

Dear reader,

We are reaching out one last time this year with news about our work and the open-source world before we slip into the “most wonderful time of the year.”

2025 has been a truly special year for us: DAASI International celebrated its 25th anniversary. In this issue, we'd like to take you back once more and revisit the highlights of our anniversary celebration.

Our CEO, Peter Gietz, also reflects on the past year because politically, a lot has happened in Europe this year. He gives his personal assessment of the question ‘How sovereign are we really?’

We are also delighted to welcome a new member to our team and to announce another exciting partnership. And finally, we offer a brief outlook on the events that await you in 2026.

Thank you for accompanying us throughout this year.

We now wish you an enjoyable read — and a wonderful Christmas season!

News



It's a Match! New partnership with Pallas Performance

We are delighted to announce our cooperation with Cologne-based transformation consultants Pallas Performance. Together, we are committed to modern, data protection-compliant digitalisation with automation and an open-source spirit for solutions that are strategically sound and technologically sustainable. (German only)

Here's to a successful collaboration!

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Welcome, Frederik!

At the end of this year, our new developer, Frederik Timm, will begin his career at DAASI International. Frederik has already worked successfully with us on his bachelor's thesis. We are therefore all the more delighted that he is joining the team full-time.

You can find all our employees at daasi.de/team.

[View team page](#)



25 Years of DAASI International – and We're Just Getting Started

2025 has shown us how much strength lies in shaping the future together. With gratitude and pride, we look back on the highlight of our anniversary year and the moments that will stay with us.

Thank you for being part of our journey.

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Events



TIIME 2026 – not registered yet?

From **9 to 13 February 2026**, the Trust and Identity community will meet for the **TIIME Unconference** in Amsterdam.

TIIME stands for **Trust and Internet Identity Meeting Europe**. This meeting brings together IAM experts from all over Europe in a relaxed atmosphere to discuss various aspects of their topics.

The flexible unconference format gives you the opportunity to help determine the agenda on site: security, architecture, guidelines, business, etc. – for maximum relevance and topicality.

TIIME is THE event for collectively advancing IAM, discussing new ideas and expanding your network.

Register now at www.tiime-unconference.eu.

TIIME 2026 is organised by GÉANT, SURF, Nikhef and DAASI International

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MidPoint Community Meetup 2026

Come to Prague from **12 to 15 May**, when users and identity security professionals will gather for the second MidPoint Community Meetup. Whether you're a beginner or an expert, the event offers practical insights, best practices in identity governance and administration, and the opportunity to learn directly from Evolveum, the team behind midPoint, and other experienced developers. Furthermore, take the chance to have a chat with Solutions Engineer **Daniel Konzalla** and Consultant **Marc Füller** from DAASI International who will also be on-site.

Secure your early bird ticket – available for a limited time



only!

[Information and registration](#)



Save the date: LDAPCon is coming to Tübingen, Germany, in 2026

LDAPCon is the central conference for everything related to LDAP and directory services. Participants can look forward to a three-day event with workshops, presentations, and plenty of time for constructive exchange with directory service experts and open-source veterans.

When: **6–8 October 2026**
Where: **Museum, Tübingen**

More information to follow – stay tuned!

Industry



European open source community appeals to EU leaders

At the EU Digital Summit on 18 November, one key topic was missing from the agenda: open source. This was a major oversight, which the European open source community rightly criticised in an open letter to the heads of state and government. It served as a stark reminder of the central role that open technologies have already played in Europe's digital future. The letter emphasised that open source has significantly strengthened innovation, competitiveness, and sovereignty – and called on politicians to consistently support and expand this development. DAASI International was among the signatories.

[To the open letter](#)



European open source community appeals to EU leaders

Everyone is talking about digital sovereignty – but how sovereign is Europe really? And are we prepared for the growing power of global AI systems? In his statement, our CEO Peter Gietz offers a personal assessment. He highlights the widening gap between political ambition and technological reality, the close entanglement of the U.S. government with powerful Big Tech companies, and the GDPR as one of the key regulations increasingly coming under pressure. At the same time, he points to positive developments where genuine progress is visible – but is it enough?

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Did you know?

In the open-source world, there's a lovely Christmas tradition: every December, the [24 Pull Requests](#) initiative calls on developers around the globe to make small contributions to open-source projects up until December 24th — essentially a digital advent calendar for good code. We think it's a fantastic idea! With your contribution, you help the respective project succeed and collect a few karma points along the way. :)

Season's greetings — and happy contributing!

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