

# YOUSSEF EL HOUSNI

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### EY Blockchain, Paris

August 2018 - present

*Cryptography Engineer*

- Applied cryptography research and implementation (Zero-knowledge proofs, elliptic curves, bilinear groups...).
- Blockchain development with focus on privacy.

### Secure-IC, Rennes

August 2018 - present

*Cryptography Engineer*

- Elliptic curve cryptography: Theory, implementations and countermeasures against side-channel and fault injection attacks.
- Pairing-based cryptography (id-based encryption).
- Post-quantum cryptography (Isogenies-based and code-based cryptography i.e. SIKE, DAGS) (*submitted a paper with DAGS team, a NIST PQC candidate*)
- Mathematical modeling of a hardware TRNG (True Random Number Generator) (*a patent pending and a published paper*) and a hardware PUF.
- Video steganography (up to UHD@60fps 10-bit) on embedded devices (Hisilicon Hi2798CV200 set-top box).

## EDUCATION

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### Ecole Polytechnique, Paris

November 2019 - Present

PhD in cryptography

project-team GRACE under LIX and INRIA Saclay

supervisors: Daniel Augot and François Morain

### ENSEIRB-MATMECA, Bordeaux

September 2013 - September 2016

MEng in Electronics.

majors: Image and signal processing

## TECHNICAL AND SOFT SKILLS

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**Software** C, C++, Python, SageMath, Bash, Latex

**Languages** English, French, Arabic

## PUBLICATIONS

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"On the performance and security of  $GF(2^N)$  computation for small  $N$ "

(joint with Sylvain Guilley, Edoardo Persichetti et al.)

Published in MDPI Cryptography 2018 Journal, Special Issue "Code-based Cryptography". (DOI)

"Random numbers generation: Tests and attacks"

(joint with Sylvain Guilley)

Published in 2018 Workshop on Fault Diagnosis and Tolerance in Cryptography (FDTC). (DOI)

## **PRE-PRINTS**

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"Making randomness tests flexible"  
(joint with Sylvain Guilley)

## **PATENTS**

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*Pending:* "Device and method for testing a sequence generated by a random number generator"  
(joint with Florent Lozac'h)  
Secure-IC S.A.S.

## **EXTRA-CIRRICULAR**

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Co-Organizer of "ZK-PAR" - A technical meetup held in Paris focussing on privacy-preserving technology in blockchains.

Played in the moroccan regional championship with Tetouan local team from 2000 to 2011.