

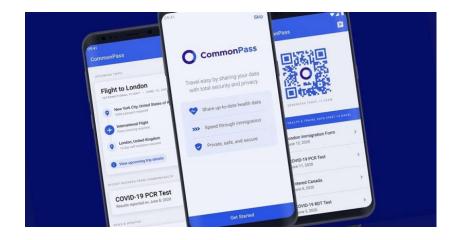
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# Think Global Vaccine Passports Are Scary? Wait Until You See What's Next.

CommonPass, developed initially to track COVID testing and vaccinations, is setting the stage for biometric surveillance which will eventually be tied in with all your other medical records, digital ID, digital banking and a social credit system.

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## Story-at-a-glance:

- Vaccine passports are here and expected to become "widely available" during the first half of 2021.
- The passports will be attached to cell phone apps that track and trace your COVID-19 test results and vaccination status.
- The Commons Project and the World Economic Forum created the Common Trust Network, which
  developed the CommonPass app that's intended to act as a health passport in the near future.

- The app allows users to upload medical data such as a COVID-19 test result or proof of vaccination, which then generates a Quick Response (QR) code that you will show to authorities as your health passport in order to travel or attend certain events.
- Getting health passports to become a new normal has been part of the plan all along for the Commons Project, which began developing software that tracks medical data well before the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Now partnered with the World Economic Forum, CommonPass represents the beginning stage of mass tracking and tracing, under the guise of keeping everyone safe from infectious disease; it is part and parcel of the Great Reset and the fourth industrial revolution.

<u>Vaccine passports</u>, hastily ushered in as a byproduct of the <u>COVID-19</u> pandemic, are expected to become "widely available" during the first half of 2021. "Rest assured, the nerds are on it," Brian Behlendorf, executive director of Linux Foundation, told CNN Business.

The Linux Foundation has partnered with IBM, the COVID-19 Credentials Initiative and CommonPass, a digital "health passport," in order to develop vaccine credential apps that will be applicable globally.

If the initiative is successful, you'll likely be required to pull up a vaccine certificate on your phone showing when and where you were vaccinated, along with which type of vaccine, in order to get on a plane or attend an indoor event, such as a concert, for starters.

"If we're successful, you should be able to say: I've got a vaccine certificate on my phone that I got when I was vaccinated in one country, with a whole set of its own kind of health management practices ... that I use to get on a plane to an entirely different country and then I presented in that new country a vaccination credential so I could go to that concert that was happening indoors for which attendance was limited to those who have demonstrated that they've had the vaccine," Behlendorf said.

The notion of having to present proof of a voluntary medical procedure in order to travel or attend public events is unprecedented in the U.S., but is being presented as a measure to protect public health. In reality, your freedom to go about your normal, daily life is being threatened, unless you consent to receiving a COVID-19 <u>vaccine</u>. And this may only be the beginning.

## What you need to know about CommonPass

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The app allows users to upload medical data such as a COVID-19 test result or proof of vaccination, which then generates a QR code that you will show to authorities as your health passport. The proposed common framework "for safe border reopening" around the world involves the following:

- 1. Every nation must publish their health screening criteria for entry into the country using a standard format on a common framework.
- 2. Each country must register trusted facilities that conduct COVID-19 lab testing for foreign travel and administer vaccines listed in the CommonPass registry.
- 3. Each country will accept health screening status from foreign visitors through apps and services built on the CommonPass framework.
- 4. Patient identification is to be collected at the time of sample collection and/or vaccination using an international standard.
- 5. The CommonPass framework will be integrated into flight and hotel reservation check-in processes.

Eventually, the CommonPass framework will be integrated with already existing personal health apps such as Apple Health and CommonHealth. If you want to travel, your personal health record will be evaluated and compared to a country's entry requirements, and if you don't meet them, you'll be directed to an approved testing and vaccination location.

The groundwork for CommonPass was <u>laid out</u> in an April 21, 2020, white paper by The Rockefeller Foundation, and is part of the rollout of global surveillance and social control known as "<u>the Great</u> Reset."

