Lab3:
LoRaWAN and TTN

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Labs

⅓ Ready to use, tested examples

⅓ Exercise based on the examples

⅓ Your imagination → create new applications

Our Lab equipment

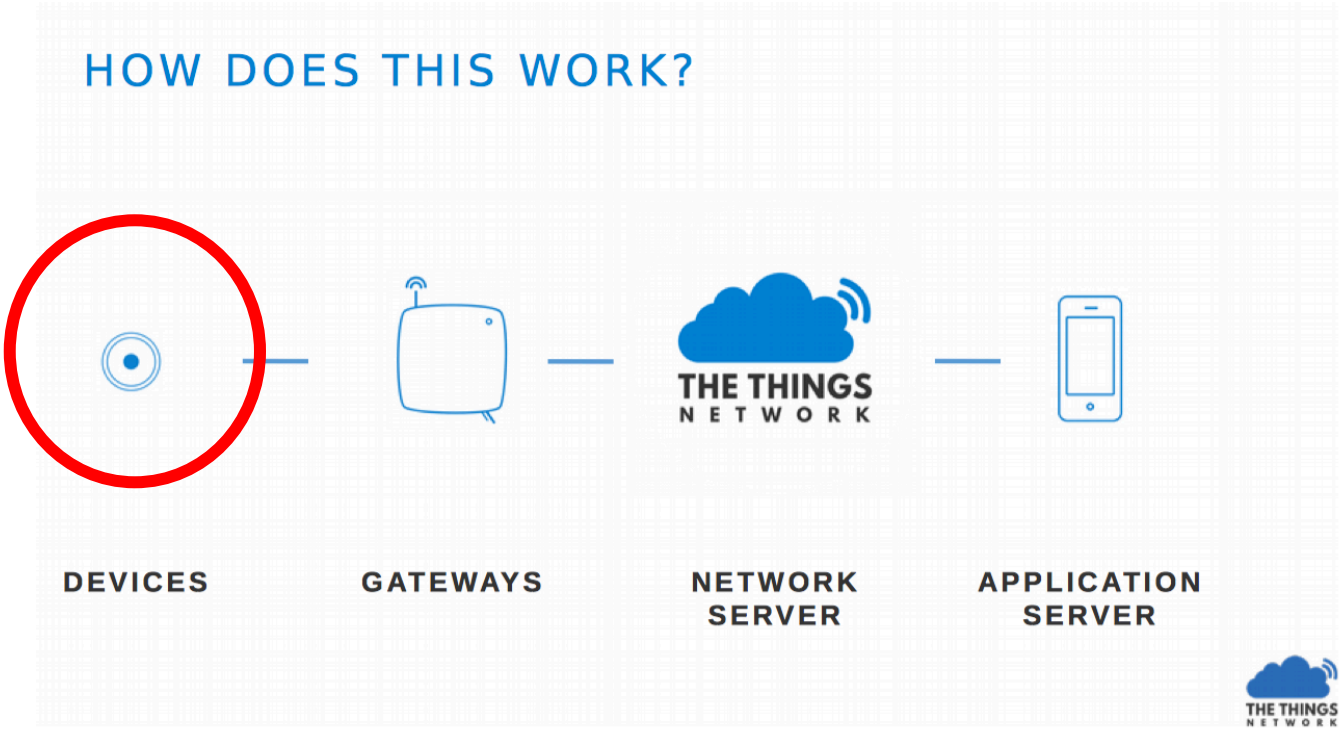
Pycom LoPy 4

PySense

microUSB Cable

LoRaWAN Gateway

TTN: devices, gateways, servers



Sending T,H to TTN

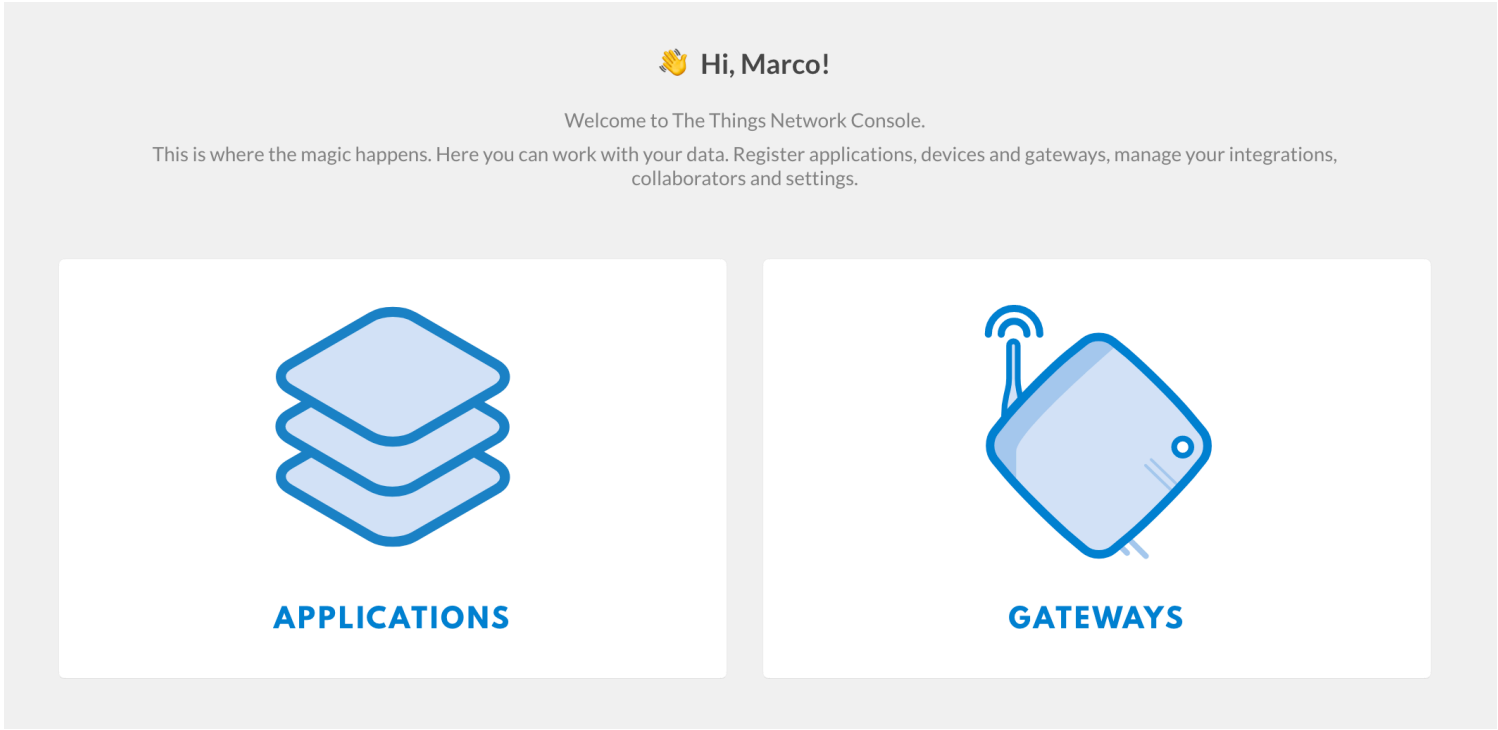
TTN: App

