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Cyber Security Activities in Switzerland



Technology can erode trust!

Cryptocurrency investors locked out of \$190m after exchange founder dies

QuadrigaCX, Canada's largest exchange, was unable to access password or recovery key after Gerald Cotten died last December



Vulnerability in Swiss e-voting system could have led to vote alterations

A fix has been deployed to Switzerland's e-voting system, slated to roll out later this year.



By Catalin Cimpanu for Zero Day | March 12, 2019 -- 16:23 GMT (16:23 GMT) | Topic: Security



BRIAN BARRETT SECURITY 05.08.19 01:20 PM

HACK BRIEF: HACKERS STOLE \$40 MILLION FROM BINANCE CRYPTOCURRENCY EXCHANGE

US elections 2020

America's new voting machines bring new fears of election tampering

In the first of a two-part series: Many jurisdictions will offer voters a paper trail in 2020. But the systems involved are far from foolproof

- 'They think they are above the law': the firms that own America's voting system



Image of a CNBC news article snippet:

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South Korean cryptocurrency exchange Bithumb says it was hacked and \$30 million in coins was stolen

- A major South Korea-based cryptocurrency exchange said it was hacked and about \$30 million worth of cryptocurrencies were stolen.
- Bithumb is one of the busiest exchanges for virtual coins.
- The exchange said the stolen coins would be covered from its own holdings and that it moved all users' assets into safe "cold" wallets.

Saheli Roy Choudhury
Published 10:46 PM ET Tue, 19 June 2018 | Updated 2:44 PM ET Wed, 20 June 2018

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Cryptocurrency Trader Says The Market Is Manipulated

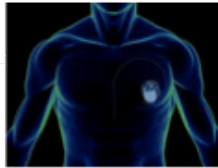
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If you think cryptocurrencies are fairly priced by a free market, you are in for a

Everything is Being Hacked

The New York Times
A Heart Device Is Found Vulnerable to Hacker Attacks
 By BARNABY J. FEDER
 Published: March 12, 2008

Doctors disabled wireless in Dick Cheney's pacemaker to thwart hacking



The New York Times
Keeping Your Car Safe From Electronic Thieves

Last week, I started keeping my car keys in the freezer, and I may be at the forefront of a new digital safety trend.

'We hacked U.S. drone': Iran claims it electronically hijacked spy aircraft's GPS and tricked aircraft into landing on its soil

- RQ-170 Sentinel drone has been seen on display by Iran's gloating military
- Engineer claims Iran downed drone by using fake signals to confuse it
- Claimed GPS signals are easy to hack without cracking U.S. control codes
- Alleges aircraft's GPS weakness was long known to U.S. military officials




Oops, your files have been encrypted!

What Happened to My Computer?
 Your important files are encrypted. Many of your documents, photos, videos, databases and other files are no longer accessible because they have been encrypted. May be you are busy looking for a way to recover your files, but do not waste your time. Nobody can recover your files without our decryption service.

Can I Recover My Files?
 Sure. We guarantee that you can recover all your files safely and easily. But you have not so enough time. You can decrypt some of your files for free. Try now by clicking <Decrypt>. But if you want to decrypt all your files, you need to pay. You only have 3 days to submit the payment. After that the price will be doubled. Also, if you don't pay in 7 days, you won't be able to recover your files forever. We will have free events for users who are so poor that they couldn't pay in 6 months.

How Do I Pay?
 Payment is accepted in Bitcoin only. For more information, click <About bitcoin>. Please check the current price of Bitcoin and buy some bitcoins. For more information, click <How to buy bitcoins>. And send the correct amount to the address specified in this window. After your payment, click <Check Payment>. Best time to check: 9:00am - 11:00am

Payment will be raised on 5/16/2017 06:47:55
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How Drones Can Find and Hack Internet-of-Things Devices From the Sky

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Security researchers have developed a Flying Drone with a custom-made tracking tool capable of sniffing out data from the devices connected to the Internet - better known as the Internet-of-things. Under its Internet of Things Map Project, a team of security researchers at the Texas-based firm [...]

