



The Global Language of Business

GS1 Digital Link

Kick-off Belgilux Work Group

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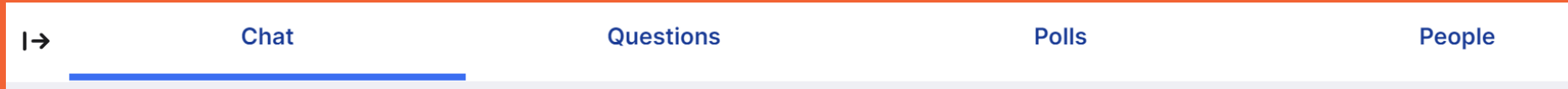
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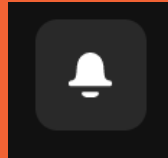
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Different tabs

- To chat
- To ask and like questions
- To answer poll questions



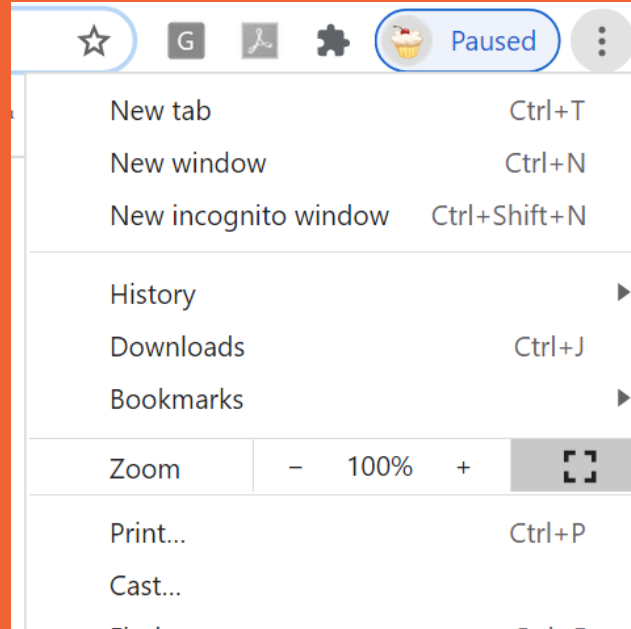
Possibility to mute notifications



Practical guidance

Full screen in browser

- Modify screen resolution
- Click on square pictogram



Agenda

GS1 Digital Link:
What is it?
Why use it?

GS1 Digital Link:
How do it?

GS1 Digital Link:
What's next?

Welcome guest speakers!

Nathalie Lambot
Marie Vande Ginste



Pharma.be

Phil Archer



GS1 Global

Michel Ottiker



GS1 Switzerland

Dirk Willekens



GS1 Belgilux

Welcome participants!

- Record number of registrations for GS1 Belgilux Work Group (> 250)
- Multi-sectoral with diverse core businesses:

Household Logistics Hospitals Personal care
Fashion Coupons Food & beverages Pharmaceuticals
Tobacco Medical devices Electronics Construction Decorations Chemicals ...

Why this Work Group?

- GS1 Belgilux Pluri-Annual plan and Innovation strategy
- Globally trending
- Demystify topic of GS1 Digital Link
 - WHAT?
 - WHY?
 - HOW?
- Receive input from you on next steps and future meetings



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GS1 Digital Link: what is it?



What is DL?

- Method to **link any GS1 identifier to one or multiple data source(s)**
 - Give your physical product a unique **digital identity**
 - Connect a product to online sources of **accurate real-time dynamic information** that brand owners control
 - Share all types of **B2B and B2C** information in a simple way
- **More value, power and flexibility** to existing GS1 identifiers and data carriers
- Serve up richer **product experiences** for brands, retailers, consumers/patients

What is GS1 DL?

- Digital Link is not new but the GS1 standard is (2019)
- Providing a standard way of expressing GS1 keys + attributes in a format that can be used on the Web
- Why **standardization**?
 - Build onto existing and implemented GS1 standards
 - Leverage more applications
 - Ensure **interoperability and scalability**; ensure automated processing on a global scale
 - Move to **1 single data carrier** that can perform multiple functions

GS1 Digital Link: why use it?



Why use GS1 DL?

One multi-
functional
data carrier

More data

Fewer data
sharing
ecosystems

No data
delays

Responding to stakeholder demands and behaviours

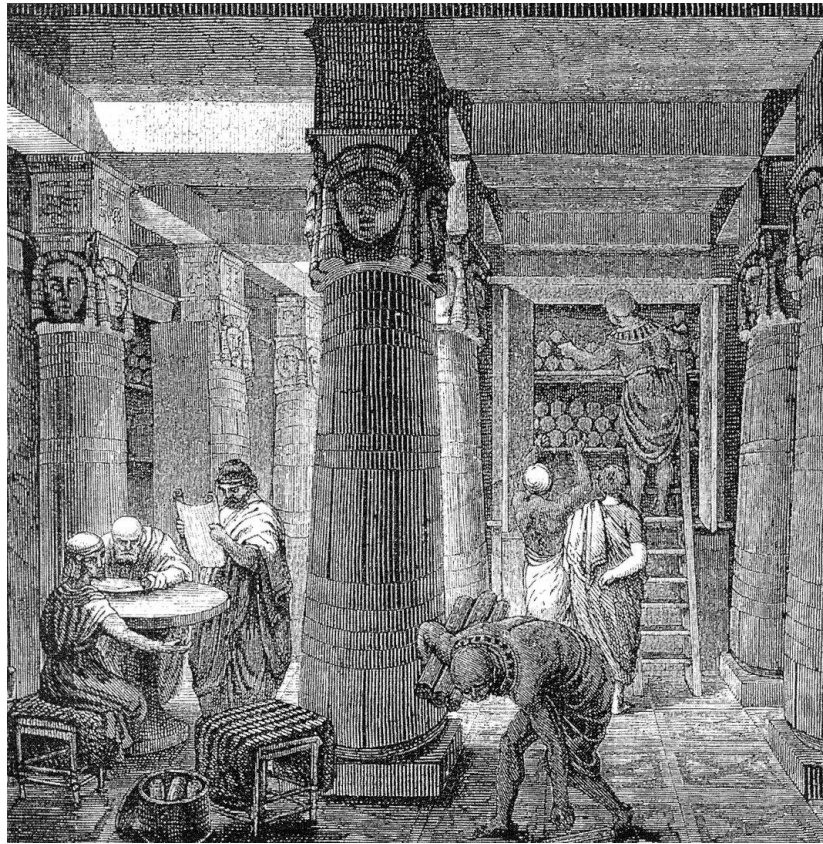
- Engage consumers: using your product as a media channel to connect to your customers
- Unlock visibility: transparency through the end-to-end product lifecycle
- Protect your brand: protect consumer safety, anti-counterfeit

GS1 Digital Link: why use it?

**Value proposition and use cases
- Phil Archer, GS1 Global**

Searching

285 BC



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Searching 2008



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1974



1974



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Internet & Web pioneers 1960s - 1991



Vint Cerf, Lawrence Roberts, Bob Kahn and Tim Berners-Lee receiving the Prince of Asturias Award for technical & Scientific Research, 2002

Robert Cailliau



Tongeren, 26 January 1947

Co-inventor of the Web, very much part of the story



2007



iPhone by takao goto cc by

Demanding



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Attention seeking



Magnificent Frigatebird by kuhnmi cc by

Compliance



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Is the barcode up to it?



Can I find this number in my database?



