Engineer! With her experience in DevOps and multi-factor authentication, she is a great addition to our team. We wish Aleyna a great start and look forward to working with her!

Find out more about Aleyna and the other team members on our website.

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### Shibboleth SP packages for Ubuntu available!

Good news for Ubuntu users: Thanks to the support of one of our customers, DAASI International is now providing regular and sustainable Shibboleth SP packages for Ubuntu.

Following the discontinuation of the previous provision by SWITCH in 2023, this closes a major gap for many institutions.

[Download package](#)

## Events

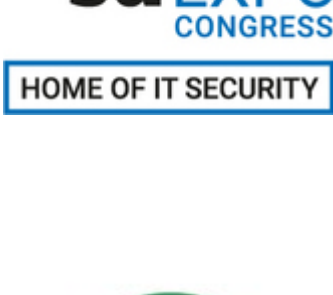


### FrOSCon 2025: Together for open source and digital freedom!

On **16 and 17 August 2025**, FrOSCon will open its doors for the 20th time at Bonn-Rhein-Sieg University of Applied Sciences in Sankt Augustin! FrOSCon is one of the largest and most vibrant conferences on free software and open technologies in the German-speaking region. We are looking forward to meeting developers, IT professionals and open source enthusiasts, sharing our knowledge with you, setting new impulses and shaping the digital future together.

Visit us at our booth, we will be happy to see you there!

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### It's it-sa again!

Get to know us in person! We will be back at Europe's most important IT security trade fair from **7 to 9 October**. Visit us at the joint stand of Baden-Württemberg International in **Hall 9, Booth 9-410**.

We look forward to interesting discussions with you!

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### TIIME Unconference - it's going to Amsterdam

This year's TIIME Unconference in Reading, UK, once again demonstrated how much expertise and innovation potential there is in the IdM community. Highlights included keynote speeches by Licia Florio (NORDUnet) on the relevance of trust in open science networks and Rachel Coldicutt (Careful Industries) on the balance of power in the provision of digital services.

If you would like to read what the participants discussed there and what results they came to, the session notes are now available online.

Save the Date: The next **Trust and Internet Identity Meeting Europe** will take place in Amsterdam from **9 to 13 February 2026!**

Not yet subscribed to the TIIME newsletter? Register now and be informed about the upcoming TIIME:

<https://lists.geant.org/sympa/subscribe/tiime-newsletter>

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## Partner Network

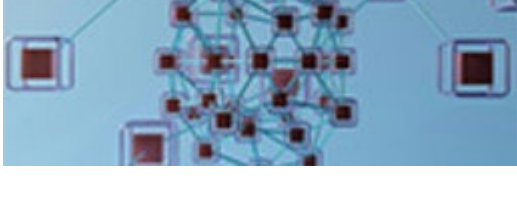


### Congratulations to Evolveum!

Congratulations to our partner Evolveum: The midPoint identity governance platform has been awarded the 'Cybersecurity Made in Europe' label by the European Cyber Security Organisation (ECISO)! A strong signal for digital sovereignty, data protection and open source - developed and supported 100% within the EU.

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## Industry



### GSB11: a milestone on the road to greater digital sovereignty

With the major GSB11 project, the German administration is sending a clear signal in favour of greater independence; in future, over 500 websites of federal authorities will be operated on an open source platform and (further) developed by a strong partner network. We welcome this major step towards greater digital sovereignty.

Projects like this show how modern administration can be organised in a sustainable, independent and transparent way. (german only)

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### Digital sovereignty needs Free Software: Call to the EU for clear measures!

Europe's digital sovereignty is at stake. Free software is the key to greater independence. In its latest report, the European Parliament's Industry Committee (ITRE) recognises the importance of 'open source first' strategies, but remains vague when it comes to implementation. The Free Software Foundation Europe (FSFE) is therefore calling for public money to be channelled into public software. This is the only way to reduce dependencies, promote innovation and secure control over critical digital infrastructures.

Read more in the news article by the Free Software Foundation Europe.

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## Did you know?

The world-famous [Java programming language](#) does not take its name from a profound tradition or a particularly meaningful story. The source of inspiration behind its name is much more commonplace: coffee!

Originally, Java was to be called 'OAK', named after an oak tree that stood outside the office window of developer [James Gosling](#). The name was intended to reflect the stability and strength of the language, but it had already been taken and trademarked elsewhere.

The choice finally fell on 'Java', a reference to the strong coffee of the Indonesian island of the same name, which is famous for its coffee and which the developers enjoyed consuming.

Today, Java is one of the most widely used programming languages in the world.

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