RollJam — \$30 Device That Unlocks Almost Any Car And Garage Door

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We have talked a lot about car hacking. Recently researchers even demonstrated how hackers can remotely hijack Jeep Cherokee to control its steering, brakes and transmission. Now, researchers have discovered another type of car hack that can be used to unlock almost every car or garage door. You [...]

Increasing Complexity and Interdependency

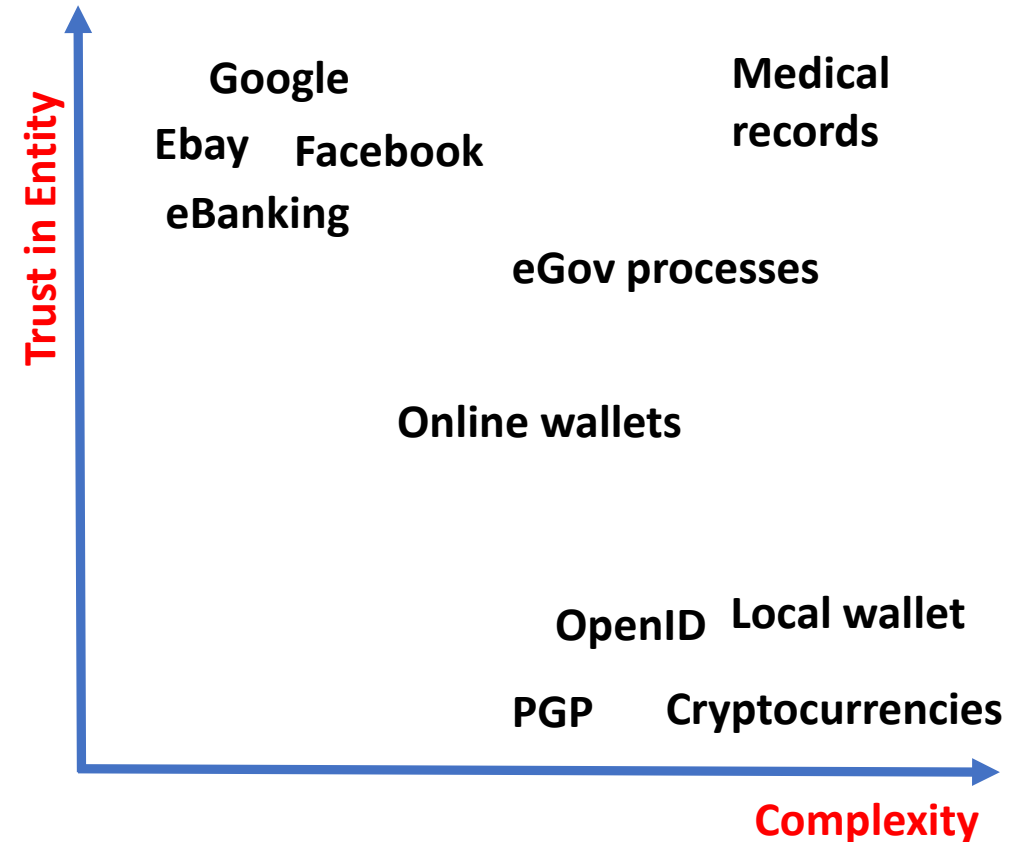
- Complexity is rapidly growing
- **Trust enables delegation of complexity**

