



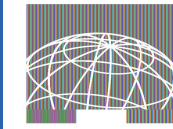
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Secure and TRaceable Identities in Distributed Environments (STRIDE)

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(Extended Partnership — Recovery and Resilience Facility, RFF)



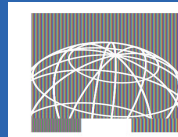
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- **SEcurity and Rights in the CyberSpace (SERICS)**
- Extended Partnership in Area 7 - Cybersecurity: new technologies and protection of rights
- Proposer: **University of Salerno**
- Coordinated by **CINI Cybersecurity National Lab**
- Total cost: **116 M€** (funding **114 M€**)
- Start: **Jan 1, 2023**
- Duration: **3 years**





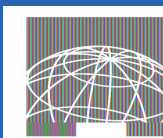
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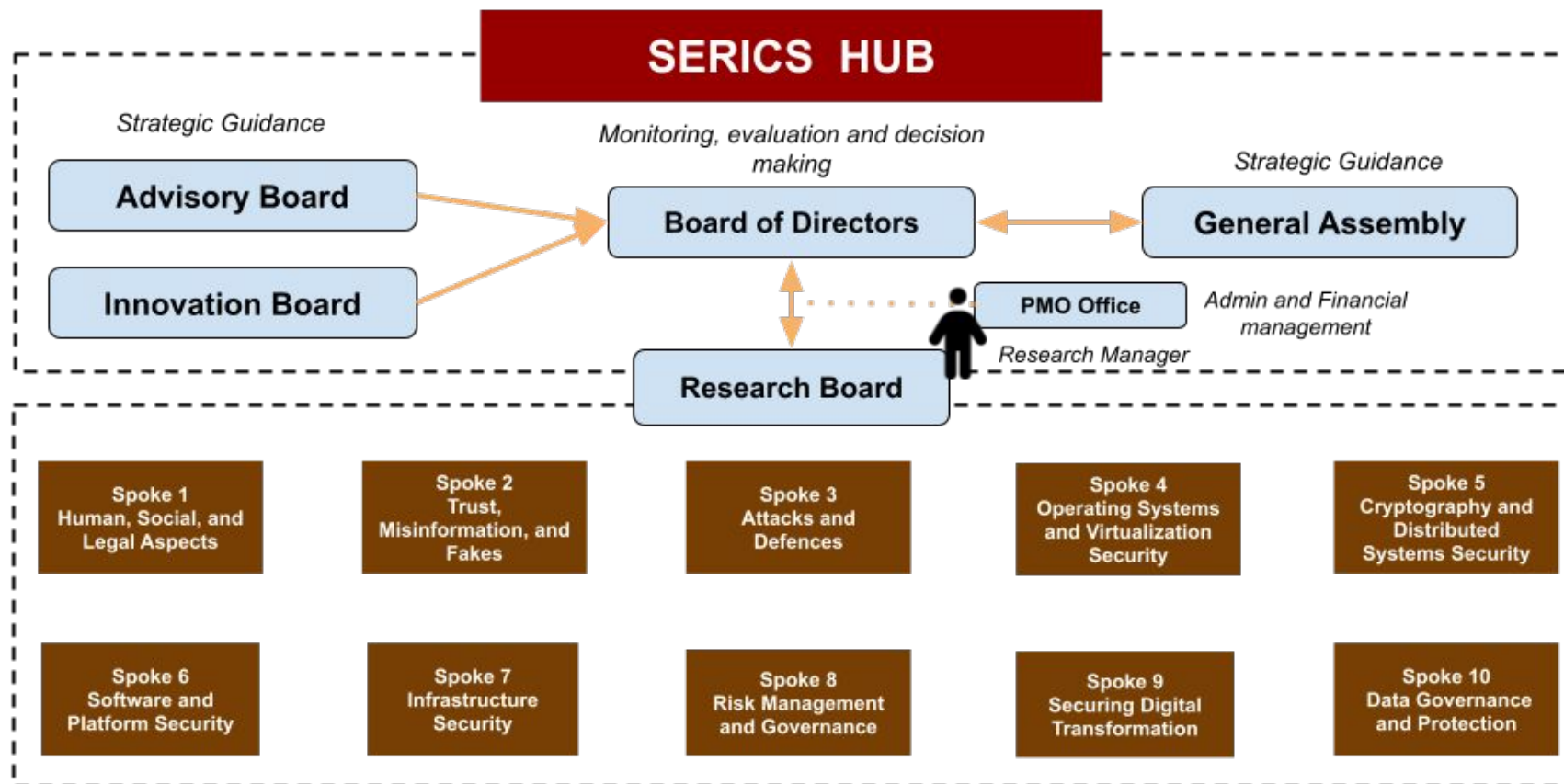
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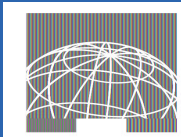


