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**Introduction to the
COST Framework Programme**



Added value and impact of participating in a COST Action

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Outline

1. Action presentation

- Objectives (description, goals)
- Foreseen scientific, technological, and/or socio-economic impacts
- Management structure (MC, WGs, STSM, Training school etc.)

2. Networking activities

- Added value of networking
- Good practice examples
- Personal experience as participant and MC member in the Action

Action description –

Trustworthy Manufacturing and Utilization of Secure Devices



- Hardware security - increasingly important for many embedded systems applications.
- Its relevance is expected to increase.
- The vulnerability of hardware devices that implement cryptography functions has become the Achilles heel in the last decade.
- Therefore, the industry is recognizing the significance of hardware security.
- This COST action aims at creating a European network of competence and experts on all aspects of hardware security.



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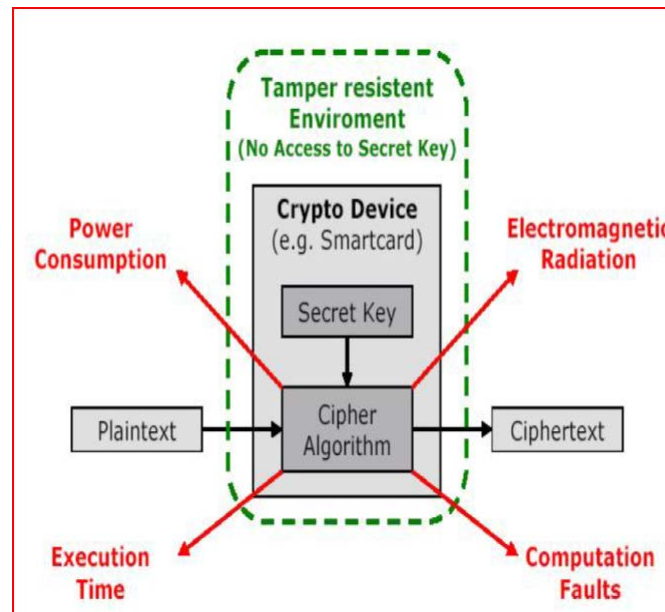
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- **Main objective :**
 - identify new design and manufacturing flows for the production of secure integrated circuits by creating a strong network between several centers of expertise on hardware security at European level.
- **Secondary objectives:**
 - To explore implementation and security issues of cryptographic logic based on Field-Programmable Gate Array (FPGA),
 - To collect statistically significant data related to fault injection campaigns
 - To define new architectures able to detect faults and to resist to fault attacks
 - To explore formal verification methods to establish the robustness of a secure device against fault attacks etc.

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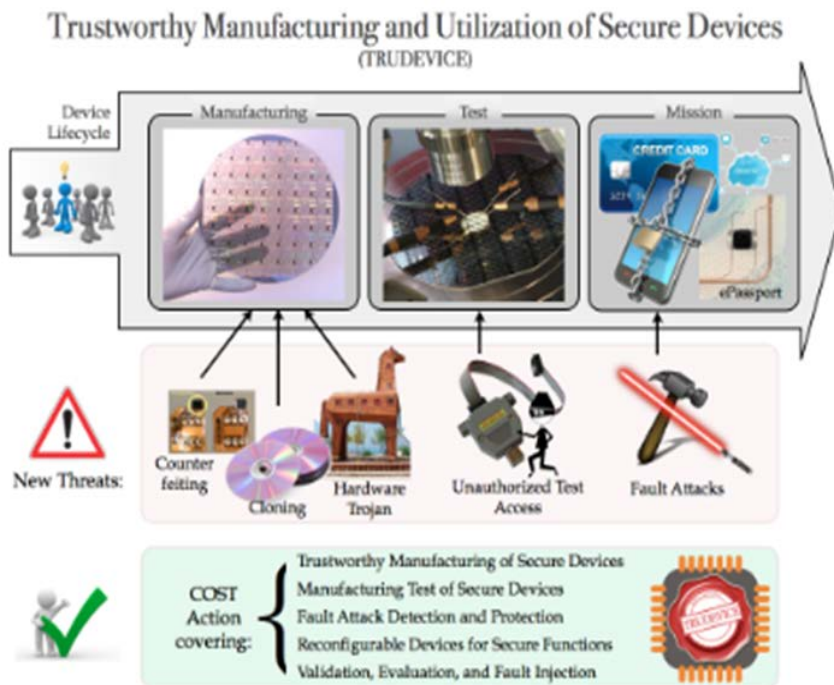
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- PASSIVE ATTACKS ARE ALSO CALLED SIDE-CHANNEL ATTACKS AS THEY BENEFIT FROM SIDE-CHANNEL INFORMATION, WHICH IS COLLECTED BY MEASURING SOME PHYSICAL DATA.
- For instance, by correlating the power consumed and the data manipulated by the device, it is possible to discover the secret encryption key.



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- In the time of applying - Montenegro was a Non-COST country, so the procedure took around 6 months for UoM to be accepted in this action.

MoU	4135/12
CSO Approval date	07/06/2012
Start of Action	12/12/2012
End of Action	11/12/2016
End of prolongation	—

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Participations

Country	Date	Status
▶ Austria	09/09/2013	Confirmed
▶ Belgium	21/09/2012	Confirmed
▶ Croatia	15/07/2013	Confirmed
▶ Czech Republic	06/12/2012	Confirmed
▶ Denmark	19/09/2014	Confirmed
▶ Estonia	24/09/2013	Confirmed
▶ Finland	10/09/2012	Confirmed
▶ France	25/07/2012	Confirmed
▶ FYR Macedonia	25/10/2012	Confirmed
▶ Germany	05/07/2012	Confirmed
▶ Greece	29/08/2012	Confirmed
▶ Ireland	11/09/2014	Confirmed
▶ Israel	15/10/2012	Confirmed
▶ Italy	28/11/2012	Confirmed
▶ Montenegro	04/06/2015	Confirmed
▶ Netherlands	27/06/2012	Confirmed
▶ Norway	20/12/2012	Confirmed
▶ Portugal	26/09/2012	Confirmed
▶ Slovakia	02/09/2012	Confirmed
▶ Slovenia	08/11/2012	Confirmed
▶ Spain	22/10/2012	Confirmed
▶ Sweden	20/09/2012	Confirmed
▶ Switzerland	16/07/2012	Confirmed
▶ Turkey	08/05/2013	Confirmed
▶ United Kingdom	13/06/2012	Confirmed
Total: 25		

ICT COST Action IC1204

Management Committee

MC Chair	▶ Dr Giorgio DI NATALE (FR)
MC Vice Chair	▶ Prof Ilia POLIAN (DE)

Important names in the area of
Hardware Security:

Prof. Stefan Mangard,
Prof. Ingrid Verbauwhede
Dr Nele Mentens
Prof. Marin Golub
Dr Lejla Batina
Prof. Nicolas Sclavos



Networking activities – Personal highlight

- STSM – Short Term Scientific Mission
 - Especially useful for Early-Stage collaboration, to learn a new technique using instruments and/or methods at a new institution/laboratory.
- MC Meetings and Workshops:



New COST actions – New possibilities

- Hoping to have a Training school or Workshop organised in Montenegro!