It's not about the barcode

9506000134352

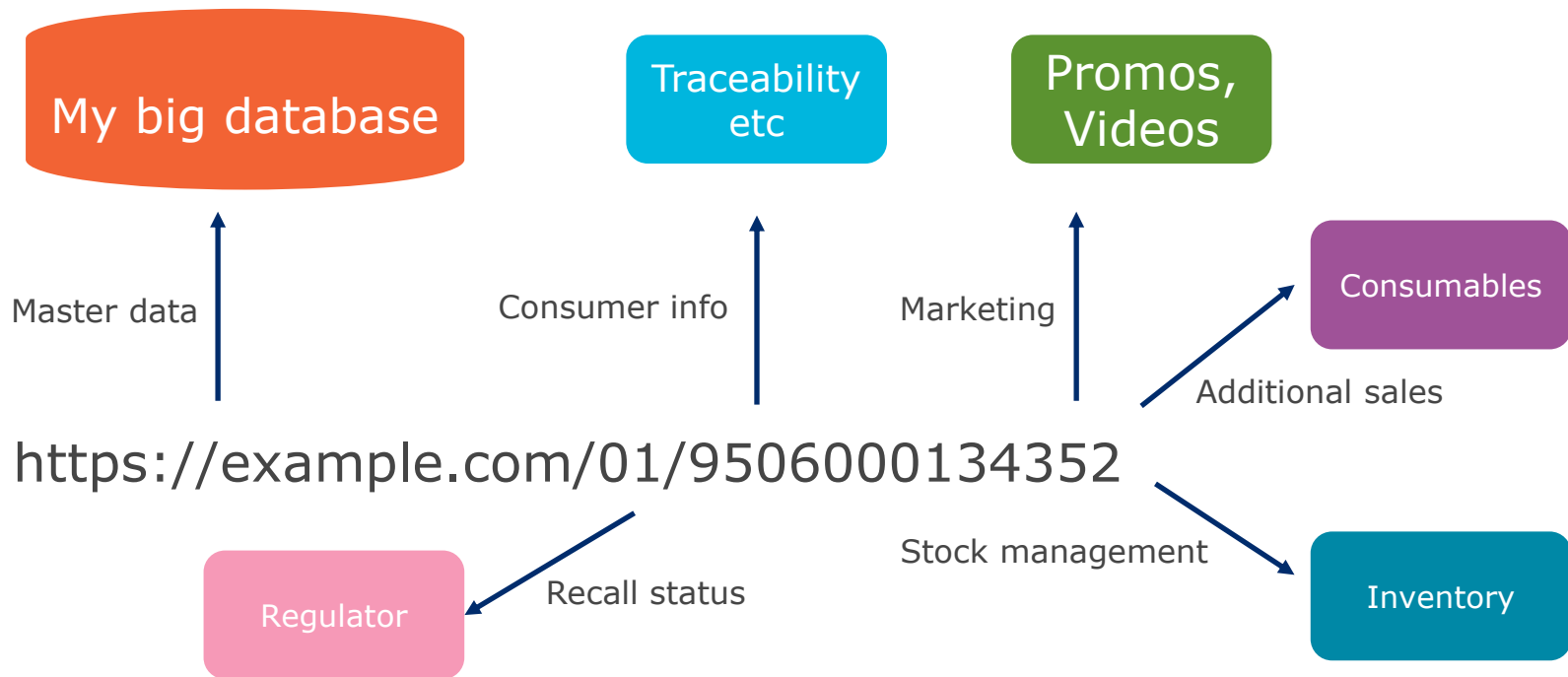
It's about the identifier

9506000134352

And GS1 Digital Link is about connecting it

<https://example.com/01/9506000134352>

And GS1 Digital Link is about connecting it





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B2C

I don't want to have to look in some database I don't have to find out about your thing – just tell me what I need to know:

- Where did it come from?
- How was it made?
- What's the carbon footprint?
- **Info for patients**



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More B2C

- See my product in action
- How to use
- How this helps you
- See why it's better than the other
- Buy me and get this extra thing free!



Magnificent Frigatebird by [kuhnmi](#) cc by

B2G

We don't want to put this on our packaging but here's a list of the European regulations we follow:

- 1
- 2
- 3

And the Belgian regulations (in 2 languages)

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

And the Luxembourgish regulations (3 languages)

- 1
- 2
- 3



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B2B

- Master data
- **SmPC**
- Recall status
- Planogram
- Marketing material
- Media assets
- Re-ordering
- Inventory management including FIFO
- Hazardous handling



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I know what I want – help me find it



GS1 Digital Link: why use it?

Use case e-leaflets

- Marie Vande Ginste, Pharma.be
- Nathalie Lambot, Pharma.be



E-PIL Pioneer Pilot Project

AN INNOVATIVE COLLABORATIVE
PROJECT



With the collaboration of



Content



► Why an e-PIL pilot project in Belgium and Luxembourg?

- Papier patient information leaflet (PIL)
- Convenience of e-PIL



► What does the project look like?

- Outline
- Practical setting and methodology



► How is the project evaluated and what are the results?

- Evaluation of the project
- General conclusion of interim results



► What are the next steps and how can the link be made with GS1 standards?



Paper patient information leaflet (PIL) in every medicine package



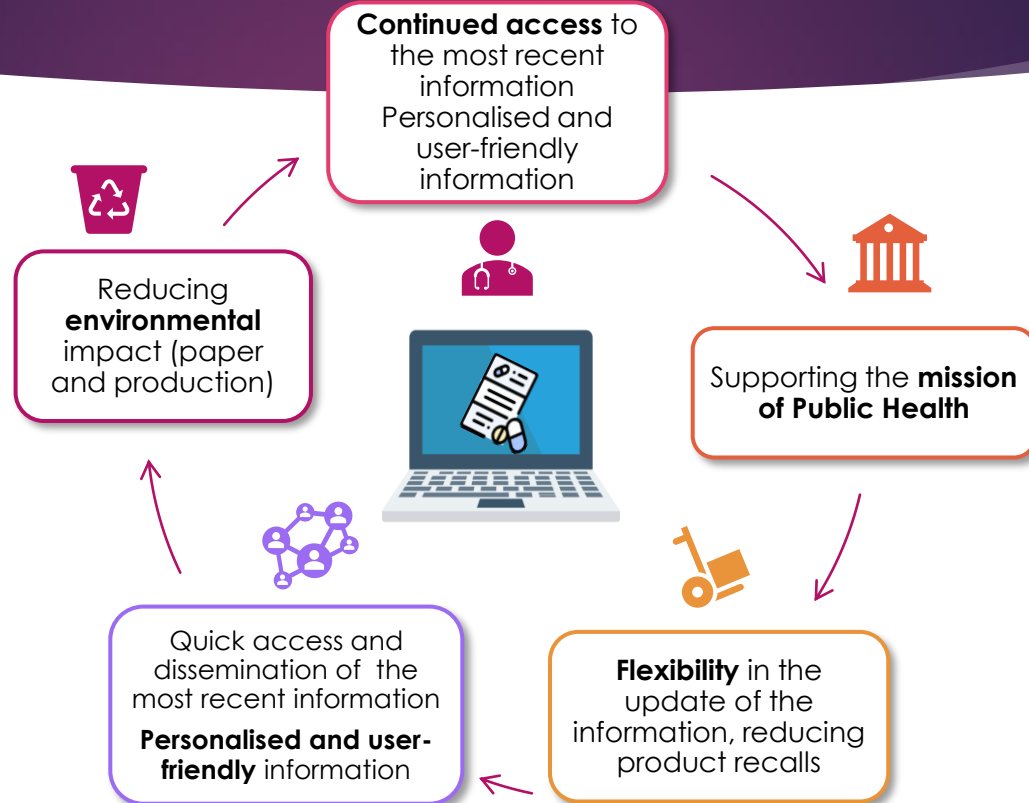


Convenience of electronic PIL





Convenience of electronic PIL





Outline of the pilot project



Concept

The **package leaflet** for a selection of medicinal products restricted to hospital use and marketed in Belgium and/or Luxembourg is **no longer included in their paper version** but is **available via online consultation** of trusted websites



Objective

To demonstrate **e-PIL is equivalent to paper PIL** to provide information on safe and effective use of medicines to healthcare professionals and patients in the context of hospital used medicines



Scope

- A selection of medicines in different therapeutics areas
- Hospital-only use
- No ambulatory use
- Approved and commercialized in BE and/or LUX



Time

- Time-limited project of 24 months, now extended to 48 months
- Project launched in August 2018



Practical setting and methodology



► Online consultation of product information

- ✓ Via **Competent Authorities website**
& **official commented list of medicines**
(CBIP-BCFI)



LE GOUVERNEMENT
DU GRAND-DUCHÉ DE LUXEMBOURG
Ministère de la Santé
Direction de la santé



✓ Via **pharma.be e-notice**

- Adaptive site
- Search engine
- Xml layout
- Chapter by chapter



Evaluation of the project



Steering committee:

- Pharma industry representatives
- Hospital pharmacists
- BE & LU competent authorities

t=0m: Aug 2018

Evaluation of the project

- Survey for **hospital pharmacists** ($t=0m$ =baseline; $t=12m$; $t=24m$; $t=48m$) to evaluate **the access, the use and the reading of electronic PILs** during the pilot project
 - Incl. capture of the feedback of the healthcare professionals in hospitals (nurses, physicians)
- Survey for **participating pharma companies** ($t=12m$; $t=24m$; $t=48m$) to evaluate **the questions due to the absence of paper patient information leaflet** in the packaging.



Key outcomes to demonstrate:

- Electronic patient information allows to provide **sufficient, adequate and tailored** (e.g. language) information to healthcare professionals and patients in hospital setting **with no need to print** the patient information
- **Positive impact on daily practice** of hospital pharmacists





General conclusion of the interim results (t=12 & t=24m)



- ✓ **Very positive** interim results
- ✓ **98%** of the responding hospital pharmacists would agree that **the paper leaflet is removed from the packaging of the medicines restricted to hospital use** (with no ambulatory delivery/use)
- ✓ Pharma companies only received a **few questions**

European Commission agreed with **positive results** and agreed to **extend the project**

"Based on the positive results, we can support the extension of this pilot project from August 1, 2020 for a period of two years (until August 1, 2022) as well as extending its scope to new medicinal products, exclusively used in the hospital setting. [...]. The experience acquired from this pilot project, notably via the evaluation reports is a valuable source of empirical evidence to support policy initiatives in this area."



What are the next steps?



Implementation of the approved extension of the project

- ▶ Now 42 participating products of 17 pharmaceutical companies
- ▶ The batches of participating medicines may be released without paper leaflet in the packaging until 01 August 2022
- ▶ European Commission was recently informed on interim results ($t=24$)
- ▶ Yearly evaluation of the project and perspectives with the Steering Committee
- ▶ Next survey for hospital pharmacists and participating pharma companies after 48 months (August 2022)

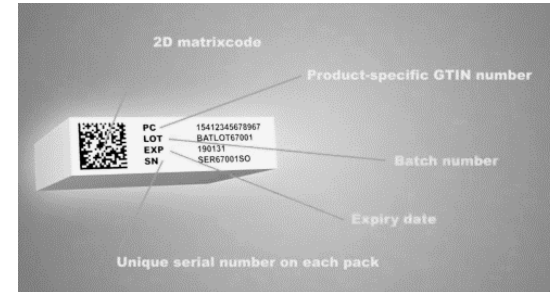




How can the link be made with GS1 standards?



- ▶ **Falsified Medicines Directive:** all packages that fall under this regulation must have a unique two-dimensional barcode on the package (since Feb 2019)
- ▶ GS1 Datamatrix contains 4 types of information, including GTIN number
- ▶ Future? Scanning of barcode via mobile app or software → direct link to electronic product information



Thank you!