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SERICS Hub & Spokes





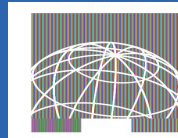
SERICS Partnership

Universities and RIs

- CNR
- UniSA
- UniFI
- UniRoma1
- UniCAL
- UniBA
- UniCA
- UniBO
- UniMI
- UniGE
- UniVE
- PoliTO
- CINI
- CNIT
- IMT – Lucca
- SSPA – Pisa
- FBK
- FUB

Companies

- DELOITTE
- ENI
- FINCANTIERI
- ISP
- Leonardo
- TIM



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 - **41,3%** destined to the **South** of Italy
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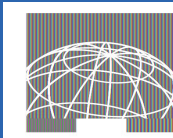
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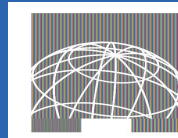
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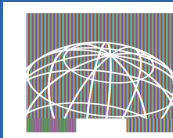


Academy's Goals

Supporting and implementing a set of activities aimed at improving the resilience and the posture of different categories of people w.r.t. to cybersecurity

This will include:

- *Training activities:*
 - For trainers
 - For trainees
- *Training materials:*
 - PhD Courses
 - Lectures & Seminars
 - Challenges
- *Training facilities:*
 - Platforms
 - Custom Cyber-Ranges
- *Training evaluation*



PhD National Program on Cybersecurity

- Interdisciplinary PhD Program: technical, regulatory and ethical aspects covered
- 1st year just started
- 25 students selected and enrolled
- 4 weeks of *mis-à-niveau* courses

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National PhD in Cybersecurity

The National PhD in Cybersecurity prepares you to analyze and solve a broad spectrum of cybersecurity-related problems, all with a high institutional, social, and industrial interest, with the primary objective of identifying practical solutions in various fields. Through a strong multi- and inter-disciplinary approach, the PhD program provides a basic exposure to all such wide-ranging spectrum of competences and focuses on four key thematic Specialization Curricula:

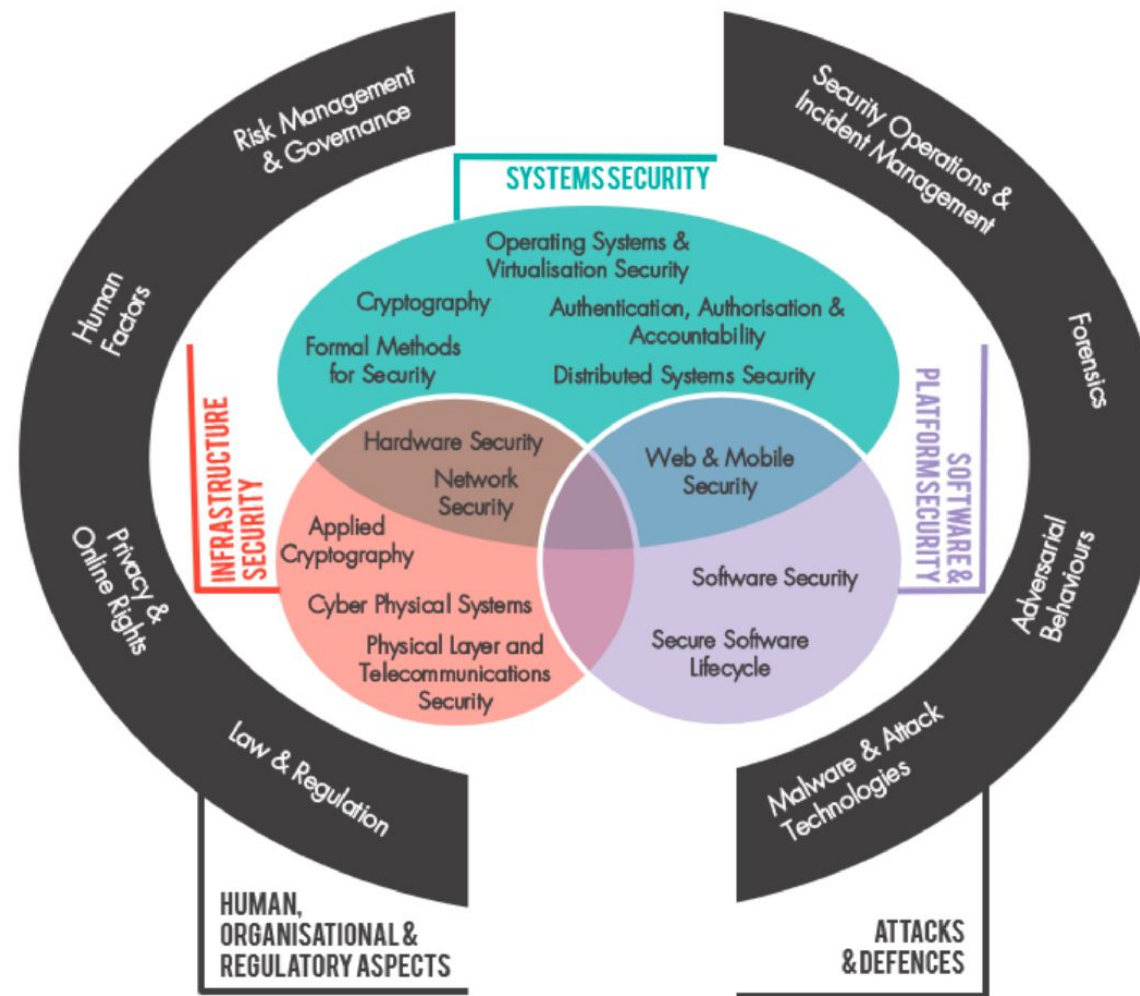
- **Foundational Aspects in Cybersecurity**
- **Software, System, and Infrastructure Security**
- **Data Governance & Protection**
- **Human, Economic, and Legal Aspects in Cybersecurity**

PhD graduates will possess the necessary technical knowledge and expertise on information technologies, will be able to understand the general socio-legal framework in which they operate and to design operational processes in line with fundamental-rights protection standards, regulatory obligations, international policies, and economic implications.