<u>According to CNN</u>, "Airlines including Cathay Pacific, JetBlue, Lufthansa, Swiss Airlines, United Airlines and Virgin Atlantic, as well as hundreds of health systems across the U.S. and the government of Aruba," have already partnered with the Common Trust Network and their CommonPass app.

#### The CommonPass app, smart cards are coming

CommonPass is just one example of apps being developed to track your personal health information and convert it into a digital health ID that you'll need to scan just to go about your daily life. IBM developed the Digital Health Pass, which companies can use to assess everything from coronavirus test results and vaccination to an individual's temperature.

If you don't have a cellphone, you won't be exempt from the need to show your health credentials. Companies that are part of the COVID-19 Credentials Initiative are working on a smart card that acts

as a <u>digital health credential</u> that can be easily presented even if you don't have a smartphone or stable internet connection.

Aug. 28, 2020, Ireland was among the first to begin a national trial of their new <u>Health Passport Ireland</u> initiative to track and display results of <u>COVID-19 testing</u> — and facilitate increased COVID-19 testing for businesses and the public, plus display COVID-19 <u>vaccination status</u>.

The initiative has since been renamed <u>Health Passport Europe</u>, and states the system will soon be used worldwide for international travels. Aside from travel and tourism, Health Passports will be used for health care purposes, events, factories and offices, and even in schools and child care centers.

So, in order to achieve the "freedom" you need to go about your normal, daily life, you only need to get tested or vaccinated for COVID-19, have a health administrator create a Health Passport account in your name, download the app on your phone, receive your COVID-19 test results on your phone (and get retested as required), then display your COVID-19 status and vaccination history whenever it's requested.

For those who haven't been tested, Health Passport Europe states that you can still immediately use the technology by downloading the Health Passport Scanner app and using it to scan others whenever needed.

By scanning others to get their <u>COVID-19 status</u>, "It gives great security for you and your family throughout or daily lives, for example when availing of services, whilst traveling, at events, at work and much more."

# Special treatment 'same as a mandatory vaccination'

While many countries have suggested that the <u>COVID-19 vaccine</u> will not be mandated, by giving special privileges to the vaccinated, such as the ability to travel, attend social events or even enter a workplace, it essentially amounts to the same thing.'

"As important as vaccination is for all of us: No special treatment for the vaccinated," <u>Germany's Interior Minister Horst Seehofer told</u> the Bild am Sonntag newspaper. "Distinguishing between the vaccinated and the not-vaccinated would be the same as a mandatory vaccination."

Still, Thomas Mertens, head of Germany's Standing Commission on Vaccination (STIKO), has stated that vaccine passports may one day be used to grant access to travel, restaurants, concerts and cinemas, and may also be required by certain businesses.

"These are private agreements made by the restaurant owner, the airline and the concert organizer," he told Die Welt newspaper. "I think something like that is possible. I'm not a lawyer, and at the end of the day lawyers will have to decide."

Seehofer, however, stated that while the government couldn't stop businesses from requiring vaccination of their customers, he was <u>clearly against it</u>: "All I can do is warn against it. Special treatment for the vaccinated would divide society."

Meanwhile, Spain, which plans to vaccinate 2.3 million over a 12-week period, is maintaining a <u>register</u> of people who refuse the COVID-19 vaccine and intends to share it with other countries in the EU. While the vaccine is voluntary, citizens are being called for their turn by the national health system, making it easy to track those who refuse.

In 2018, the <u>European Commission</u> drafted a proposal to strengthen cooperation against vaccine preventable diseases, including joint action to increase vaccination coverage, <u>stating</u>,

"Vaccination programmes have become increasingly fragile; in the face of low uptake of vaccines, vaccine hesitancy, the increasing cost of new vaccines and shortages in vaccine production and supply in Europe."

It appears the sharing of private health information, including who chooses not to receive the COVID-19 vaccine, is part of that joint action.