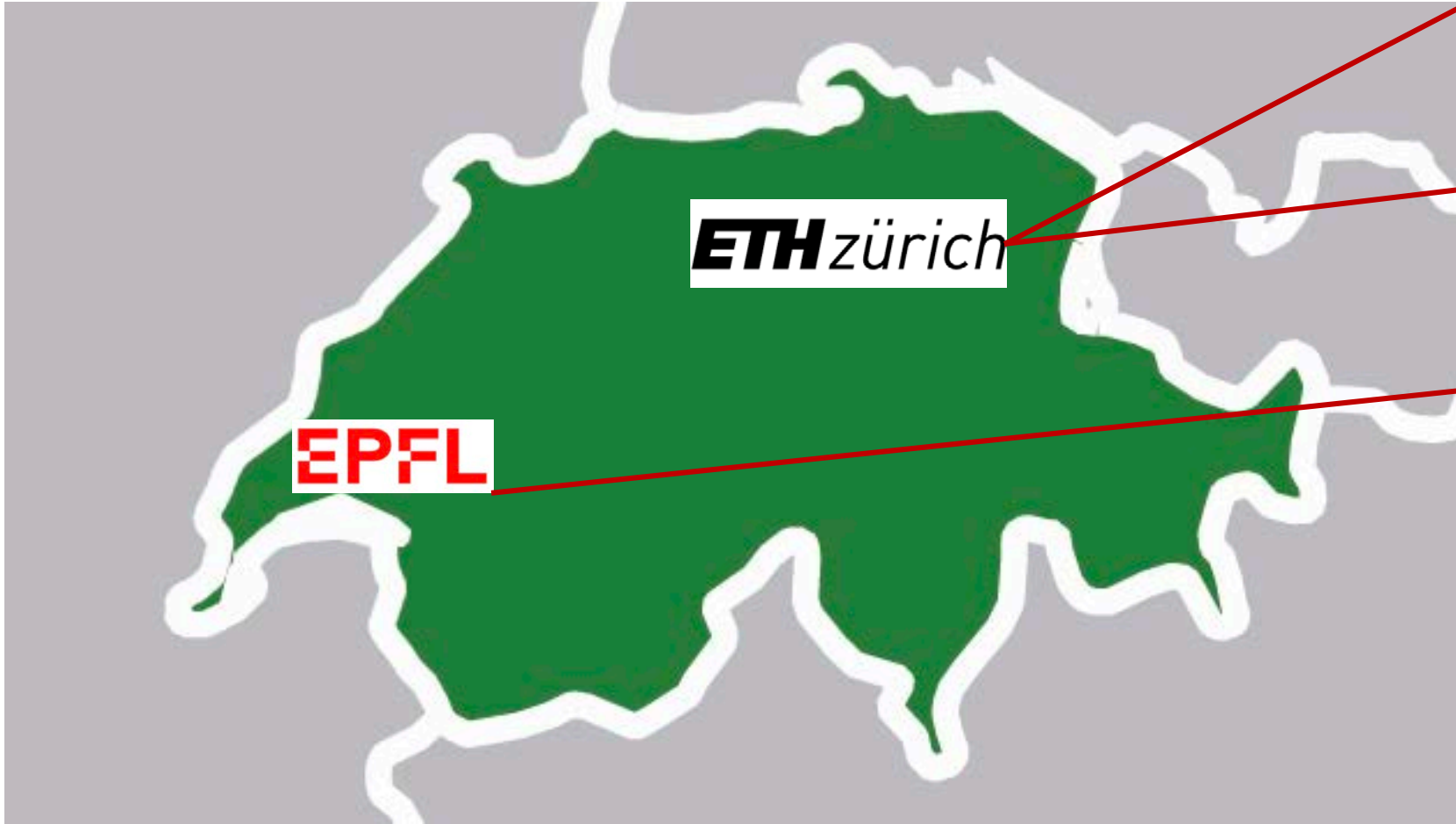
Key Challenge:

Find the technologies that provide best complexity / trust tradeoffs

Key part of the Answer:

- **attract and develop top security talent**
- **develop local security scenes, starting with innovative startups**





