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- Chair of Secure Pervasive Technologies at the Department of Computer Science, University of Reading, leading the Data Intelligence Research Lab
- Project coordinator of Critical-Chains, and previously VideoSense Centre of Excellence amongst many projected coordinated and led in collaborative international research.
- Pioneered several paradigms and architectures with significant contributions to high impact research and innovation e.g. in the areas of high-speed real-time hardware assisted malware intrusion detection, secure semantic middle-ware framework, IOT-enabled X-as-service, robotic cognitive control, multi-modal multi-media indexing and semantic-cooperative search, image processing, secure computation, context-aware privacy engineering.



Dr. Alper Kanak, [ERARGE - Ergünler Co. Ltd. R&D Center](#)

- R&D Director in ERARGE
- published more than 25 papers in the fields of privacy-security-trust models, biometric security, speech and language technologies, semantic web, smart city, ontology design and image/video processing
- contributed to Turkey's ICT strategies as the national representative
- lead biometric studies and AUTHaaS with a deep focus on ENISA taxonomy, supporting semantic studies and ontology design

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Authentication & Accountability Models in Financial Flows

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Cyber criminals have netted \$4.3 billion from digital currency exchanges, investors and users in 2019.

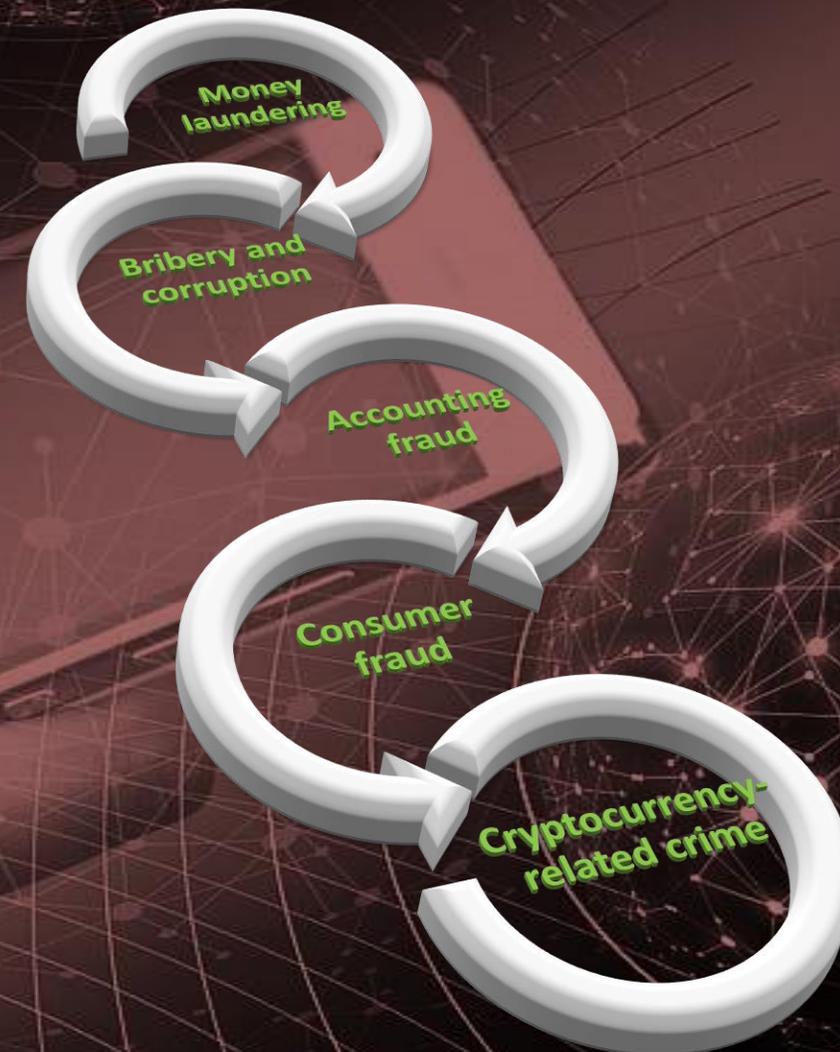
#users attacked by banking malware (like Trojans) was about 900 thousand with ~16% increase as compared to 2017

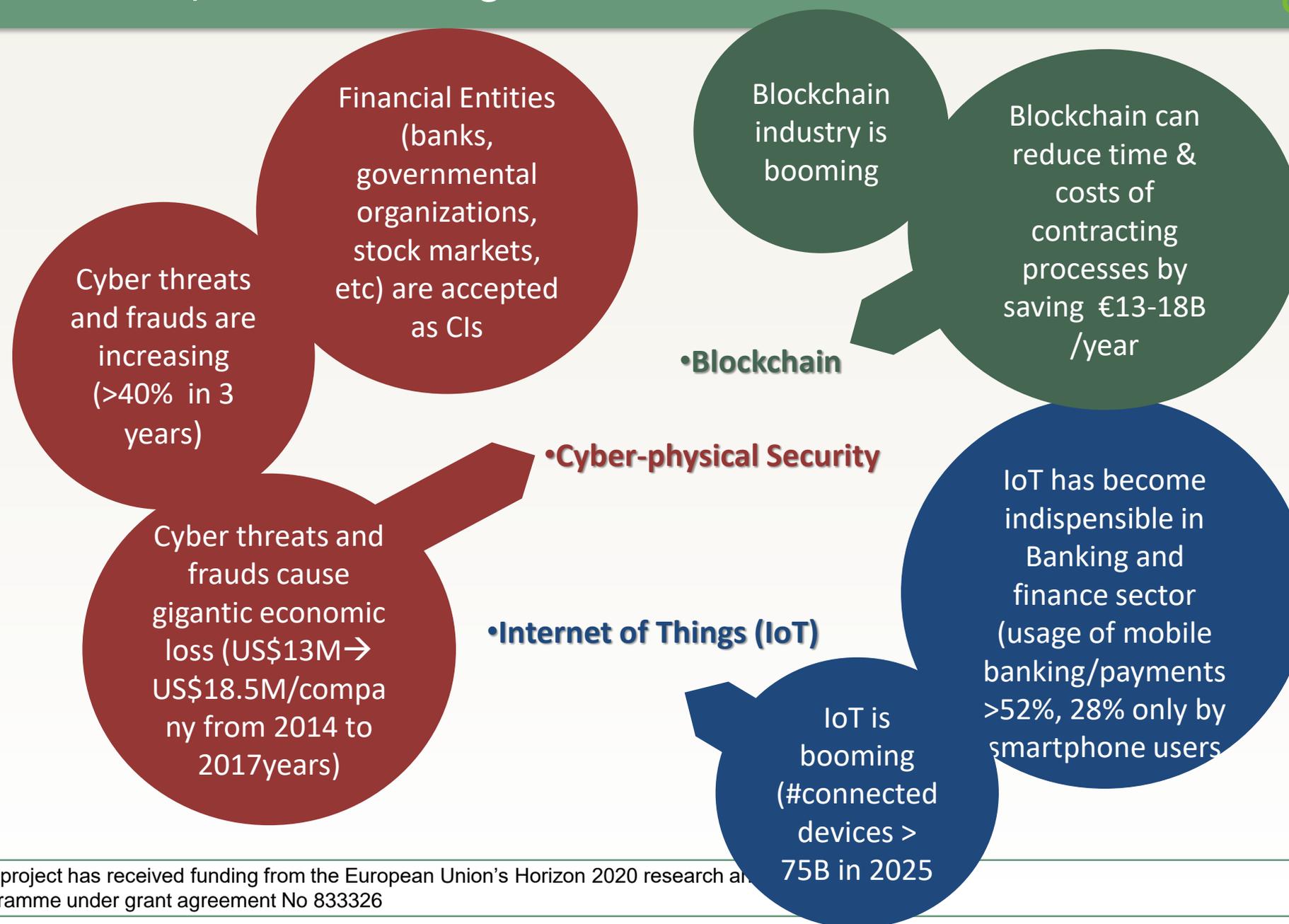
#users who encountered Android banking malware tripled to 1.8 million worldwide.

Cybercrime is the most commonly experienced fraud- 31% globally (2018)

Data analytics detected only 1% of frauds in the UK (compared to a global average of 4%) as of 2018

Digital technologies are profoundly changing the financial sector, but also a source of massive threat





Increased digitization, growing complexity of cyber-attacks certain sectors/subsectors more critically exposed e.g. banking, and financial market infrastructures as part of critical infrastructure

Digitally transformative innovation

Support cyber security, privacy, accountability and efficiency

Standardisation

Enable the rapid adoption of cybersecurity best practices in the domain

Need to promote common standards

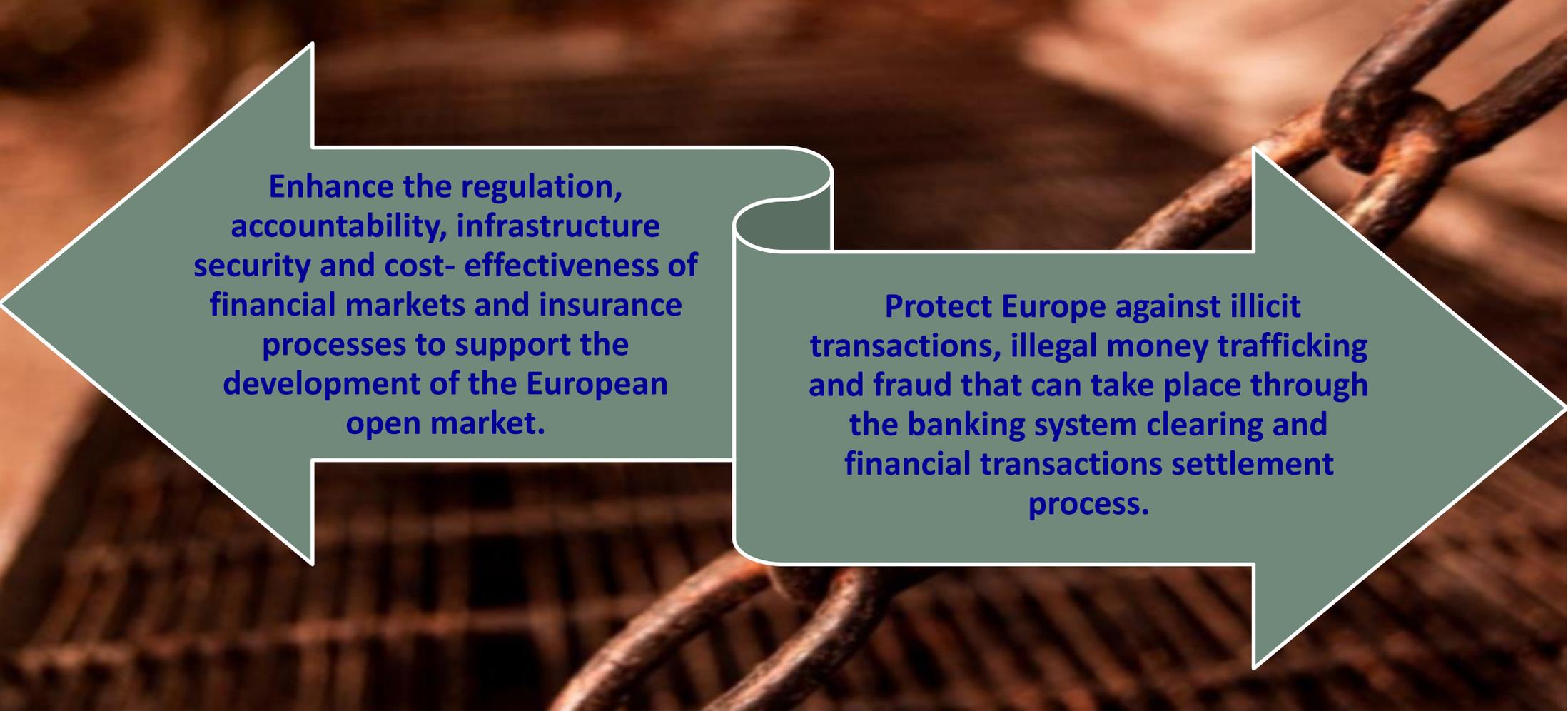
Conducting stress and resilience testing across systemic financial market infrastructures and institutions

Need to ensure harmonised compliance assurance

Compliance Audit required to confirm compliance status of processes

Asymmetries: New Kids on the Block sometimes Operating in a Regulatory Void





Enhance the regulation, accountability, infrastructure security and cost-effectiveness of financial markets and insurance processes to support the development of the European open market.

Protect Europe against illicit transactions, illegal money trafficking and fraud that can take place through the banking system clearing and financial transactions settlement process.

❑ **Critical-Chains Main Framework:**

- Cloud-based data transmission, communication and financial transactions horizontal framework

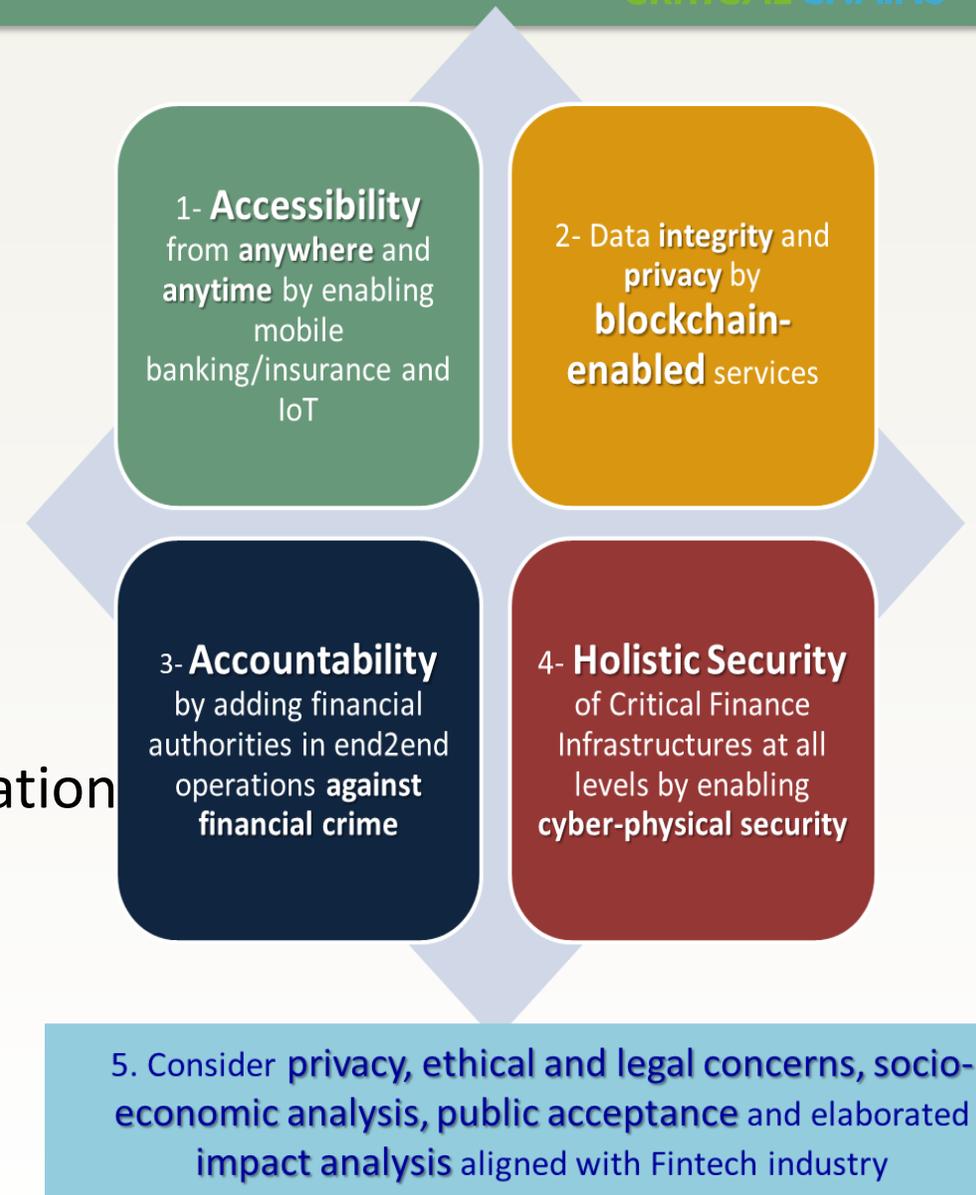
❑ **Cyber-Physical Security as a Service:**

- Blockchain-as-a-Service
- Authentication-as-a-Service: Authentication and authorization services using secure IoT sticks and biometric authentication.
- Cryptography-as-a-Service
- Data and information security and privacy preservation at all layer of cloud