## Tracking and tracing are here

One year ago, it would have been hard to imagine widespread acceptance for cellphone apps that collect your vaccination status and convert it into a health passport you may soon need to present in order to travel or attend recreational events like concerts, or even attend school or go to work. But under the context of a pandemic, it's suddenly perceived as necessary for public health.

"Vaccinated? Show Us Your App," <u>reads a New York Times headline</u> from Dec.13, 2020, which states that United, JetBlue and Lufthansa airlines plan to introduce CommonPass in the coming weeks. "It is

just the start of a push for digital COVID-19 credentials that could soon be embraced by employers, schools, summer camps and entertainment venues," the Times added.

Indeed, Dr. Brad Perkins, Commons Project Foundation's chief medical officer, added, "This is likely to be a new normal need that we're going to have to deal with to control and contain this pandemic." Getting health passports to become a new normal has, in fact, been part of the plan all along for the Commons Project, which began developing software that tracks medical data well before the COVID-19 pandemic. "But spikes in virus cases around the world this spring accelerated its work," The New York Times reported.

#### It's not about infectious disease

Now partnered with the World Economic Forum, CommonPass represents the beginning stage of mass tracking and tracing, under the guise of keeping everyone safe from infectious disease.

It is part and parcel of the Great Reset and the fourth industrial revolution, the nuts and bolts of which boil down to transhumanism. In years past, this plan was referred to as a "new world order" or "one world order." All of these terms, however, refer to an agenda that has the same ultimate goal.

As <u>explained by</u> journalist James Corbett, for those who forgot about what the <u>New World Order</u> was/is all about, it's "centralization of control into fewer hands, globalization [and] transformation of society through Orwellian surveillance technologies."

In other words, it's <u>technocracy</u>, where we the people know nothing about the ruling elite while every aspect of our lives is surveilled, tracked and manipulated for their gain. The tracking and tracing of COVID-19 test results and vaccination are setting the stage for biometric surveillance, tracking and tracing, which will eventually be tied in with all your other medical records, digital ID, digital banking and a social credit system.

# Russia's FM: Syria must not be an Israel-Iran battlefield

He argued that Israel should notify Russia about security threats in Syria rather than going after them. Israel's policy is to notify Russia before attacking such threats.

Israel should report security threats in Syria rather than immediately respond to them, in order to keep the country ravaged by civil war from being turned into a battlefield against <u>Iran</u>, Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov said Monday, according to Russian news outlet <u>Sputnik</u>.

Speaking at a press conference, Lavrov criticized Israel for responding to security threats from Iran in Syria, while stressing that Moscow also does not approve of Syria being used against.

Rather, Israel should simply report these threats to Moscow.

"So, our dear Israeli colleagues, if you have facts that your state is facing threats from the Syrian territory, report the facts urgently, and we will take every measure to neutralize the threat," Lavrov said, according to Sputnik.

Israeli forces have launched numerous strikes into Syria against Iranian targets, as part of its ongoing conflict with the Islamic Republic's proxies. Among the most notable of recent airstrikes was last Tuesday, which targeted the city of Albukamal and Deir al-Zor, both of which are on the Euphrates River but are separated by over 120 km.

Israel notifies Russia before conducting strikes against security threats in Syria. However, Russia has been highly critical of Israel's activities in the country in the past.

In an interview with *The Jerusalem Post* in late December 2020, <u>Russian Ambassador to Israel Anatoly Viktorov</u> explained that Israel, rather than Iran, is the most destabilizing force in the Middle East, blaming it for attacking Hezbollah and Iranian forces in Syria, which he called a violation of sovereignty. He added that "there is no way that we are approving any Israeli strikes on Syria: never in the past and never in the future."

The Foreign Ministry later reprimanded Viktorov for his remarks. However, Russia's Foreign Ministry was confused by what they considered an "overly sensitive reaction" by Israel.

