

The Eviden path to PQC Implementing Quantum-Safe Cryptography across highly certified products

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- 1. Eviden status on PQC**
2. Focus n°1: Hardware Security Module
3. Focus n°2: PKI
4. Conclusion

Eviden active involvement around PQC

From agencies to markets' education



Working groups

Pole Excellence Cyber PQC WG
Alliance Confiance Numerique Crypto TF
ClubPSCo PQC WG
Campus Cyber PQC WG
PKI Consortium PQC WG
Charter of Trust PQC WG
ECISO Research and Innovation and Trusted Supply
Nexo PQC WG



R&D Collaborative Projects

KRITIS3M German funded project
POSEIDON Horizon Europe 2024 project
Astrolab French funded project
Update of Open Source libraries (contribution for example to SoftHSM to add ML-DSA)



Partner ecosystem



Crypto-Agile, Quantum-safe Security Solutions



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Keynotes, panels

Events (ICT Spring, CoT Week, RiskIntel Media, Risk Summit, Quantum Tech Days, CyberSec Europe, ECISO days, EU PQC Conference, Q-Day Summit)

Customers' **evangelization** (Banking, Govt, Industrials...) and through orgs (AFNIC, Clusif, Numeum...)

Employee Expertise

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Cryptographic Doctors



David Pointcheval

Recipient of the Lazare Carnot Prize from the French Academy of Sciences, is a world-renowned expert in cryptography and data security, further distinguished by the CNRS Silver Medal, the RSA Award for Excellence in Mathematics, and his 2024 IACR Fellow title