As a first step we must create a TTN application and register our device to it. This is necessary so that data are correctly encrypted.

Create an account on thethingsnetwork.org

Create a new application in TTN.

TTN: App

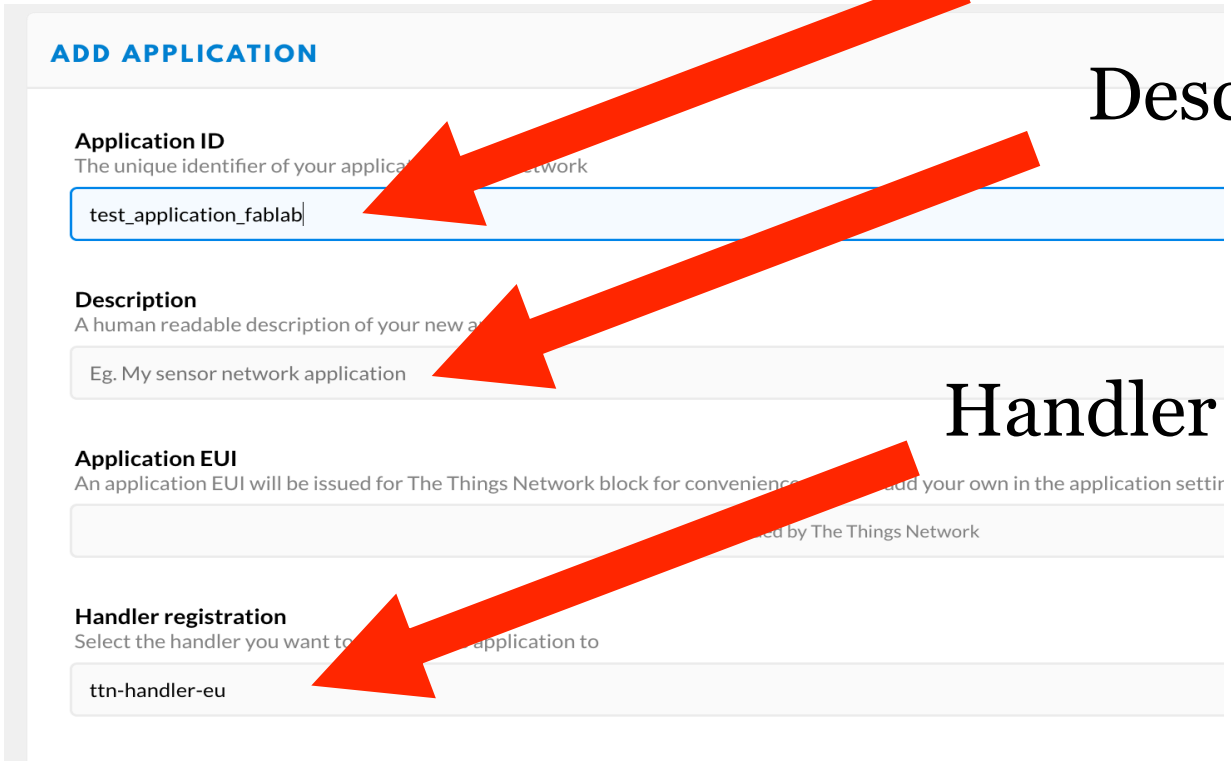

Hi, Marco!
Welcome to The Things Network Console.
This is where the magic happens. Here you can work with your data. Register applications, devices and gateways, manage your integrations, collaborators and settings.
APPLICATIONS
GATEWAYS