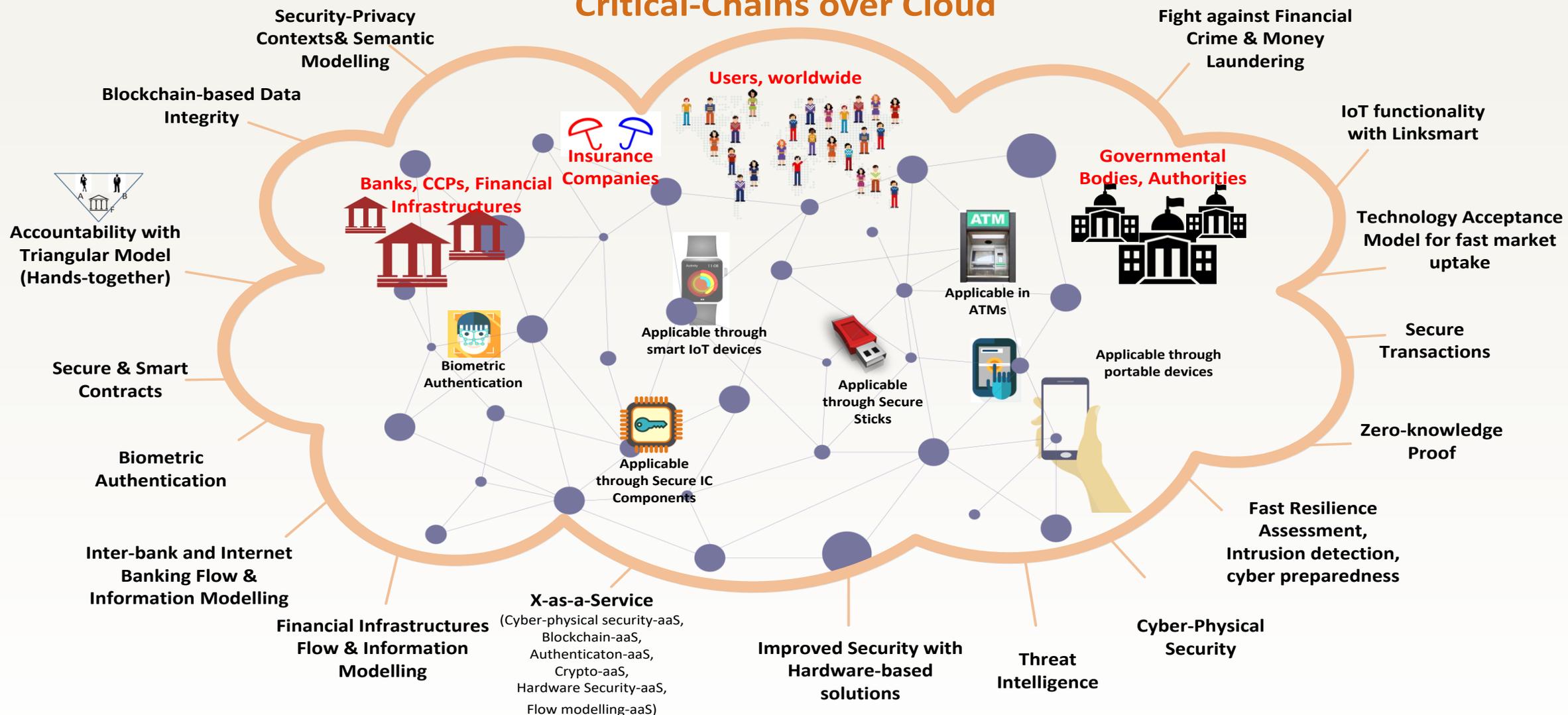
❑ **Flow Modelling-as-a-Service:**

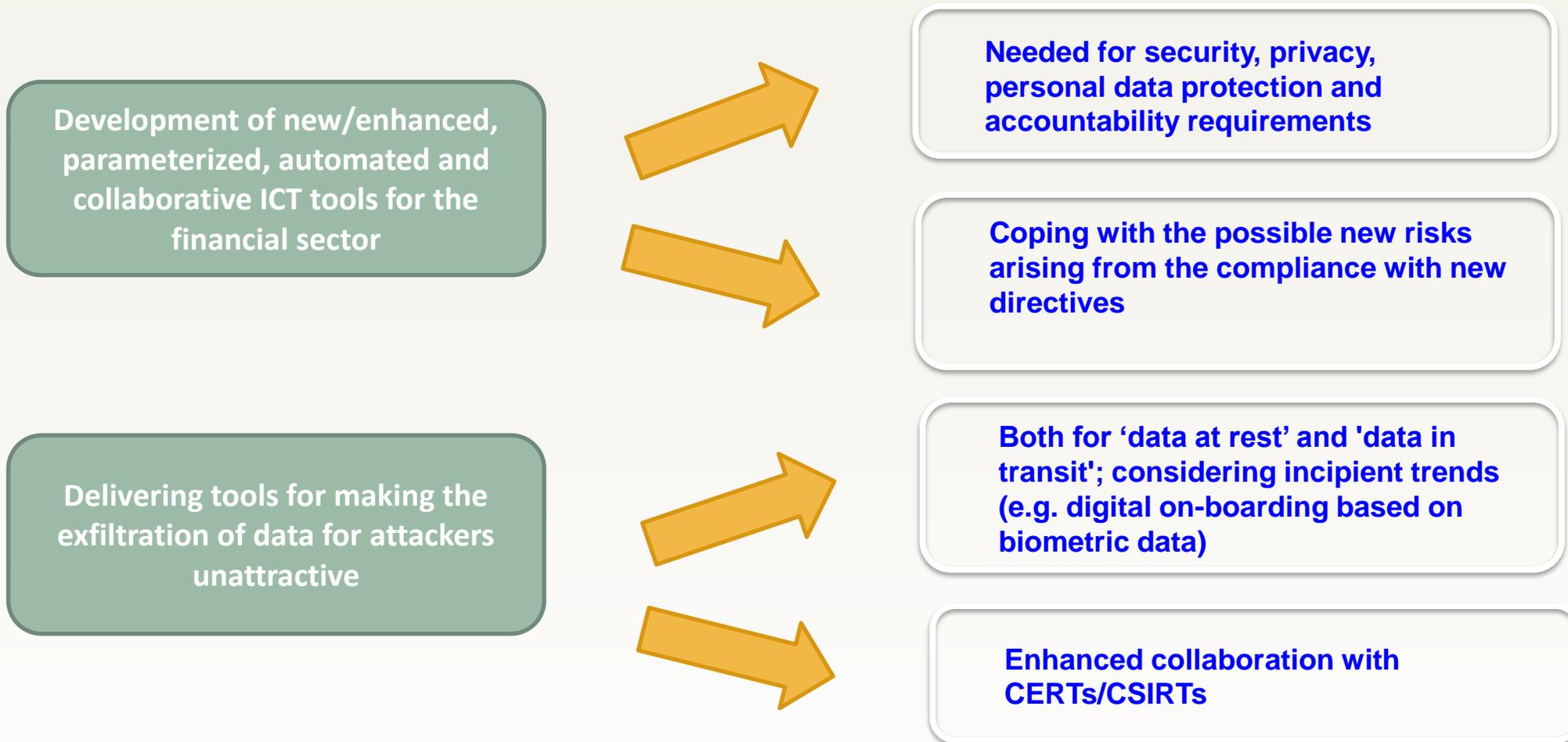
- Data flow and information modelling

❑ **Critical-Chains-supported Compliance Audit**

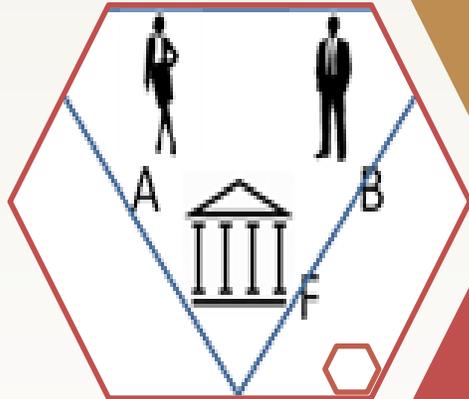


Critical-Chains over Cloud





**Critical-Chains security measures for Blockchain transactions can also be used for cryptocurrencies
TRLs ranging from 5-6 initially and 7-9 as final deliverables**



Elastic cyber-physical security and AI in the form of X-as-a-Service services over an integrated web-based cloud platform (holistic approach)



New authentication/authorisation mode with IoT-enabled cyber-physically-secure sticks and **biometric authentication over blockchain**

More resilience with hardware-based cyber-physical security services in XaaS form and smarter with effective flow and information models

Data integrity with blockchain & Audit and Compliance models applicable to the context.



New accountability model by adding authorities in the decentralised network



Subjective assessment of technology and its uses in practical Fintech world



Use Cases
and
Target
Sectors



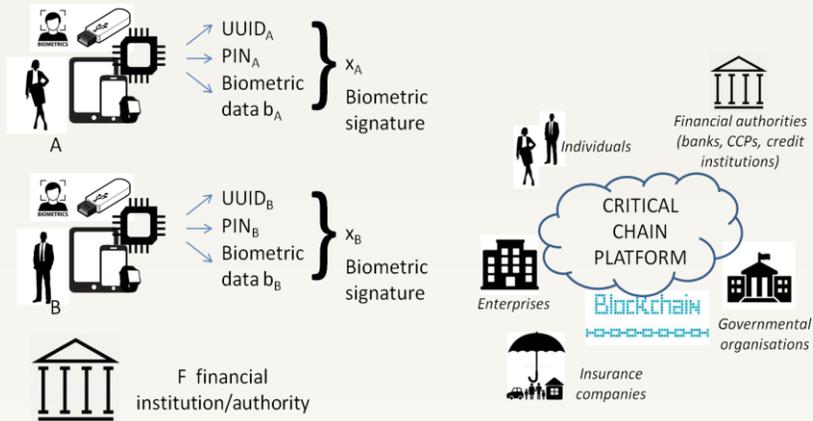
Financial Sector,
Internet Banking,
Inter-Banking,
Clearing



Insurance
Processes

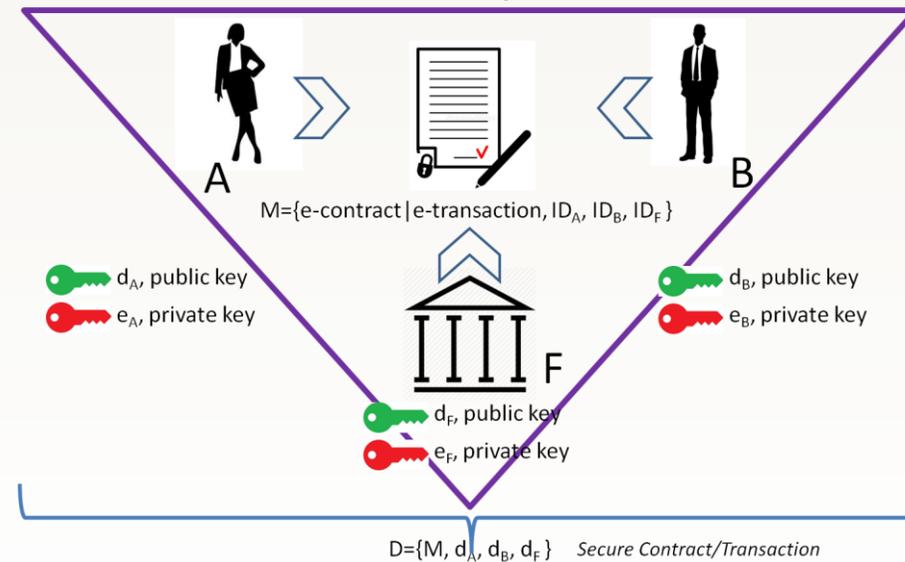


Highway Toll
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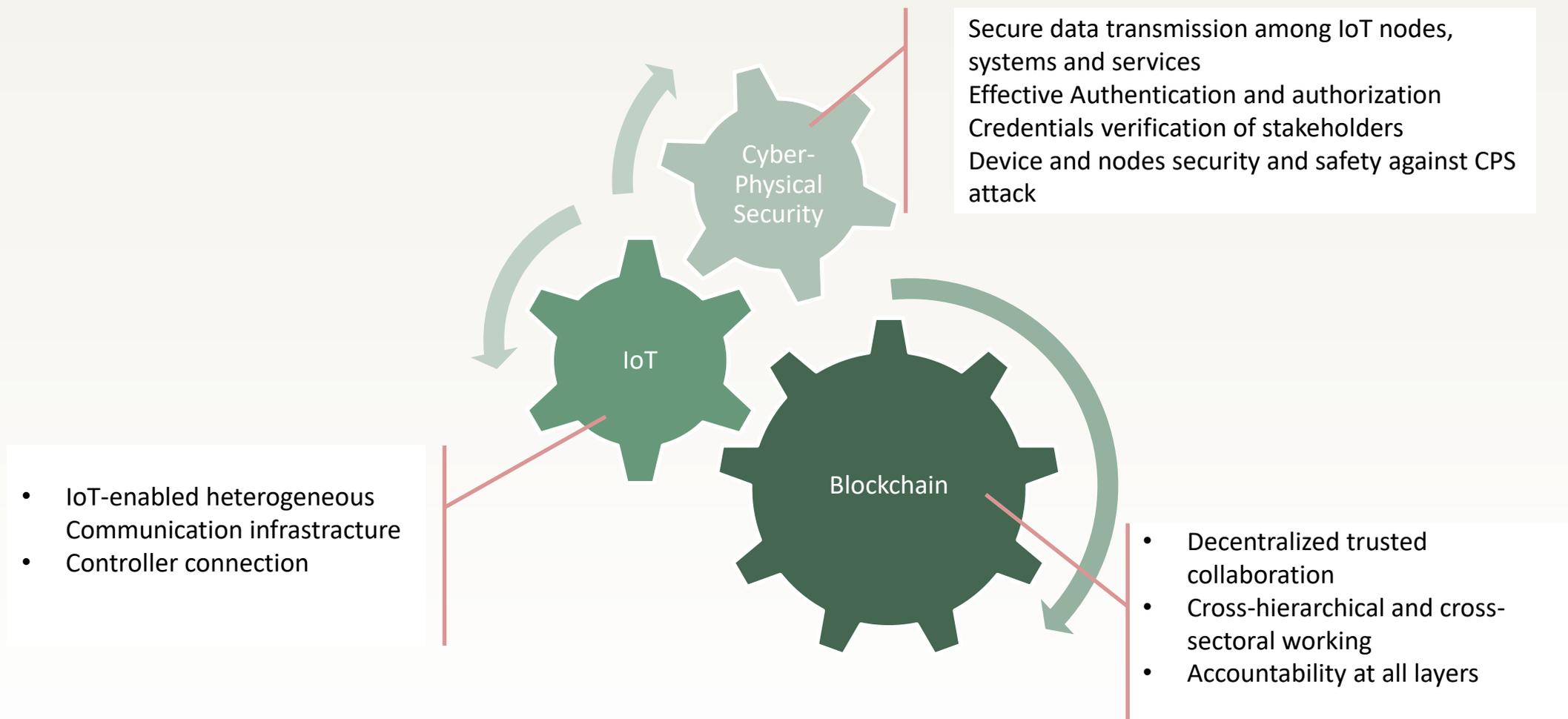


Accountability-by-design
 where financial authorities
 are put in multiparty
 blockchain-enabled triangular
 integrity and security for legal
 framework and further
 accreditation.

Secure Contracts/Transactions



Not only Blockchain can improve accountability and efficiency! We need a holistic approach

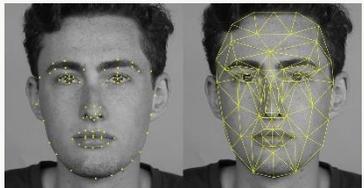




Today's primitive authentication method used in cryptocurrency stock markets (selfie+ photo of ID card and the signed confirmation letter)

Why don't we make authentication to blockchain-based main framework simpler and more secure?
FIDO-compliant Authentication-as-a-Service

Person Authentication



Biometric
(who you are)



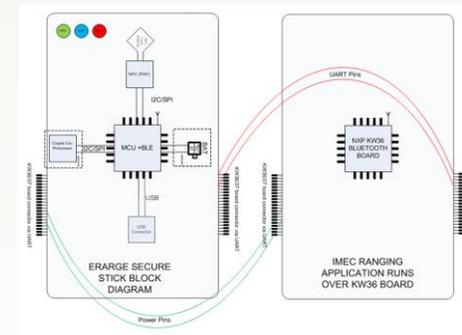
Facial signatures are encrypted and biohashed before loading



Match-on-Device
(what you have+know)



Node Authentication

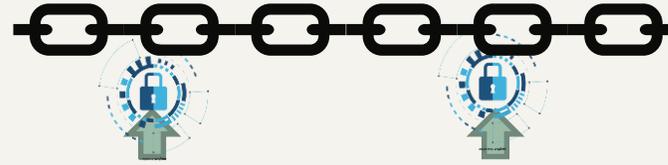


SecureStick, a multipurpose authentication token, designed in Critical-Chains (FIDO- and GDPR-compliant)

Secure Distance Bounding integrated with IMEC's specified BLE chip (designed for IoT-enabled payment systems in Critical-Chains)

Vulnerability Assessment





Why don't we encrypt the data before injecting in the blockchain ?
(if the solutions are **fast** enough with high **throughput** and assure the **security**)

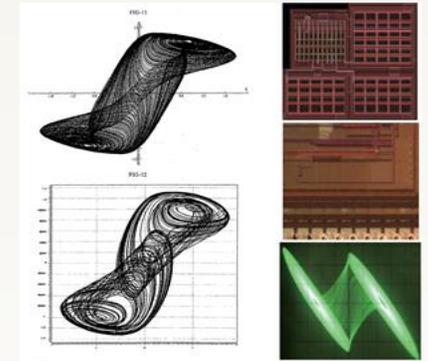


According to **Kerckhoffs's** assumption, a cryptosystem cannot be accepted as secure if the cryptographic keys are **predictable** and the secrets are **cancelable** (once compromised compromised forever).