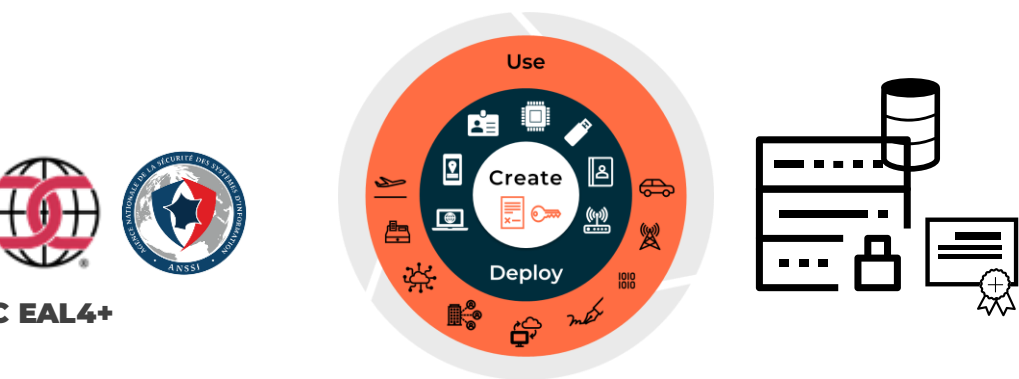
Klaus Schmeh

The world's most widely published cryptology author

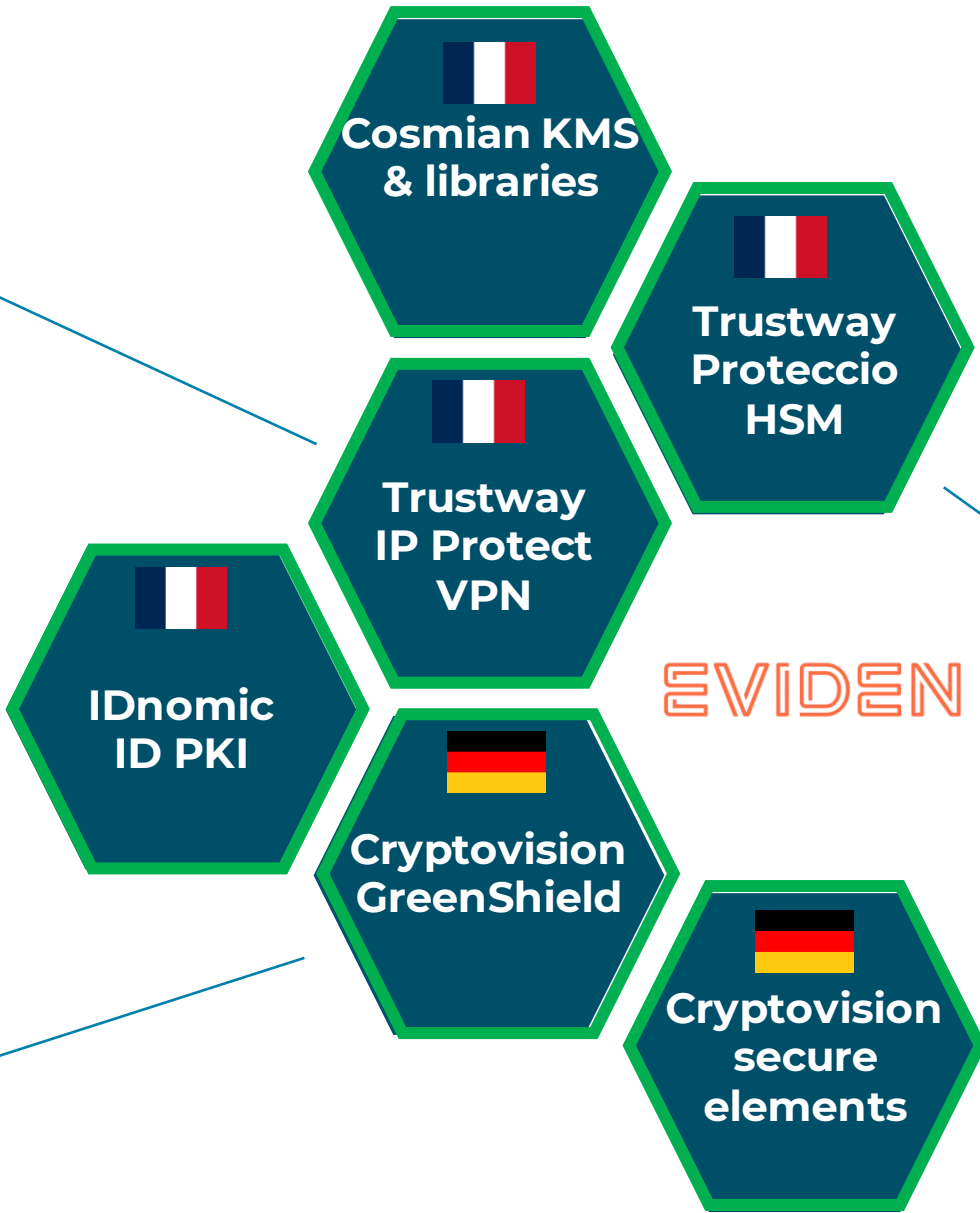
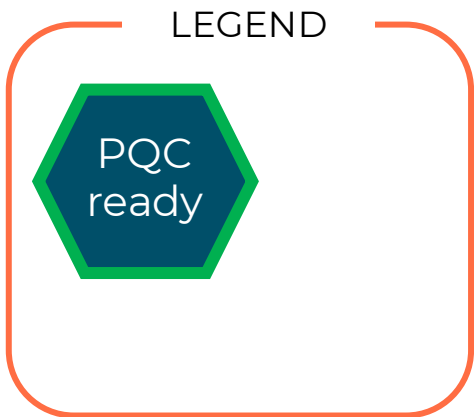
Eviden cryptographic products