TTN: App

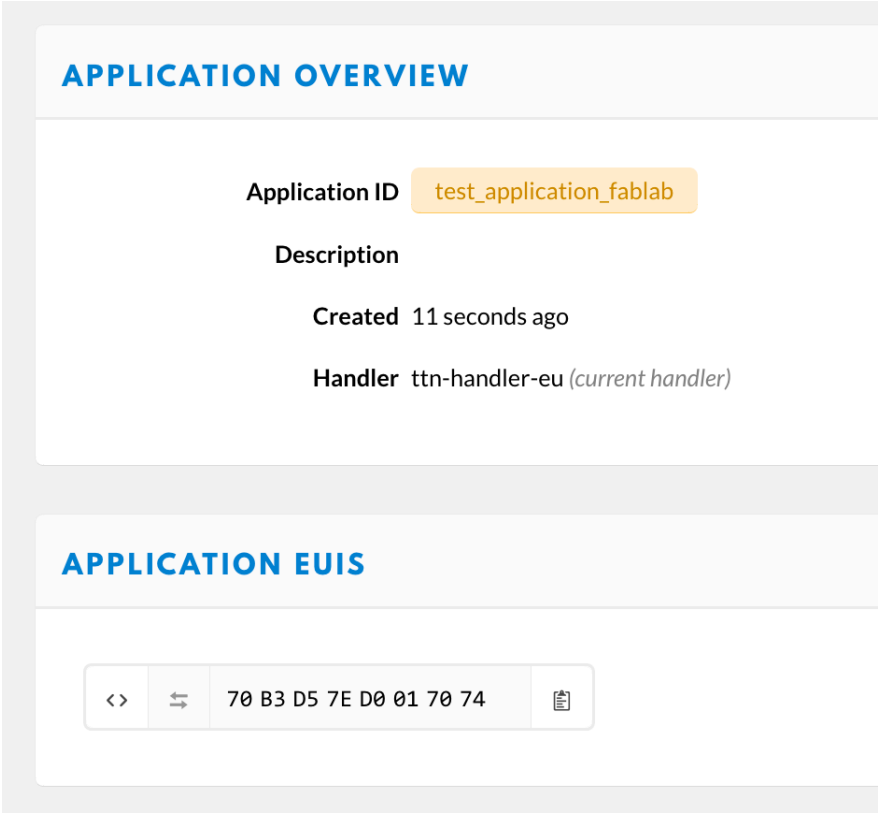
Application ID

Description

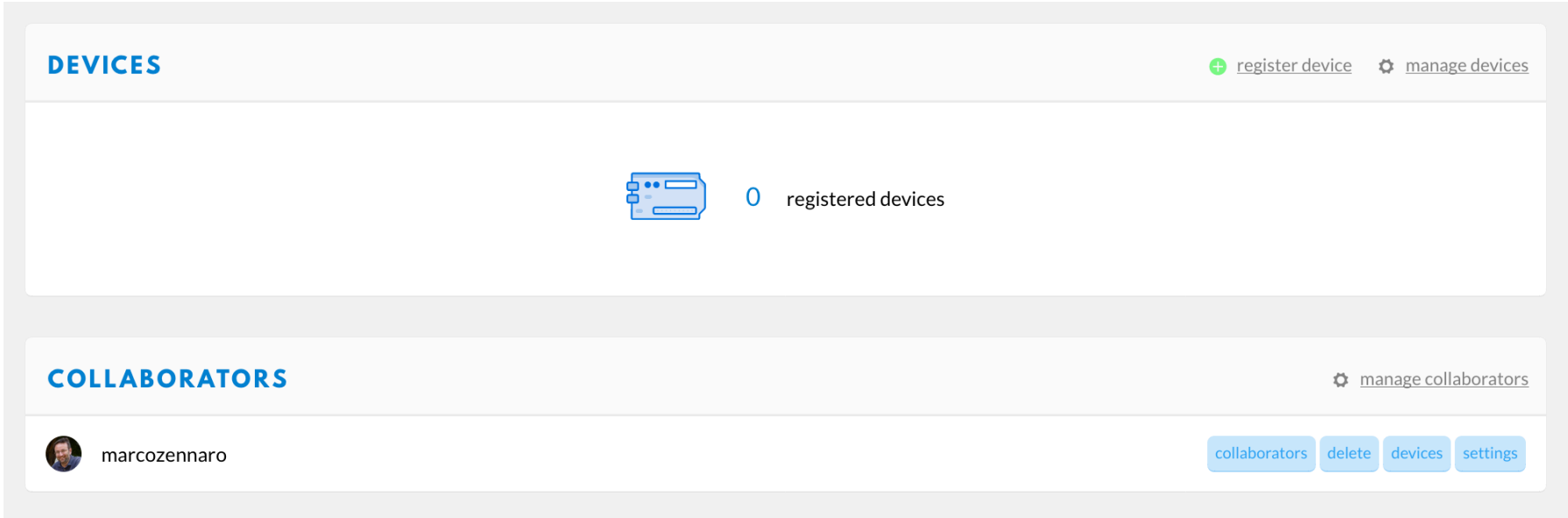
Handler (America)



