

**Me2B Alliance**  
**Bi-Monthly Meeting**  
**April 7, 2021**



# Agenda

- Organization News
- Initiatives Status
- Working Groups Status
- Key 2021 Events

# Organization News

*Vision:*

Respectful technology for all

## **Mission:**

**Creating a safe and just  
digital world through  
independent technology testing**

# News


- Community transition to Groups.io, Sharepoint and Zoom
- New website release
  - Blog!
- Letter to Governor Newsom

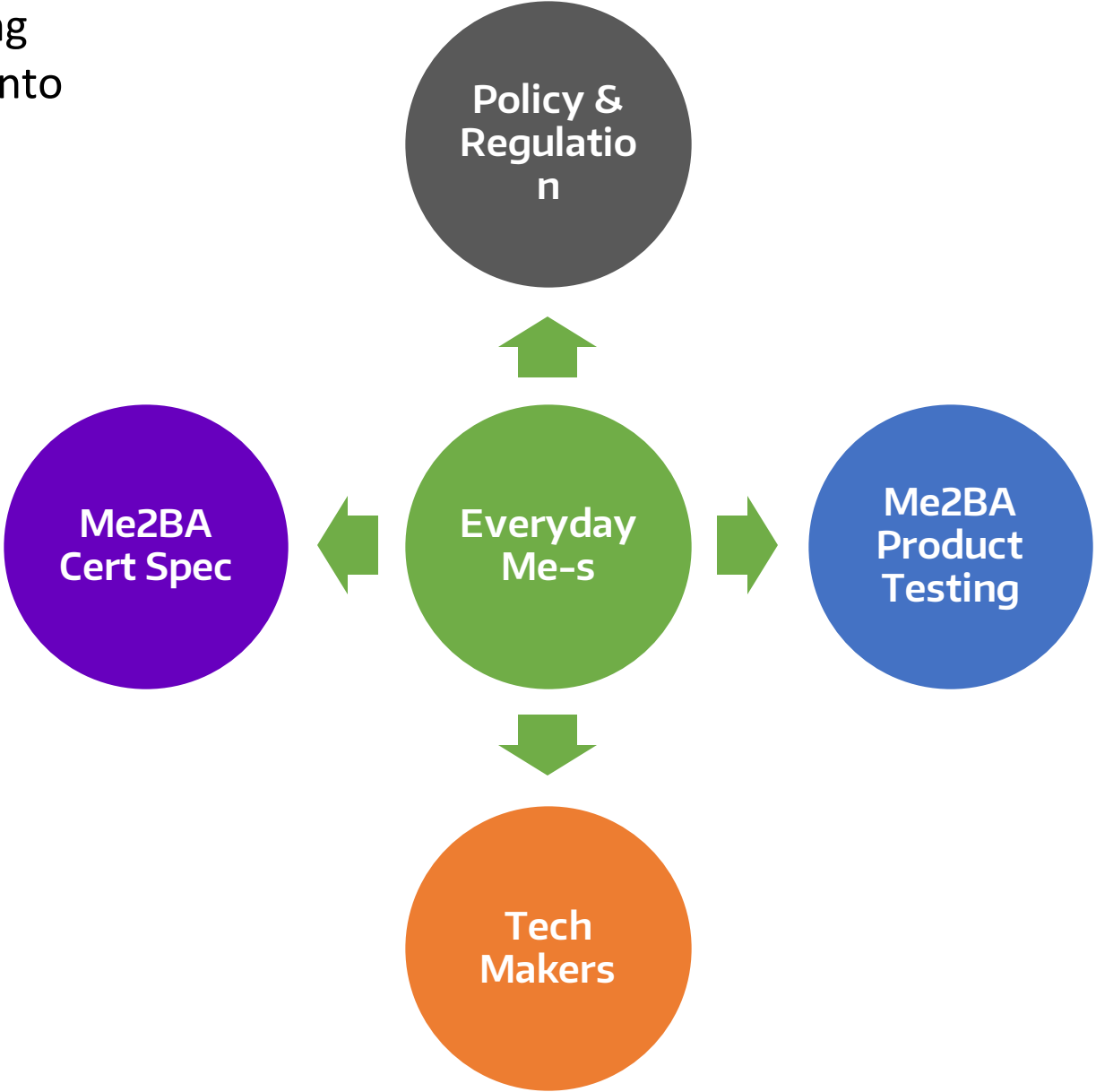
# Initiatives Status

Delivering on the promise of being a  
**different kind of SDO**




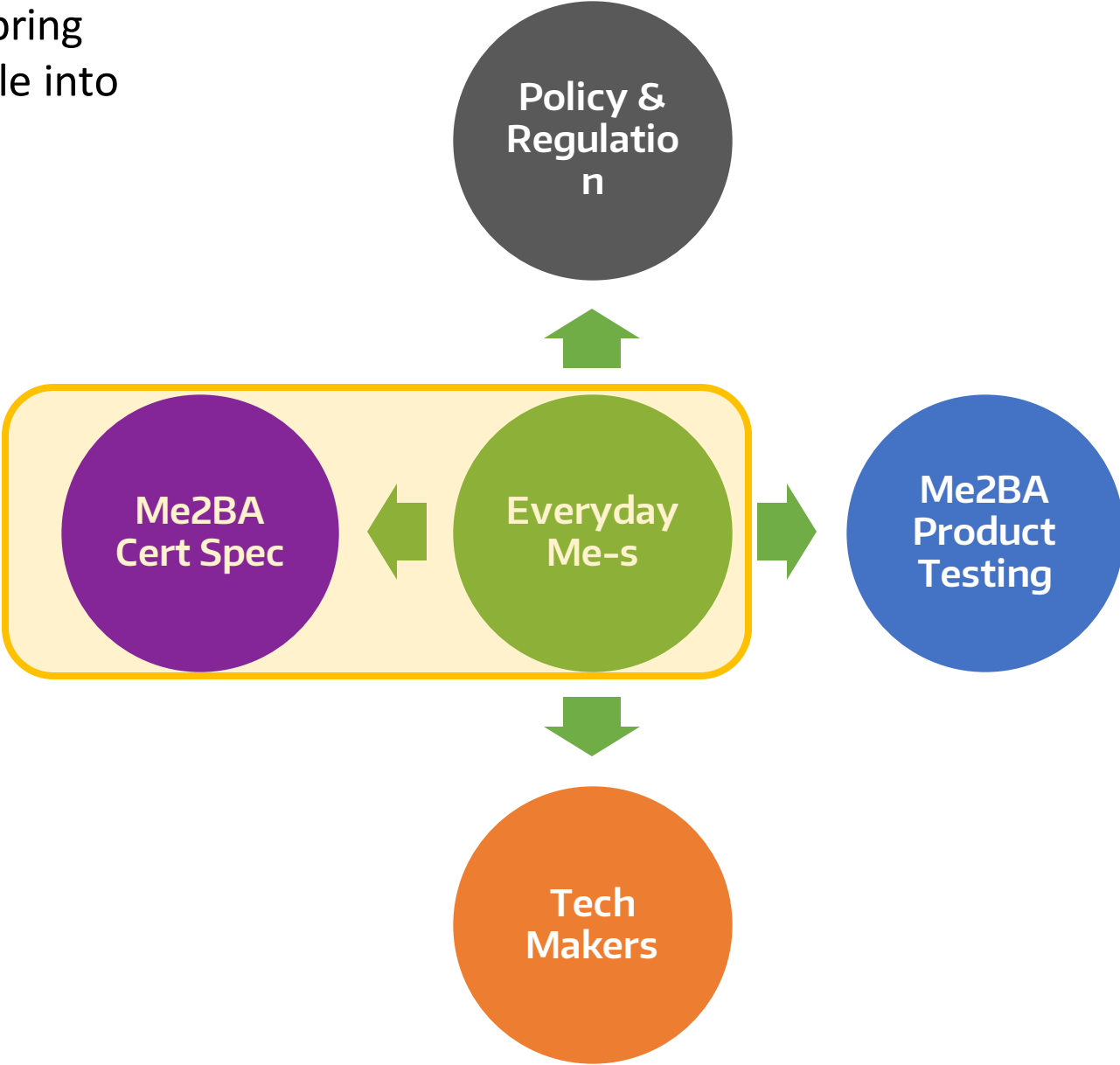
**The Problem:** How do we bring the voice of everyday people into product development throughout the org?