Most highly EU certified products

 **kms**
 **covercrypt**   **TS 104 015**
Client Side Encryption
Access policies & attributes



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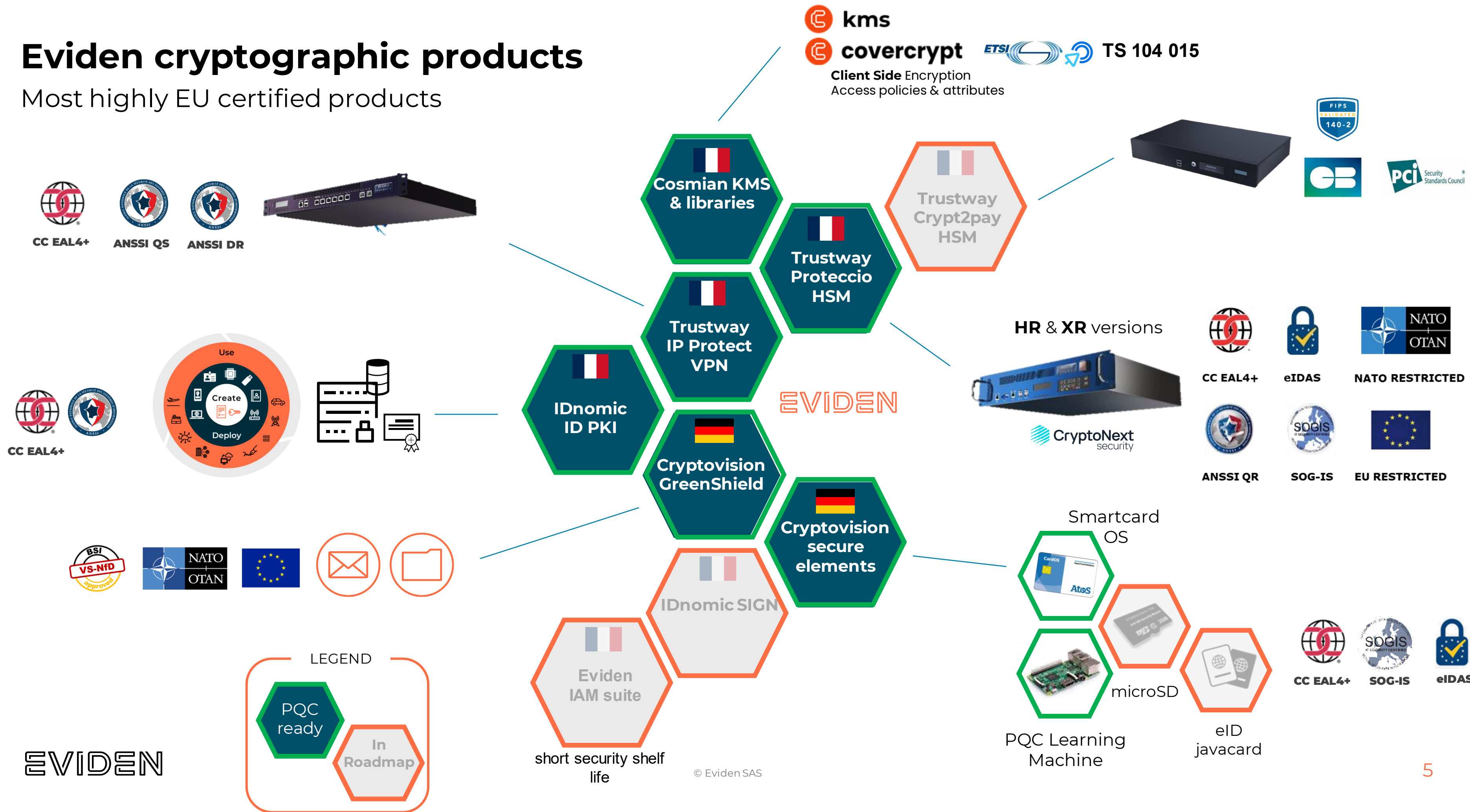


PQC Learning Machine



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Concrete end-to-end PQC use cases

