

Erkan Tairi

Education

- 2019–2024 **PhD in Computer Science**, *TU Wien*, Vienna, Austria
Supervisors: Matteo Maffei (TU Wien) and Daniel Slamanig (AIT Austrian Institute of Technology)
- 2016–2018 **MSc in Computer Science**, *Johannes Kepler University*, Linz, Austria
- 2011–2015 **BSc in Computer Science**, *University St. Paul the Apostle*, Ohrid, Macedonia

Professional Experience

- Oct. 2025 - **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *UC Berkeley*, Berkeley, CA, USA
Host: Sanjam Garg
- Sep. 2025 - **Research Scientist**, *Alloc Init*, Remote
Cryptographic protocol design and documentation
- May 2024 - **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *ENS Paris*, Paris, France
- Sep. 2025 Host: David Pointcheval
- Feb. 2022 - **Research Engineer**, *MyPrivacy*, Vienna, Austria
- Jan. 2024 Cryptographic protocol design and development

Internships and Visits

- Feb. 2025 **Research Visit**, *King's College London*, London, England
Host: Martin Albrecht
- Dec. 2022 **Research Visit**, *IMDEA Software Institute*, Madrid, Spain
Host: Dario Fiore
- Nov. 2022 **Research Visit**, *ETH Zürich*, Zürich, Switzerland
Host: Dennis Hofheinz
- Jun.-Sep. 2018 **Internship**, *AIT Austrian Institute of Technology*, Vienna, Austria
Supervisor: Daniel Slamanig
- Oct. 2018 - **Internship**, *TU Wien*, Vienna, Austria
- Mar. 2019 Supervisor: Matteo Maffei

Teaching

- 2019–2023 **Teaching Assistant**, *TU Wien*, Vienna, Austria
Cryptocurrencies, Privacy-Enhancing Cryptography (graduate level)

Publications

Published Papers

Lower Bounds for Lattice-based Compact Functional Encryption. In *EUROCRYPT 2024*.

Erkan Tairi and Akın Ünal

(Inner-Product) Functional Encryption with Updatable Ciphertexts. In *Journal of Cryptology*.
Valerio Cini, Sebastian Ramacher, Daniel Slamanig, Christoph Striecks and Erkan Tairi

LedgerLocks: A Security Framework for Blockchain Protocols Based on Adaptor Signatures. In ACM CCS 2023.

Erkan Tairi, Pedro Moreno-Sanchez and Clara Schneidewind

Foundations of Coin Mixing Services. In ACM CCS 2022.

Noemi Glaeser, Matteo Maffei, Giulio Malavolta, Pedro Moreno-Sanchez, Erkan Tairi and Sri AravindaKrishnan Thyagarajan

A2L: Anonymous Atomic Locks for Scalability in Payment Channel Hubs. In IEEE S&P 2021.

Erkan Tairi, Pedro Moreno-Sanchez and Matteo Maffei

Post-Quantum Adaptor Signature for Privacy-Preserving Off-Chain Payments. In FC 2021.

Erkan Tairi, Pedro Moreno-Sanchez and Matteo Maffei

Updatable Signatures and Message Authentication Codes. In PKC 2021.

Valerio Cini, Sebastian Ramacher, Daniel Slamanig, Christoph Striecks and Erkan Tairi

Preprints (Under Submission)

Hardness of M-LWE with General Distributions and Applications to Leaky Variants.

Katharina Boudgoust, Corentin Jeudy, Erkan Tairi and Weiqiang Wen

(Fine-Grained) Unbounded Inner-Product Functional Encryption from LWE.

Valerio Cini and Erkan Tairi

Ciphertext-Updatable Attribute-based and Predicate Encryption from Lattices.

Robert Schädlich, Linda Scheu-Hachtel, Erkan Tairi and Yuejun Wang

Registered Functional Encryption for Pseudorandom Functionalities from Lattices: Registered ABE for Unbounded Depth Circuits and Turing Machines, and More.

Tapas Pal, Robert Schädlich and Erkan Tairi

Lattice-based Unbounded Registered Functional Encryption: Inner Products and Logspace Predicates.

Valerio Cini, Tapas Pal, Robert Schädlich and Erkan Tairi

LeOPaRd: Towards Practical Post-Quantum Oblivious PRFs via Interactive Lattice Problems.

Muhammed F. Esgin, Ron Steinfeld, Erkan Tairi and Jie Xu

On Verifiable Delay Functions from Time-lock Puzzles.

Hamza Abusalah, Karen Azari, Dario Fiore, Chethan Kamath and Erkan Tairi

Impossibility of VDFs in the ROM: The Complete Picture.

Hamza Abusalah, Karen Azari, Maximilian von Consbruch, Chethan Kamath, and Erkan Tairi

Foundations of Verifiably Encrypted (Blind) Signatures.

Diego Castejon-Molina, Erkan Tairi, Dimitrios Vasilopoulos and Pedro Moreno-Sanchez

On the Asymmetry of Two-Party Adaptor Signatures.

Javier Gomez-Martinez, Erkan Tairi, Pedro Moreno-Sanchez and Clara Schneidewind

Professional Activities

Program Committee

ACM CCS 2025-2026, ACM AsiaCCS 2026, FC 2025-2026, IACR Communications in Cryptology 2025-2026, CVC 2025

External Reviewer

ACISP 2024; ACM CCS 2021-2023; ACM AFT 2022; ACNS 2024-2025; APKC 2021-2022; Asiacrypt 2021, 2024-2025; CANS 2022; Crypto 2023-2025; Eurocrypt 2023, 2025-2026; FC 2021-2024; IEEE S&P 2024; IWSEC 2021-2023; PKC 2026; ProvSec 2020-2023

Administration and Organization

- Co-organizer of ViSP Cryptography Research Meetup

- Member of NDSS 2023 Student Support Committee

Awards and Grants

Erwin Schrödinger Fellowship (by Austrian Science Fund)

(Selected) Presentations and Invited Talks

(Fine-Grained) Unbounded Inner-Product Functional Encryption from LWE

Crypto Day at Télécom Paris. Jun. 2025

Guest talk at King's College London Cybersecurity Group. Feb. 2025

LedgerLocks: A Security Framework for Blockchain Protocols Based on Adaptor Signatures

IOG Seminar. Nov. 2023

(Inner-Product) Functional Encryption with Updatable Ciphertexts

PICOCRYPT Seminar at IMDEA Software Institute. Dec. 2022

A2L: Anonymous Atomic Locks for Scalability in Payment Channel Hubs

IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy. May 2021

Post-Quantum Adaptor Signature for Privacy-Preserving Off-Chain Payments

Financial Cryptography and Data Security 2021. Mar. 2021

Decrypto Seminar. Dec. 2020

Updatable Signatures and Message Authentication Codes

Conference PKC 2021. May 2021

Young Researcher Crypto Seminar. May 2021

Computer Skills

Programming C, C++, Rust (*advanced*), C#, Python, Shell (*average*), Java, Go (*basics*)

Web HTML, CSS, JavaScript (React, Node.js), ASP.NET Web (*advanced*)

Software Visual Studio, SageMath, Magma, Git, L^AT_EX

Other Microsoft Azure, Amazon AWS (cloud computing)

Languages

Macedonian	Native	
English	Fluent	<i>professional working proficiency</i>
Turkish	Fluent	<i>professional working proficiency</i>
French	Intermediate	<i>elementary proficiency</i>
German	Intermediate	<i>elementary proficiency</i>
Albanian	Intermediate	<i>elementary proficiency</i>