

...but there are some downsides (Model 2)

Also in the **IDP approach** to digital identity there are several **cons** to be considered such as:



...the **costs!**

As outlined before in the explanation of the IDP Model, everytime a user wants to use a service, the Service Provider must «communicate» with the Identity Provider, in order to authenticate the user.

This requires the Identity Provider to have a **scalable and large infrastructure**, ready to «answer» all the **requests** from the Service Providers. This translates in high costs for maintaining data centers needed for this job.



Moreover, the Identity Provider is not able to generate revenue! **Who is going to pay for Authentication Services** when there are solutions such as **Google ID** that do **the same job for free?**