Pseudo-random number generators (guessable) and Physical Unclonable Functions (**PUFs** - static) are not sufficient

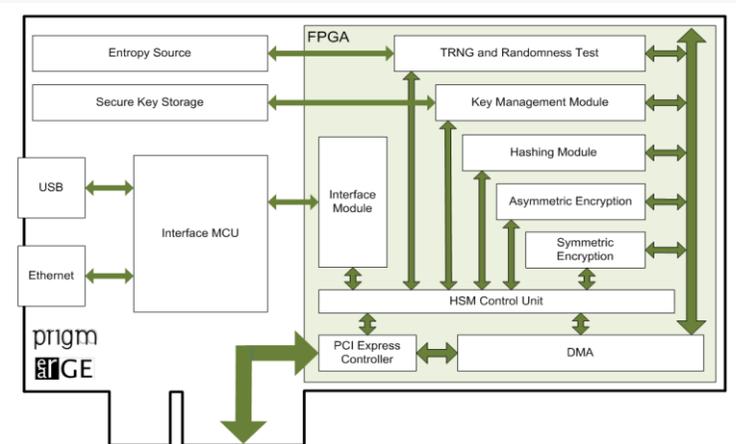
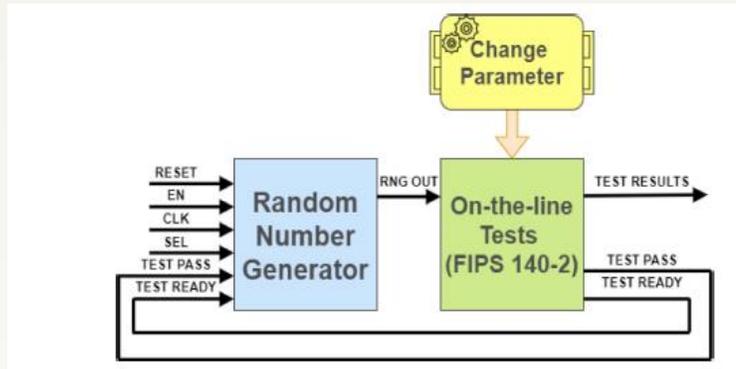
The solution is the hardware-based True Random Numbers applied in **Hardware Security Modules** and node authentication

Variety alternatives improved in Critical-Chains, based on Chaos© theory or ring oscillators, all fulfills NIST-800-22



Prigm©, Hardware Security Module with very high throughput (e.g. up to 1 Gbit/s TRNG), EAL4+ soon

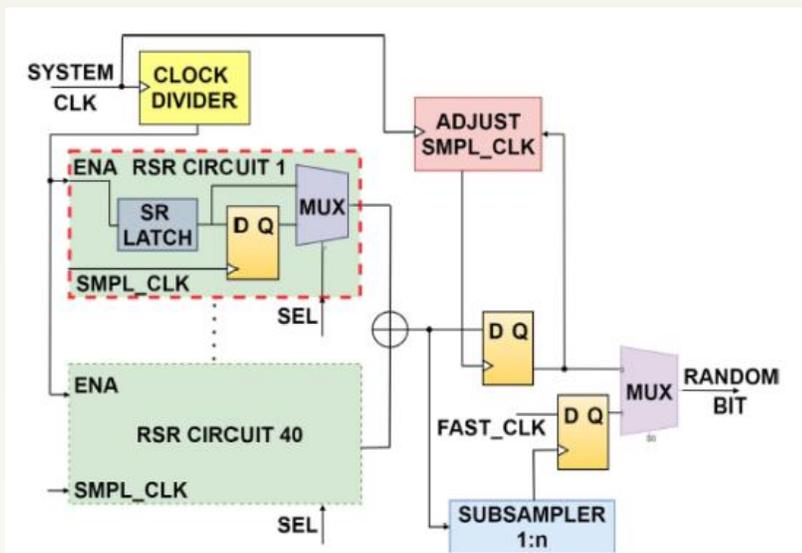




HSM, at server side, enabling

- Hardware Security-as-a-Service (at HW level)
- Crypto-as-a-Service (at SW level)

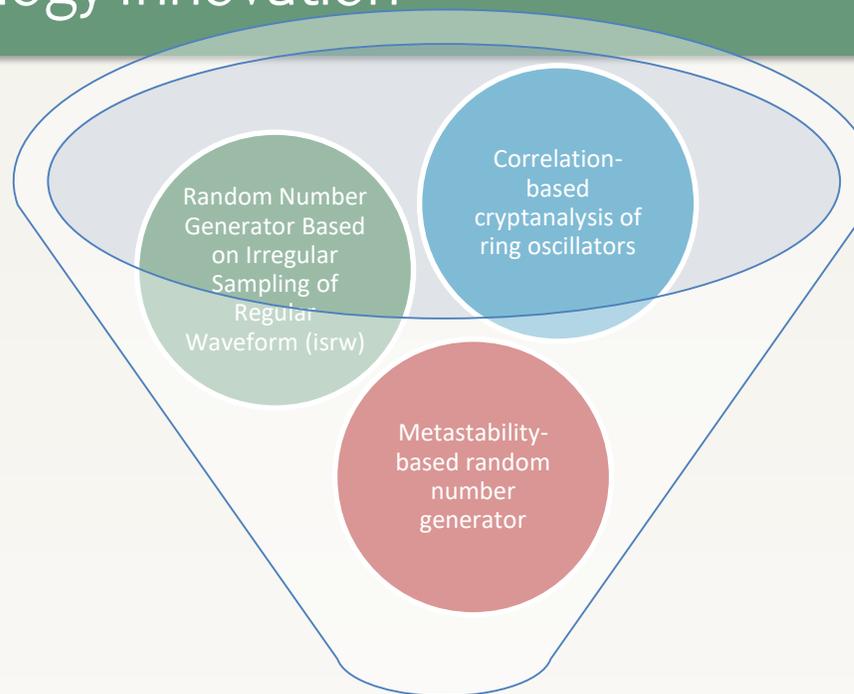
- Utilises the True Random Number Generator
- On-the-line randomness test
- Symmetric and Asymmetric Cryptography (AES, 3DES, ECDSA, RSA, customised algorithms)
- Public Key Cryptosystem (PKCS#11)
- Resilient against tampering attacks
- Very high throughput suitable for big data application
- Background: 12 patents, 50+ papers
- New techniques for vulnerability analysis based on non-linear signal analysis techniques
- 9 international papers so far (1 journal + 8 conf) within the Critical-Chains
- Presentation in 5 conferences



Reconfigurable Transient-Effect based RNG, designed within Critical-Chains

Visibility & Dissemination

- IEEE Asia Pacific Conference on Circuits and Systems (APCCAS)
- IEEE Asian Hardware Oriented Security and Trust Symposium
- International Midwest Symposium on Circuits and Systems (MWSCAS)
- IEEE EUROCON
- IEEE International Symposium on Circuits and Systems (ISCAS)



A More Robust Reconfigurable Transient-Effect based RNG

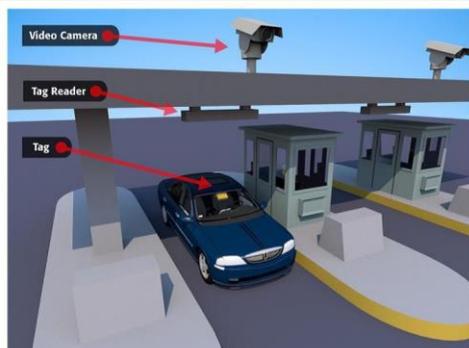
A Robust Random Number Generator Based on Chaotic Ring Oscillators

Cost-effective

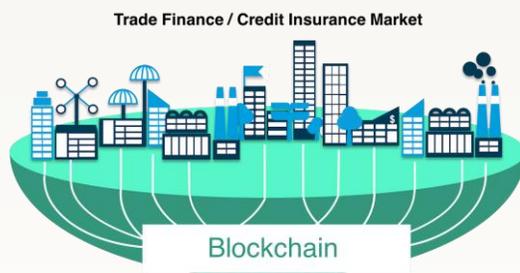
Faster

Both Fulfills FIPS-140-2

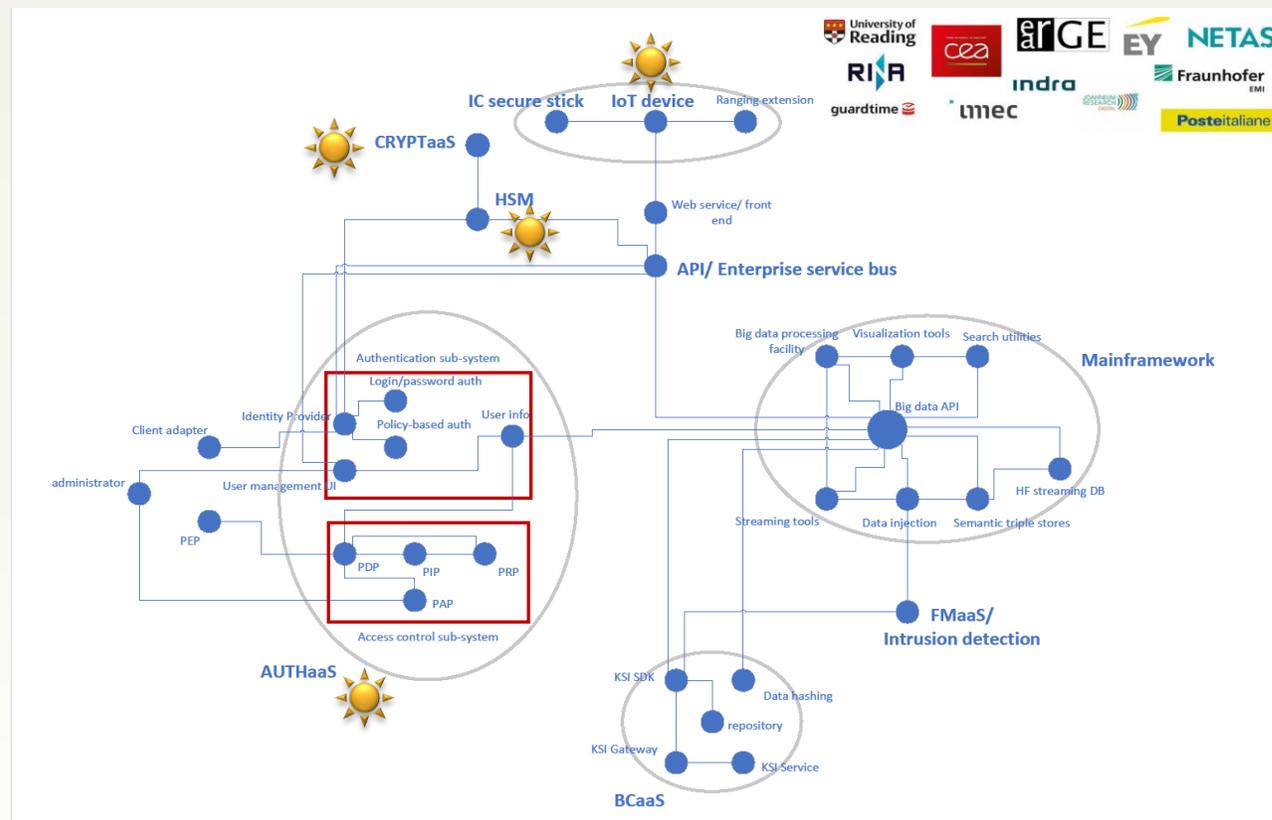




Toll collection,
Secure payment by
BLE-enabled
security tokens and
payment with
cryptocurrencies
(Critical-Chains)



Secure insurance
processes,
accountability in
insurance policies
and field
inspection, credit
scoring, ... (Critical-
Chains)



Hardware-based solutions within the
Critical-Chains main architecture
(special thanks to all partners)



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- Permanent member and active contributor of the European Electronic Crime Task Force
- Certified BCMS Lead Auditor (ISO 22301, ISO27001), member of the FI-ISAC and of the Anti-Phishing Working Group



Marco Avallone, Poste Italiane

- Cyber security specialist at Poste Italiane
- Expertise in Identity Management and Mobile Security topics
- Involved on application security, focused on IAM (Identity and Access Management) Infrastructure, coordinating activities about development and integration of the infrastructure
- Holding various certification related to security and IT field such as security products certifications, CISSP (Certified Information Systems Security Professional), ITIL, and Intermediate (Service Transition) certifications

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eIDAS-compliant authenticated access to the Critical-Chains Framework using the National Digital Identity (SPID)

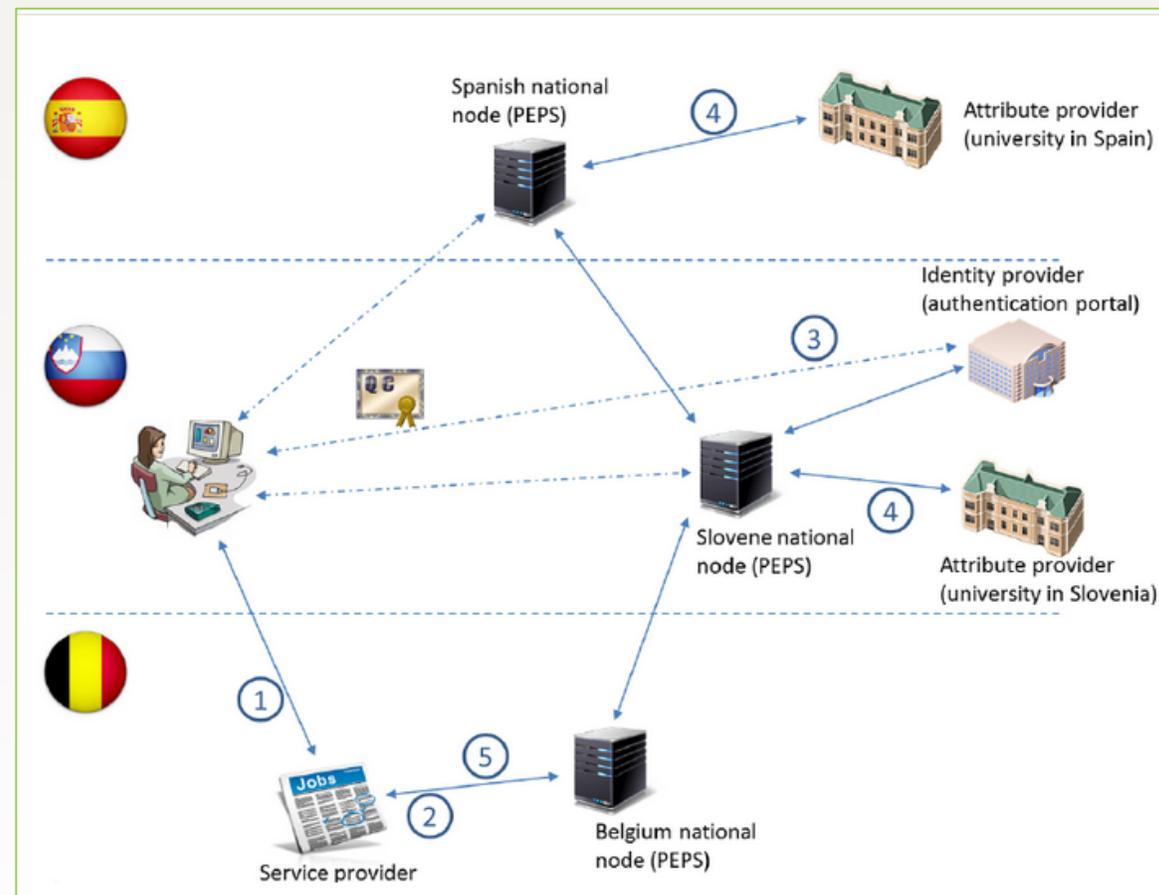
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The *eIDAS Regulation* on Electronic Identification and Trust Services for Electronic Transactions in the Internal Market (Regulation (EU) No 910/2014) was adopted by EU co-legislators on 23 July 2014.