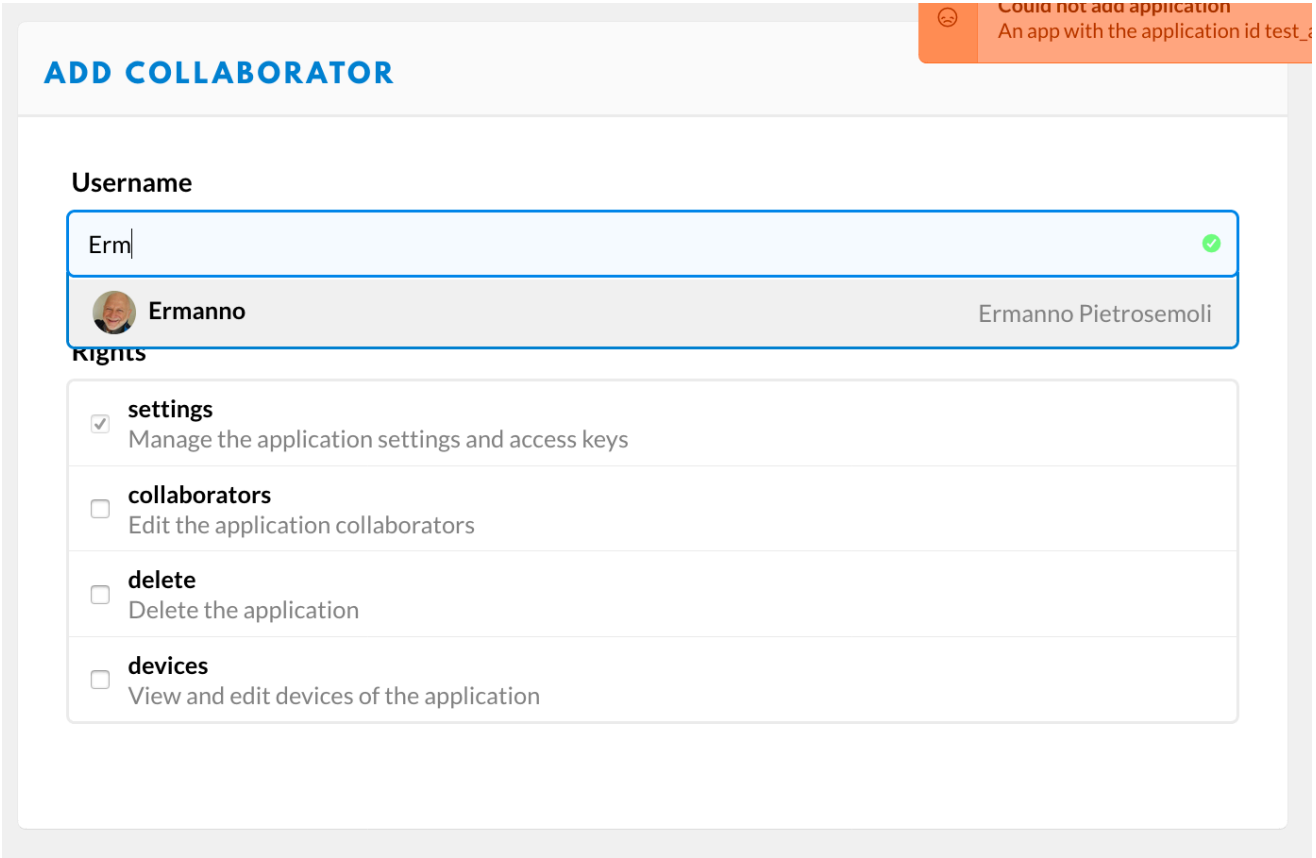
TTN: we have a new App!



TTN: Collaborators



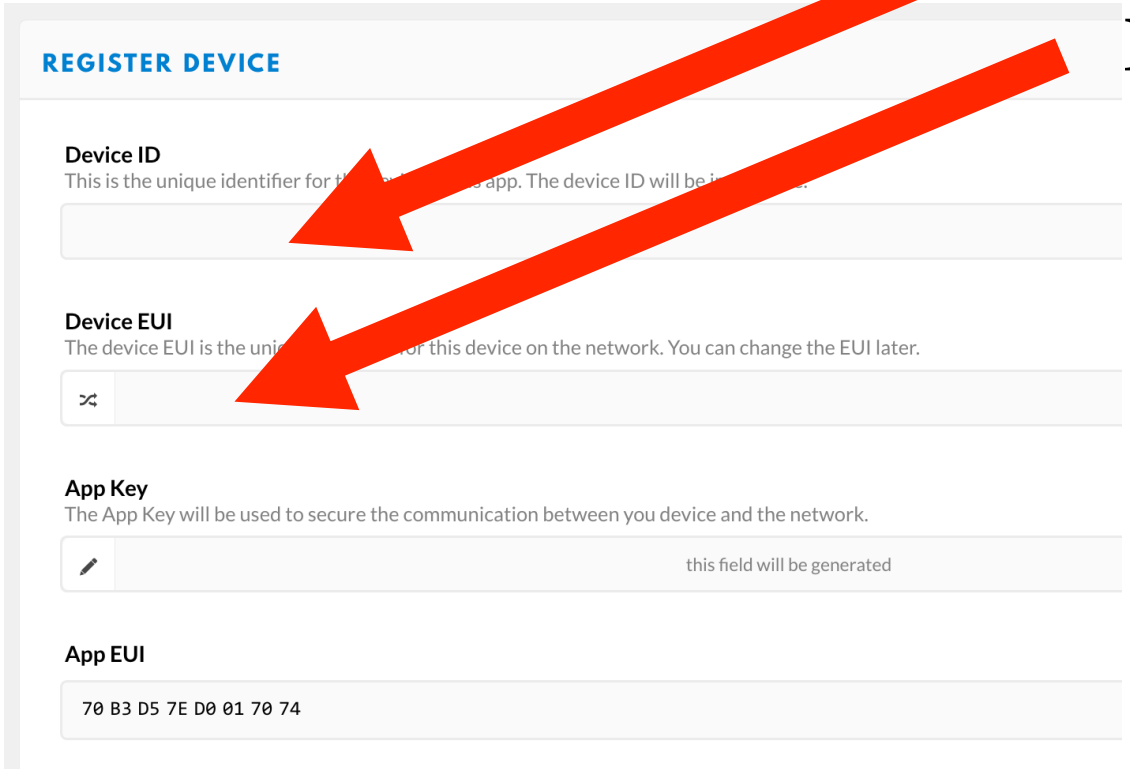
TTN: add a Collaborator to the App



TTN: register a device

Name of Device

Device EUI



Where is the device EUI?

Step 1: Create a device in TTN with the OTAA keys from LGT-92.