Allowing already end-to-end customer tests

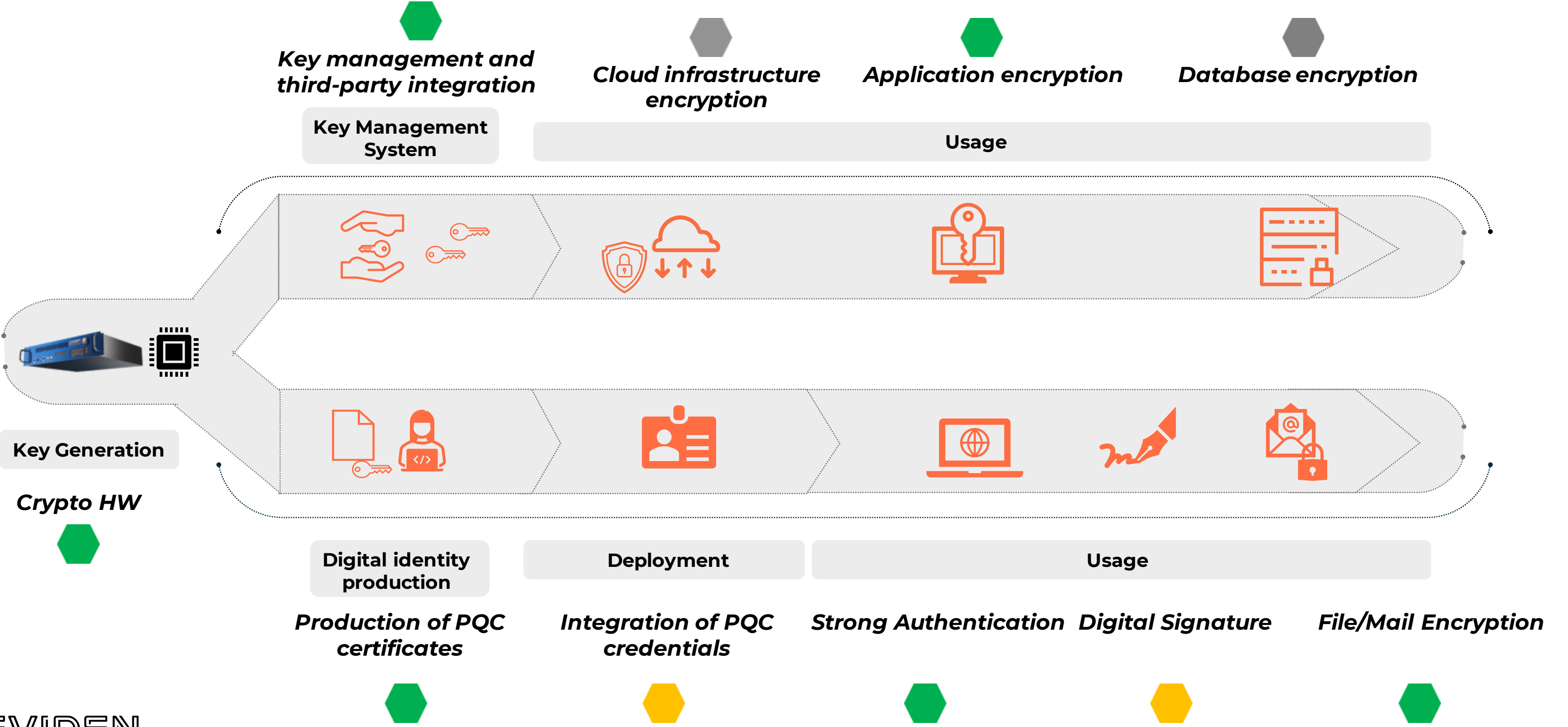
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Roadmap:

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DONE

WIP



PQC implementation challenges

From technical constraints to standardization uncertainty



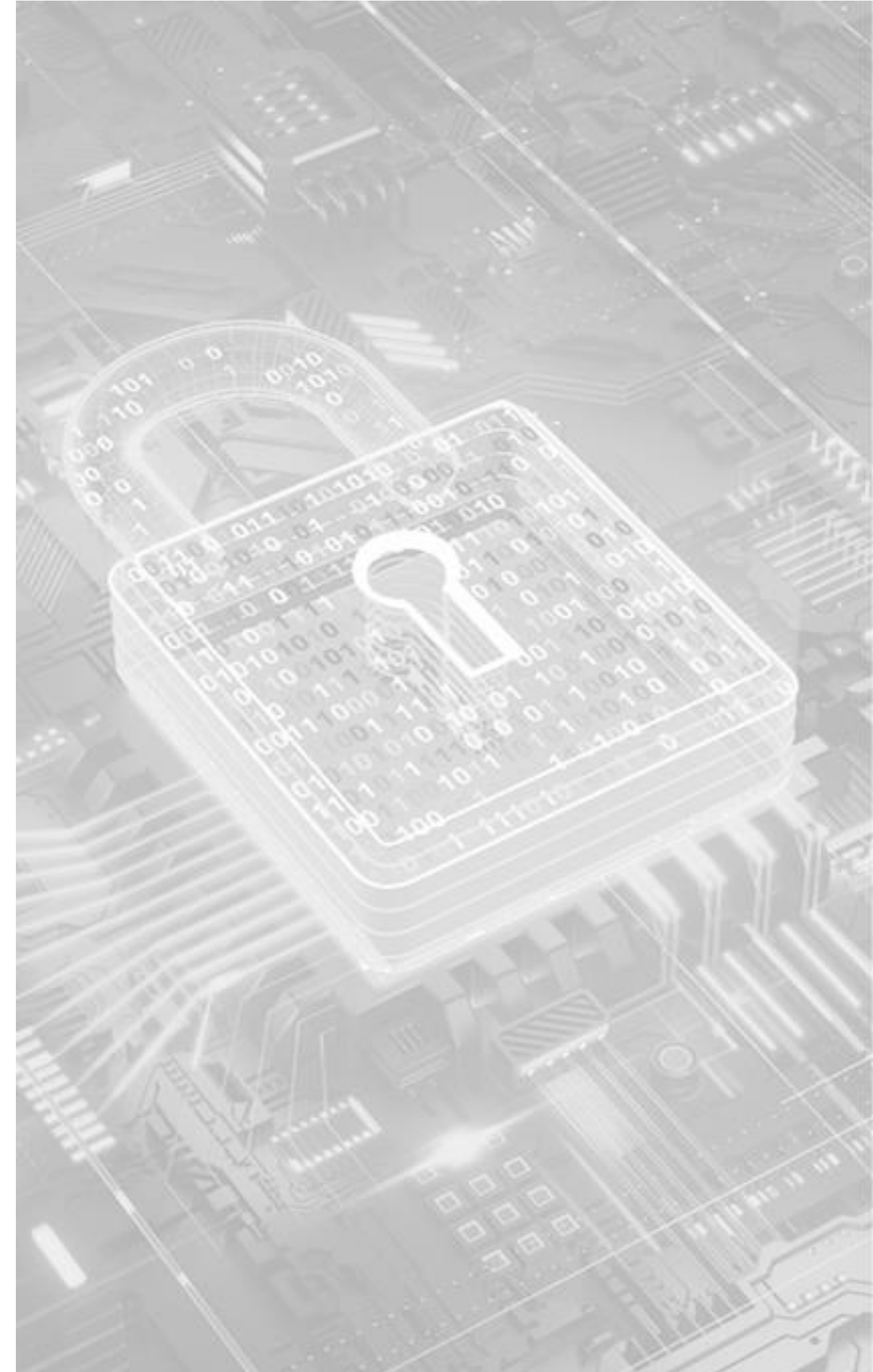
Technical integration into products

- Post-quantum algorithms: larger key and signature sizes
- Need more computing power and storage
- Performance and latency of new cryptographic schemes
- Interoperability and compatibility with existing systems



Tracking PQC standards & normalization

- Standards are continuously evolving
- A multi-level migration strategy
- Too few industrial initiatives



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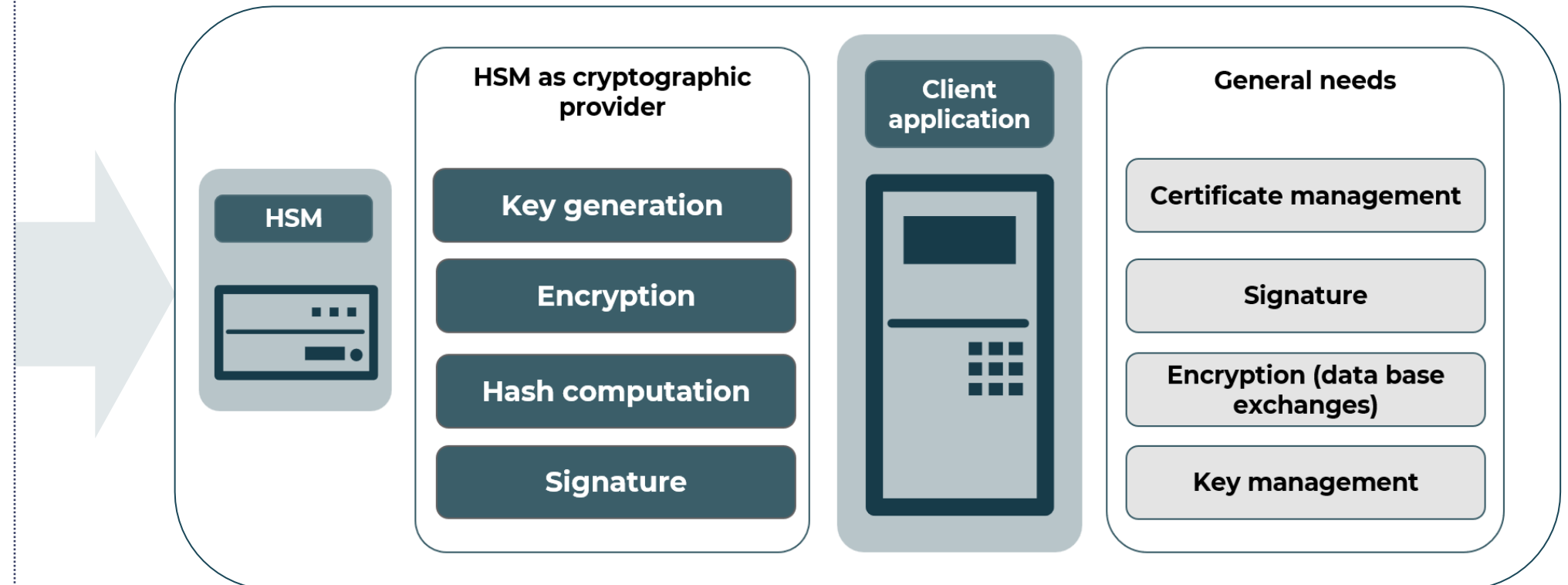
Quick reminder: Hardware Security Module

