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ForgeRock Announces OpenUMA to Give Consumers Control Over Data Sharing and Privacy

DUBLIN--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- [ForgeRock Inc.](#), the leading open platform provider of identity relationship management (IRM) solutions, today announced OpenUMA, an open source community initiative focused on addressing public concerns around privacy and consent in the digital age. The initiative marries the increasingly popular technical standard, User-Managed Access (UMA), which provides a blueprint for addressing digital consent and privacy, with ForgeRock's open source access management project, OpenAM. The project allows ForgeRock to foster a community that can collaborate on how to productise the popular standard so that enterprises and governments can easily bake privacy, consent, and secure personal data sharing into their digital strategies.

According to BI Intelligence, the Internet of Things will account for an exponential increase in the number of connections to devices: 1.9 billion today, and 9 billion by 2018. Verticals such as government, healthcare and the financial sector are making online privacy and consent a top priority. As the number of connected devices increases, managing the flow of interactions and data becomes more critical. Users need to be able to conveniently and securely control what applications and other parties can do with their data. Control of privacy must also extend to an individual's digital data, content, applications, and monetary transactions.

"It's essential for global enterprises and governments to provide customers and citizens with controls for managing privacy and consent" said Eve Maler, vice president of innovation and emerging technology, ForgeRock. "ForgeRock is leading the industry in providing this capability through our next-generation identity platform. This is truly the first time end-users will be able to take proactive control of where their personal data flows in the digital world. This project is setting a new standard for identity and access management solutions to better meet the needs of those concerned about their privacy on the Web and among Internet-connected devices."

To participate in the OpenUMA community, please visit: www.forgerock.org

Supporting Resources

- The UMA Work Group (<https://kantarainitiative.org/groups/user-managed-access-work-group>)
- ForgeRock Open Identity Stack (<http://forgerock.com/what-we-offer/open-identity-stack/>)
- ForgeRock on Twitter (<https://twitter.com/ForgeRock>)
- ForgeRock on Facebook (www.facebook.com/pages/ForgeRock)

About ForgeRock

ForgeRock™ creates identity relationship management solutions for the modern Web including public cloud, private cloud, hybrid cloud, and enterprise and mobile environments. ForgeRock products support mission-critical operations with a fully open-source platform. The ForgeRock Open Identity Stack powers solutions for many of the world's largest companies and government organisations. For more information and free downloads, visit www.forgerock.com or follow ForgeRock on Twitter at www.twitter.com/forgerock.

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