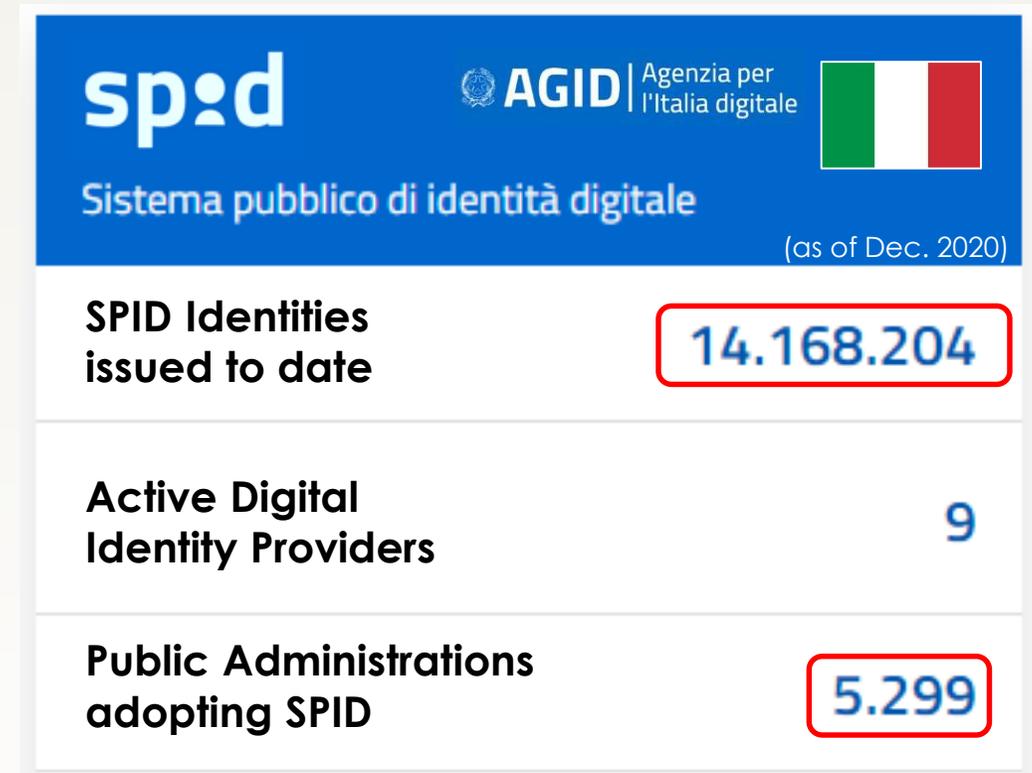
The regulation aims to *promote cross-border cooperation* and the *interoperability* of national digital identity (eID) systems to make it more convenient for *citizens and businesses to access* online public and private services in the various member states.

The cross-border interoperability is enabled by means of *National eIDAS-Nodes* that are currently being rolled-out in all Member States.



Example of an eIDAS Digital Identity cross-border usage scenario

- SPID is the Italian Public Digital Identity System that guarantees all citizens and businesses a single, secure and protected access to the digital services of the *Public Administration and Private Service Providers*.
- SPID identity is issued by *Identity Providers*, private entities accredited by the *National Agency for Digital Italy (AgID)*, which provide digital identities and *manage user authentication* in line with the rules issued.



- Municipalities
- Central Public Administration
- Public Agencies
- Private Companies

- Subsidies for teachers and students
- Basic income of citizenship
- Public pension plans
- e-Health services
- e-Tax services
- e-Payments
- Vouchers
- ...

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Richiesta di accesso da
MyPoste

NOME UTENTE
inserisci e-mail

PASSWORD
inserisci password

Hai dimenticato il nome utente o la password?

ANNULLA ACCEDI

Accedi più rapidamente.
Inquadra il QR Code con l'App PosteID.
Il codice è valido per 87 secondi

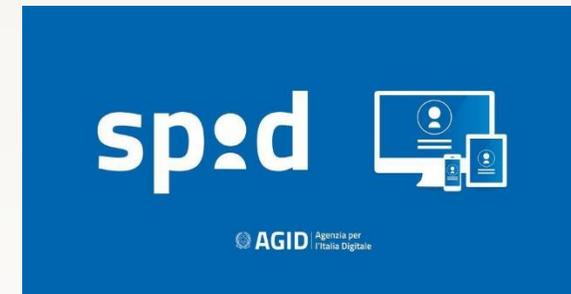
SPID is an eIDAS-compliant ecosystem

Starting from September 2018, SPID is eIDAS-compliant, therefore online digital services offered through SPID are now accessible to European citizens by using their own national digital identity (eID).

Poste Italiane is the biggest Italian Digital Identity Provider and brought into CRITICAL-CHAINS the know-how, technology and experience needed to let EU citizens access our framework's services by means of their National e-ID



eIDAS-
compliant



One of the building blocks in the CRITICAL-CHAINS' framework architecture is the **Authentication-as-a-Service**

The service, will be a complete Identity Access Management (IAM) system, supporting standard authentication protocols and providing Identity Broker functionalities.

Based on this technology, we modified an existing component in order to allow CRITICAL CHAINS' users to authenticate by means of a SPID Digital Identity

On Aug 2020, CRITICAL-CHAINS *successfully completed the integration with SPID Provider Test Environment*



A CRITICAL-CHAINS' - phase 1 - Pilot software is currently under testing, leveraging on SPID identities for users' authentication.

PILOT SCENARIO:

An employee of the public administration, wants to subscribe to a **pension fund** and he wants to do it through CRITICAL-CHAINS because he knows it is much safer than by using other means.



Log In

Username or email

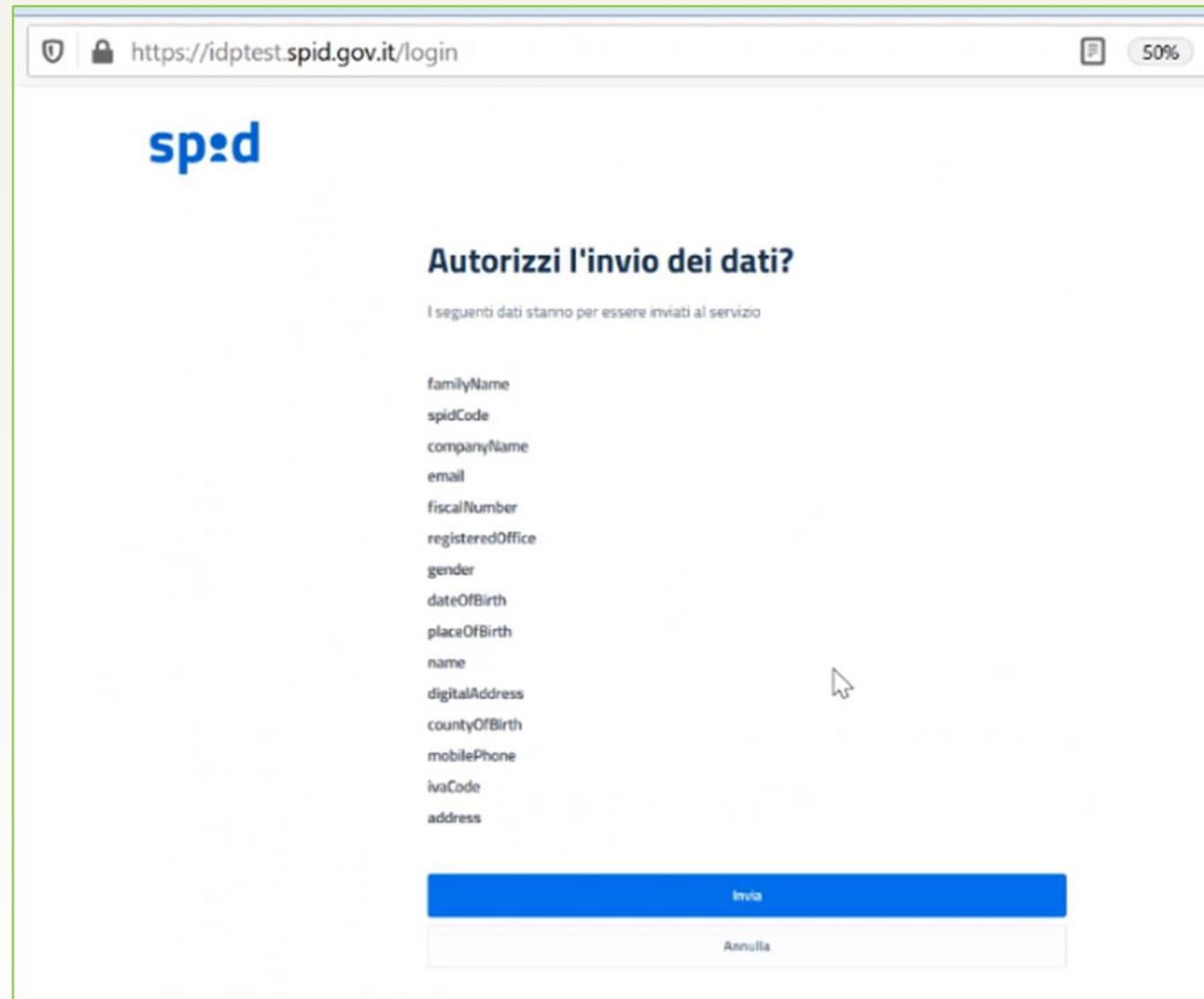
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[Forgot Password?](#)



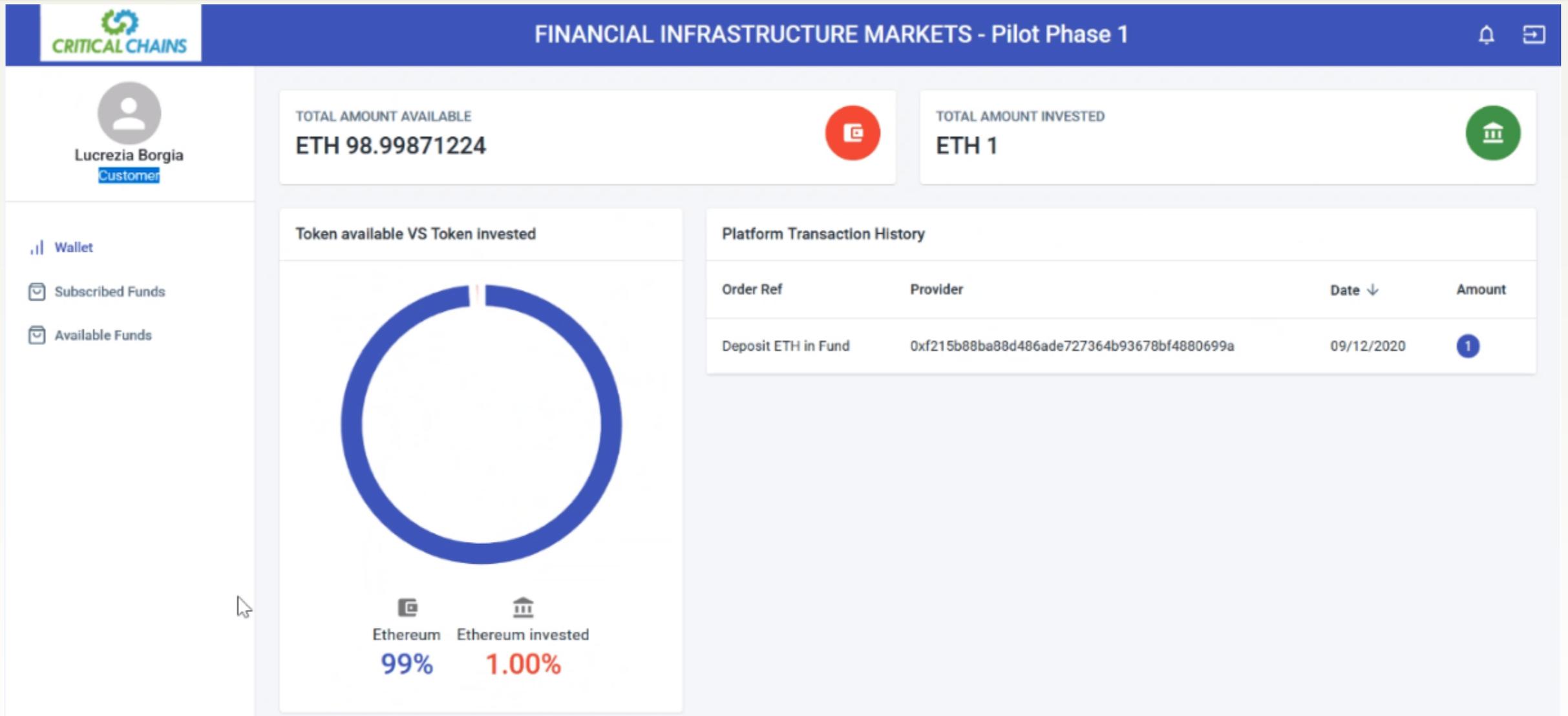
Final version should look like that

The Pension Fund Use Case – Request authorization to share personal infos with the Service Provider



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `https://idptest.spid.gov.it/login`. The page features the SPID logo and a heading **Autorizzi l'invio dei dati?**. Below the heading, it states "I seguenti dati stanno per essere inviati al servizio" and lists the following data fields: `familyName`, `spidCode`, `companyName`, `email`, `fiscalNumber`, `registeredOffice`, `gender`, `dateOfBirth`, `placeOfBirth`, `name`, `digitalAddress`, `countyOfBirth`, `mobilePhone`, `ivaCode`, and `address`. At the bottom, there are two buttons: a blue "Invia" button and a white "Annulla" button.





CRITICAL CHAINS FINANCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE MARKETS - Pilot Phase 1

Lucrezia Borgia
Customer

Lucrezia Borgia
09:42 AM

Profile

First name *	Lucrezia	Last name *	Borgia
Please specify the first name			
Gender	F	Fiscal Number	TINIT-BRGLRZ80D58H501Q
Email Address	lucrezia.borgia@email.com	Phone Number	3495555555
Country of Birth	FE	City of Birth	Ferrara

Demographic field are available just after logging in, thanks to data sent by the Identity Provider according to user's expression of will by the user

Pension Funds Pilot – User requests subscription to the fund

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `cc-pilots-vm2.westeurope.cloudapp.azure.com:3000/app/claim`. The page title is "FINANCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE MARKETS - Pilot Phase 1". The user is identified as "Lucrezia Borgia" (Customer). The left sidebar contains navigation options: "Wallet", "Subscribed Funds", and "Available Funds". The main content area is titled "Claim Financial Digital Asset" and "Test Pension Fund". The form fields are pre-filled with the following information:

- Name: Lucrezia
- Surname: [empty]
- Gender: F
- Social Security Number/Fiscal Number: TINIT-BRGLRZ80D5BH501Q
- Date of Birth: 1980-04-18
- Country of Birth: FE
- City of Birth: Ferrara
- email address: lucrezia.borgia@email.com
- Phone Number: 3495555555

At the bottom of the form, there is a link to "READ CAREFULLY ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS" and a "SUBMIT" button.

The text box with the red border and arrow points to the form fields, indicating that the user's request for a subscription is simplified because the contract's fields are pre-filled.

The user request a subscription and the process is simplified as contract's fields are pre-filled



Pension Funds Pilot – User reads contract's terms and conditions and finally subscribe

FINANCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE MARKETS - Pilot Phase 1



Lucrezia Borgia
Customer

Wallet

Subscribed Funds

Available Funds

Ferrara

email address
lucrezia.borgia@gmail.com

Phone Number
3495555555

READ CAREFULLY ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

TERMS 1.
You'll open your Pension by completing the online application. When you do this we'll set up an account for you and you'll become a member of the scheme.

TERMS 2.
The scheme provides pension accounts for many customers, of whom you are one. The money that you pay in builds up to create your pension pot. The Personal Pension is suitable for eligible customers who want to save towards their retirement, and are happy to make their own investment decisions. You'll have access to a range of investment options to meet your attitude to risk as well as online support.

TERMS 3.
The scheme was established by a declaration of trust and is governed by a set of scheme rules which are required for it to be a registered pension scheme. The investments and money in the scheme are held by the trustee in the trustee's name. Benefits under the scheme are payable by the trustee on our instruction. We'll automatically claim basic rate tax relief from the government, based on the value of your payment, and we'll add it to your Pension by no later than the end of business the following working day.

TERMS 4.
If you pay one of the higher rates of income tax, you may be entitled to receive tax relief at the higher rate, but you'll need to claim the additional relief through your annual self-assessment tax return. You will select how your Pension is invested according to your preferred level of risk and the Funds available. Your investment will be administered by us and assets will be held by the trustee. We may use other firms to support us in the performance of our administration duties. From time to time we may add or remove assets.

TERMS 5.
Where regulation and/or changes to legislation materially increase the cost and/or the complexity of the administration to us of holding a particular asset. We can't accept any responsibility for losses, costs and/or legal fees that may be incurred as a result of your investment choices. The value of your Pension savings can go down as well as up.

