

# Secure Societies 2024: Horizon Europe Cluster 3 Brokerage Event in Istanbul Pitch Presentation Template

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# ***QBeCAS: Quantum Beyond Cryptographic Algorithms and Standarization***

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# Description of the Organization

- Expertise of your company/ previous Projects
- ICT technologies focused on three main topics:
  - Communications
  - Security
  - Intelligence

Gradiant has taken part in more than 35 European projects, including communications for unmanned vehicles, payloads integration, data analytics and security measures.

- Expertise related to the topic
  - Projects
    - Facendo 4.0: development of a system to automatically push updates (included cryptographic keys) to IoT devices in a centralized way. The updates are signed by a key protected by a HSM.
    - xAIAL: Development of module to create a cryptographic inventory of the cryptographic keys and digital certificates of the devices of an organization with capabilities to renew this material whenever is needed from a centralized node.
    - CICERO: Research and development of a prototype to automatically detect cryptographic algorithms used by a system.
  - Expertise on hardware platforms
    - HSMs: general purpose, financial, programmable
    - TEEs: Intel SGX and TDX, AMD-SEV

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# Proposal idea/content

- *Role in the project : partner ( possible coordinator)*
- Objectives:
  - to ease the transition from the pre-quantum era to the post-quantum one
  - to provide recommendations on how to implement post-quantum algorithms to increase their widespread
  - to contribute to standardization and regulatory activities for post-quantum cryptography
- Expected results
  - to contribute to the standardization of currently proposed post-quantum algorithms
  - to develop a tool that allows to automatically identify and assess the security of cryptographic material used by applications
  - to develop a set of tools that ease the transition of applications to post-quantum cryptography
  - to validate the research and implementations across several use case pilots

# Proposal idea/content

- *Description of the proposed project idea*
  - QBeCAS will take a crypto-agile approach developing tools with the aim of identifying cryptographic material (both keys and software) to **identify vulnerabilities** and start the transition to post-quantum algorithms
  - QBeCAS will target both existing and new applications, giving **recommendations** on how to update the cryptographic algorithms.
  - QBeCAS will also explore post-quantum algorithms **standards** by international standardization entities (like NIST) to assess their maturity and applicability proposing hardware implementations to accelerate them (**HSMs**) and to secure them in untrusted environments (**TEEs**).
  - **Several use cases** will be considered like Public-Key Infrastructures and core applications of financial institutions that heavily rely on the security of cryptography.

# Project participants

## Existing Consortium - profile of known partners (if any)

No	Partner Name	Type	Country	Role in the Project
01	GRADIANT	RTO	Spain	Research and implementation in crypto-agility, tools and PQC
02	University of Napoles	UNI	Italy	In discussions
03	Kleuven	UNI	Belgium	In discussions
04	Thales	LE	France	In discussions
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# Project participants

## Consortium – required partners

No	Expertise	Type	Country	Role in the project
01	PKI – Public key Infrastructure			Use case
02	Standarization			Partner, contribution to standarization activities
03	Post quantum cryptography	Uni		Research and implementation of PQC
04	Financial	Bank		Use case
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