



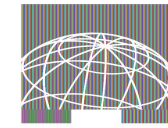
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# Secure and TRaceable Identities in Distributed Environments (STRIDE)

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Partenariato Esteso – Piano Nazionale di Ripresa e Resilienza (PNRR)  
(Extended Partnership — Recovery and Resilience Facility, RFF)



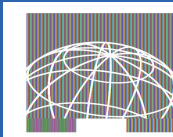
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- **SEcurity and RIghts in the CyberSpace (SERICS)**
- Extended Partnership in Area 7 - Cybersecurity: new technologies and protection of rights
- Proposer: **University of Salerno**
- Coordinated by **CINI Cybersecurity National Lab**
- Total cost: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





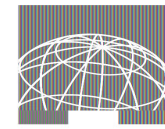
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# Overview



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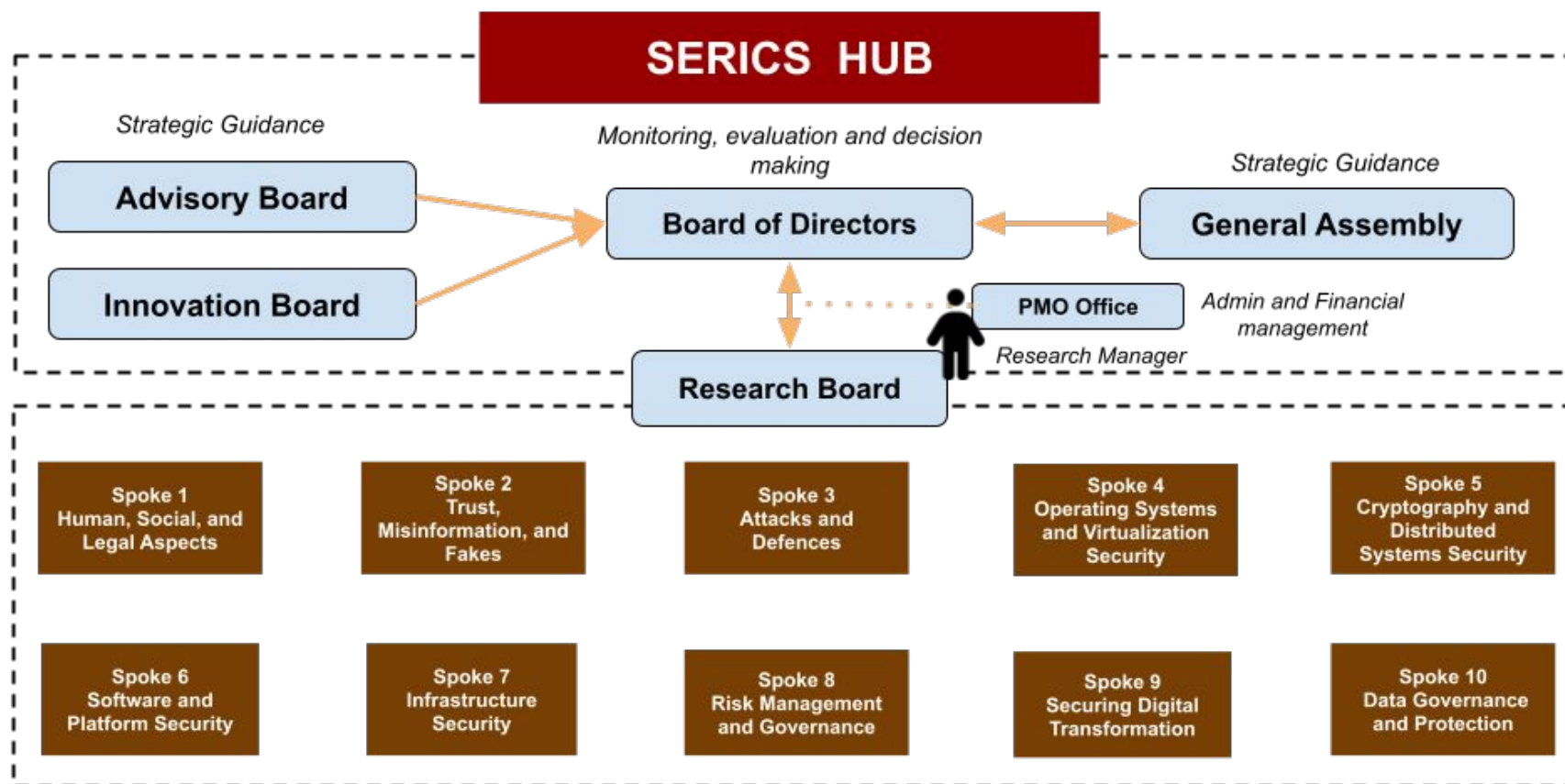


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# SERICS Hub & Spokes





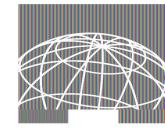
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## SERICS Partnership

### 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



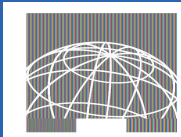
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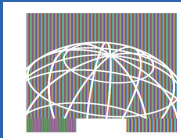
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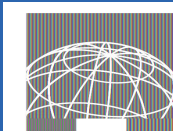


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## Academy's Goals

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*





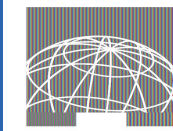
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## PhD National Program on Cybersecurity

- 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.