TERMS 6.
We may change the Funds available for you to invest in your Pension from time to time. If we remove a Fund from the range available in your Pension it may mean that you need to choose an alternative Fund. If the Fund you're invested in is removed from the available Funds we may either ask you to choose a new Fund or we may automatically move you to an alternative Fund as we deem appropriate. We'll notify you by email if the Funds available change and if the Fund you're invested in is affected, giving you at least 30 days' notice before any such change takes effect. Any cash you hold in your Pension that's not invested will be held in a bank account in the name of the trustee. You'll be able to see the value of the cash held in your Pension at any time, by logging onto My Account. The bank account your cash is held in does not attract interest and therefore you won't receive any return on any cash balance you hold in your Pension.

Accept all the terms and conditions

SUBMIT



Pension Funds Pilot – Digital Money is transferred to the fund

CRITICAL CHAINS

FINANCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE MARKETS - Pilot Phase 1

Lucrezia Borgia
Customer

TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE
ETH 85.99653376

TOTAL AMOUNT INVESTED
ETH 10

Token available VS Token invested

Category	Percentage
Ethereum	90.57%
Ethereum invested	9.43%

Platform Transaction History

Order Ref	Provider	Date ↓	Amount
Deposit ETH in Fund	0xf215b88ba88d486ade727364b93678bf4880699a	11/12/2020	10

Contract is executed, digital money is transferred from personal wallet to the fund

Pension Funds Pilot – User can check contract conditions anytime

CRITICAL CHAINS FINANCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE MARKETS - Pilot Phase 1

Lucrezia Borgia
Customer

Owned Financial Assets

Name: Test Pension Fund **Provider:** Financial Provider **Provider's Address:** 0xf215b88ba88d486ade727364b93678bf4880699a

Description: Pension funds are financial intermediaries which offer social insurance by providing income to the insured persons following their retirement. Often they also provide death and disability benefits. Pension schemes are important cornerstones of European households' income during retirement. Pension funds also play a role in financial markets as institutional investors. Pension funds typically aggregate large sums of money to be invested into the capital markets, such as stock and bond markets, to generate profit (returns). A pension fund represents an institutional investor and invests large pools of money into private and public companies. Pension funds are typically managed by companies (employers). The main goal of a pension fund is to ensure there will be enough money to cover the pensions of employees after their retirement in the future. Pension funds were created to provide employees with a supplementary pension, in addition to the pension paid by public social security institutions. State pensions usually operate through the principle of redistribution (workers' social security contributions fund the pensions of already retired workers). Through pension funds, workers accrue a portion of the income they receive during their working life, according to the principle of capitalisation: regular payments by the subscribers contribute to a fund managed along financial lines, according to the clients' risk tolerance. Clients can choose among various types of managed funds: shares, bonds or balanced funds. At the end of the agreement, typically a long-term contract, ideally lasting the full working life of the insured, a monthly annuity is paid. This varies according to the contributions made, the duration of the policy and the return on the investment. Pension funds can be open or closed (also known as negotiated funds). Open funds are available to any person in employment, while closed funds are reserved for specific professional categories, as the funds are established on the basis of agreements between trade unions and business organisations for specific industries. Further individual supplementary pension plans are available to anyone wishing to create a supplementary pension (including, for example, people not in employment or students). These are personal pension plans, which provide more investment flexibility and allow people to stop, and later resume, payments into the pension without penalties and without having to break the contract. Payment of benefits to the policyholder are ruled by the same constraints are for collective funds (e.g. full payment into a lump sum is not allowed).

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Pension Funds Pilot – Fund manager’s view on Dashboard

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Order Ref	Customer Name	Customer Address	Date ↓	Amount
Deposit ETH in Fund	Borgia	0x41de9b31d901a20b73d3277e39dccc780b96a37c	11/12/2020	10
Deposit ETH in Fund	Fieramosca	0xc6d310582f0c9812d973b26dd25102417840e3fa	11/12/2020	15

A red arrow points to the amount "15" in the second row. Below the table is a "Pension Funds" section with a "Test Pension Fund" entry and a "CREATE" button.

The Fund Manager has also evidence of the fund transfer by using the Dashboard



SPID/eIDAS integration in CRITICAL-CHAINS' Auth-as-a-Service building block, effectively opens to cross-border usage scenarios of the entire framework as the developed Pilot demonstrates. At the same time, by supporting with our technologies the European standard for eID authentication, we are open to a very-wide audience of potential users.

Furthermore, usage of Qualified Digital Identities in banking and financial applications enabled by the CRITICAL-CHAINS framework, could greatly simplify some heavy and costly operational processes like customer on-boarding, KYC processes or simply the customer identification phase thus paving the way to CRITICAL-CHAINS' "on field" exploitation.





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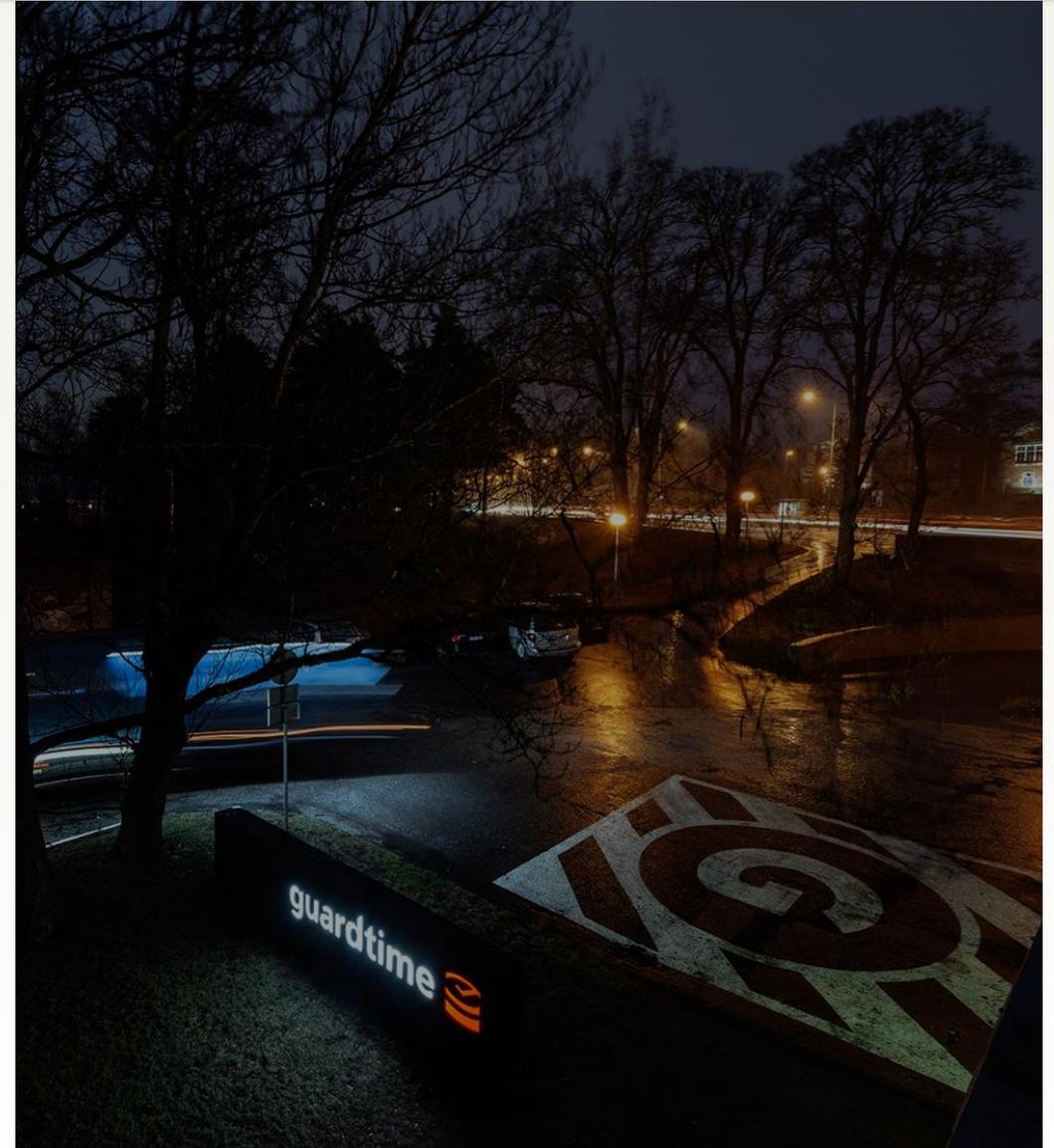


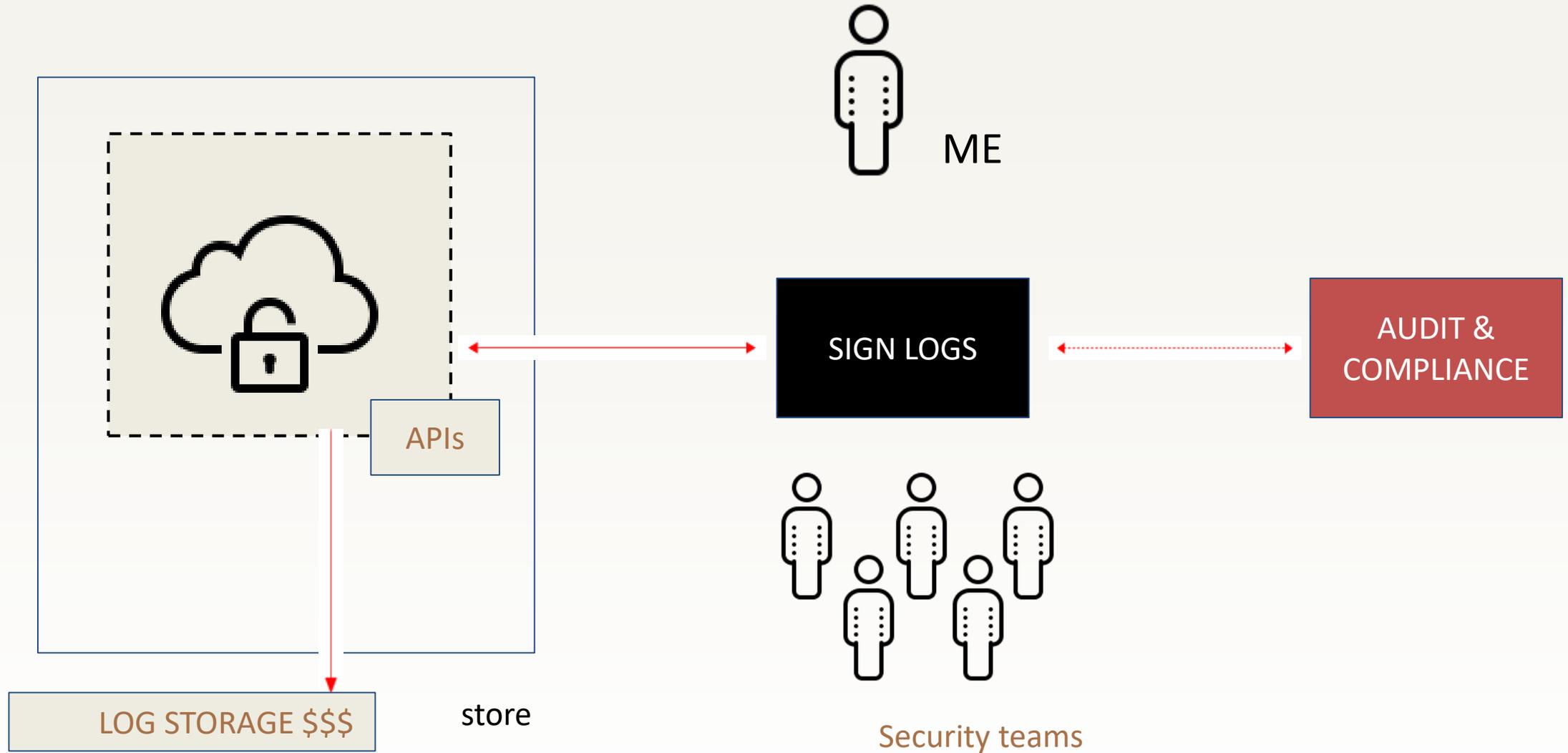
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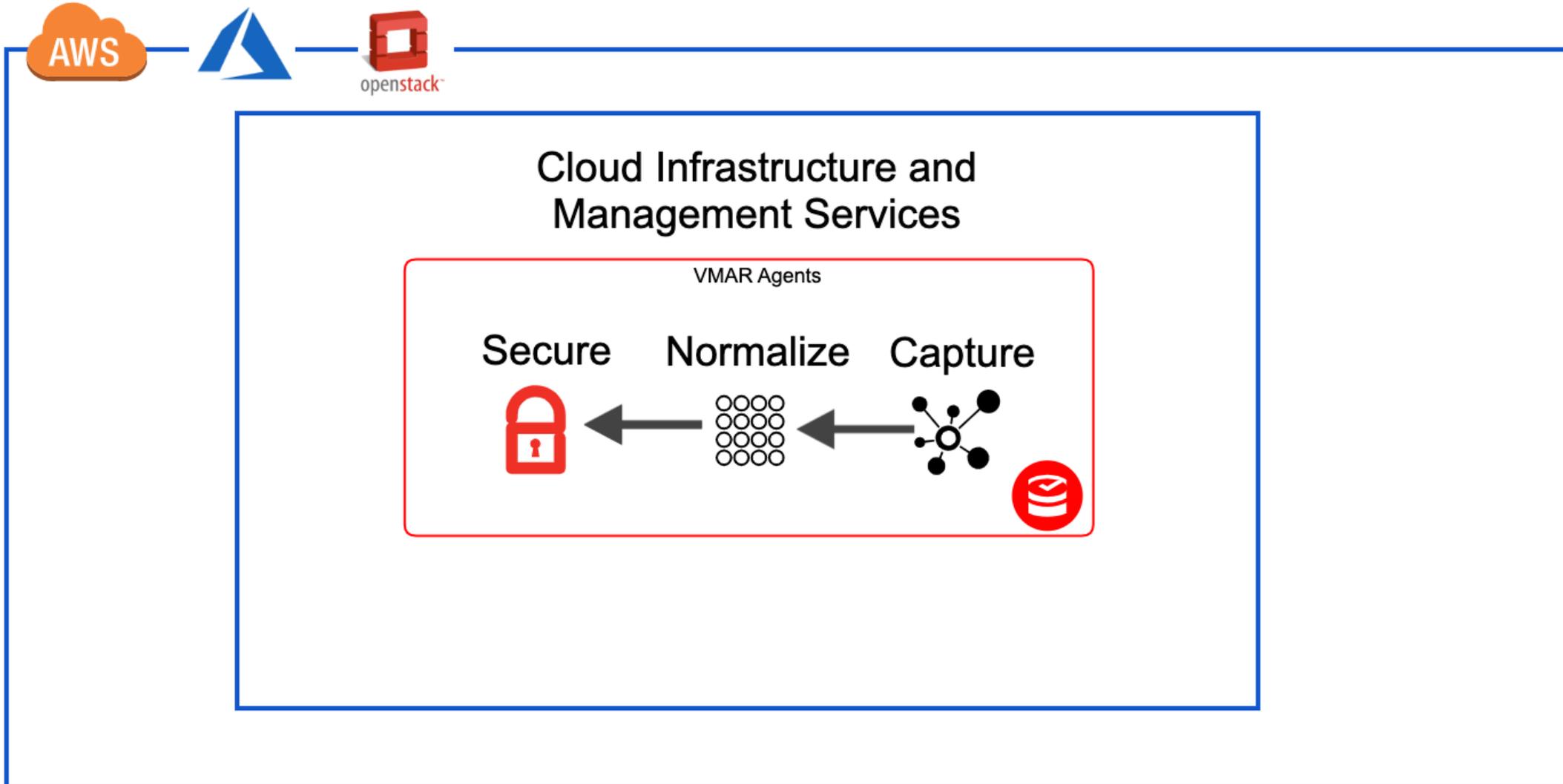
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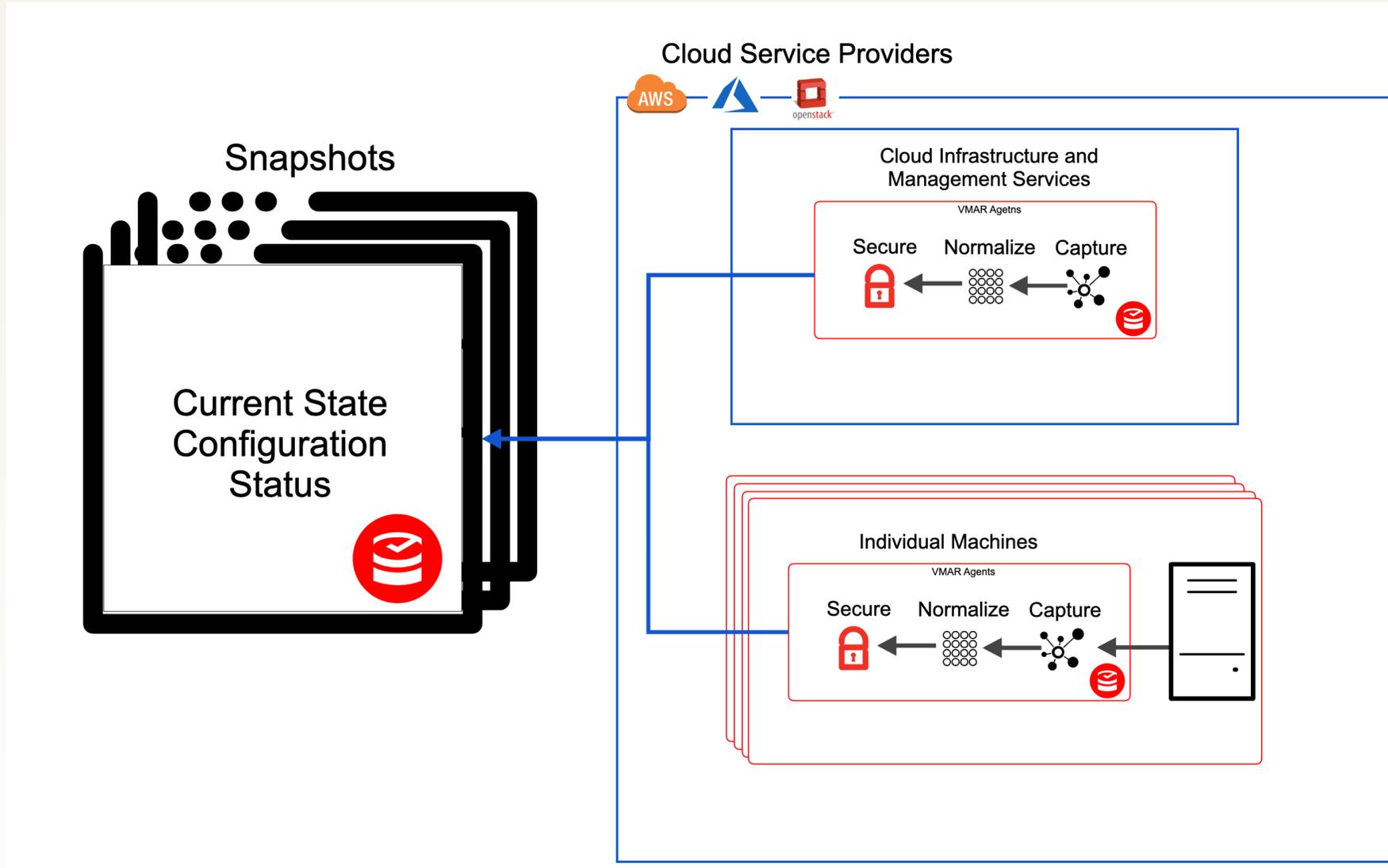