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GS1 Digital Link: why use it?



B2C Use Cases

- Product information
- Nutrition, allergens
- Recipes
- Company information
- Social media links
- Videos/Competitions
- Instructions for use
- **Patient leaflets**
- User forums
- **Traceability**
- Recycling information
- Augmented Reality
- All multilingual, highly customisable

B2B Use Cases

- Product master data
- Product images
- Product recall status
- Dangerous goods data
- Warranty
- Instructions for use
- Patient leaflets
- **Traceability**
- Allergens
- Certifications
- Coupon management
- **Supply Chain Visibility**
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Operations

- Stocking on the shelf (first in first out)
- Identify a recalled batches
- Prevent the sale of an expired item or perhaps to give a discount at POS for a near-expired item
- Linking to hazardous materials (hazmat) information
- Triggering reordering processes
- Location master data

Solution Providers

- Open global infrastructure to develop new services
- Faster data integration via resolvers
- Natural, easy and cheap way to add new APIs and data services
- Highly customisable experiences for customers
- Open source code available via GitHub

Why use GS1 DL?

- National pilots e.g. Sopraco
- International use cases
 - US (P&G)
 - Netherlands (Friesland Campina)
 - Hong Kong
 - Slovenia
 - Switzerland
 - Brazil
- Useful videos
 - B2B: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vhDqYwUUybM>
 - B2C: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J49M4pbxw4Y>

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GS1 Digital Link: How do it?



How do GS1 DL?

Resolver

Match maker
- Phil & Michel

Link types

Labels
- Phil

Syntax

Language
- Karen

(Phone) App

Interpreter
- Dirk

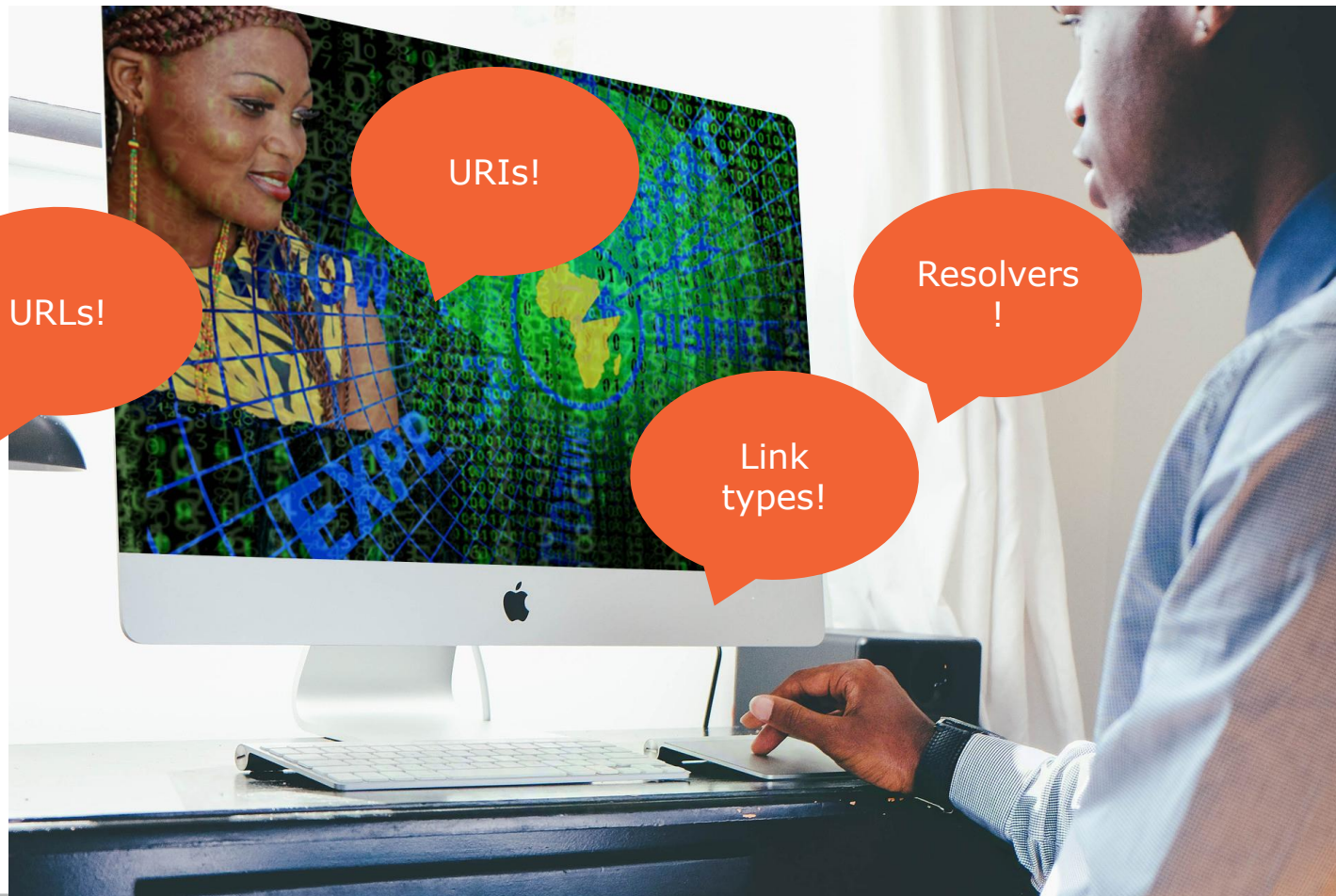
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**Resolver and link types
- Phil Archer, GS1 Global**

The GS1 DL Layer Cake

A live/slightly adapted version of the recent video at
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H2idDJeH3o4>







URLs!

URIs!

Resolvers
!

Link
types!

It's not about the technology

GS1 Digital Link *is* about



Traceability



Recalls



GS1 Digital Link *is* about



Consumer interaction and product information

GS1 Digital Link *is* about



Back of store ops, hazardous handling etc.

GS1 Digital Link *is* about



Info for patients, clinicians, regulators

GS1 Digital Link *is* about



Marketplaces, online shopping, SEO

GS1 Digital Link *is* about



Shopper analytics/market intelligence

GS1 Digital Link *is* about



Basic message

Your GS1 identifier(s)/barcode can do everything it does today *plus*:

- Link to your website
- Link to your promotions
- Link to extended consumer info
- Link to multiple solution providers
- Link to third party certificates
- Link to the structured data that search engines and marketplaces need
- Link to data needed by your business partners



[Victorinox Swiss Army Knife](#) by [James Case](#)

The GS1 Digital Link layer cake

Linked Data

Share authoritative data for eCommerce

Apps

Supports any number of third party apps

Resolvers

Serve many uses with one simple infrastructure

Link types

Identify and classify related resources

GS1 Digital Link URIs

Start here with the basics



Machine-interpretable data for automated machine-to-machine communications

Empowering others

Actionable basis for data ecosystem

A human and machine-readable menu, e.g. product info page, instructions, promotions etc.

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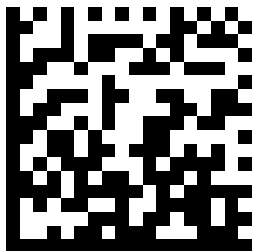
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A typical GS1 DataMatrix



GTIN: 05400141130812

Measured weight (g): 000500

Batch/lot: 08153365

(01)05400141130812(3103)000500(10)08153365

Same data, same symbol, different syntax



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Search ▾

UK edition ▾

The Guardian

News

Opinion

Sport

Culture

Lifestyle

More ▾

UK World Business Coronavirus Football Environment UK politics Education Society Science Tech Global development Obituaries

Link types = menu options


The screenshot displays two website headers. The top header is from The Guardian, featuring a dark blue background with white text. It includes navigation links for 'Search jobs', 'My account', 'Search', and 'UK edition'. The main title 'The Guardian' is prominently displayed in a large, white serif font. Below the title is a horizontal menu with categories: 'News', 'Opinion', 'Sport', 'Culture', 'Lifestyle', and 'More'. A secondary row of links includes 'UK', 'World', 'Business', 'Coronavirus', 'Football', 'Environment', 'UK politics', 'Education', 'Society', 'Science', 'Tech', 'Global development', and 'Obituaries'. The bottom header is from TAGEBLATT LËTZEBUERG, featuring a white background. It includes a logo on the left, the title 'Tageblatt' in a large, black serif font with 'LËTZEBUERG' in red below it, and a red button labeled 'Zu den Abos'. Navigation links at the bottom include 'Startseite', 'Politik', 'Lokal', 'Meinung', 'International', 'Wirtschaft', 'Sport', 'Kultur', and 'Magazin'. A search icon and a 'Premium' button are also visible.

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In GS1 terms...

- You have an entity identified by a GTIN, a GLN etc.
- It might be more finely identified by a batch/lot, a GLN extension; it might be an SSCC
- You need to know the location of
 - the product information page
 - the instructions
 - The patient information
 - The clinical information
 - the quick start guide
 - The HAZMAT info
 - Track and trace etc.

We call these *link types*



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Simple redirects are easy

<https://example.com/01/05400141130812/10/08153365?3103=000500>

Redirects to...



The diagram illustrates a redirect mechanism. A blue arrow originates from the red-colored segment '01' of the URL 'https://example.com/01/05400141130812/10/08153365?3103=000500' and points to an orange rounded rectangle labeled 'Data source'. The text 'Redirects to...' is positioned above the arrow.