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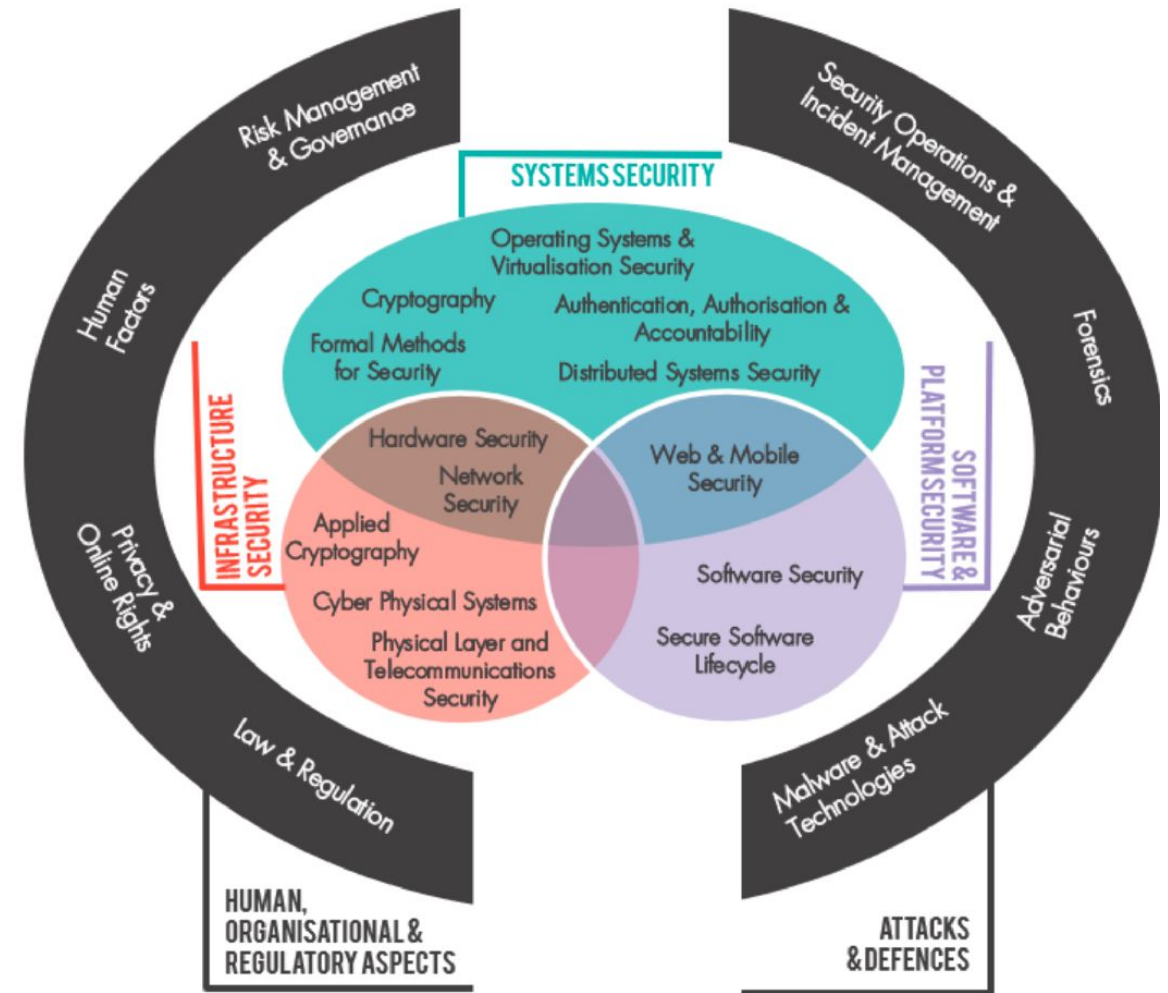
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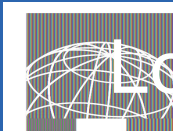