# Israel Determined To Prevent Iran From Achieving 'Syria Project'

Media reports carried news of intensive airstrikes against Iranian-linked targets in eastern Syria early on Wednesday, attributed to the Israeli Air Force. The alleged strikes in the Deir al-Zour and Albu Kamal areas were the latest in a long series of reported Israeli attacks that are designed to thwart the Islamic Republic's attempts at building a war machine in Syria.

The airstrikes nevertheless stood out in light of the extraordinary comments made by a senior American intelligence official, who told the Associated Press that the bombings were enabled by intelligence provided to Israel by the United States.

There appears to be no reason to doubt this version of events, marking what would seem to be an unusual acknowledgment of the close level of cooperation between the American and Israeli defense establishments in combating the Iranian presence in Syria.

A second reason that makes the strikes stand out is the unconfirmed report by a Syrian opposition warmonitoring group that at least 57 fighters were killed, including 14 Syrian regime soldiers, in addition to Iranian-backed militia members, as well as dozens more wounded.

Although uncorroborated, the claim represents a far higher casualty count than those that usually follow such strikes.

The attack is part of an unmistakable increase in airstrikes that have been hitting Iranian targets across Syria, marking the fourth known such incident in the past three weeks. Those incidents include a reported missile attack on Syria's Scientific Studies and Research Center, also known by its French

acronym CERS, north of Damascus. CERS is a facility that is responsible for developing and manufacturing advanced missiles and chemical weapons, and is likely used by both Iran and Syria's Bashar Assad regime to develop and produce weapons systems, some of which is also destined for Hezbollah's missile depots in Lebanon.

In attempting to understand why the uptick in alleged preventative Israeli attacks has occurred now, Israel's former ambassador to the United Nations Danny Danon offered this explanation: "Iran is attempting to take advantage of the transition in the United States and in Israel to alter the balance of power. Israel and the U.S. will not allow this. We will act resolutely and as needed."

According to this explanation, Iran is trying to exploit political instability in Israel, which is on its way to its fourth elections in less than two years. That is coupled with the fact that the Trump administration is about to be replaced by the Biden administration, all while Tehran attempts to scale up its efforts to build a military foothold in Syria.

In its annual summary for 2020, the IDF stated that "approximately 50 targets were struck on the Syrian front" in the past year, as well as more than 1,400 battle-formation Israeli Air Force sorties over unspecified areas.

These figures reveal a central feature of Israel's campaign in Syria: It is fueled by the intelligence of Iran's activities, and the increase and decrease of Israel's campaign is a direct reflection of the ebb and flow of Iran's own efforts over the years.

## Military tensions high between U.S. forces, Iran in Gulf

Iran's efforts are being masterminded by its overseas subversion and terrorism unit, the Quds Force, headed by Esmail Ghaani, who replaced the infamous Maj. Gen. Qassem Soleimani after his assassination in Baghdad in January 2020 in a U.S. drone strike.

Ghaani appears to be working hard to try and fill Soleimani's shoes, though with little apparent success to show for it so far.

Soleimani's grand vision was to create air smuggling routes, a land corridor, and naval smuggling routes to flood Syria and Lebanon with precision-guided weapons, bases, missile factories, and militias, and Israel kept that vision firmly in check, just as it is doing with Ghaani's efforts. Russia, for its part, has no interest in allowing Iran to take over Syria, having earmarked the country for its own long-term military presence and economic reconstruction programs. Still, Moscow is also keen to avoid witnessing an escalation that can threaten the Assad regime, which it spent years protecting from demise together with Iran.

Meanwhile, the atmosphere in the region is particularly explosive and unstable, due to Iran's determination to seek vengeance for the killing of its chief nuclear-weapons scientists, Mohsen Fakhrizadeh, whom Iran blames Israel for assassinating in November, as well as Hezbollah's own repeated threats to take revenge for the death of one of its operatives, who was killed in an airstrike on an Iranian target in Syria in July.

Military tensions between U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf and Iran also remain high with the possibility of miscalculation is very real.

None of these factors, however, are sufficient to deter Israel from enforcing its red lines in Syria and doing whatever is necessary to keep Iran from fulfilling its dangerous "Syria project." – PNW