

# A Required Security and Privacy Framework for Smart Objects

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#### Introduction

- Current Internet evolving towards a global network of interconnected smart objects affecting our everyday lives
  - IT developments accelerating this trend
  - Unprecedented economic and social opportunities
- Security and privacy challenges as main barriers for broad scale IoT deployment
  - Need to conciliate interests from different stakeholders (citizens, governments, companies,...)
  - It is not all about security and privacy → It is about
     SAFETY

#### **Motivation**

- Security and privacy concerns were always there...
  - ... but we need to move from an enterprise-centric, to user-centric approaches to smart object-centric solutions
  - IoT testbeds are not labs, but cities involving citizens and their devices!
- The data sharing paradox in IoT To share or not to share, this is NOT the question...
  - People want/like/need to share (Facebook, Twitter,...)
  - the question is how, what, why and under which circumstances!

#### **Motivation**

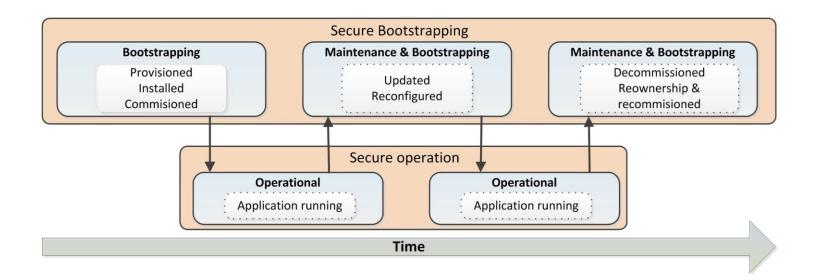
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  - I want to share my energy consumption, but not if I am at home!
  - Who **owns** the information on a Smart City? Citizens? City Council?
- Need for cross and multidisciplinary approaches:
  - Involvement of citizens is crucial → Smart Cities are for them!
  - Able to address the lifecycle of Smart Objects
  - Security and privacy are **cross** → Operational concerns do not matter if smart objects were given fake credentials!

### The Lifecycle of Smart Objects

- Bootstrapping: Implies installation and commissioning
  - Need for identification before connecting to the network
- Registration and Discovery: Smart Objects must be registered to be discovered by others
  - Need for naming, resolution, networking and addressing features
- Operation: Machine-to-Machine (M2M) vs Group communications
  - Need for Privacy by Design (Pbd) and Minimal disclosure principles

## The Lifecycle of Smart Objects

Let's start from the beginning!



#### IoT-A as a baseline for IoT Architectures

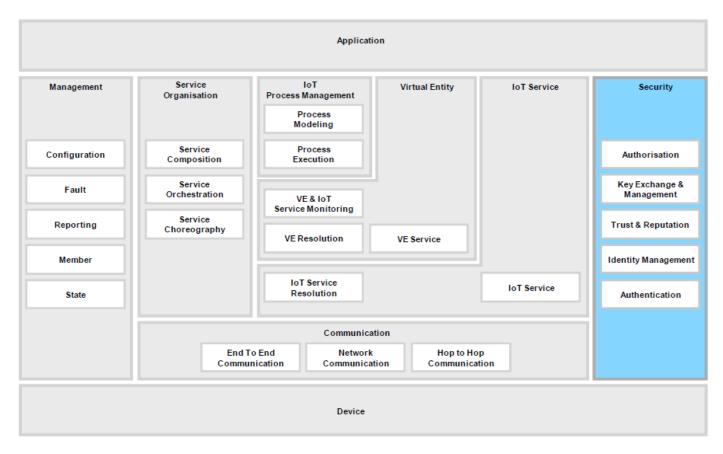
- IoT-A project was intendended to define an Arquitectural Reference Model (ARM) for IoT systems by providing:
  - IoT Reference Model (RM) to promote common understanding at high abstraction level
  - IoT Reference Architecture (RA) to describe essential building blocks and build compliant IoT architectures
  - Best Practices/Guidelines to help in developing an architecture for a specific system based on the RA

#### IoT-A as a baseline for IoT Architectures

- Key step to move from "Intranets of Things" to a real "Internet of Things"
- Different architecture views from architecture models
  - Functional View describing functionality and interfaces among Functional Groups (FG) composed by Functional Components (FC)

#### IoT-A as a baseline for IoT Architectures

#### IoT-A Functional View



- IoT-A compliant architecture to promote applicability and interoperability
- Instantiation of the Functional Components from the Security FG
  - Definition of functionality and interfaces among Security FCs
  - By considering security and privacy requirements of the lifecycle of Smart Objects

- Extension of the Security FG to be leveraged by future security and privacy IoT Architectures:
  - Context Manager: IoT is pervasive → need for adaptive security and privacy
  - Group Manager: addressing the need for flexible data sharing models among Smart Objects

#### Bootstrapping

- Smart object must be installed and commissioned before sending data
- How it is identified at the beginning? root identity/root of trust
- Who imprints the RI (owner, manufacturer)?
- Implies authentication and authorization mechanisms

#### Registration and Discovery

- One it is bootstrapped, smart object must be registered to be discovered (self-management approaches?)
- Security and privacy concerns → Do I want my car to be discovered by everyone?

