Badge Connect API

Enabling the Open Badges Ecosystem
Enabling the Ecosystem for Open Badges Recipients

- Open Badges recipients can establish a single backpack (Host) account and use it anywhere
- Improve the UX of moving badges between systems: make the connection only once for each connected app
- Increase the earner’s agency to store and showcase their badges wherever they want
Enabling the Ecosystem for Developers

• Badge Connect dramatically lowers the cost and complexity of developing an Open Badges application that can connect to ANY Open Badges user in the ecosystem

• Build once, connect anywhere
Three Service Roles: Issuer, Host, and Displayer

- Issuers award Open Badge Assertions to recipients
- Hosts allow recipients to store and manage the badges they have earned, and decide how they will be shared
- Displayers help learners show off their badges and make sense of them
LIVE DEMO: What you’ll see

Louie Sharpe is a learner.

He earns badges from a number of issuers along his learning journey. They recognize achievements formal and informal.

Louie wants to store these badges in his Open Badges Backpack and share them easily to services that help him turn badges back into real world value.

He was just issued a badge on Credly’s Acclaim. He’ll push it to his Badgr backpack and then pull it into the MyMantl service to display.
Next Steps

● Candidate Final specification later this year
● The Open Badges Workgroup and IMS Architects are currently developing the conformance certification requirements
Thank you!