CLAIMS

1. An authorisation management server for managing a temporary transaction authorisation code, comprising:

a processor; and

a memory device in communication with the processor and storing program instructions thereon, the processor being operative with the program instructions to:

(i) receive a temporary authorisation code initiator from a computing system of a bookings system through which bookings are made, the temporary authorisation code initiator: indicating that a user of a payment vehicle has made a booking relating to travel to at least one foreign country; and identifying at least one of the user of the payment vehicle and the payment vehicle;

(ii) acquire, from the computing system of the bookings system, travel booking details for the booking, the travel booking details specifying, at least: a first unique identifier associated with the user of the payment vehicle; and a first travel segment associated with the first unique identifier;

(iii) acquire, from the computing system of the bookings system, confirmation that the first travel segment has commenced;

(iv) set the first unique identifier as a temporary authorisation code for authorising e-commerce transactions using the payment vehicle during the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country; and

(v) receive the temporary authorisation code, from an application in a mobile computing device of the user of the payment vehicle, while making an e-commerce transaction using the payment vehicle during the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country.

2. The authorisation management server according to claim 1, wherein the temporary authorisation code initiator further indicates a destination for the first travel segment, and the processor is further operative with the program instructions to:

determine if the payment vehicle has been enabled for making transactions at the destination; and

perform steps (iii) and (iv) if the payment vehicle has not been enabled for making transactions at the destination.

3. The authorisation management server according to claim 1, wherein the travel booking details further specify a destination for the first travel segment, and the processor is further operative with the program instructions to:

determine if the payment vehicle has been enabled for making transactions at the destination; and

perform steps (iii) and (iv) if the payment vehicle has not been enabled for making transactions at the destination.

4. The authorisation management server according to claim 1, wherein the processor is further operative with the program instructions to:

determine that the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country is completed; and

upon determining that the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country is completed, disable the first unique identifier so that it can no longer be used to authorise a transaction.

5. The authorisation management server according to claim 4, wherein determining that the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country is completed comprises at least one of:

receiving a completion notification from the bookings system; and

consulting an online register that is associated with the bookings system and specifies whether or not the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country is completed.

6. The authorisation management server according to claim 1, wherein the processor is further operative with the program instructions to:

associate the temporary authorisation code with the user of the payment vehicle; and

use the temporary authorisation code for making e-commerce transactions during the first travel segment using a different payment vehicle from the payment vehicle used for making the booking related to travel to the at least one foreign country.

7. The authorisation management server according to claim 1, wherein the travel booking details further comprise:

a second unique identifier associated with the user of the payment vehicle; and

a second travel segment associated with the second unique identifier, the second travel segment being scheduled to take place later than the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country,

the processor being operative with the program instructions to:

acquire, from the computing system of the bookings system, confirmation that the second travel segment has commenced; and

set the second unique identifier as an authorisation code for authorising e-commerce transactions using the payment vehicle during the second travel segment in the at least one foreign country.

8. The authorisation management server according to claim 7, wherein the processor is further operative with the program instructions to disable the first unique identifier upon receiving confirmation that the second travel segment has commenced.

9. A computer process for managing temporary transaction authorisation code, comprising:

(i) receiving, at an authorisation management server, a temporary authorisation code initiator from a computing system of a bookings system through which bookings are made, the temporary authorisation code initiator:

indicating that a user of a payment vehicle has made a booking relating to travel to at least one foreign country; and

identifying at least one of the user of the payment vehicle and the payment vehicle;

(ii) acquiring from the computing system of the bookings system, by the authorisation management server, travel booking details for the booking, the travel booking details specifying, at least:

a first unique identifier associated with the user of the payment vehicle; and

a first travel segment associated with the first unique identifier;

(iii) acquiring from the computing system of the bookings system, by the authorisation management server, confirmation that the first travel segment has commenced;

(iv) setting, by the authorisation management server, the first unique identifier as a temporary authorisation code for authorising e-commerce transactions using the payment vehicle during the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country; and

(v) receiving the temporary authorisation code, from an application in a mobile computing device of the user of the payment vehicle, while making an e-commerce transaction using the payment vehicle during the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country.