SERICS Thematic Areas

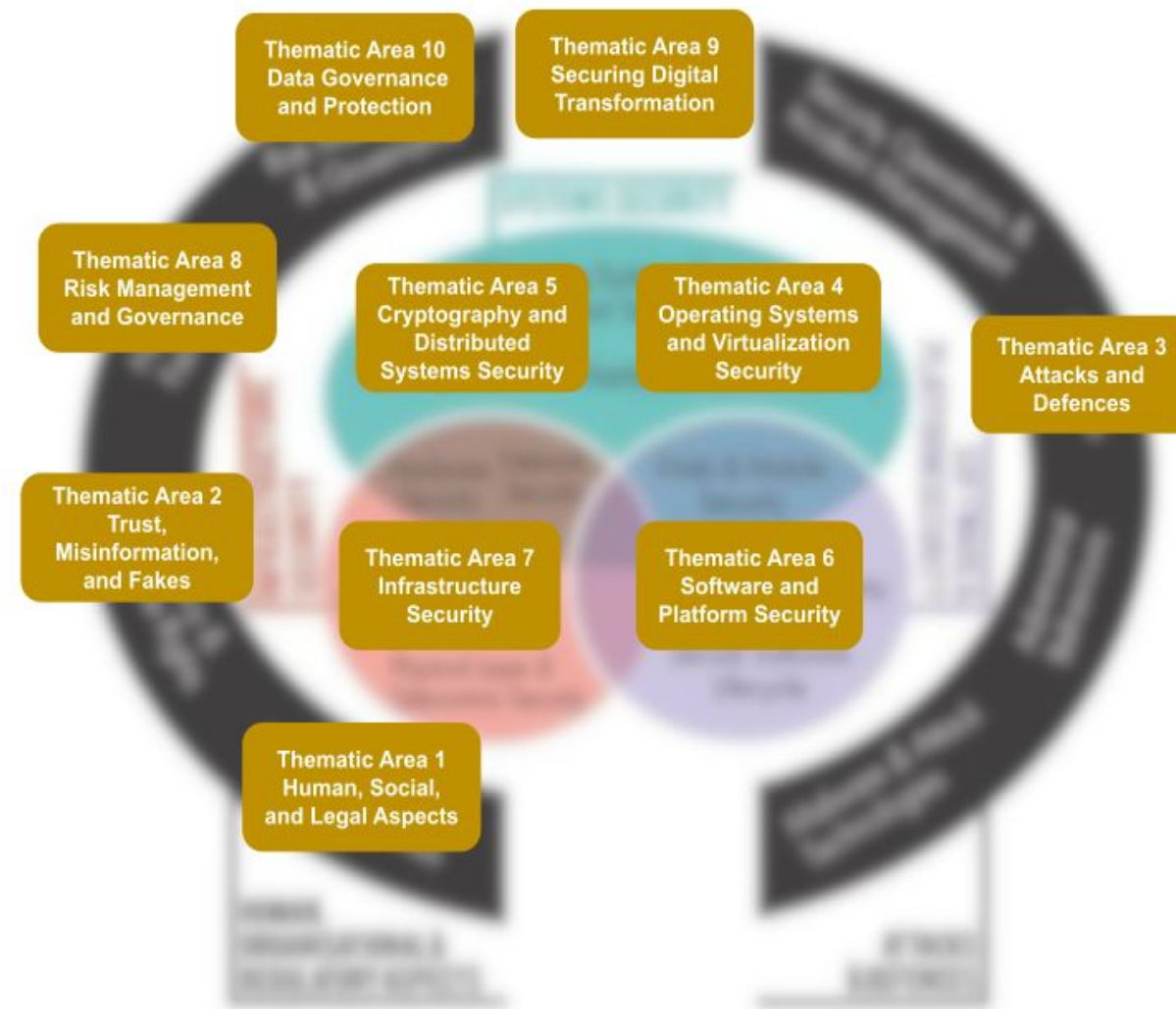
The Cyber Security Body Of Knowledge

<https://www.cybok.org/>



SERICS Thematic Areas

- 10 Thematic Areas
- 27 research projects
- Each Thematic Area managed by a Spoke





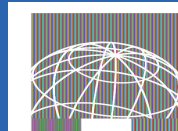
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3	Attacks and Defences	UniCA , CNR, SSSA, UniBA, UniCAL, UniGE, UniRoma1, UniSA, UniVE ENI, LDO, TIM	54
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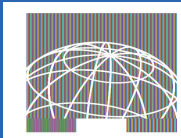
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Focus on

Spoke 5 - Cryptography and
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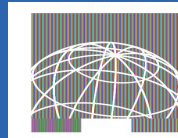
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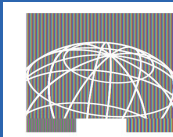


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Spoke 5 - Cryptography and Distributed Systems Security (UNICAL)

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Spoke 5 - overview

- **Main goal** - support the secure, protected, and accountable *identification and authentication/authorization* of entities and actions including objects and humans across physical and virtual domains
- The **distributed nature of cyberspace** requires the use of different **security mechanisms, services and technologies** to achieve the goal, including
 - Cryptography
 - Distributed Ledger Technologies (DLTs), blockchain and smart contracts
 - Anonymous identity, identity protection in distributed environments, self-sovereign identity, process tracing, ...



Workpackages

- **WP1** - Cryptographic mechanisms
 - Task 1.1 - Cryptographic solutions for access control
 - Task 1.2 - Cryptographic mechanisms for distributed environments
- **WP2** - Blockchain and other distributed technologies
 - Task 2.1 - Security of blockchain-based solutions
 - Task 2.2 - Identification and access control
- **WP3** - Evolutionary changes and challenges for secure digital identity
 - Task 3.1 - Beyond identity of humans, anonymity, and user-centric management
 - Task 3.2 - Advanced and quantum-safe solutions for digital identity and digital tracing



Selected research topics

- Self Sovereign Identity
 - Verifiable credentials are accepted only if issued by trusted entities: how to know their trustworthiness?
 - Cryptographic mechanisms for the selective disclosure of Verifiable credentials
- PUF-based authentication mechanisms
 - PUF-based identities for IoT devices (in supply chains)
- Cryptographic Solutions for Access Control
 - Privacy preserving storage, transmission, and processing of data in the cloud
- Security testing of Digital Identity Ecosystems
 - National digital identity infrastructures require extensive and continuous testing plans to be conducted automatically