SYSTEM FOR AUTHORIZING ACCESS TO RESOURCES AND DISTRIBUTING RESOURCE PROVIDER DEVICES

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 62/140,687, filed March 31, 2015, which is incorporated by references in its entirety for all purposes.

BACKGROUND

[0002] Authorization to access resources is often limited. For example, a resource may correspond with a seat in a venue. A resource provider may limit access to the seat by providing a physical ticket to users. A user can receive the physical ticket from the resource provider and, when the user provides the physical ticket to the venue operator, the user may be allowed access to the seat.

[0003] In some embodiments, a resource provider may be limited to providing physical tickets (e.g., based on constraints set by their computing systems, etc.). In some instances, the resource provider may be small and not appreciate the benefit of providing tickets in other forms. Users that want access to the seat in the venue would be limited to methods identified by the resource provider with little recourse to access the seat otherwise.

[0004] Embodiments of the invention address this and other problems, individually and collectively.

BRIEF SUMMARY

[0004a] According to a first aspect of the present invention, there is provided a method comprising: receiving, by a server computer, from a user device, information identifying a resource provider; accessing, by the server computer, a plurality of resource provider codes in a database; matching, by the server computer, the information identifying the resource provider with at least one resource provider code from the plurality of resource provider codes; determining an account identifier

associated with the resource provider code; and providing the account identifier to the user or a receiver, wherein the account identifier is used during the future transaction.

[0004b] According to a second aspect of the present invention, there is provided a server computer comprising: a processor; a database comprising a plurality of resource provider codes; and a computer readable medium, the computer readable medium comprising code, executable by the processor, to implement a method comprising: receiving, from a user device, information identifying a resource provider; accessing a plurality of resource provider codes in the database; matching the information identifying the resource provider with at least one resource provider code from the plurality of resource provider codes, wherein the resource provider code is used during settlement of a future transaction; determining an account identifier associated with the resource provider code; and providing the account identifier to the user or a receiver, wherein the account identifier is used during the future transaction.

[0005] Embodiments of the invention are directed to authorizing access to a resource without the approval or knowledge of the resource provider. Specific embodiments of the present invention relate to systems and methods for identifying a resource provider for a future transaction and, once identified, generating an account identifier to access the resource provided by the resource provider. For example, a user can request access to the resource by providing a computer with