Data source

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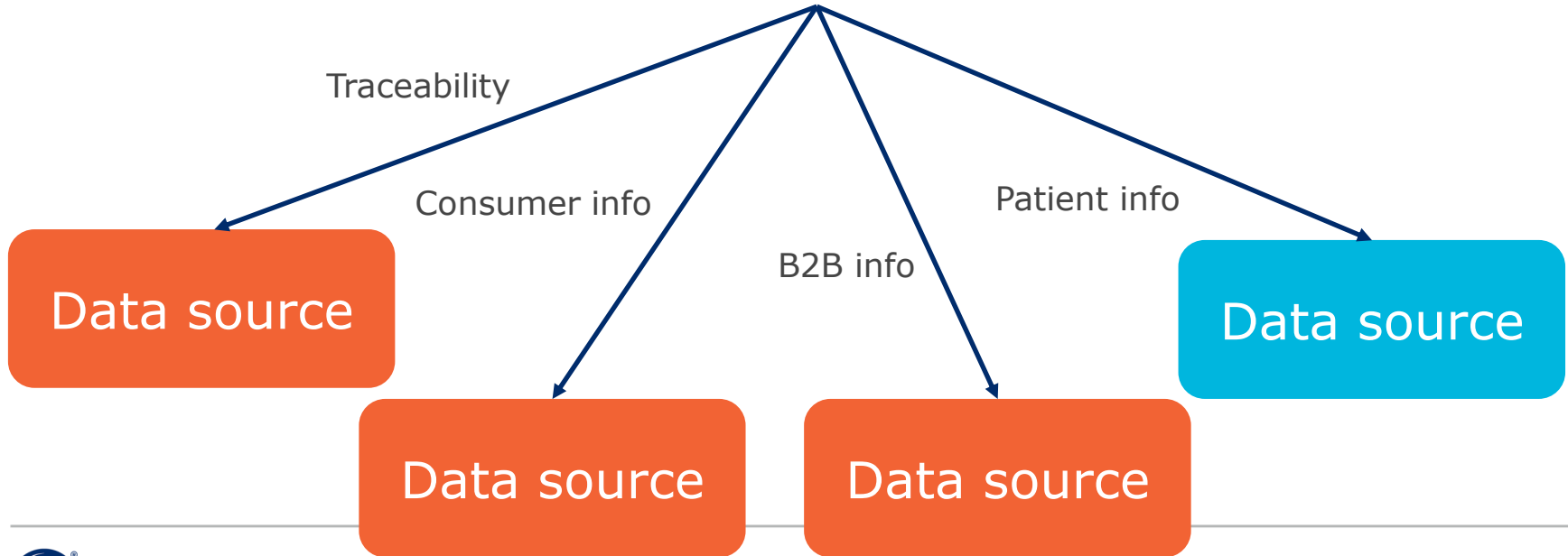
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Resolvers support *multiple* connections simultaneously

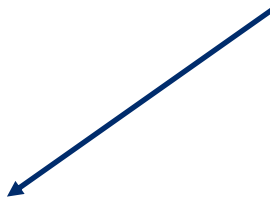
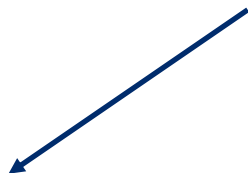
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Resolvers add power & flexibility



<https://example.com/01/09506000134376/10/ABCDEF/21/1234?17=221225>



GTIN-level links:

General info
Instruction videos
Regulatory info

Batch-level links:

ePIL, SmPC
Batch characteristics

Serial-level links:

Dispense history



Batch inherits GTIN links



Inherits upper level links

Two resolvers

Developers' (resolver-dv1.gs1.org)



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Production (id.gs1.org)



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Developers' resolver (resolver-dv1.gs1.org)



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- Designed for tests, PoCs, experiments etc.
- Anyone can request an account
- GS1 makes no commitments concerning
 - link quality
 - Persistence
 - Platform performance
- Trust model (play badly and we'll delete your stuff)

Production resolver (id.gs1.org)



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- High performance (typical reply in <20ms)
- High resilience (99.999% uptime)
- Scalable (expands to meet demand)
- Part of the GS1 Registry Platform
- MO-controlled
- Links brand (and MO) authorised
- Must be associated with an active licence (recorded in the licence registry)

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Supports any number of third party apps

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We help others develop their own apps



Open source code
Open licence

See <https://github.com/gs1>

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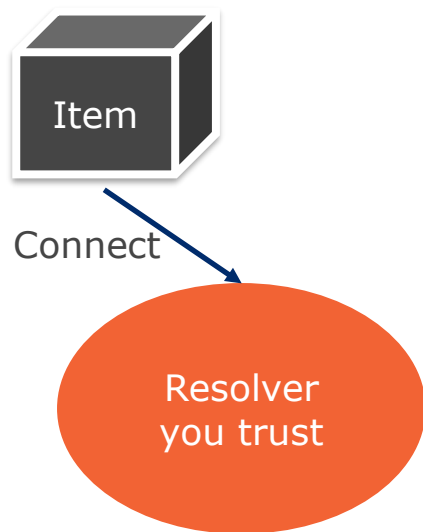
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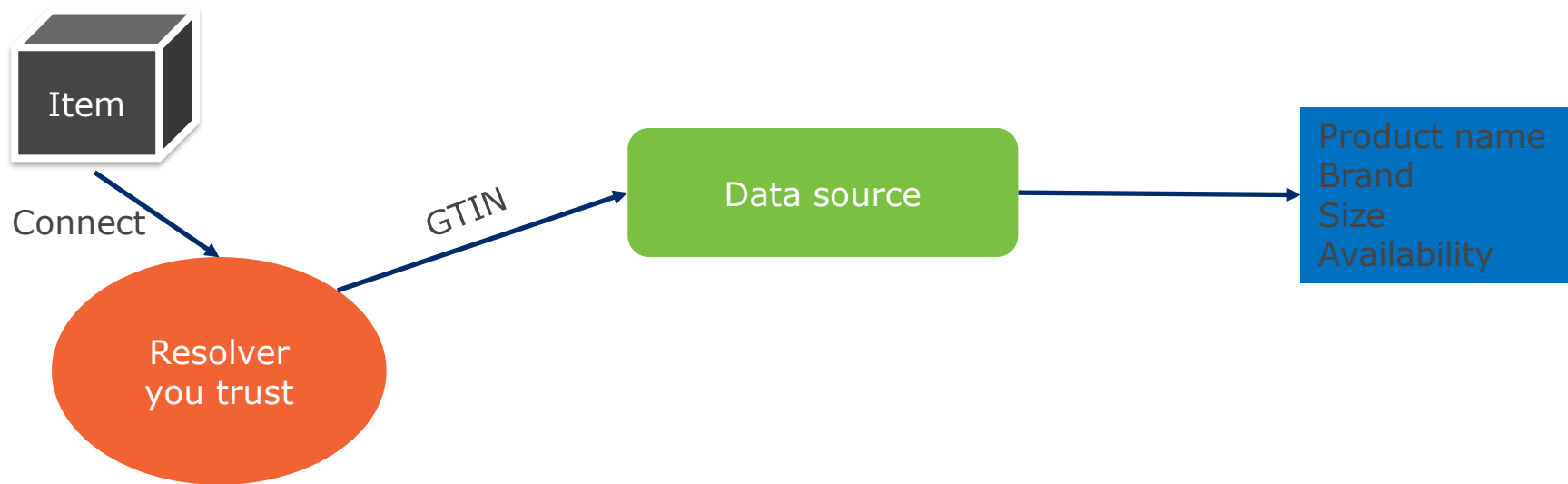
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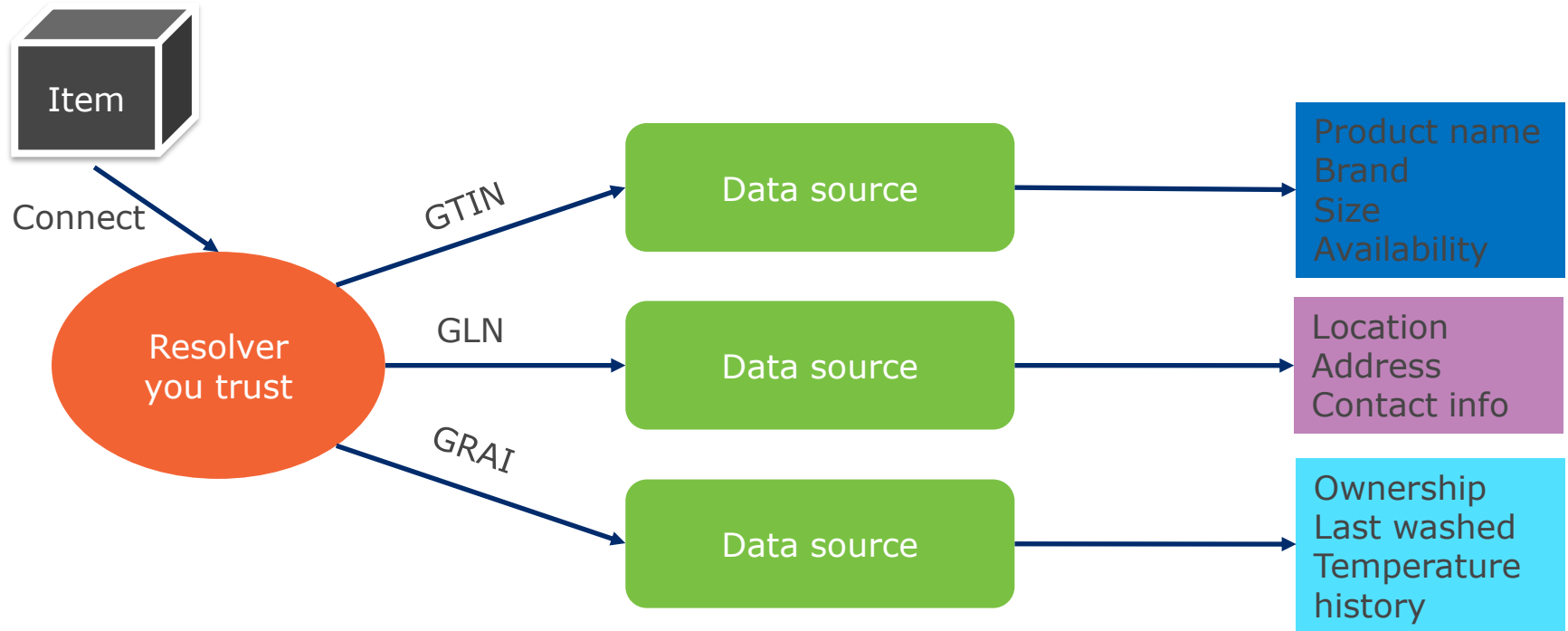
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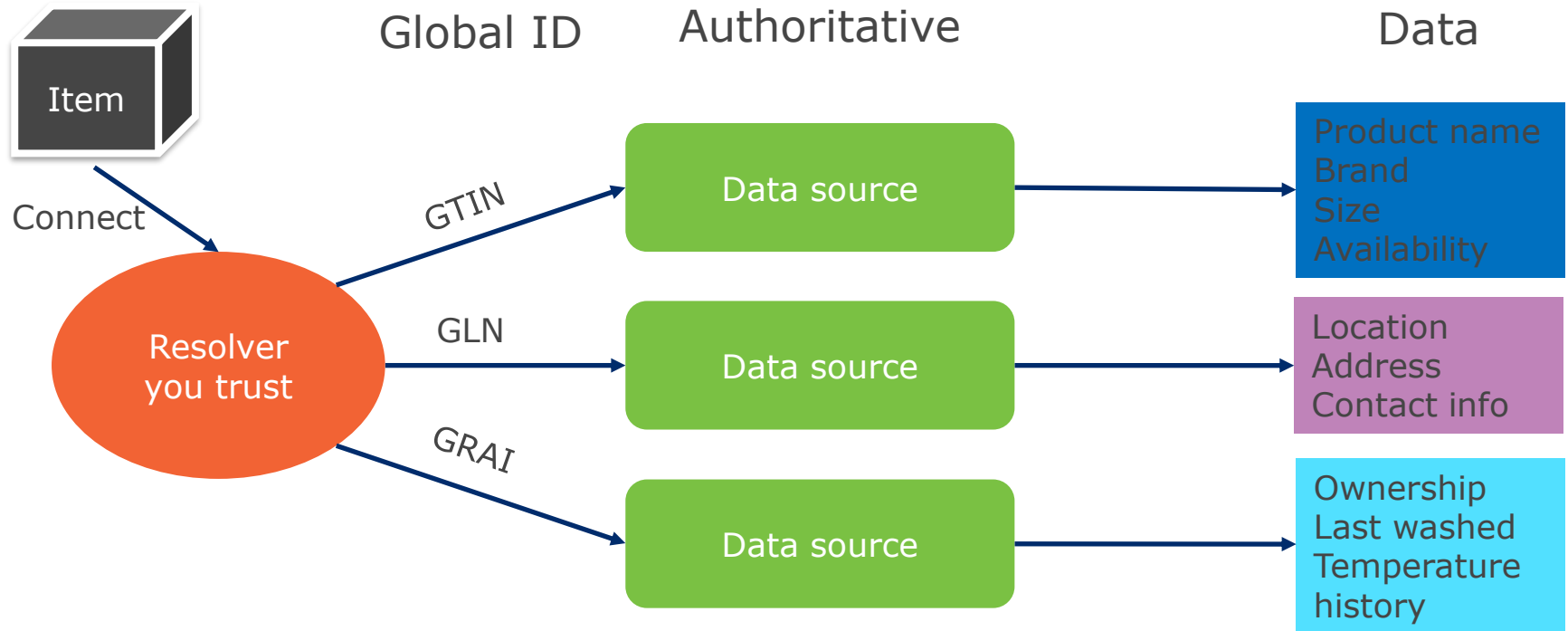
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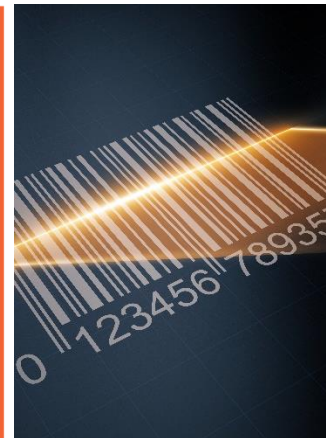
GS1 Digital Link: How do it?