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- Research projects
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#	Institution	Count	Faculty
1	▶ ETH Zurich	18.8	13
2	▶ CISPA Helmholtz Center	18.6	18
3	▶ Ruhr-University Bochum	15.1	8
4	▶ TU Darmstadt	12.4	11
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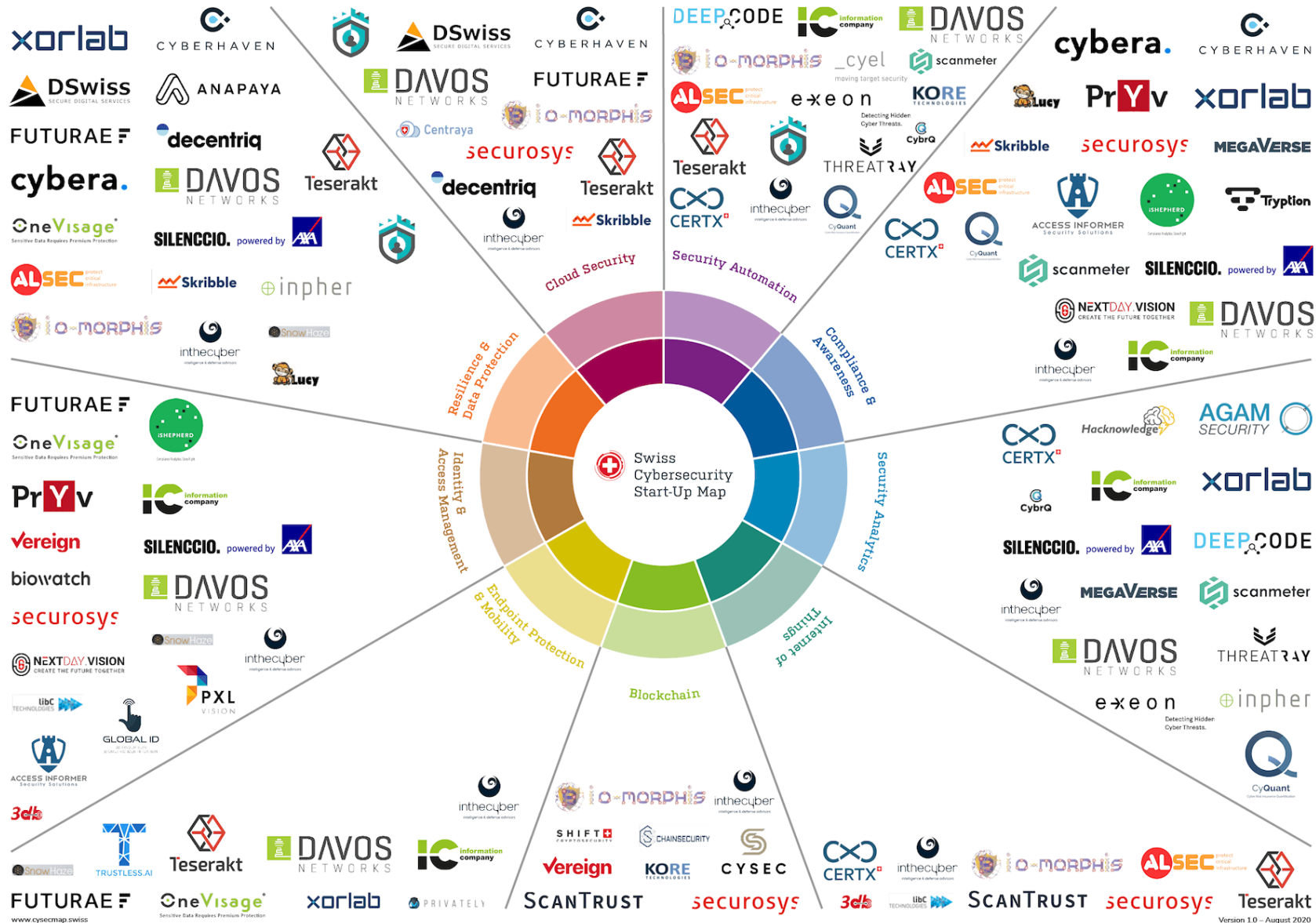


