# tScheme News

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**A monthly tScheme round-up from the Secretariat**

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Although July and August are not traditionally known in the business world as the most dynamic months, tScheme has been blazing a trail and has made some significant moves.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, the Issue 1 Profiles are now available on the website. It has been decided that the Profiles will remain free to the public for non-commercial use. However, we're going to still ask people to fill out an order form to monitor distribution.

The Profiles are in PDF format, and because of the security settings you need to use Acrobat Read 5 to open them (there is a link on the page). Most of the links within the documents should now work, and to enable this, they are all the Profiles are located in the Profiles Online Section. The Member's section links directly into it, and your current password and login will work. As always, please contact Ben if you have any difficulty.

A total of 12 TSPs were invited to send a request for Registered Applicant status. One request was received in time for the Board meeting from Viacode, and a formal agreement will be drafted shortly. Expect further announcements in the next two weeks.

tScheme membership continues to grow. Notus Key have been formally accepted by the board, as have Dun and Bradstreet (UK), who's timely application was received today. Stephen is still talking to half a dozen other interested companies.

tScheme will be exhibiting at the ISSE conference on the 26-28th of September. The Marketing Forum, which met for the first time on the 30th of July, is planning for this event, although we will gladly accept help and support from all members (and thank you to those who are already involved).

Interest in tScheme is growing and Stephen has prepared a brief Public Relations/Press release. We would welcome you to send any enquirers in the Secretariat's direction, but if you want the "official comment" on tScheme, please contact Ben for a copy.

Progress has also been made with the Business Operations Flowcharting (process management), and individual processes have been "adopted" by Profiles Committee members.

The Legal Group has completed work on the model agreements, and expert group acceptance is now complete. Additionally, the Code of Conduct was approved by the Board on the 2nd of August.

Mutual recognition with other comparable schemes remains a goal, most specifically with Identrus. Talks in this direction are continuing with a full report expected for the September board meeting.

Finally, tScheme will be hopefully recruiting some user representatives at the board level, and various organisations have been approached. Although significant progress has been made here, individual candidates have not yet come forward.

## Looking Forward

tScheme's big news item during August and September will be the announcement of the first (and subsequent) Registered Applicants. tScheme will be looking to actively publicise this achievement, and any tie-ins with your own marketing can be discussed (via the Market Forum or Stephen directly). tScheme will be continuing to raise its profile, culminating with a press briefing at the end of September.

The second pilot assessment is to start mid way through this month to continue until the end of September.

In developing its role in promoting the Electronic Trust Services industry tScheme will be working closely with the DTI and e envoy's office to agree joint initiatives.

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