Use of resolver

- Michel Ottiker, GS1 Switzerland

Testimonial for the GS1 Digital Link Resolver

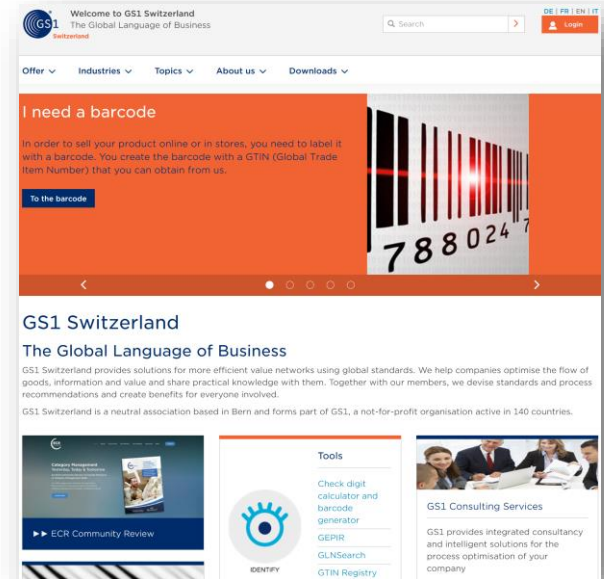
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Rationale for offering a service

GS1 Switzerland targets to provide services to its member base in addition to Standards

- Ease the implementation of GS1 Standards
- Facilitate the use of GS1 Standards
- Reducing efforts for our SME members to provide GS1 conformant solutions for their customers

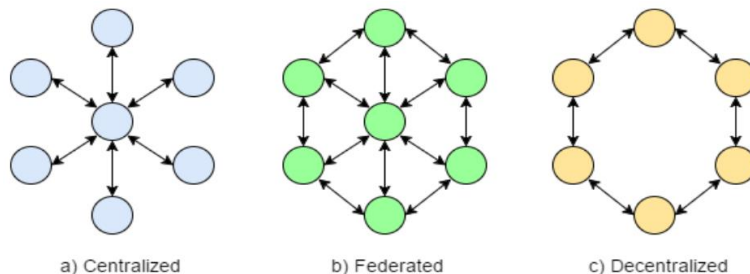


Think global - act local

GS1 is a federation and GS1 Member organizations as GS1 Belgilux are there to help implement GS1 Standards locally, based on the need of their members and users

The GS1 member organizations manage the allocation of GS1 keys to their member base and users

Any details you may query on a global scale in any global solution provided by GS1 is sourced by the GS1 member organizations



Why GS1 Switzerland offers a local GS1 Digital Link Resolver (1/2)

- The web is as trustworthy as the content provider(s) you engage with
- People demand transparency and expect the providers to participate –
- GS1 is the only body which may authorize which company may use which GS1 keys, we are the issuing agency

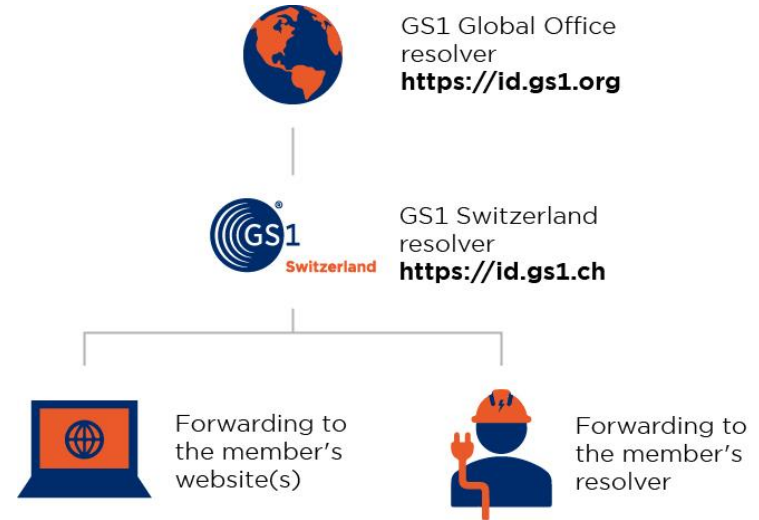


„On the Internet, nobody knows you're a dog.“

[cartoon](#) drawn by [Peter Steiner](#)
published by [The New Yorker](#) on July 5, 1993

Why GS1 Switzerland offers a local GS1 Digital Link Resolver (2/2)

- Our GS1 GO is offering the GS1 DL Resolver, GS1 Member Organizations may use this solution to cover local needs as well
- It's as well expected that global players will introduce their own GS1 DL company resolvers
- GS1 Switzerland is nevertheless convinced, that SME companies expect us to offer a local GS1 DL Resolver on Member Organization level



Service offering by GS1 Switzerland (1/2)

GS1 Switzerland decided to outsource the operation of our resolver to a service provider, we are convinced this will generate the most added value for our members