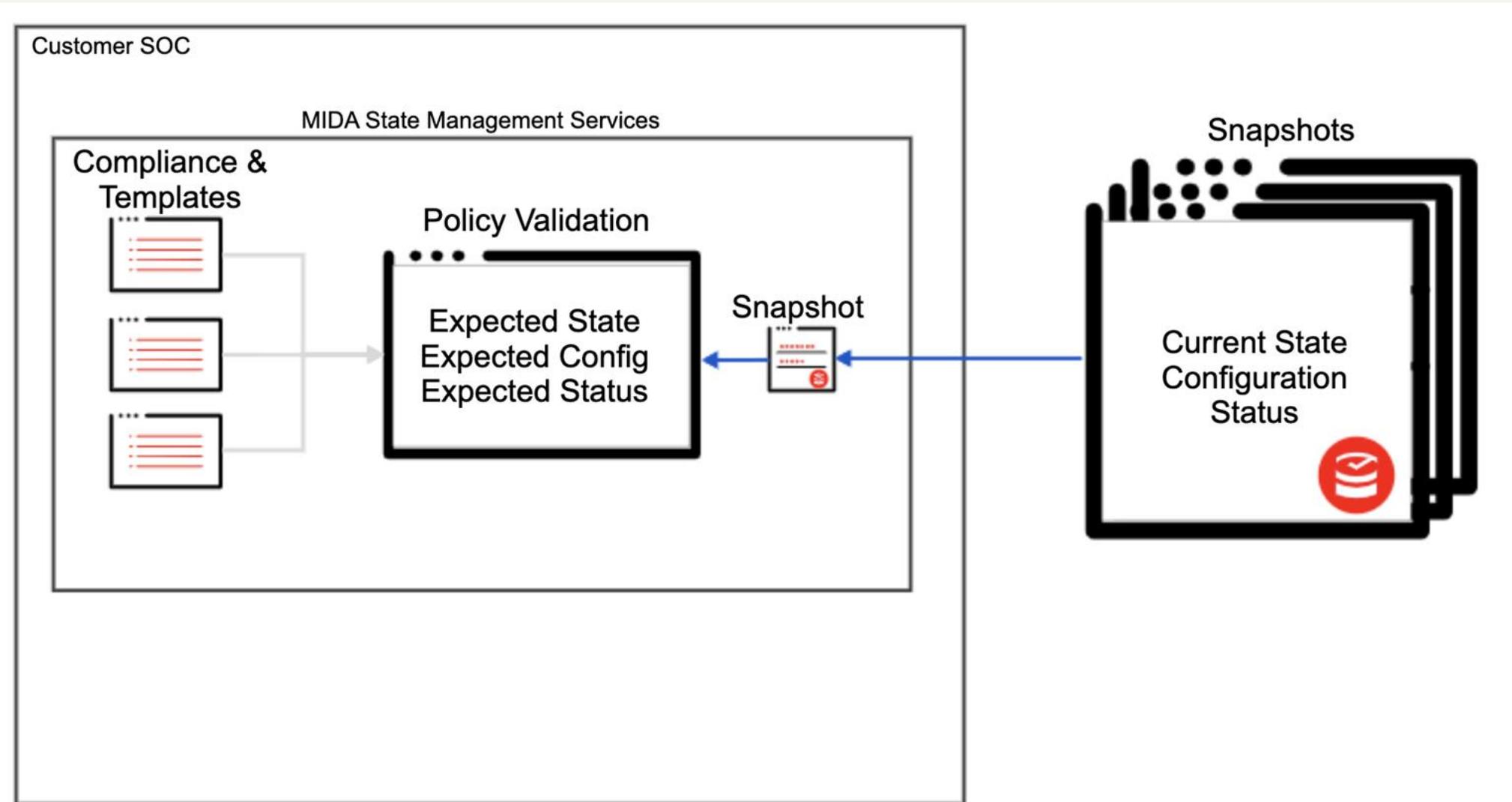
- + **FOUNDED:** 2007 in Tallinn, Estonia
- + **VALUE PROPOSITION:** The *only* blockchain technology platform that is proven to work at scale, used in production to solve data management and cybersecurity challenges.
- + **SECTORS:** Finance, Insurance, Telecoms, Space, Health, Defense, Government
- + **REFERENCES:** Lockheed Martin, Airbus, European Space Agency, Maersk, Ericsson, Verizon, UK NHS, Governments (US, China, EU, Estonia, Netherlands, etc.)
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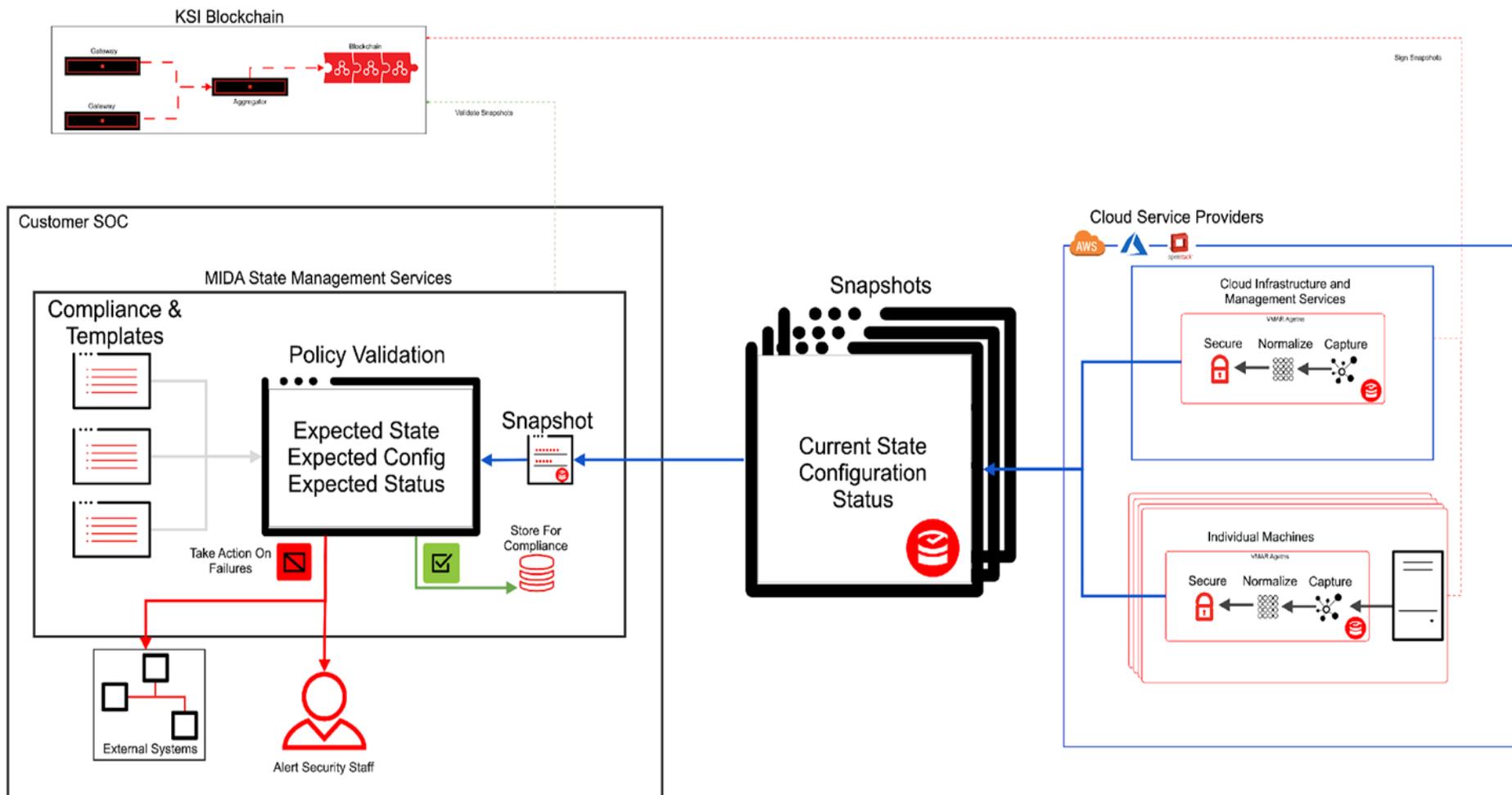


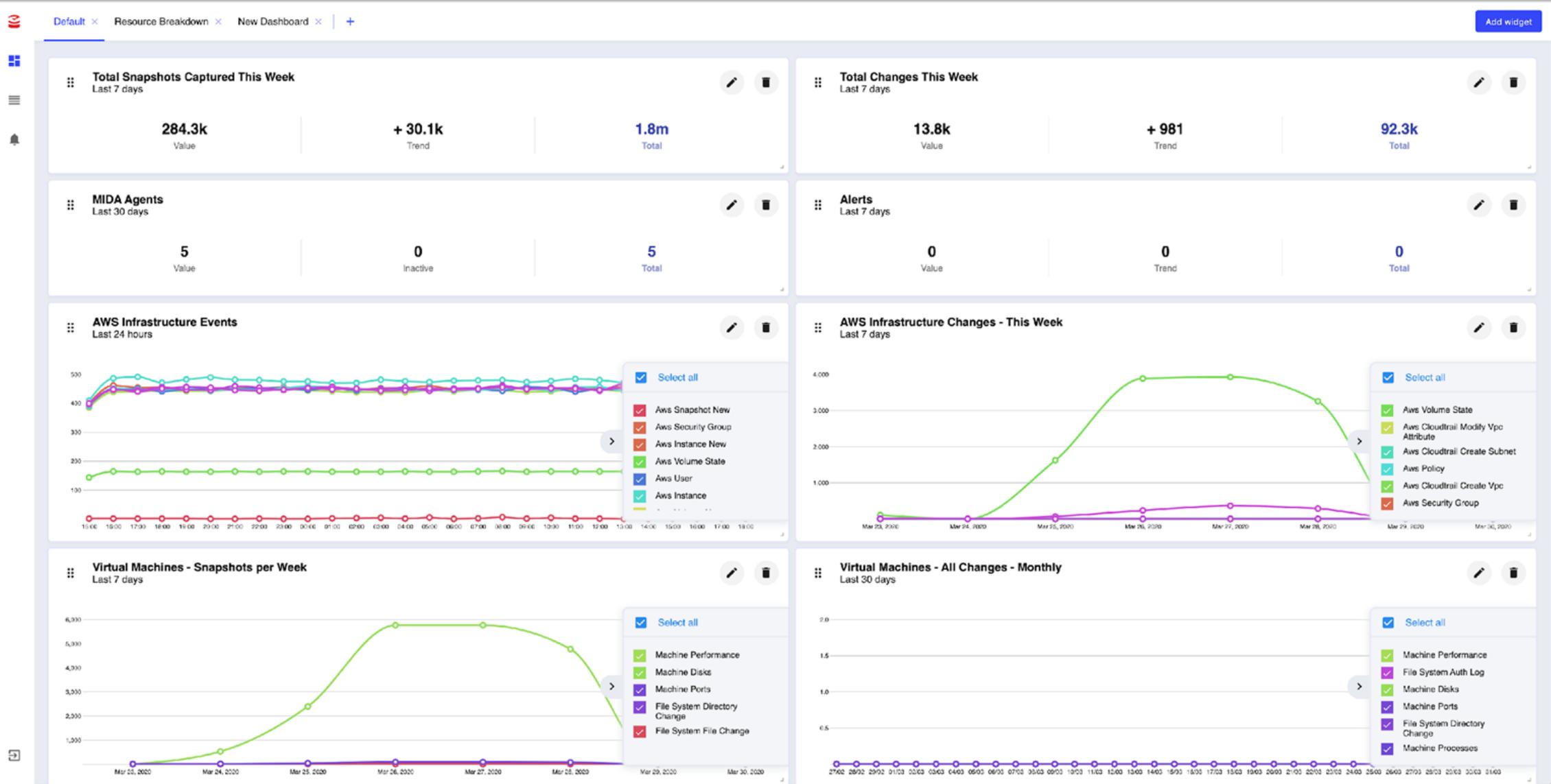












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QA Session



Session 2: Regulatory Harmonisation & Compliance Technological Enablers for the Financial Sector

Moderator:

- **Ivan Tesfai**, RINA

Topics:

- **Digital Identity and the Biometric Pattern** as a Key Factor in Authentication
- **Regulatory Disharmony & Disruptive Technologies** in the Financial Sector
- **Cyber Security Awareness**: A Pre-emptive Move Against Cyber-Threats
- **Artificial Intelligence, Data Protection & Cybersecurity** in the Fintech Sector

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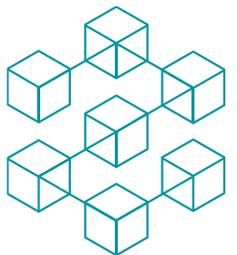
Digital identity and the biometric pattern as a key factor in authentication

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What is digital identity?

The digital identity is the Electronic Alter Ego of a person together with all the information and attributes related to it.

One of the challenges associated with digital identity comes from ensuring trust in transactions in a medium such as the Internet.

