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European Digital Identity Wallet

- Based on eIDAS 2.0 regulation
- Cross-border electronic identification (e-ID)
- The future of strong authentication
- User Controlled Digital Identity – Personal Wallet
- Use Cases: Travel, driving license, online payments, SIM registration, sign contracts

Authorization of the calling personnel is verified for service provider calls. In sensitive scenarios, such as health care, it is crucial to make sure that the call reaches the intended recipient. For this reason, the caller can request for receiver authentication, after the call is established.

Proposed System Design

- A verifier caller application that authenticates the caller based on the credentials from the EUDI wallet
- Caller is authenticated before the call is forwarded

Implementation (Planned)

- Implement a caller application that also serves as a verifier and integrate it to the EUDI wallet demo application