The cryptographic root of trust

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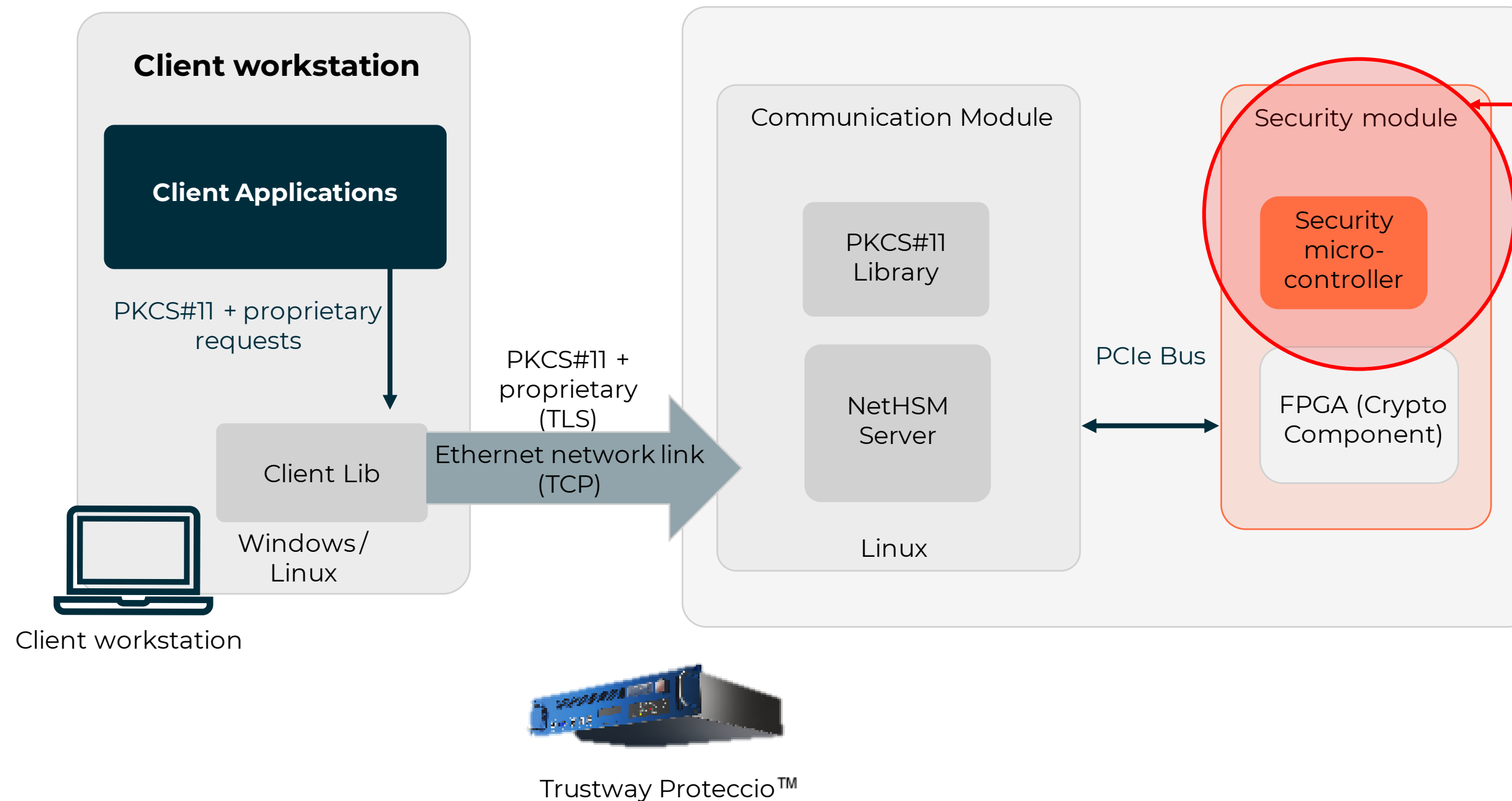
Role and features of an HSM :