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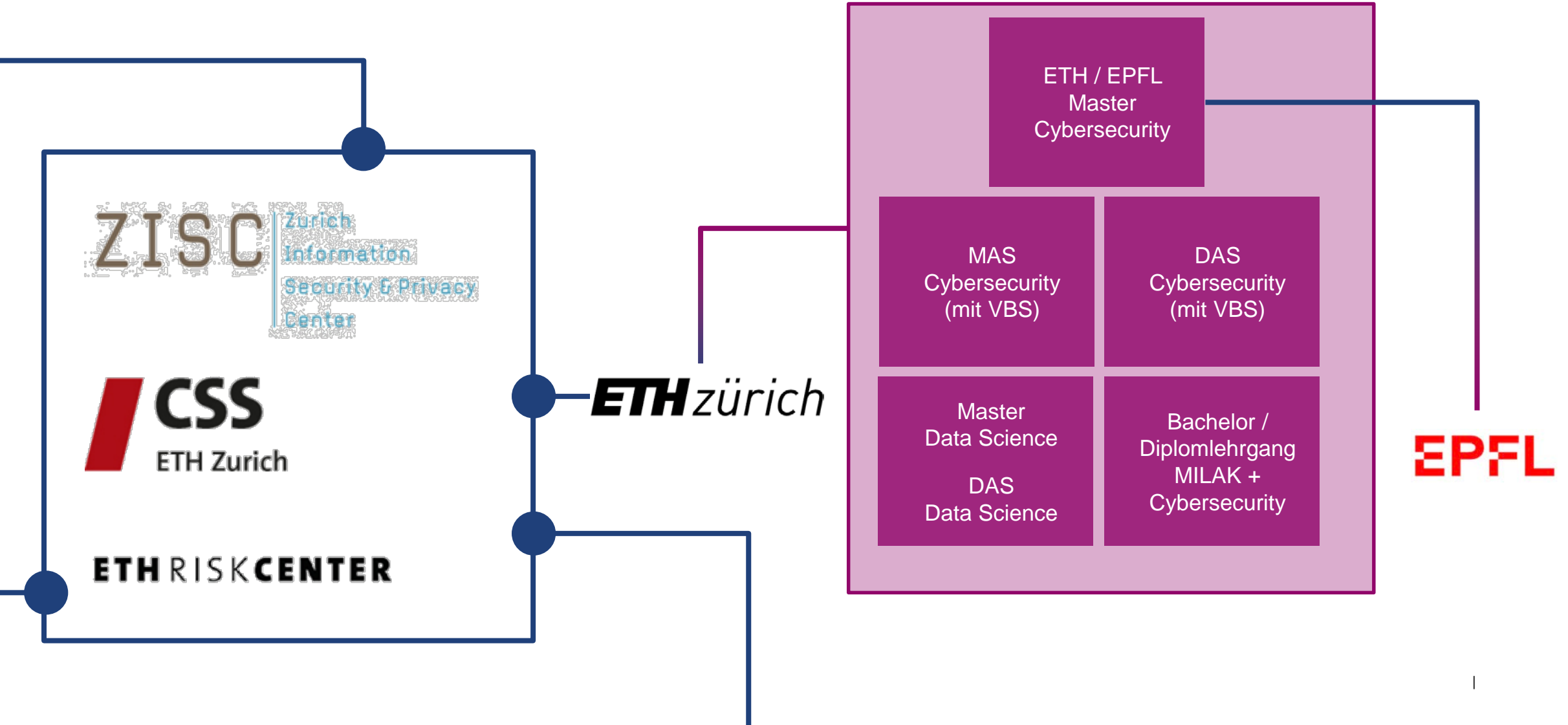
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Swiss Cybersecurity Technology Startup Map