IDENTIFICATION vs AUTHENTICATION

Identification

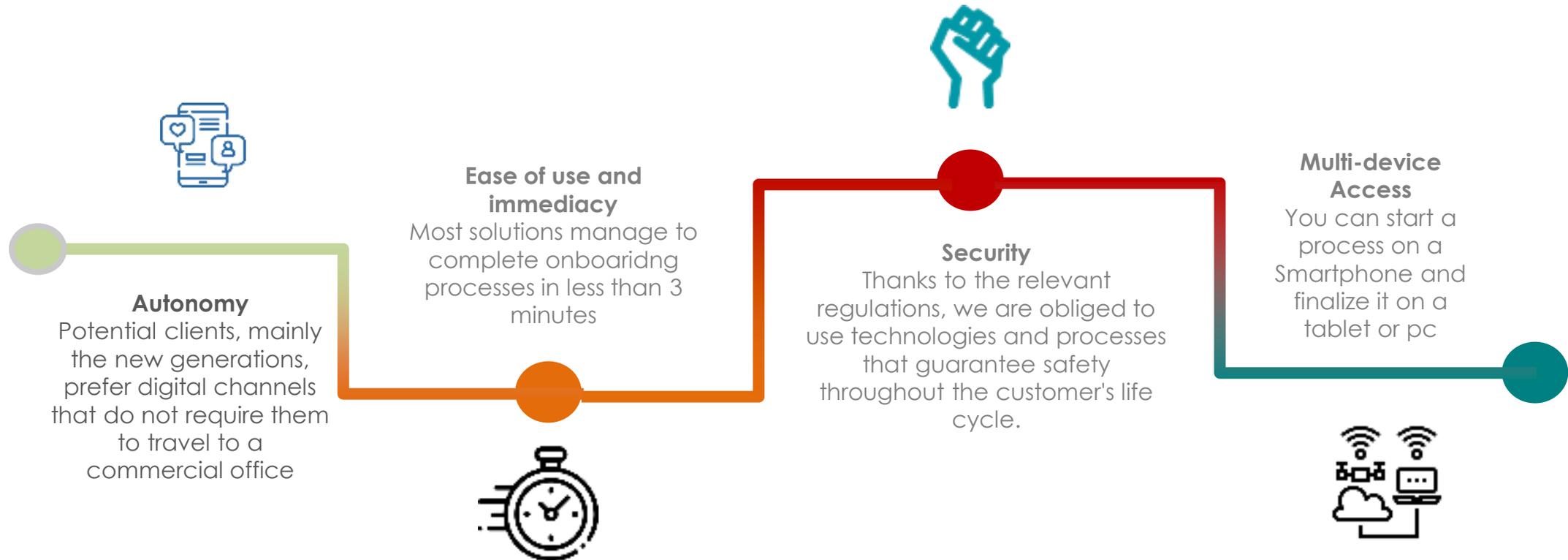
Is the ability to uniquely identify a user of a system or an application running on the system.

Authentication

Is the ability to prove that a user or an application is really who that person or application claims to be.

Digital identity as key element

From the users' point of view...



Biometrics pattern as key element

What is biometrics?

Biometrics is the science of analysing the physical characteristics of people.

The objective of using biometrics is to confirm the identity of our clients in order to ensure access to our applications, normal operations and to contract new services.

Biometric authentication is the process in which the data of a customer's characteristics are compared with a pre-established template established in an initial registration, in order to look for similarity.



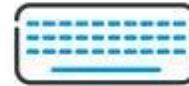
Facial
recognition



Voice
recognition



Fingerprint



Behavioral
biometrics



Emerging
biometrics

Biometrics pattern as key element

Depending on the channel in which you operate it is more advisable to use some biometrics or others

Non-presential channels

Type	Mobile	Web	By telephone
Facial	Adequate	Adequate	Null
Dactilar	Adequate	Null	Null
Iris/Retina	Limited	Limited	Null
Voz	Adequate	Limited	Adequate

Presential channels

Type	Office
Facial	Adequate
Dactilar	Limited
Iris/Retina	Limited
Voz	Adequate

Adequate: the type of biometrics reasonably and completely covers the needs of the channel

Limited: the type of biometrics covers the needs of the channel in a technically limited way or would require proprietary hardware and additional support for reasonable security beyond the customers' own standard devices.

Null: the type of biometrics cannot be used in this channel or has a very high limitation.

Biometrics pattern as key element

User experience is influenced by registration types

Biometrics type	Complexity of the process
Facial	Low
Dactilar	Medium
Iris/Retina	High
Voz	Medium

High: the user interacts in the registration process and the interaction is high and complex due to its technical requirements.

Medium: the user interacts in the additional registration process but the interaction is minimal and simple due to its technical requirements.

Low: the user does not interact in the registration process. The registration could be done automatically and without extra steps in the customer's KYC enrolment process.

Biometrics pattern as key element

Benefits of using biometric patterns



Security

Computers have the ability to effectively evaluate user identities, in order to allow an operation to be completed.



Easy to use

Compared to traditional systems using cards, keys and passwords



Can't be forgotten

They cannot be lost or forgotten. Nor can they be forged or stolen.



Accessibility

No one is excluded, we all have unique biometric characteristics.



Increased privacy

It helps to increase the security of the transmission of customers' personal data, as it encrypts them using a unique and personal key



Cost reduction

Maintenance costs are reduced.



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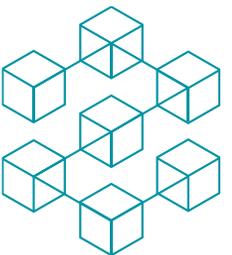
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Regulatory Disharmony & Disruptive Technologies in the Financial Sector

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Regulatory Disharmony

Disruptive Technologies

CyberSec4Europe is a research-based consortium ...

... with 50+ partners in 22+ European countries ...

... working across four different but inter-related areas with a strong focus on openness and citizen-centricity ...

... one of four projects piloting a **European Cybersecurity Competence Centre** and network of competence centres

Open Banking is a featured topic:

- A demonstrator use case
- In short, medium and long term roadmapping
- Involving Groupe BPCE, ABI Lab, UPS-IRIT and NEC as well as CaixaBank, Poste Italiane

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Regulatory Disharmony

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Regulatory Divergence

Differences in national regulations are not converging quickly enough. Leading international companies practise ‘regulatory arbitrage’ choosing the most favourable regulatory environment – where

- the control of data is weakest
- the regulator most tolerant
- the costs least
- the processes most electronified
- their most relevant regulations are interpreted in the most industry-friendly way.

Hence, in the “single” market, there is no level playing field and large regulatory divergence.

Regulatory Divergence

This fragmented situation massively favours large companies which have large compliance offices to analyse the complexity and can set up their headquarters where it suits them best and give them the biggest strategic advantage over competitors.

And then there will be the increasing regulatory divergence between continental Europe and the UK due to Brexit ...

PSD2 vs GDPR

Both the GDPR and PSD2 share the same objectives – to put customers in control of their own data and to keep that data safe.

But because they were designed independently of each other, there are deployment incongruities that could lead to security holes and vulnerabilities.

The link between PSD2 and GDPR is not just about the handling of money but also the management of personal data.

The discernible weaknesses are in ensuring that a third-party respects the GDPR and is adequately compliant as well as ascertaining where liability lies if there is any data breach.

PSD2 vs GDPR

- (1) Under PSD2, third parties are able to access customer account information directly, provided they have the customer's explicit consent, and enable the customer to exercise their right to data portability under the GDPR.

However, in the payment process, 'silent parties', such as persons who have a bank payment account to which the PSU transfers money through the PSP, do not have a direct contractual relationship with the PSP..

- (2) In the GDPR the data controller (the bank or ASPSP) is responsible for safeguarding customer data with the threat of considerable fines if there is a failure to do so.

It's not clear which party is responsible for obtaining the customer's consent and, significantly, which organisation – the PISP or the ASPSP – is culpable if the customer suffers any loss due to a data breach or cyber attack.

PSD2 vs GDPR

- (3) PSD2 states that PISPs must not use, access or store any data for purposes other than the provision of the payment initiation service explicitly requested by the payer.

Consequently, a PISP is not entitled to use the data collected other than for providing payment initiation services, even if the PISP had the PSU's consent under the GDPR.

- (4) In making a payment to a third party, unless the third party is trusted by the PSU, the PISP opens up a potential vulnerability in terms of financial loss but more importantly a lack of certainty in case of a data breach or data misuse.

PSD2 forbids banks sharing “sensitive payment data” with third parties, but there is no clear definition of what it is. Without clarification banks will err on the side of safety, particularly from the perspective of GDPR compliance.

A European Strategy For Data

*A **European Strategy For Data** aims at creating a single market for data that will ensure Europe's global competitiveness and data sovereignty. Common European data spaces will ensure that more data becomes available for use in the economy and society, while keeping companies and individuals who generate the data in control.*

Digital Finance Package, adopted on 24 September 2020

Digital Finance Strategy

- removing fragmentation in the Digital Single Market
- adapting the EU regulatory framework to facilitate digital innovation,
- promoting a data-driven finance
- addressing the challenges and risks with digital transformation, including enhancing the digital operational resilience of the financial system.

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Regulatory Disharmony

Disruptive Technologies

The Impact of Technology (1/2)

The impact of technologies on banking and payments has been massive for some time, from the start of the Internet to multimedia/multi-channel, to mobile and NFC (contactless).

- **QR codes**, the basis of an Asian explosion of apps
- **Biometrics**, face/finger recognition to improve user experience and security
- **Wearables**, where your watch, your glasses, your ring are connected and can make payments with a blink or a touch

The Impact of Technology (2/2)

- **BLE**, enabling beacons to pay automatically as you leave a shop, for example, Amazon Go - and general wireless device connection
- **IoT**, where your fridge will replenish food on your behalf
- “**connectedeverything**” such as cars paying for toll gates as they pass)
- **APIs**, enabling “Open X” – the interconnection and mashup across all industries)
- And more – **AI, cloud, DLT** et al.

Quantum

The impact of quantum computing on banking will be gigantic - several banks have been exploring the potential for a year or two

- Only a few, expensive, qubits can currently be managed at a time but when they do NP-complete problems are suddenly “easy”.
- For security applications this would mean that RSA encryption is broken and previously secure systems which it would now take centuries to crack with the biggest supercomputers become open.
- BBVA expect it to fundamentally change the face of banking

Summary

Regulatory Disharmony

The areas of regulatory disconnect between PSD2 and the GDPR still have not been satisfactorily ironed out, and we haven't gone into AML5, eIDAS, MiFiD and many others.

Disruptive Technologies

Technological innovation provides shiny new toys with immense benefits to the financial sector but without due consideration can add more complexity and unforeseen difficulties



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- Drove the creation of a new spin-out from the project, namely "CS-AWARE Corporation OÜ"
- experienced IT project manager and researcher that managed and ensured the execution of large R&D IT projects



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Cybersecurity Awareness: a pre-emptive move against cyber-threats

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Project Overview

- ▶ **Provide a cybersecurity situational awareness solution for local public administrations** in line with the current and upcoming legal cybersecurity framework in the European Union and its member states.
- ▶ **Advance the automation of cyber incident detection, classification and visualisation to provide situational awareness.** This includes socio-technical system analysis, data collection, data analysis and decision making as well as the visualisation of the findings.
- ▶ **Include a cybersecurity information exchange framework that embraces the collaboration and cooperation initiatives of European cybersecurity strategies.** This includes the utilisation of cybersecurity data for threat detection as well as sharing of newly discovered cyber incident data.
- ▶ **Illustrate that cyber situational awareness is a key technology in cybersecurity by building advanced features like system self-healing on top of the situational awareness capabilities**
- ▶ **Evaluate and validate the user needs through end-user involvement and pilot testing.**

Cyber-threats awareness in big data

- ▶ **Potential/Actual Threats - needles in a haystack: how to find them fast ?**
 - ▶ Unique changes may not be suspicious by themselves
 - ▶ Various (sometimes unusual) work behaviours
 - ▶ Hours, locations, IPs, data volumes, etc
 - ▶ Various (sometimes unusual) operations
 - ▶ Delete, copy, move, upload, download
 - ▶ Apparently legitimate actions
 - ▶ BUT: when combined/correlated some look suspicious!
 - ▶ Unusual /suspicious patterns
 - ▶ Domain dependent

eGov case studies: lessons learned

- ▶ Dedicated resources/skills required to implement cybersecurity analytics
- ▶ A cybersecurity solution implementation increases the organization's self-understanding and cyber knowledge
- ▶ GDPR compliant
- ▶ Dedicated processes modelling required
- ▶ Not a plug & play solution – tailoring required for each implementation
- ▶ However, 95% of CS-AWARE platform stays unchanged.
 - ▶ New patterns
 - ▶ New data integration and data pre-processing required.

Pivoting between industries: from eGov to Finance – cyber-threats

- ▶ **Switching domain means:**
 - ▶ Different data
 - ▶ Different threat concepts
 - ▶ Different data volumes
 - ▶ Different processes structures
- ▶ **CS-AWARE platform is domain independent:**
 - ▶ New cyber-patterns
 - ▶ New data adaptors
 - ▶ New type of threats to be defined

How can finance/banking can benefit from CS-AWARE

- ▶ **A ready to implement system**
 - ▶ In the cloud / private cloud / local implementation
- ▶ **3 years of R&D**
- ▶ **2 eGov successful pilots in Roma Capitale/Italy and Larissa/Greece**
- ▶ **Most of the eGov lessons learned (technical/modelling) can be of use for finance/banking world**
 - ▶ Similar or related type threats
 - ▶ Similar technologies to protect
 - ▶ Similar internal processes modelling challenges

Conclusion & future steps

- ▶ **CS-AWARE know-how and expertise gathered is unique**
 - ▶ Approach/technologies/vision
- ▶ **Working platform, live in pilot sites**
- ▶ **Work continues via its new spin-out!**
 - ▶ CS-AWARE Corporation OÜ, Estonia, 2020
- ▶ **Consortium team regrouped around the spin-out**
- ▶ **Currently raising funds and looking for prospects**
- ▶ **Open to looking at Finance/Banking CS-AWARE new implementations**

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Multiple dimensions of AI and cybersecurity

Offensive use of AI: Cyber criminals use AI to carry out attacks (identity fraud, phishing, develop malware)



Targeting and exploiting AI: Increasing proliferation of AI in finance (and other sensitive sectors) makes need to establish cybersecurity requirements for AI ever-more relevant



Defensive use of AI: AI is used to fight against cyber-attacks (can be applied in the financial sector as a preventative measure)

[EU Security Union Strategy – Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council, The Council, The European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the EU Security Union Strategy. Brussels 24.7.2020](#)



“Cybersecurity is the foundation of trustworthy Artificial Intelligence solutions. It will serve as a springboard for the widespread secure deployment of AI across the EU.” - Juhan Lepassaar, Executive Director ENISA

Trust between customers and financial institutions / banks and their related apps

AI + Cybersecurity = Trust = **Benefits for society and the economy**

No concrete baseline for cybersecurity in AI (coming soon)

Main legal issue/area	EU legislation applicable
Algorithmic transparency	Regulation 2016/679; Directive 2016/680
Unfairness, bias and discrimination	Article 2, 3(3), 9 TEU; Article 10 TFEU; Article 20-26 EU Charter on Fundamental Rights; Council Directive 2000/78/EC; Council Directive 2000/43/EC; Council Directive 2004/113/EC; Directive 2006/54/EC, Council Directive 79/7/EEC, Directive 2010/41/EU, Council Directive 2010/18/EU, Regulation (EU) 2016/679, Directive (EU) 2016/680, Directive (EU) 2016/681.
Intellectual property issues	Article 118 TFEU, Article 17 (2) EU Charter on Fundamental Rights; Directive 2001/29/EC; Directive 2006/115/EC; Directive 2001/84/EC; Directive 2009/24/EC; Directive 2004/48/EC; Directive 96/9/EC; Directive 2012/28/EU; Directive 98/71/EC; Regulation (EU) No 1257/2012; Regulation (EU) 2017/1001; Directive (EU) 2016/943;
Legal personhood of AI	Not covered.
Vulnerability and cybersecurity	Directive (EU) 2016/1148; Regulation (EU) No 910/2014; Directive 2013/40/EU; Regulation (EU) No 526/2013; Directive 2002/58/EC
Impact of AI on workers	Article 3(1)(3) TEU; Article 9, 107(3)(a), Articles 145-166 TFEU; Articles 14-15, 27-32 EU Charter of Fundamental Rights; Regulation (EU) No 1304/2013
Privacy and data protection	Articles 7-8 EU Charter of Fundamental Rights; Regulation (EU) 2016/679; Directive (EU) 2016/680; Directive (EU) 2016/681; Directive 2002/58/EC
Liability	Articles 4(2)(f), 12, 114 and 169 TFEU; Articles 38, 47 EU Charter of Fundamental Rights; Council Directive 85/374/EEC
Accountability for harm	Regulation (EU) 2016/679

Table 5: AI Legal issues and examples of relevant EU legislation, SIENNA project, as seen in [EPRS, European framework on ethical aspects of artificial intelligence, robotics and related technologies](#)

Shortcomings of European data protection framework for AI

Necessity to address risks brought about by use of AI (including cyber risks!) for adoption to flourish



Need for an adequate safety and liability framework for AI



Must prevent abuse (hacking of AI, manipulation of data) AND at the same time ensure consumer safety and effective redress mechanisms

The EU legislative framework should address “possible risks raised by the use of, and interactions with the technology, including cybersecurity concerns.” ([Coordinated Plan on Artificial Intelligence](#))

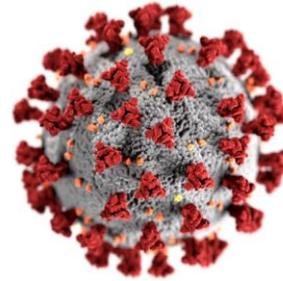
The European Commission [has already suggested](#) that cybersecurity requirements for AI should be specified as well as certified under the [proposed European Cybersecurity Certification Framework](#), noting that for:

“businesses acting in security relevant fields (e.g. financial institutions, producers of radio-active materials, etc.) the use of certain AI products and processes serves public interest therefore their use may be made compulsory.”

FinTech: impact of AI & cybersecurity (and coronavirus) on the sector

FinTech sector is characterized by its high level of innovation inside of a **complex ecosystem** comprised of banks, financial service providers, and start-ups, etc. which are driven by data.