 Voice of Everyday Me-s



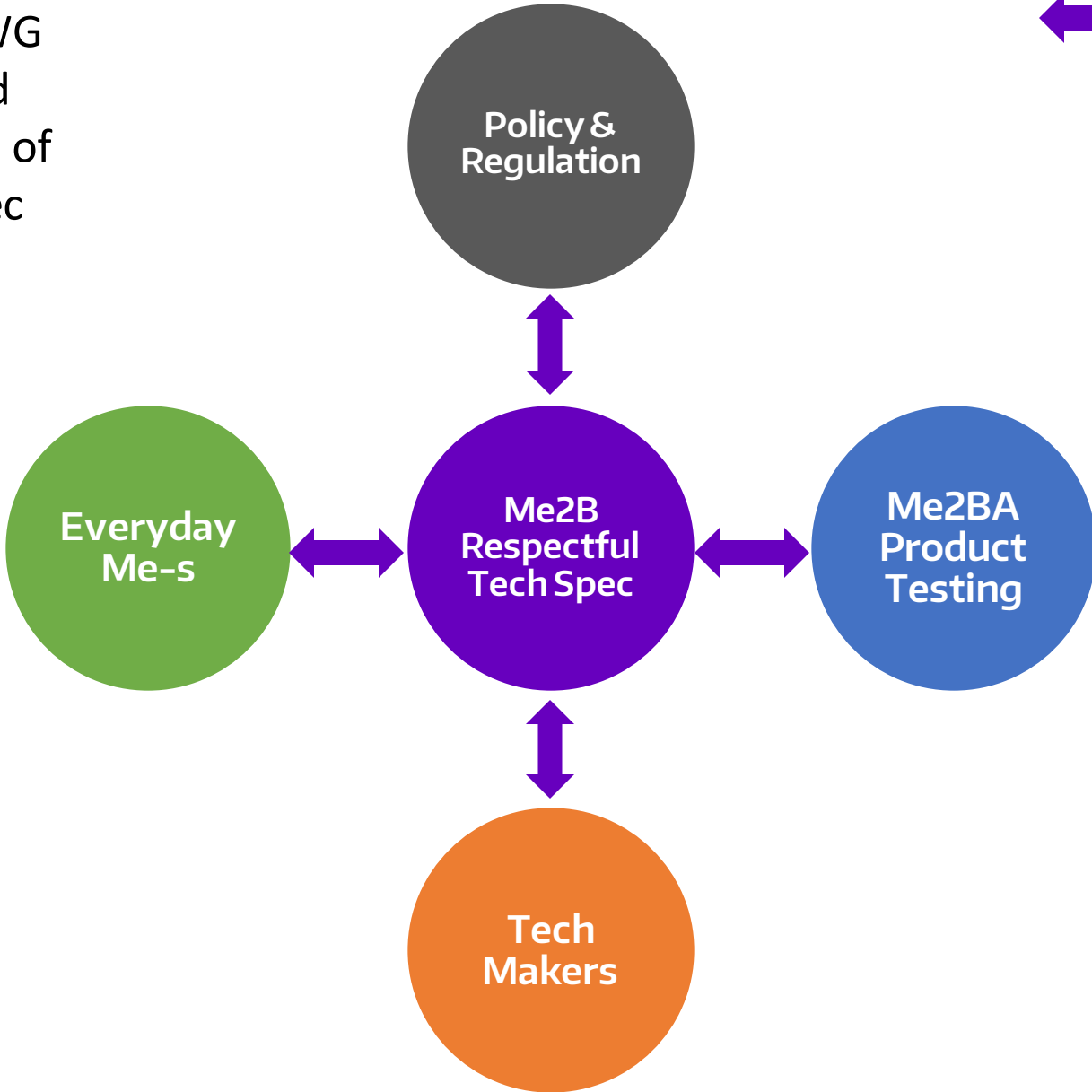
**Key Problem:** How do we bring the voice of everyday people into Certification Specification Development?