10. The computer process for managing temporary authorisation code according to claim 9, wherein the temporary authorisation code initiator further indicates a destination for the first travel segment, the method further comprising:

determining if the payment vehicle has been enabled for making transactions at the destination; and

performing steps (iii) and (iv) if the payment vehicle has not been enabled for making transactions at the destination.

11. The computer process for managing temporary authorisation code according to claim 9, wherein the travel booking details further specify a destination for the first travel segment, the method further comprising:

determining if the payment vehicle has been enabled for making transactions at the destination; and

performing steps (iii) and (iv) if the payment vehicle has not been enabled for making transactions at the destination.

12. The computer process for managing temporary authorisation code according to claim 9, further comprising automatically sending the temporary authorisation code initiator, from the computing system of the bookings system to the authorisation management server, upon payment for the booking being made using the payment vehicle.

13. The computer process for managing temporary authorisation code according to claim 9, further comprising:

determining, by the authorisation management server, that the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country is completed; and

upon determining that the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country is completed, disabling the first unique identifier so that it can no longer be used to authorise a transaction.

14. The computer process for managing temporary authorisation code according to claim 13, wherein determining that the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country is completed comprises at least one of:

receiving a completion notification from the bookings system; and

consulting an online register that is associated with the bookings system and specifies whether or not the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country is completed.

15. The computer process for managing temporary authorisation code according to claim 9, further comprising sending, by the authorisation management server, a code set notification to a third party processor associated with the payment vehicle to disable sending a one-time password (OTP) during the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country.

16. The computer process for managing temporary authorisation code according to claim 9, wherein the travel booking details further comprise:

a second unique identifier associated with the user of the payment vehicle; and

a second travel segment associated with the second unique identifier, the second travel segment being scheduled to take place later than the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country,

the computer process further comprising:

acquiring from the computing system of the bookings system, by the authorisation management server, confirmation that the second travel segment has commenced; and

setting, by the authorisation management server, the second unique identifier as an authorisation code for authorising e-commerce transactions using the payment vehicle during the second travel segment in the at least one foreign country.

17. The computer process for managing temporary authorisation code according to claim 16, further comprising disabling the first unique identifier upon receiving confirmation that the second travel segment has commenced.

18. The computer process for managing temporary authorisation code according to claim 9, further comprising receiving the booking at the computing system of the bookings system, the booking being for at least one of a flight, train journey, boat journey, hire car rental and hotel stay.

19. A device network for managing temporary transaction authorisation code, comprising:

a computing system of a bookings system; and

an authorisation management server for managing temporary transaction authorisation code, the authorisation management server comprising: a processor; and

a memory device in communication with the processor and storing program instructions thereon, the processor being operative with the program instructions to:

(i) receive a temporary authorisation code initiator from the computing system of the bookings system, the temporary authorisation code initiator: indicating that a user of a payment vehicle has made a booking relating to travel to at least one foreign country; and

identifying at least one of the user of the payment vehicle and the payment vehicle;

(ii) acquire, from the computing system of the bookings system, travel booking details for the booking, the travel booking details specifying, at least:

a first unique identifier associated with the user of the payment vehicle; and

a first travel segment associated with the first unique identifier;

(iii) acquire, from the computing system of the bookings system, confirmation that the first travel segment has commenced;

(iv) set the first unique identifier as an authorisation code for authorising e-commerce transactions using the payment vehicle during the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country; and

(v) receive the authorisation code, from an application in a mobile computing device of the user of the payment vehicle, while making an e-commerce transaction using the payment vehicle during the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country.

20. The device network according to claim 19, wherein the authorisation management server includes a web server and the program instructions include a scripting language module, wherein the processor is further operative with the program instructions to:

determine that the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country is completed; and

upon determining that the first travel segment in the at least one foreign country is completed, disable the first unique identifier so that it can no longer be used to authorise a transaction