Offer to our members (included in the annual membership fee)

- Redirection of GS1 keys to a website or resolver
 - Default redirections
 - Redirections based on LinkType(s)
 - Extended services offered by our solution provider (subject to fee)

Service offering by GS1 Switzerland (2/2)

Conditions

- Registrations of redirections may take up to three business days
- We may only redirect GS1 keys or GS1 Company Prefixes (GCP) which are based on the GS1 Prefix 760 to 769



	GS1 Mexico
755	GS1 Canada
759	GS1 Venezuela
760 - 769	GS1 Schweiz, Suisse, Svizzera
771	GS1 Colombia
	GS1 Uruguay

You will find more details about our offer on our GS1 Digital Link Landing page:
<https://www.gs1.ch/en/home/topics/gs1-digital-link>



Use case: trustbox (..the swiss one)

Increase the reach of local solutions

- Our B2C solution, trustbox, already provides well over 40,000 product declarations for the Swiss market
- Few know that every market participant may look for comprehensive product information on the publicly accessible trustbox website
- GS1 Switzerland has registered the GTINs published in trustbox in the GS1 Digital Link Resolver
- The trustbox customers now have the possibility, without any additional efforts, to place a QR code onto the products, which may be scanned by any app and leads the consumer directly to the corresponding publication in trustbox
- <https://id.gs1.ch/01/7612345002002> leads you to one of the example products that we have registered in trustbox – but <https://id.gs1.org/01/7612345002002> does too!

GS1 Digital Link: How do it?

Identification, barcodes and syntaxes

How do GS1 DL?

- Identification: any GS1 identifier (GTIN, SSCC, GIAI, GRAI, ...)
- Data carriers: any data carriers (barcodes, RFID, GS1 vs non-GS1)

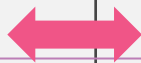


1D or 2D barcodes?

- 2D: more data capacity, smaller size, higher readability
- Ongoing Belgilux implementation GS1 DataMatrix in healthcare and at retail POS for variable measure items

How do GS1 DL?

GS1 DataMatrix	QR Code or Data Matrix
GS1 barcode	Non-GS1 barcode
(01) 05412345000013 (10) ABC123	https://id.gs1.org/01/05412345000013/10/ABC123
Application Identifiers – GS1 Element String syntax	URI (Uniform Resource Identifier) DL syntax
Mostly supply chain oriented	Mostly consumer oriented
Needs app to interpret AIs	Can be scanned by native camera app on phone



How do GS1 DL?

- **Syntax neutrality = goal**
 - Conversion software offered by GS1 as free, open source
 - DL URI syntax for non-GS1 barcodes (QR, Data Matrix) included in GS1 General Specifications v2021
 - Approach Google and Apple
 - GS1 US sunrise date 2027: all US POS ready to scan 2D barcodes with GS1 AI element string syntax OR DL syntax
 - “Future of On-Pack Coding” group at GS1 to prepare and manage transition

GS1 Digital Link: How do it?

**Demo app: digital link in action
- Dirk Willekens, GS1 Belgilux**

Goals of demo app

- What: explain and show possibilities of Digital Link
 - Why: Digital Link seems hard to understand by members (transform technical stuff into showing it for real)
 - How: Get users to think about what could be done with DL (using GS1 standards) by showing business opportunities in a small app
- > to help understand members how to start

Some ideas

- Purpose APP = add extra 'logic' layer between carrier & resolver
 - + get familiar with Digital Link
 - Start from data carrier (1D, GS1 DataMatrix, QR, RFID, ...)
 - Any GS1 identifier (GTIN, SSCC, ...)
 - Any language, any region, any sector, any source, ...
- Cases
 - FMCG [Sopraco](#) case (1D - GTIN) -> recipe info
 - Healthcare example (2D DataMatrix - GTIN) -> leaflets
 - Apparel (QR - GIAI) -> product information
- Next steps

Example FMCG Sopraco



Art. Nr. 15301 - Kalfslever gesliced / Foie de veau tranché

URL:

English	https://www.sopraco.eu/en/fried-calfs-liver-apple-and-red-wine
Nederlands	https://www.sopraco.eu/nl/gebakken-kalfslever-met-appel-en-rode-wijn
Français	https://www.sopraco.eu/fr/foie-de-veau-po%C3%AAI%C3%A9-aux-pommes-et-vin-rouge
Deutsch	https://www.sopraco.eu/de/gebackene-kalbsleber-mit-apfel-und-rotwein
Italiano	https://www.sopraco.eu/it/fegato-di-vitello-padella-alla-mela-e-al-vino-rosso
Español	https://www.sopraco.eu/es/higado-de-ternera-frito-con-manzana-y-vino-tinto

Intern Artikel: 15301

Omschrijving: KALFSLEVER +/- 180 GR

GTIN: 5420033102628

Example FMCG Sopraco



5420033102628



<https://www.sopraco.eu/en/fried-calfs-liver-apple-and-red-wine>



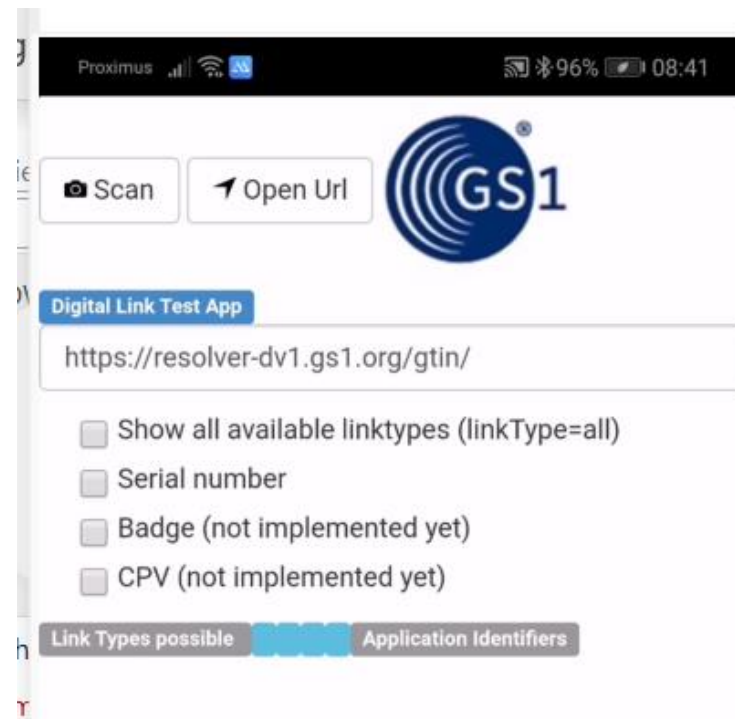
(01)05420033102628(3103)000189(3923)2172(10)ABC123

APP: Home

Goal: create intermediate between scan and resolver

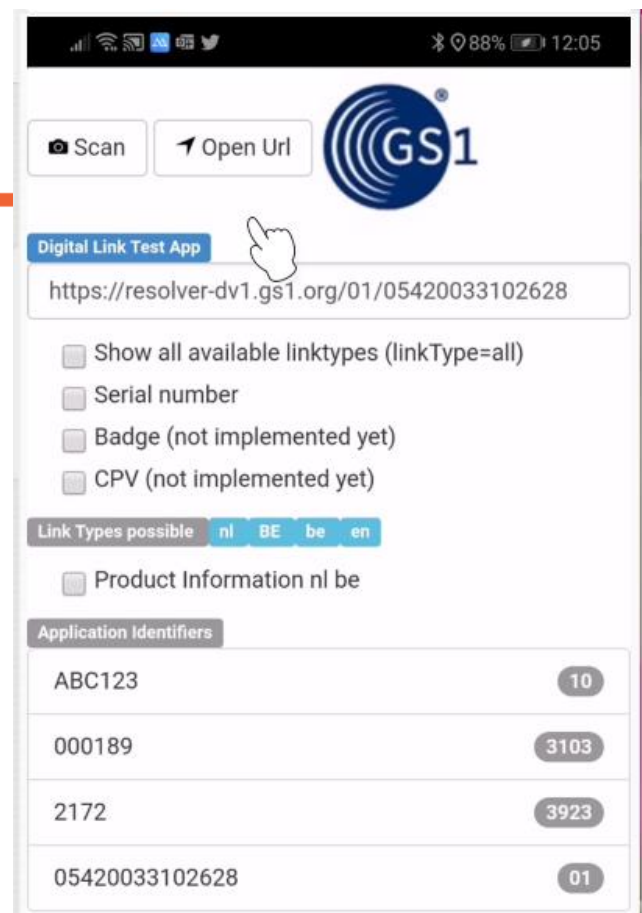
Steps:

1. Scan (something)
2. Logic + interpretation
3. Link to resolver

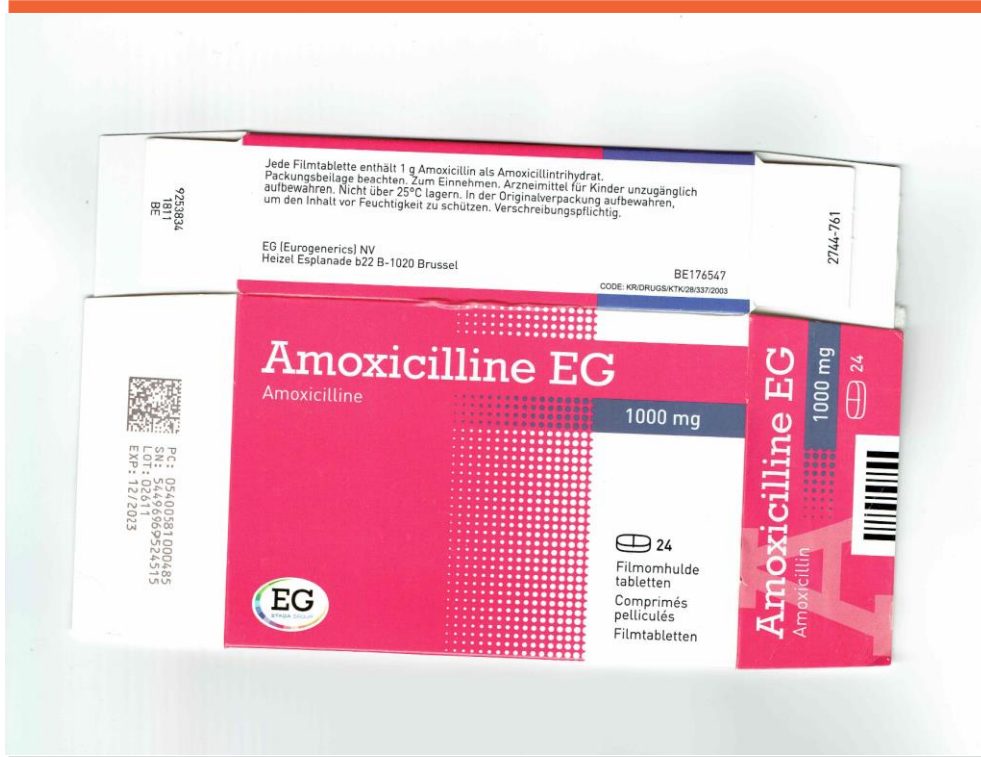


APP: scan GS1 DataMatrix

- Scan GS1 DataMatrix (see prev. slide)
- APP is breaking up Application Identifier
- APP is consulting metadata in resolver
 - Takes language/region smartphone
 - Is considering default in resolver
 - Is showing linktypes available depending language/region/...
- APP is constructing url
 - Extra keys might be added (serial)



Example Healthcare



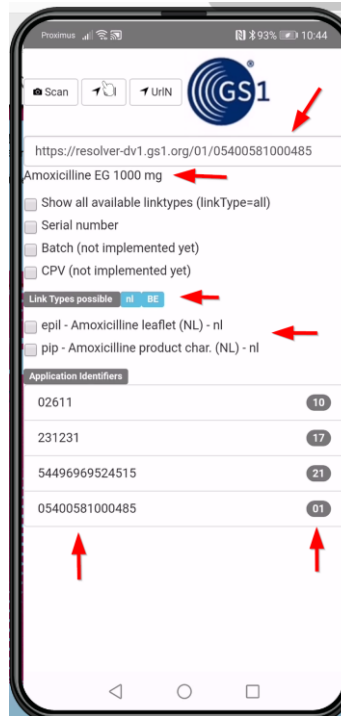
GTIN (01)
05400581000485

Expiration date (17)
31/12/2023

Lotnumber (10)
02611

Serialnumber (21)
54496969524515

APP: Amoxicilline EG



APP: Amoxicilline EG resolved

- Show leaflet/... based on:
 - Language
 - Region (country)
 - Personal library?
 - ...

myHealthbox

Search...

Documents in other languages



Patient Information leaflet - German
23-02-2021



Patient Information leaflet - French
01-11-2020



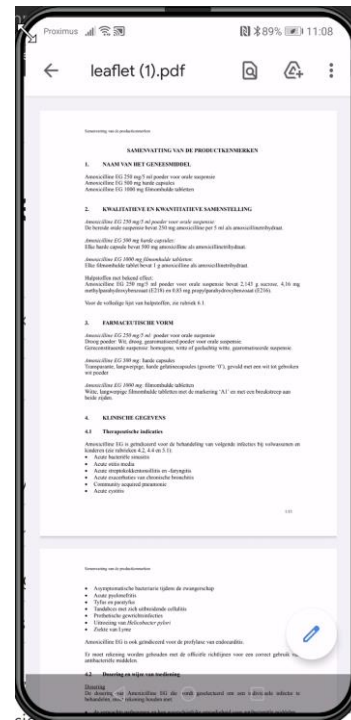
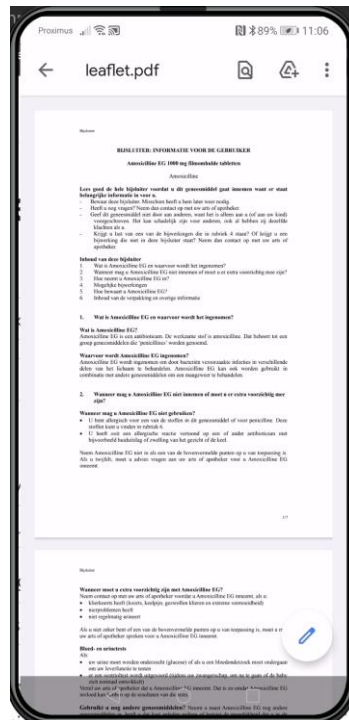
Patient Information leaflet - Dutch
23-02-2021



Summary of Product characteristics - French
01-11-2020



Summary of Product characteristics - Dutch
01-11-2020



Example Apparel



GIAI (8004)

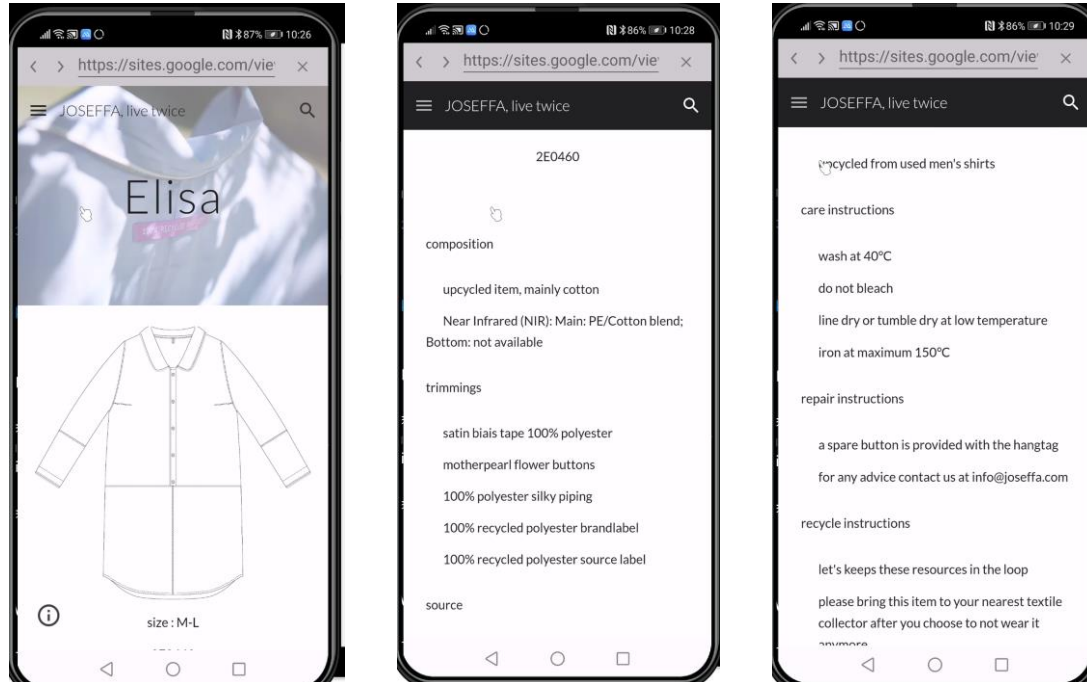
Global Individual Asset Identifier

<https://resolver-dv1.gs1.org/8004/872057273A3702E0460>

Format:

N4+X..30

Example Apparel



"Verified by" can add much more

Verified by GS1

Controleer de identiteit van een product op basis van betrouwbare informatie van de merkeigenaars.



5420033102628

⚠ Het nummer behoort toe aan NORENCA NV.

Het is een geldig nummer, maar er is geen informatie over dit product beschikbaar.

Vragen? Contacteer support@gs1belu.org.

And even more attributes ...

5410059024721



Het product werd gevonden maar sommige gegevens kunnen ontbreken.
Het nummer behoort toe aan Baronie Belgium NV.