Each LGT-92 is shipped with a sticker with the default device EUI as below:

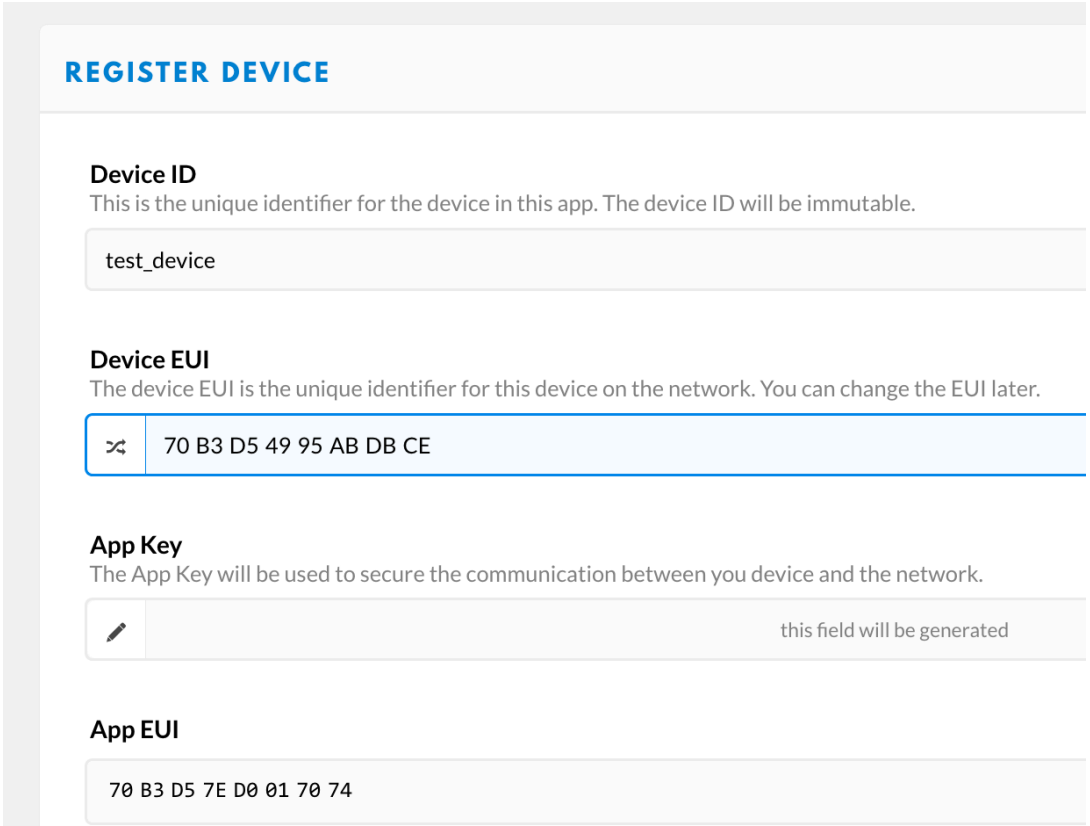
Device EUI for LoPy

To obtain the Device EUI of your LoPy, execute the following code in your REPL console:

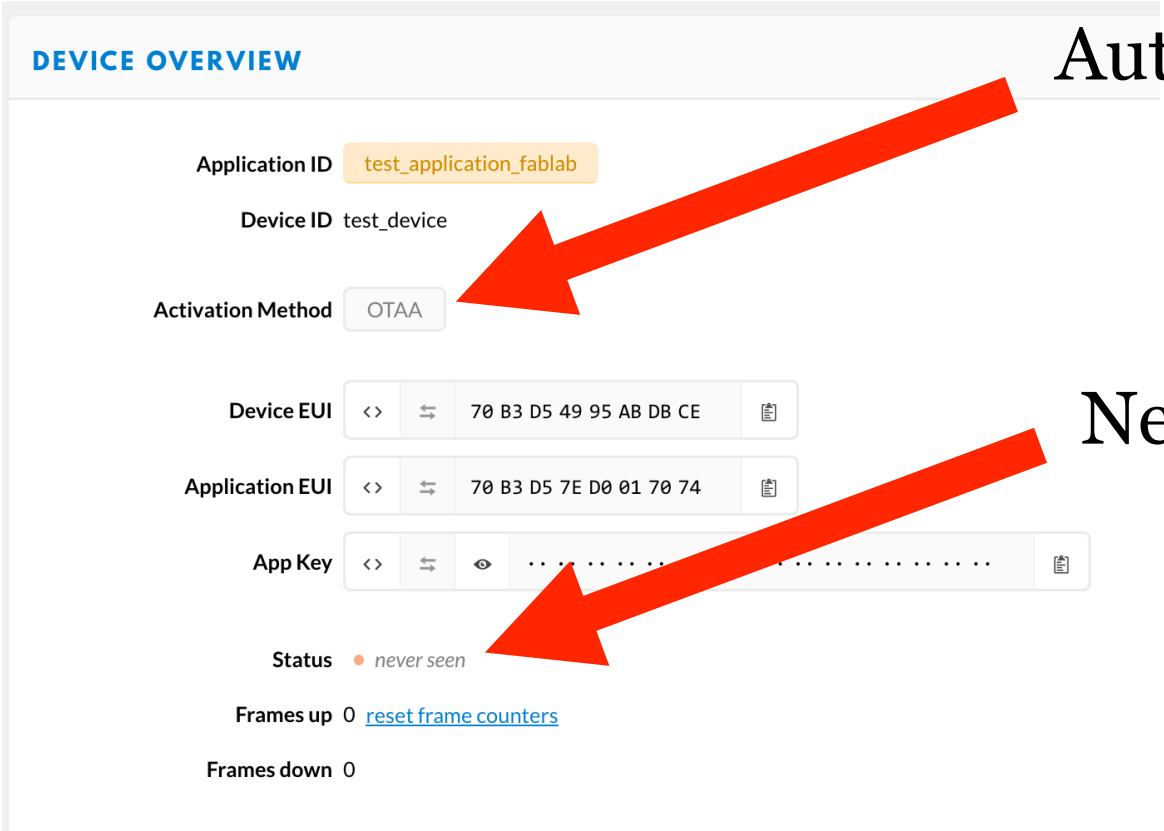
```
from network import LoRa
import binascii
lora = LoRa(mode=LoRa.LORAWAN)
print(binascii.hexlify(lora.mac()).upper().decode('utf-8'))
```

As an output you will receive a string that contains the Device EUI.

