

General information

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Area of interest	Choose Y or N
 Functional encryption and reduction of leakage (e.g., anonymization or obfuscation) 	N
 Ultra-lightweight cryptology and ultra-high-speed cryptographic algorithms including quantum cryptography 	N
 Physical cryptanalysis, including tampering, side channel, faults injection attacks, and security of tools for good software implementation and validation practices 	Y
 Authenticated encrypted token research for mobile payment solution 	Y
 Innovative cryptographic primitives and complementary non-cryptographic privacy-preserving mechanisms to enforce privacy 	Y
 New techniques, such as quantum safe cryptography, which are secure from quantum computers 	N
 Quantum key distribution 	Y
 Automated proof techniques for cryptographic protocols 	N

Competencies

- NPC SpaceMind Division:
 - Mission → R&D of products dedicated to the space sector

- SPACE MIND
- Team → Msc Aerospace Engineers with background in space technologies and experience in nanosatellite cubesat class missions
- Vision → To become a turnkey solutions provider for nanosatellite applications
- Key Products:
 - <u>ARTICA</u>: a plug and play deorbiting sail for Cubesat application.
- What is an aerospace company doing in a cryptography brokerage event?
- <u>MORAL</u>: High performances ALT-AZ mount for 1m class telescope and pointing instrument.
- No direct experience in H2020 but can rely on competent engineering partner (CRIT Srl)

Project idea

OBJ→ To develop a technology for the implementation of a **QKD** communication protocol between CubeSat & Earth

- QKD communication via optic fiber has now intrinsic limit → range (100km) due to photon absorption by cable glass
- Satellite usage can overcome QKD limits:
 - Improved performance in terms of **communication range** (no distance limits) as photons only cross the atmosphere
 - Phisically-logistically complicated to interfere
- Challenges:
 - Optics & quantum generator **miniaturisation for satellite integration**
 - **Performance** assurance (pointer accuracy, link-bdg.)
 - Devices (satellite receiver, telescope) customisation
- Exploitation vision (\rightarrow 2MLN \in turnkey solution):
 - Secure communication service to end users (i.e. banks)
 - Platform industrialisation for security solution providers
- High worldwide interest for laser orbit communication (JPN, NASA, China, ESA → EDRS satellites working @1.8 Gbit/s)
- High scientific impact on several domains (aerospace, physics, ICT)
- Technical partners → Univ. of <u>Padua (Public. on single</u> photons sat. exchange [2008], quantic sat. communication [2015])

Avaiable for integration in ongoing proposals