GTIN	05410059024721
Merknaam	Jacques
Productbeschrijving	Jacques Pure chocolade
URL productafbeelding	Unknown
Product classificatie code	Chocolade/Combinatie van Chocolade en Snoepjes [10000045]
Netto-inhoud	200 Gram
Land van verkoop	België
Laatste update	27/04/2020
GS1 organisatie	GS1 Belgium & Luxembourg


Bent u de merkeigenaar? Vul de gegevens aan >


Vraag een verbetering aan

Now let's get serious

verified.gs1belu.org/nl-BE/barcodes/detail/5410438001633

5410438001633

 **Het product werd gevonden en is volledig.**
Het nummer behoort toe aan FRIESLANDCAMPINA BELGIUM N.V..

	GTIN	05410438001633
	Merknaam	Campina
	Productbeschrijving	CAMPINA HV.MELK P 1/2L NF
	URL productafbeelding	https://dam-api.atrify.com/content/da...
	Product classificatie code	Melk (Houdbaar) [10000026]
	Netto-inhoud	0.5 Liter
	Land van verkoop	België
	Laatste update	22/01/2021
	GS1 organisatie	GS1 Belgium & Luxembourg

Bent u de merkeigenaar? Vul de gegevens aan >

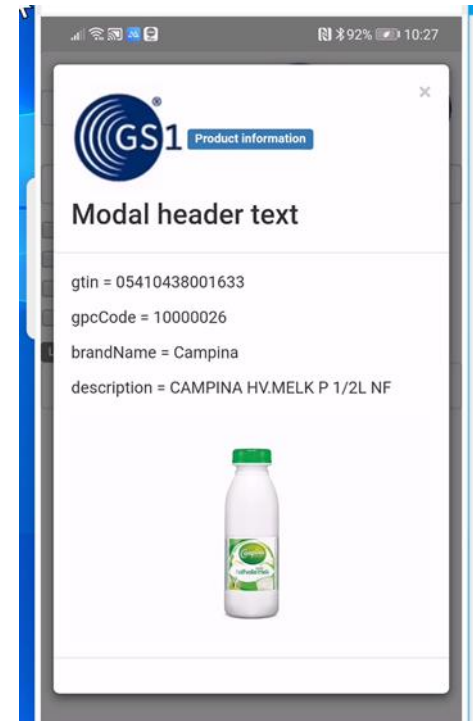
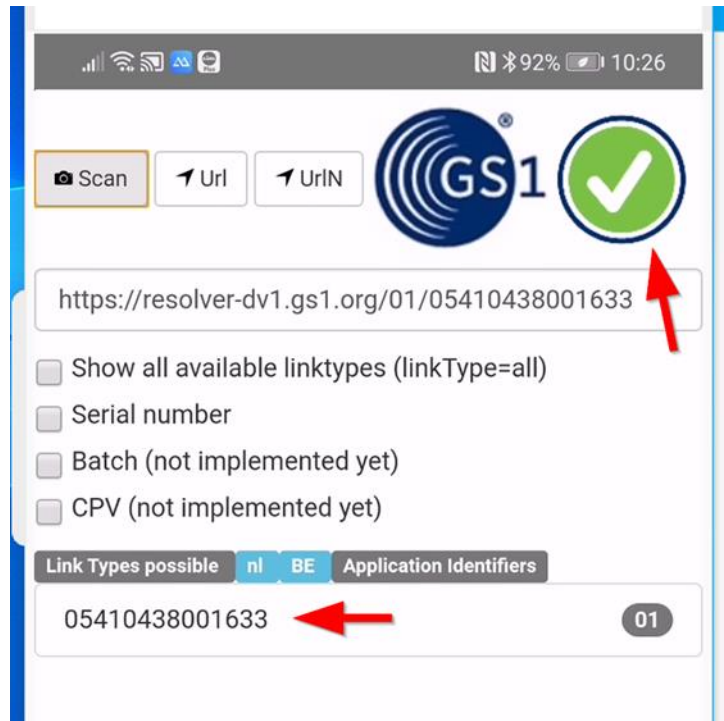
Vraag een verbetering aan

FMCG example – how it could work



GTIN
5410438001633

FMCG example – how it could work



Potential next step – MPM attributes

- Same technology as 'Verified By'
- Can be branded (selection on attributes)
- To be discussed in next meetings ...

Conclusion

- GS1 Digital link
 - Carrier independent
 - Flexible (resolver)
 - Combine existing data (identifier, language, region, ...)
 - Link other data sources
 - ...
- The sky is the limit



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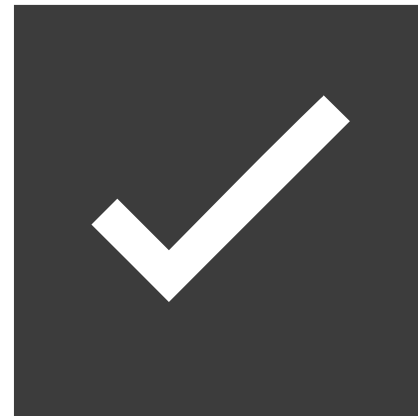
What's next?

At Global level

- Phil Archer, GS1 Global

Known knowns

- The GS1 Digital Link syntax is a fully-defined alternative syntax for GS1 identifiers
- At least 5 multi-nationals are implementing GS1 DL
- Multiple solution providers offering GS1 DL-based services
- Projects and interest from multiple sectors
 - Healthcare
 - Retail
 - Construction
 - Logistics (Scan4Transport)
- Scanner manufacturers all interested



GS1 US Position paper

GS1 US Advanced Data Carrier for Point-of-Sale (POS) Getting Started Guide

Release 1.0 December 2020



From 2027:

2D at POS with
either GS1 element
syntax or GS1
Digital Link syntax

<https://www.gs1us.org/DesktopModules/Bring2mind/DMX/Download.aspx?EntryId=2277>



2D Migration – Coming Soon!

Global Migration to 2D Programme Charter

Global Migration to 2D Programme Charter

Release 0.2, *Draft*, March 2021



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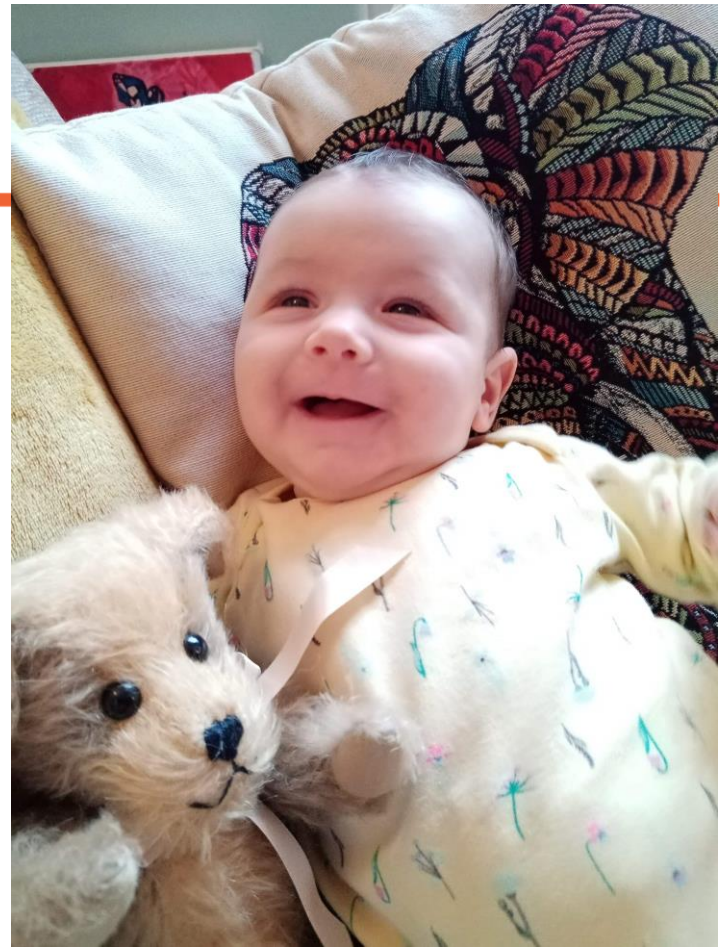
Known unknowns

- Can brand owners collate links to their other sources of data?
- So far, evidence is that people want to run their own resolvers. Good. But will they redirect to each other in a network or operate in siloes?
- How will brands, solution providers, digital marketing companies, regulators, master data managers all react?
- Will GS1 Digital Link syntax or element syntax be dominant? (and does it matter?)



thinking... by Yoshiyasu NISHIKAWA cc by-nc-nd

Unknown unknowns



What's next?

At Belgilux level

What's next?

- Plenty of materials from GS1 (documentation, videos, source codes, ...)
 - Input from Work Group
 - Strategy → Resolver, app, syntaxes, ...
 - Pilots
 - Structure next work group meetings
- **please fill out survey you will receive after the session**

Pilot vs non-
pilot

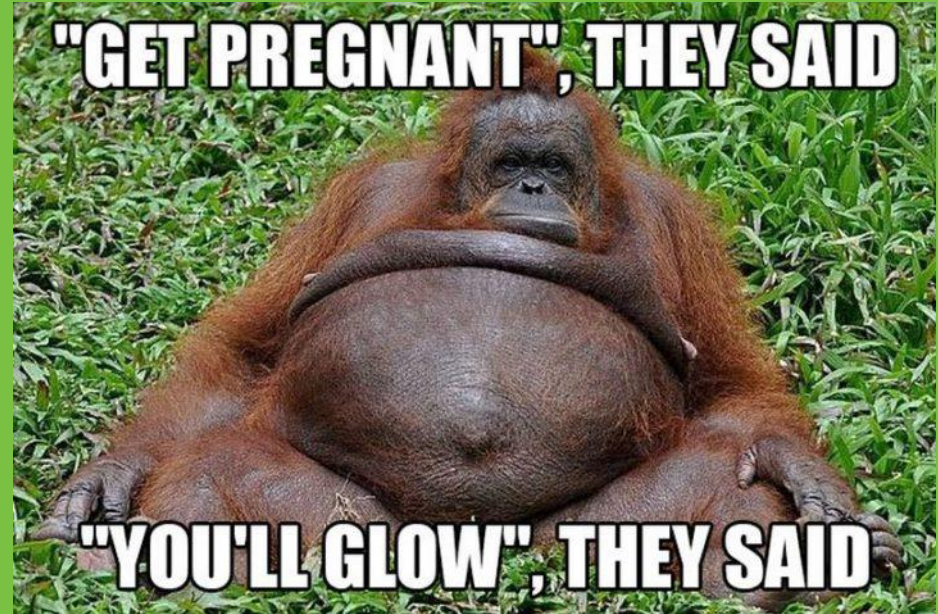
Strategic vs
technical

Participating
vs informed

Timing

What's next?

- Unknown unknowns...



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