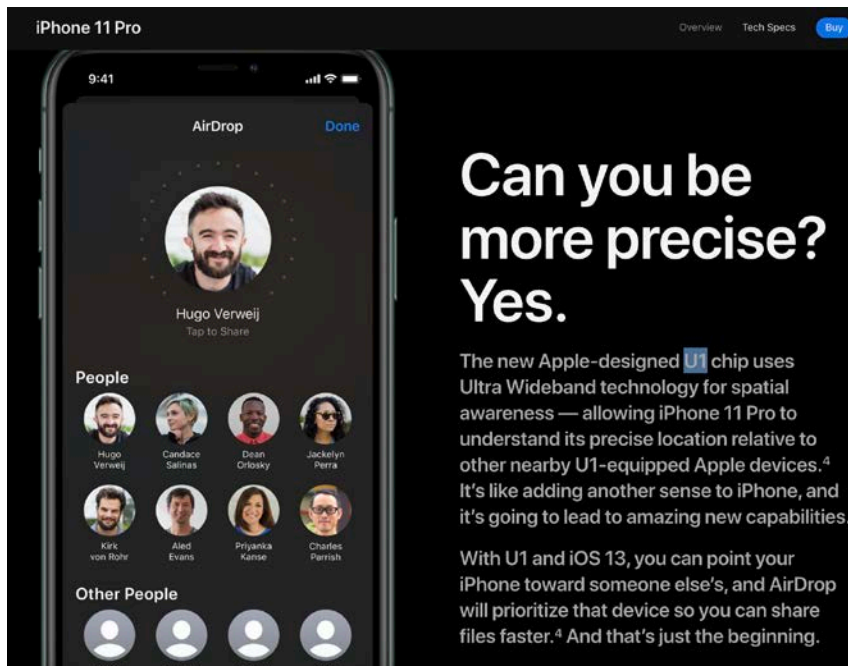
Security Education: MSc and Continuous Education Programs



Research Highlights: Secure Distance Measurement

IEEE **UWB 802.15.4z**: technology for **secure short-range distance measurement**

- **Standard initiated and co-developed by ETH Zurich researchers and ETH Spinoff**
- Securing physical access to cars, homes, ...
- Secure Payments, ...



Research Highlights: New Secure Internet

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Enables control over where data goes. Secured against route hijacking.

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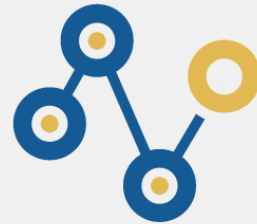
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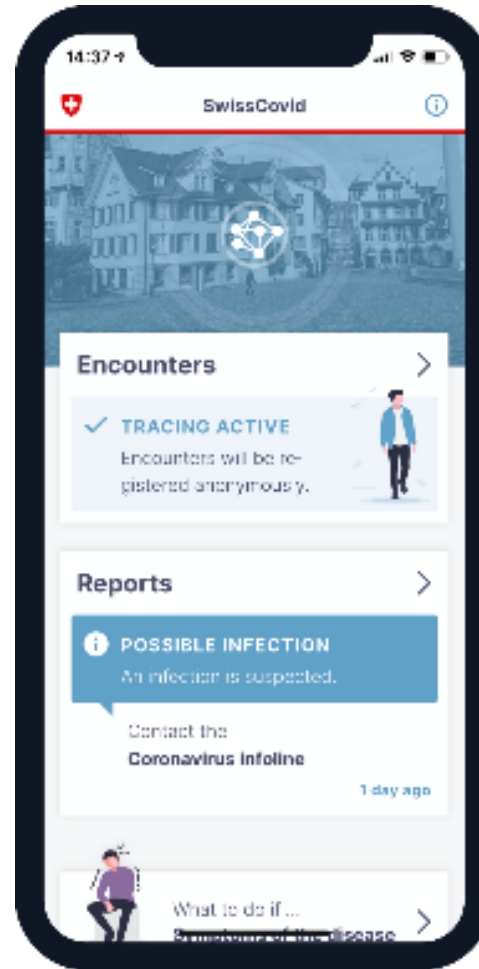
Research Highlights: DP-3T – Secure and Private Contact Tracing

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When we build something we have to pick an architecture that works. And it has to work globally, for all countries around the world. And when we did the analysis and looked at different approaches we were very heavily inspired by the DP-3T group and their approach – and that's what we have adopted as a solution. We think that gives the best privacy preserving aspects of the contacts tracing service.”

Dave Burke, VP of Android, Google, 24.4.2020

<https://techcrunch.com/2020/04/24/apple-and-google-update-joint-coronavirus-tracing-tech-to-improve-user-privacy-and-developer-flexibility/>



Decentralized Privacy-Preserving Proximity Tracing

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