TTN: devices


REGISTER DEVICE
Device ID
This is the unique identifier for the device in this app. The device ID will be immutable.
test_device
Device EUI
The device EUI is the unique identifier for this device on the network. You can change the EUI later.
70 B3 D5 49 95 AB DB CE
App Key
The App Key will be used to secure the communication between you device and the network.
this field will be generated
App EUI
70 B3 D5 7E D0 01 70 74

TTN: devices

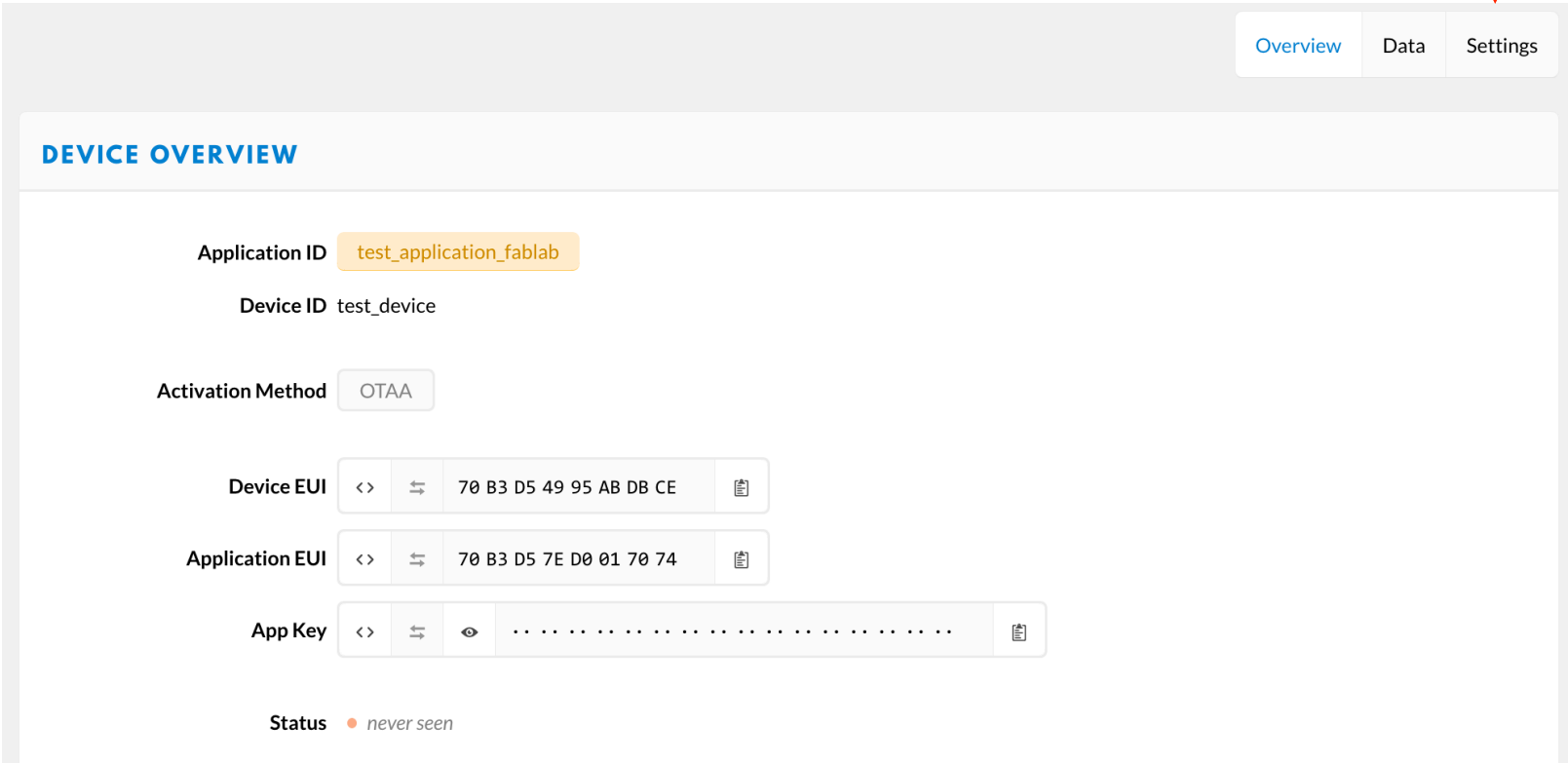


Authentication

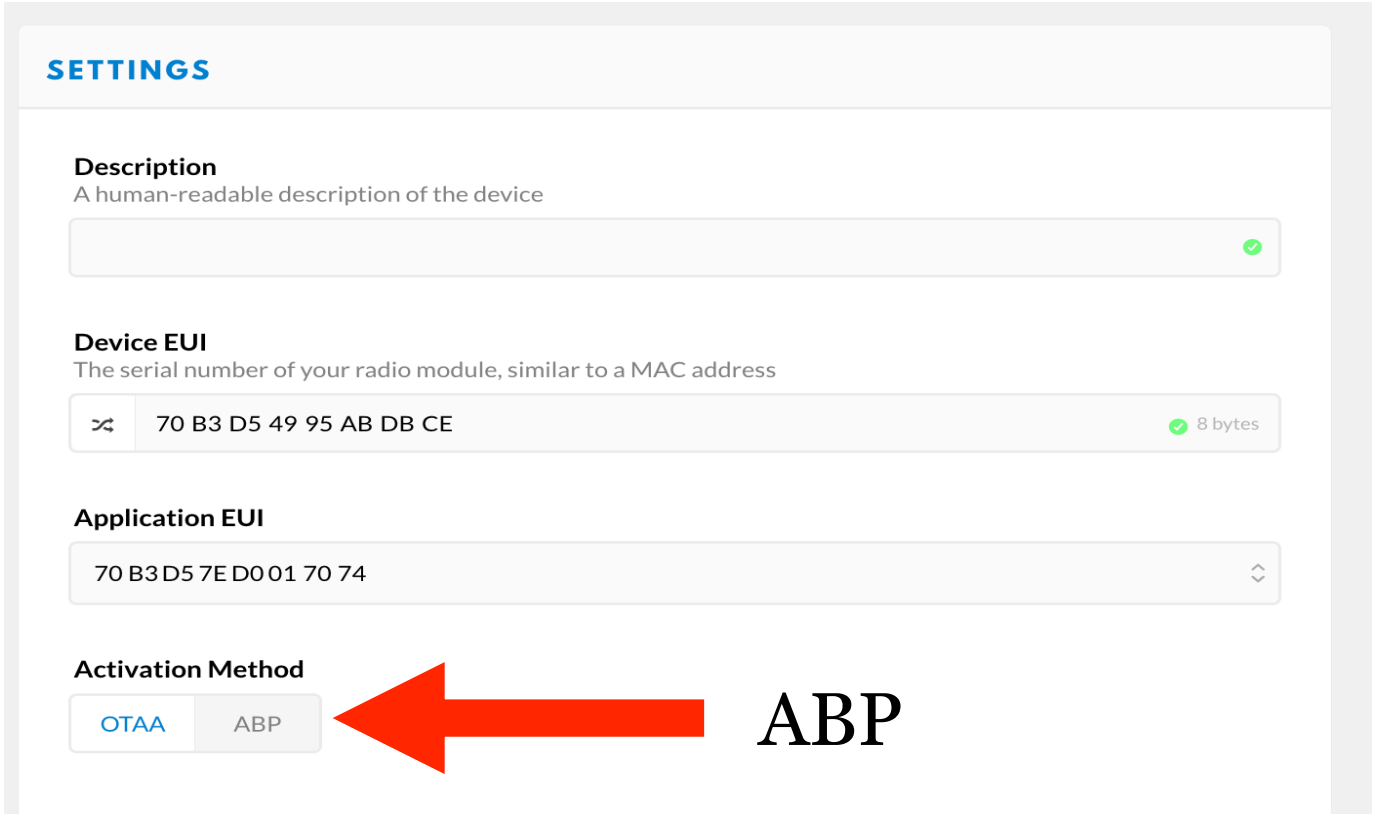
Never seen!

TTN: devices

Settings



TTN: devices


SETTINGS
Description
A human-readable description of the device
Device EUI
The serial number of your radio module, similar to a MAC address
70 B3 D5 49 95 AB DB CE
8 bytes
Application EUI
70 B3 D5 7E D0 01 70 74
Activation Method
OTAA
ABP
ABP

TTN: devices

Activation Method

OTAA | ABP

Device Address

The device address will be assigned by the network server

Network Session Key

Network Session Key will be generated

App Session Key

App Session Key will be generated

TTN: devices

DeviceAdd, NetKey, AppKey

TTN App: first example

Open the example in the Code/LoRa/TTN directory.

This example code sends a short message to TTN using ABP authentication.

TTN App: first example

```
dev_addr = struct.unpack(">l",
binascii.unhexlify('260118A2'))[0]

nwk_swkey =
binascii.unhexlify('F913FB6F4E47
169234163839D5A76787')

app_swkey =
binascii.unhexlify('CB4DECE3104
D7B5EB85AFFD8334E45E3')
```

Modify these values with the ones provided by TTN for your application

TTN App: first example

In TTN's Application, you should now be able to see the data coming in.

TTN App: T,H

Open the example in the Code/LoRa/TTN+Pysense/pycom directory.

This example code reads T and H from the Pysense and sends this information via TTN.