Attractive target for cybercrime, presenting risks to the rights and freedoms of data subjects and to their financial assets.



“The coronavirus pandemic has been connected to a 238% surge in cyberattacks against banks.” - ZDNet

“Financial organizations experienced a massive uptick in cyberattack attempts between February and April this year — the same months in which COVID-19 began to spread rapidly across the globe” - Modern Bank Heists report



Alongside a 72% rise in the use of Fintech apps in the period of the coronavirus, so too have malware and ransomware been driven by the pandemic. - Forbes

Cyber attacks and data breaches

Dave: US FinTech giant suffered a major “breach of customers’ personal data via a third party supplier, after researchers found a database containing millions of records for sale online.” Allegedly more than 7.5 million records (associated to 3 million addresses) are for trade on the dark web.

2014 JPMorgan Chase data breach: allegedly more than 83 million accounts and 7 million small businesses were impacted. Exposed data in this case consisted of names, email addresses, physical addresses and phone numbers, something which is known to opening victims to phishing attempts.

Cense AI: 2.5 million medical records had been leaked, compromising information such as insurance records, medical diagnoses, and payment records. It is said that researcher Jeremiah Fowler, discovered “two folders of medical records available for anyone to access on the internet. The data was labelled as ‘staging data’ ...hosted by artificial intelligence company Cense AI, which specializes in ‘SaaS-based intelligent process automation management solutions.’”

Unicredit: EUR 600.000 fine (Italian DPA) following a complex investigation into a data breach caused by abusive access to the personal data of over 700.000 customers which took place between April 2016 and July 2017.

Cyber attacks

As distributed denial-of-service attacks, malware, phishing and ransomware attacks increase over time and FinTech solutions become more established and widespread, **innovation in the cybersecurity field will become ever-more important to protect users from financial cybercrimes.**

Mobile banking malware surged

Mobile applications designed to steal payment data, credentials and funds from victims' bank accounts increased by 50% in the first half of 2019.¹⁴ Traditionally, threat actors have used phishing techniques to gain bank credentials, either by displaying a fake page that mimics the bank's login page or by introducing fake mobile apps that resemble the original banking apps. However, in 2019, cybercriminals became more creative, as in the case of Trojan-Banker.AndroidOS.Gustuff.a, which was able to control a legitimate banking app by misusing the operating system's accessibility functions, thereby automating malicious transactions.¹⁵ New versions of mobile financial malware were commonly found for sale in underground forums¹⁵ and new evasion techniques were continuously being developed. A notable new addition discovered in 2019 was the ability of malware to use motion sensors and be triggered only when a smartphone is moving, as used by the mobile banking trojanAnubis in an effort to detect a sandboxed environment.¹⁶ The most popular banking malware during 2019¹¹ was Asacub (44,4%), Svpeng (22,4%), Agent (19,1%), Faketoken (12%) and Hqwar (3,8%).

ENISA Threat Landscape 2020 – Malware
<https://www.enisa.europa.eu/publications/malware>





The EU in the fight against cybercrime in the financial sector

In 2018, a cybercrime syndicate that infiltrated over 100 financial institutions in 40 countries, resulting in losses of over EUR 1 billion [was arrested in Spain!](#) Cobalt malware alone allowed criminals to steal up to EUR 10 million per heist.

In September 2020, an [operation supported by Europol and Eurojust in cooperation with Estonia, Lithuania, and Romania](#) successfully dismantled a criminal organization that carried out phishing, fraud, and money laundering activities. Using the obtained credentials, the organization made unauthorized wire transfers to a number of bank accounts in EU countries, stealing more than EUR 200.000 from nearly 600 individuals.

One of the three mandates of Europol's [European Cybercrime Centre \(EC3\)](#) is that of countering [payment fraud](#). Thanks to its [Joint Cybercrime Action Taskforce \(J-CAT\)](#), Europol has already “supported several high-profile cybercrime operations and investigations, such as [Operation Imperium](#), which targeted an organised crime network active in payment fraud.”

Risk-based approach

The responsibility of the controller to **ensure** and **demonstrate** compliance is challenging:

- Risk-based approach in security: **assessing the risk** of the processing activities; and implementing **security and organisational measures**
- European Union Agency for Cybersecurity recently published a [tool](#) for carrying out a risk assessment for the security of personal data processing





Risk management and governance for financial institutions

As the sector is ripe with risk, financial institutions must ensure that they adequately govern privacy, data protection and cybersecurity matters and have **appropriate organizational and technical measures, procedures and policies** in place.

Organizational governance of cyber risk must take into consideration the vast number of players involved in the provision of financial services (supply chain).

Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) and risk officers can help ensure **Resilience**.

“The ability of an information system to continue to: (i) operate under adverse conditions or stress, even if in a degraded or debilitated state, while maintaining essential operational capabilities; and (ii) recover to an effective operational posture in a time frame consistent with mission needs” (See [NIST SP 800-39](#) under Information System Resilience and [NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4](#) under Information System Resilience).

Risk management and governance priorities to be considered by organizations in the financial services sector

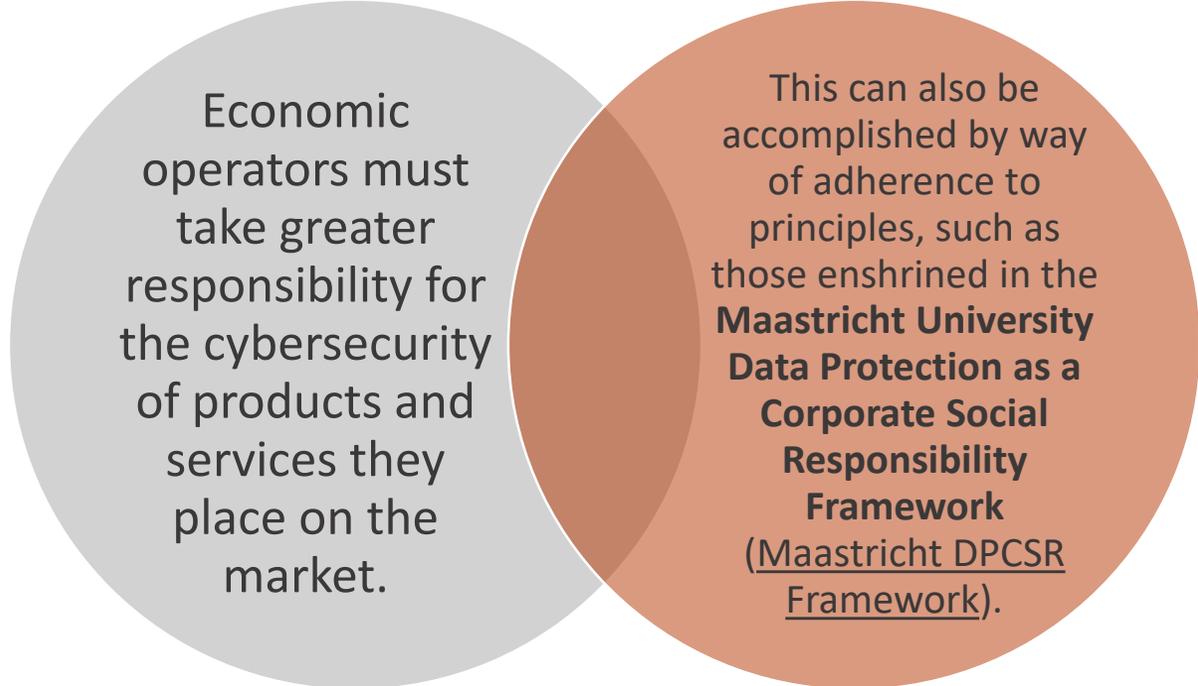
1. Provide products and services that are designed and developed - *along the whole value chain* - according to the principles of **Data Protection and Security by Design**.
2. Promote an **organizational culture of cybersecurity**, e.g., employee awareness and alertness regarding data protection and cyber risks.
3. Use of **Integrated Data Protection Impact Assessments (DPIAs)** and **Security Risk Assessments** to identify and manage real or potential risks.
4. Follow the **Zero-trust security approach** (verifying any actor internal or external to the perimeters before granting access).
5. Ensure **resilience** and the ability, also of **supply chain partners**, to quickly respond to both actual breaches and any potential threats and risks that may arise.
6. Invest in **AI-enabled cyber protection systems**.
7. Develop new **innovative approaches for risk management** to address current and future cyber challenges.

Concluding remarks

55% of people in the EU are concerned about their data being accessed by criminals and fraudsters.

EU Security Union Strategy:

- Third country industrial policy, “combined with the continued cyber-enabled theft of intellectual property, are changing the strategic paradigm for protecting and advancing European interests.”
- *“Industrial espionage has a significant impact on the EU’s economy, jobs and growth: cyber theft of trade secrets is estimated to cost the EU €60 billion.”*
- The *“Use of Artificial Intelligence, new technologies and robotics will further increase the risk that criminals exploit the benefits of innovation for malicious ends.”*

A Venn diagram consisting of two overlapping circles. The left circle is light gray and contains text about economic operators' responsibility. The right circle is a reddish-brown color and contains text about adherence to principles in the Maastricht University Data Protection framework.

Economic operators must take greater responsibility for the cybersecurity of products and services they place on the market.

This can also be accomplished by way of adherence to principles, such as those enshrined in the **Maastricht University Data Protection as a Corporate Social Responsibility Framework** (Maastricht DP/CSR Framework).

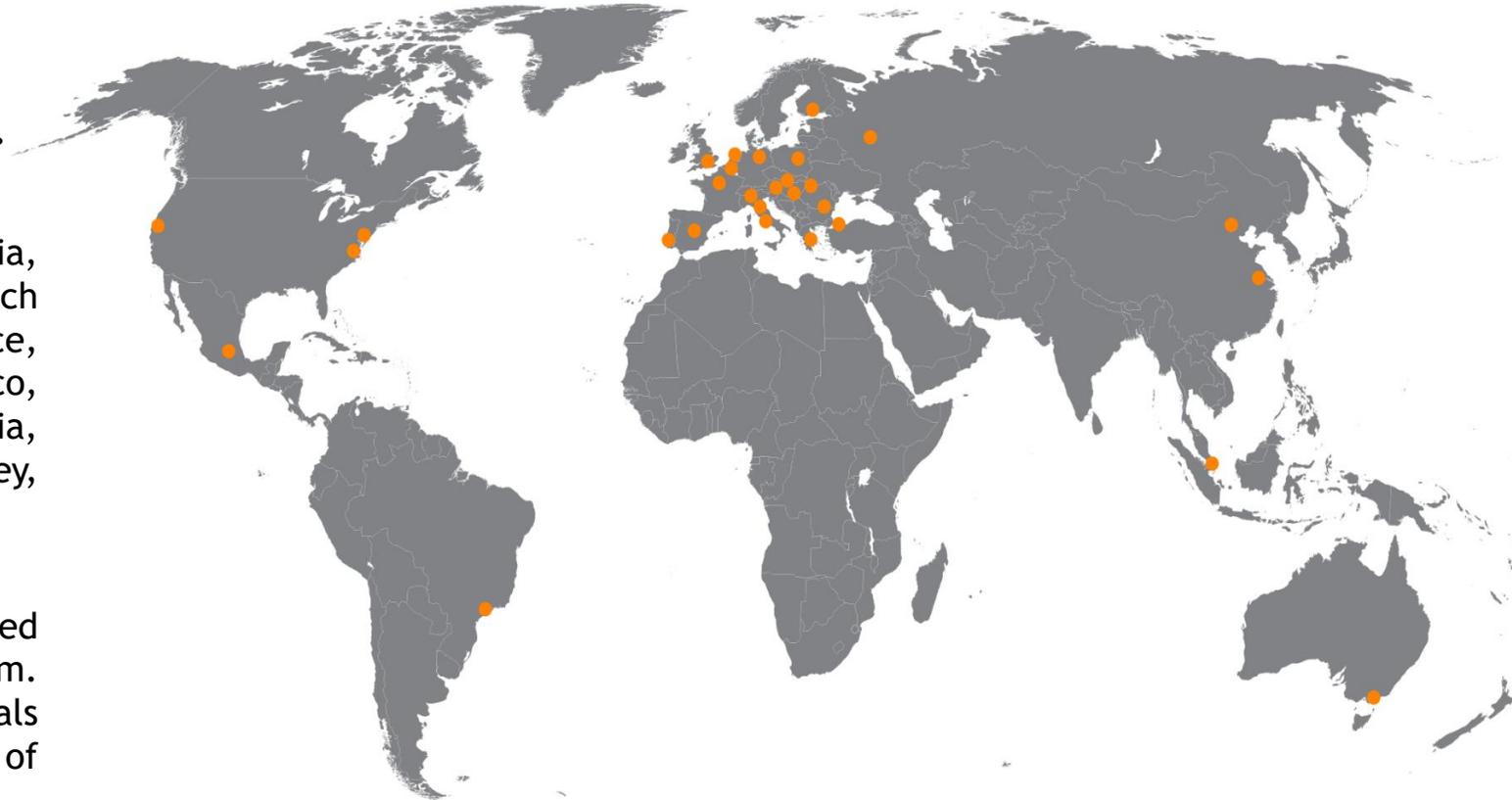


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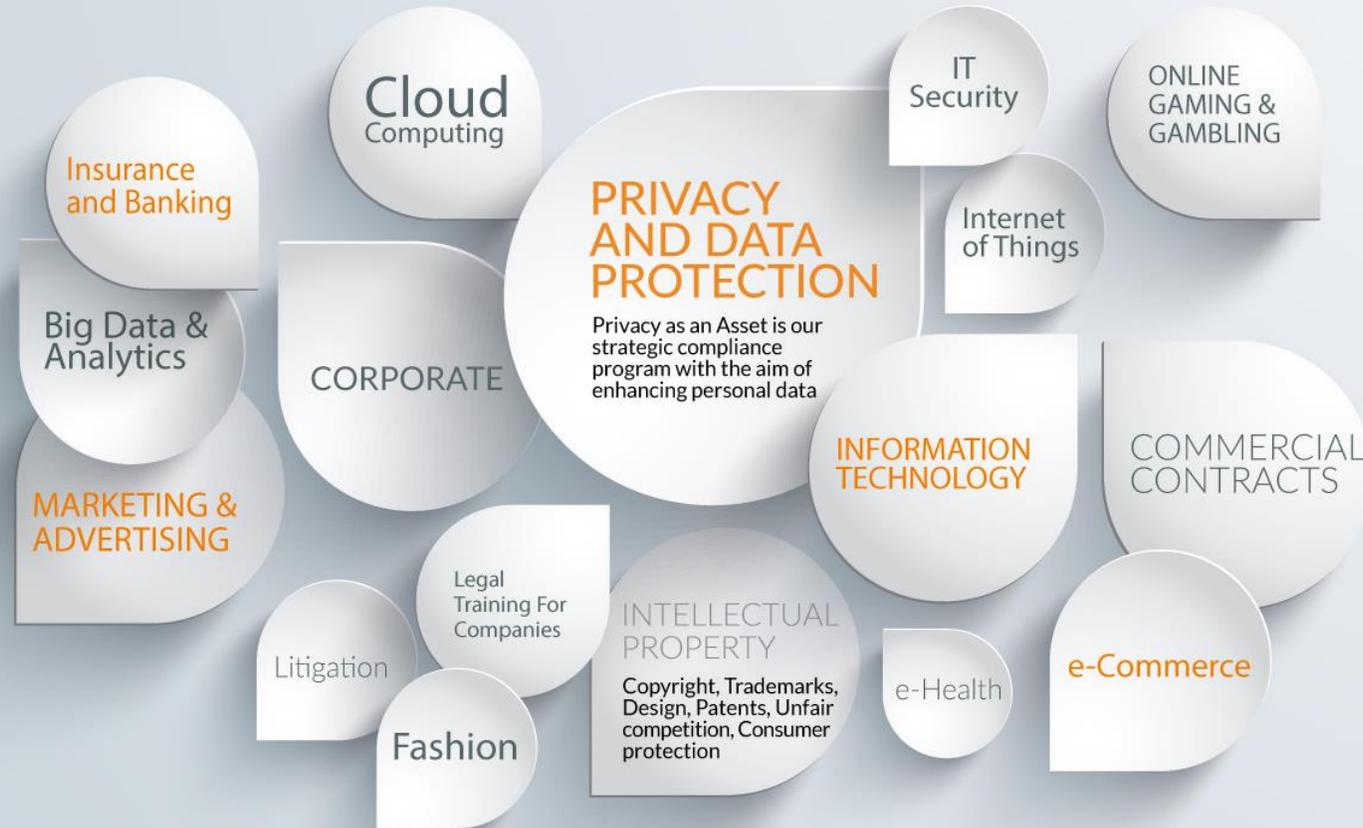
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- 2012 Inauguration of the Bologna office
- 2013 The Rome office is operational
- 2014 The international hub is established in Amsterdam
- 2015 Our services are offered in 21 countries
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