#### Operation – M2M approaches

- Efficient and interoperable approaches → M can be a cloud server or a sensor!
- Privacy-preserving mechanisms require accountability and traceability 

  We need to trust someone!

#### Operation – Group approaches

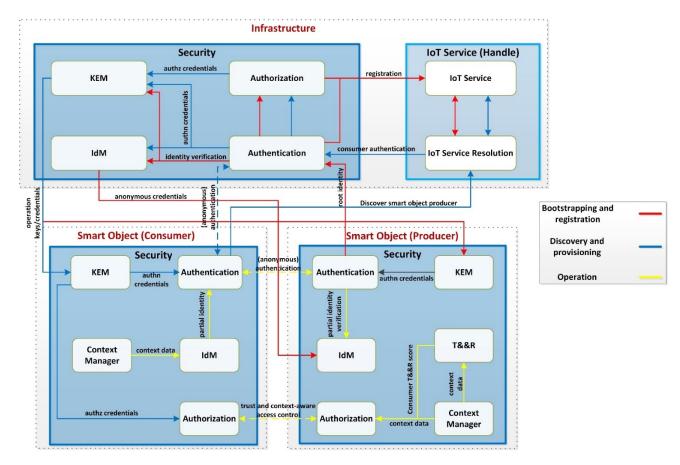
— It will be often smart objects will operate as a group (smartphones, sensors, drones,...) → how to manage with billions of heterogeneous devices?

- A plethora of technologies intended to be "IoT", which to pick?
  - Different ITU, ETSI or IETF WG are there
  - Heterogeneous environments demand heterogeneous solutions
  - Many of them will coexist at different lifecycle stages

#### Framework approach

- Smart Objects as information producers/consumers
- Infrastructure components enabling smart objects to be registered, discovered and provisioned for secure and privacy-aware (M2M and group) operation

#### Framework Interactions



# Integral Security and Privacy Framework (Bootstrapping)

- Root identity as a root of trust: symmetric key/certificate
- Anonymous and group credentials derived from root identity -> accountable and traceable anonymity
- Based on PANA (RFC 5191) as a starting point to define the bootstrapping for IoT
  - Currently used by ZigBee Alliance and ETSI M2M
  - Extension of the Authentication/Authorization phase
  - Addition of new AVPs to carry anonymous and group credentials

# Integral Security and Privacy Framework (Registration)

- Registration in infrastructure as a consequence of a successful (authenticated/authorized) bootstrapping
- Based on the **Handle** System (RFC 3650):
  - Smart Objects represented as Digital Objects (DO)
  - Supporting naming, resolution an addressing
  - Instantiating IoT Service and IoT Service Resolution IoT-A FC
  - Favoring addition of security and privacy features

# Integral Security and Privacy Framework (Registration)

- Different handles representing different security and privacy aspects:
  - Derivation of anonymous credentials based on Handle attributes during registration
  - Flexible approach enabling producers to make subsets of services available to subsets of consumers (selective discovery)

# Integral Security and Privacy Framework (Discovery and Provisioning)

- Privacy-aware discovery enabling consumers to discover producers through the use of anonymous credentials previously obtained
- Provisioning as an additional previous step to get credentials (keys, tokens,...) to use them against the discovered smart object
  - Extended semantics of PANA notification message during the Access phase
  - Addition of new AVPs to carry such credentials
  - Use of lightweight and flexible tokens based on **DCapBAC** to be used even in constrained environments

# Integral Security and Privacy Framework (Operation)

- Based on lightweight and flexible security approaches to make them available even for M2M constrained environments (CE):
  - IETF ACE, DICE WGs focused on security for CE
  - Use of the Constrained Application Protocol (CoAP -RFC 7252) as an application protocol
  - Use of Datagram Transport Layer Security (**DTLS**) (RFC 6347) based on *ECC Raw Public Keys* for authentication
  - Use of the Distributed Capability-Based Access Control
     (DCapBAC) approach for authorization

# Integral Security and Privacy Framework (Operation)

- Use of advanced and flexible cryptographic schemes enabling secure group communications:
  - Based on certificateless public key cryptography (CP-ABE)
  - CP-ABE keys obtained during the registration associated to smart object's attributes
- Additional use of partial identities for minimal PII disclosure → integration Proof-of-Possession (PoP) based on anonymous credentials systems (e.g. Idemix) with DCapBAC tokens

#### Conclusions

- Security and Privacy are a MUST for IoT adoption
  - Different stakeholders → different views on them
  - Security + Privacy in IoT → The Internet of MY Things
  - But People care about privacy? In IoT, your car or health devices will be connected! Need for education on it.
- Security and privacy demand different concerns during the lifecycle of IoT devices
  - It is not all about technology → we need cross and multidisciplinary approaches!
- Our framework to provide a holistic view on IoT security and privacy
  - Developed under SocIoTal and SMARTIE EU Projects
  - Different developments on FI-WARE platform

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