 Voice of Everyday Me-s



**Information/Content Flow:** WG activities should orient around the advancement & validation of the Me2B Respectful Tech Spec

↔ 2Way communication on/about the Me2B Respectful Tech Spec



# Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Practice

Muriel Shockley

- Implicit Bias Training & Practice
- Racial & Ethnic Identity Development (now)
- Multicultural Organization Development

# Marketing

Guy Gabriel (CMO),

Ted Barthell  
(Dir Mktng)

- “Did you know?” Campaign for Me-s
- Ongoing updates to website

# Content

Karina Alexanyan

- Editorial Calendar
- Blogs
- Spotlight Bulletins
- Spotlight Reports

# Research

Noreen Whyse

- Longitudinal focus groups
- Validation of tests/line items in Respectful Tech Spec
- Validation of scores/findings iconography

# Products & Services

Lisa LeVasseur

- **Product Testing:**
  - Early testing still in progress
    - Driving validation on certain behaviors
  - Launched custom audits
  - Me2B Mobile App Privacy Audit
  - Working on business model that
    - Gives Me-s actionable information, and
    - Encourages B-s to build respectful technology
- **Product Development:**
  - GoodTech.wiki & Digital Harms Dictionary/wiki
    - Under development



# Working Group Status

# Membership Operations

Michele Silverthorn

- **Bi-monthly Meeting NEW DATES!**  
1st Wednesday, EOM, next: June 2nd at 8am PDT
- **Community transition to  
Groups.io, Sharepoint, and Zoom**  
Questions: [admin@me2ba.org](mailto:admin@me2ba.org)
- **Annual Meeting Virtual**  
TBD: November

# Certification WG

Chairs:

Lisa LeVasseur, Mary  
Hodder

- Working on ballot version of spec
- Renamed to:  
*Me2B Respectful Tech Specification*
- Creating front-matter that explains
  - Ethical point of view
  - Me2B Relationship framework & vocabulary

# PALS WG

Chair: Richard Whitt

- Produced (first!) blog post announcing Me2BA win on AG's reversal on CCPA UI design (based on November 28, 2020 letter on 4th round feedback)
- Submitted letter to Governor Newsom (March 30th) seeking 8 open town hall forums on CCPA/CPRA implementation; gained 23 signatories; now plotting next steps

# Me-s WG

Chair: Muriel  
Shockley

- **PURPOSE:** The purpose of the Me-s Working Group is to represent, serve and support individuals who use connected technologies and services by:
  - Surfacing and illuminating the ways in which people are in relationship with connected technologies and services.
  - Increasing individual understanding regarding their unique relationships with connected technologies and services.
  - Providing information and resources which empower individuals to make informed choices for themselves and others.
  - Participating in sustained dialogue with other Me2BA working groups to amplify the voice and needs of Me-s.
  - Promoting data justice through education with a focus on vulnerable and underserved communities
  - Forming mutually beneficial strategic partnerships that amplify Me2B values.
  - Providing opportunities for Me-members to participate in Me2BA sponsored research.

# B-s WG

Chairs:

Corey Jackson

Jim Pasquale

- Re-booting in progress.

- **Mission statement:**

The Me2B's B-s Working Group will serve to represent, serve, and support businesses to:

- Provide education of Me2B ethos and certification (Framework);
- support the adoption of the Me2B Certification specification;
- identify technology privacy implications (disrespectful) implementation concerns by way of Me2B Certification (B-s WG – to – Cert WG synchronization);
- align and bridge business Marketing, Cyber, Risk, Legal, etc. processes, and Executives, to understand one's technology and the responsibility to deploy respectful technology products.
- a forum to collect cross-B-s (multi-industry) concerns; and
- an environment to foster a greater understanding of Me-s by B-s.

# Key 2021 Events

# Upcoming Events

- **IIW April 20–22, 2021**  
<https://internetidentityworkshop.com/>
- **RSA May 17 – 20, 2021**  
<https://www.rsaconference.com/usa>  
<https://www.rsaconference.com/Library/presentation/USA/2021/measuring-the-ethical-behavior-of-technology>
- **PEPR June 10–11, 2021**  
<https://fpf.org/pepr21/>
- **Me2B B-s Event – 4Q2021**
- **Me2B Alliance Annual Meeting 4Q2021**



**Thank you!**