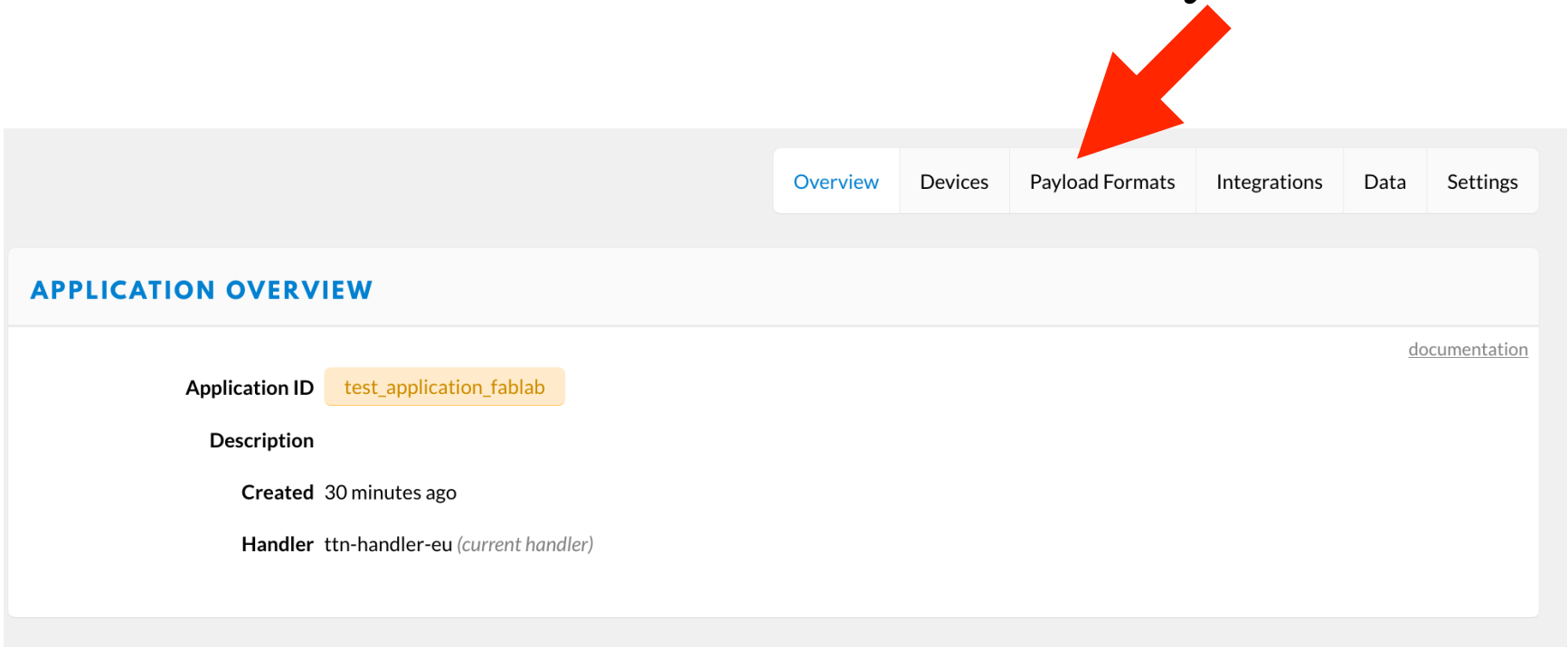
TTN App: T,H example

If your devices are transmitting data properly, all messages received will be seen in TTN.

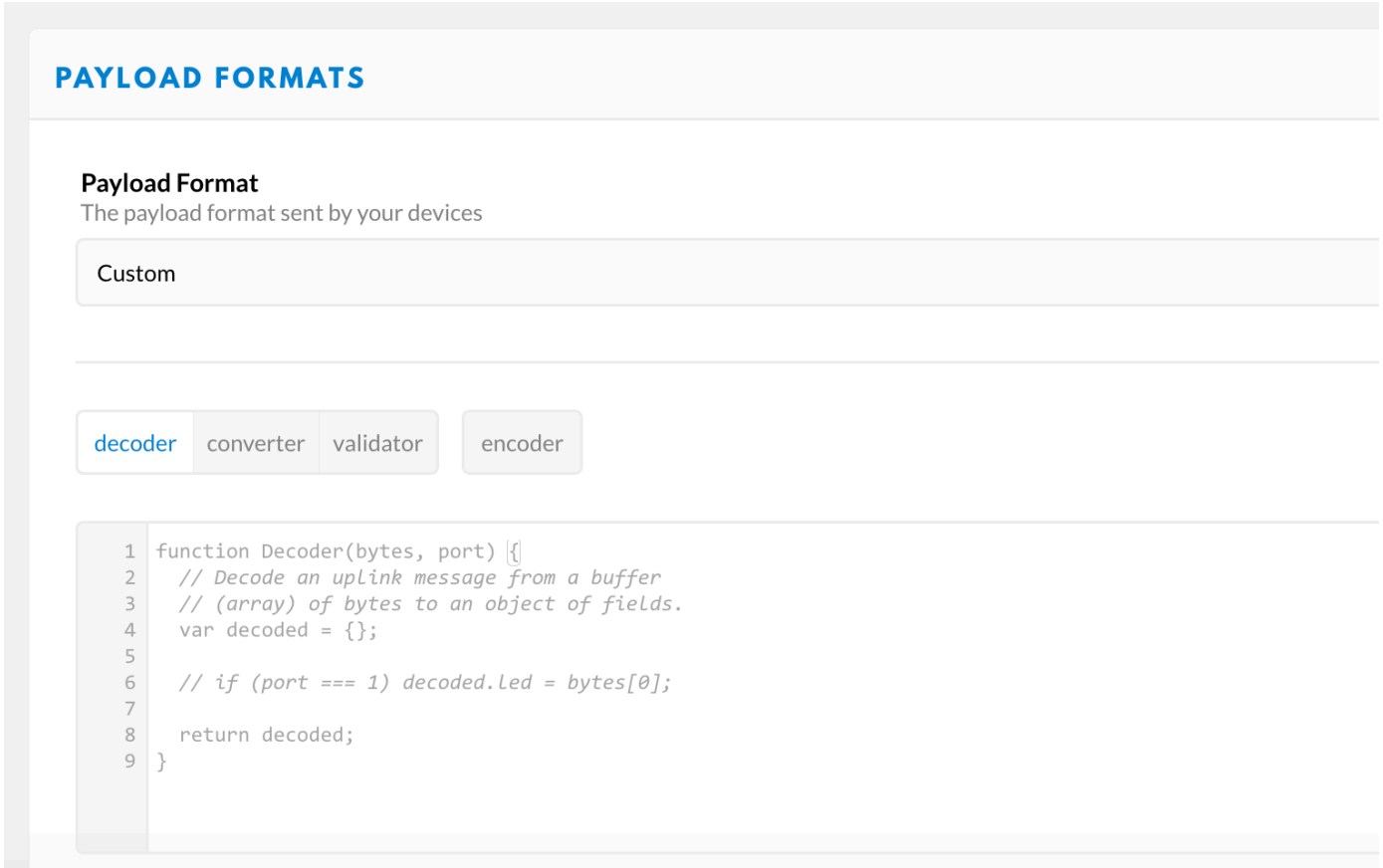
To check the incoming messages from the devices, go to the "Traffic" tab from gateway console.

TTN: payload

Payload format



TTN: payload


PAYLOAD FORMATS
Payload Format
The payload format sent by your devices
Custom
decoder
converter
validator
encoder
function Decoder(bytes, port) {
// Decode an uplink message from a buffer
// (array) of bytes to an object of fields.
var decoded = {};
// if (port === 1) decoded.led = bytes[0];
return decoded;
}

TTN: payload

Open the payload example in the Code/LoRa/TTN+Pysense/ttn-decoder directory.

Copy the decoder as payload decoder in TTN.

TTN App: T,H example

On TTN you should now be able to see the data coming in and you should be able to decode the payload (so you can read Temperature and Humidity).

T,H TTN: Exercises

1) Move in the lab and check the RSSI values as seen by TTN. How far can you go?

2) Create one Application for the whole class, and add ALL devices to it.

Feedback?

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