## SERICS Thematic Areas

# The Cyber Security Body Of Knowledge

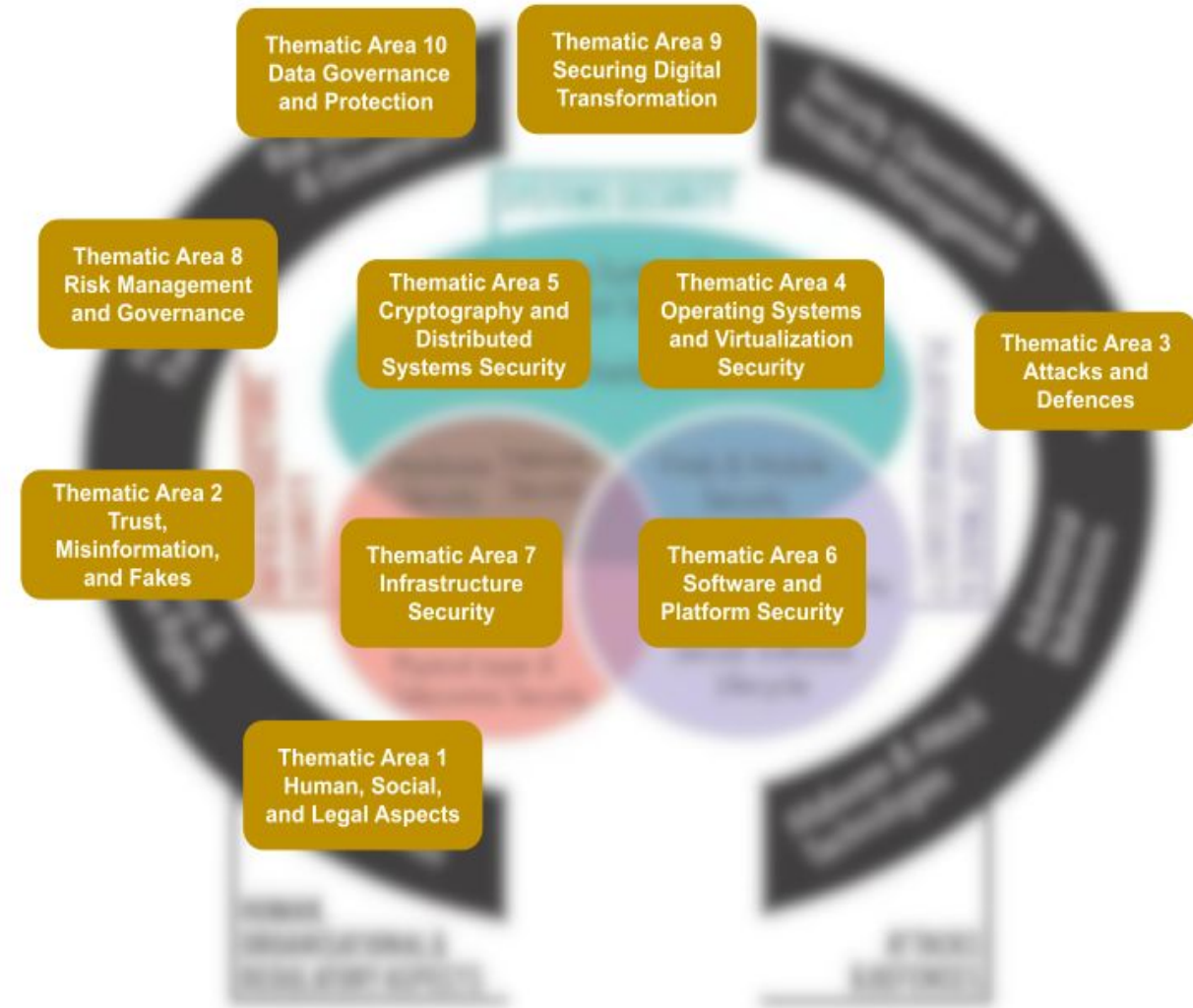
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## SERICS Thematic Areas

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





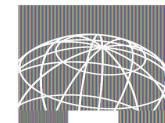
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3	Attacks and Defences	<b>UniCA</b> , CNR, SSSA, UniBA, UniCAL, UniGE, UniRoma1, UniSA, UniVE ENI, LDO, TIM	54
4	Operating Systems and Virtualization Security	<b>UniGE</b> , CNIT, CNR, CINI, FBK, FUB, IMT, UniCAL, UniRoma1, UniSA, Fincantieri, LDO	52
5	Cryptography and Distributed Systems Security	<b>UniCAL</b> , CNR, FBK, PoliTO, UniCA, UniSA, Deloitte, ISP	38
6	Software and Platform Security	<b>UniVE</b> , IMT, UniBA, UniCA, UniFI, UniRoma1, UniSA, Deloitte	32
7	Infrastructure Security	<b>Polito</b> , CNR, CINI, FUB, IMT, SSSA, UniCA, UniGE, Deloitte, LDO, TIM	52
8	Risk Management & Governance	<b>UniBO</b> , CNIT, CNR, Polito, UniBA, UniFI, UniGE, UniMI, Deloitte	58
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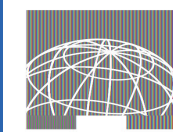
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# Focus on

Spoke 5 - Cryptography and  
Distributed Systems Security



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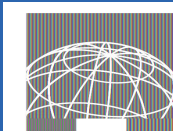
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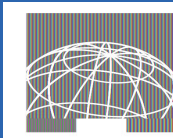
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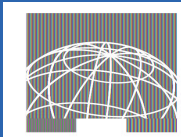
## Spoke 5 - Cryptography and Distributed Systems Security (UNICAL)

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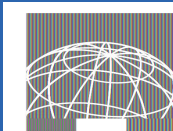
## Spoke 5 - overview

- **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



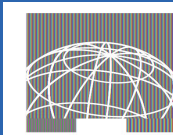
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## Selected research topics (2)

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- See slide decks in PP