- Cryptographic key storage and protection
- Acceleration of cryptographic operations
- Standards Compliance(CC EAL4+, QR, DR, FIPS 140-2/3, eIDAS, PCI)



HSM PQC migration with hardware implementation

Main challenges

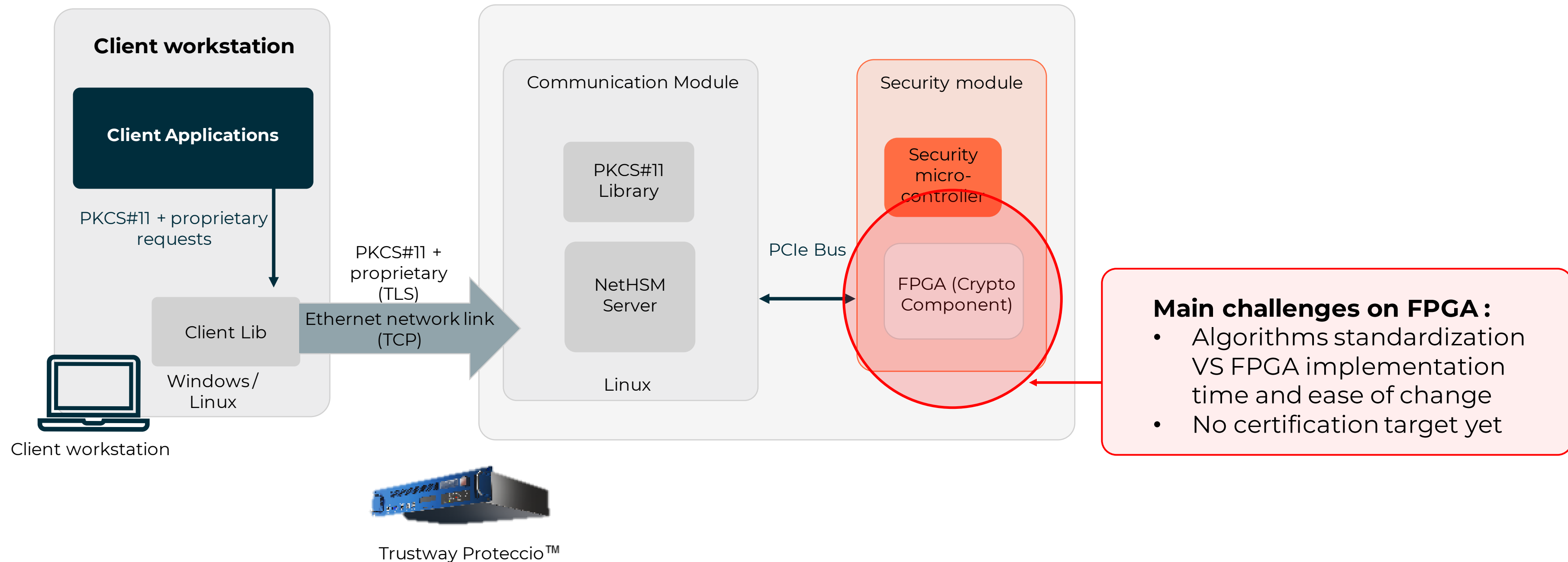


Main challenge on security microcontroller:

- Certification and/or existence of such component
- then **performance** !

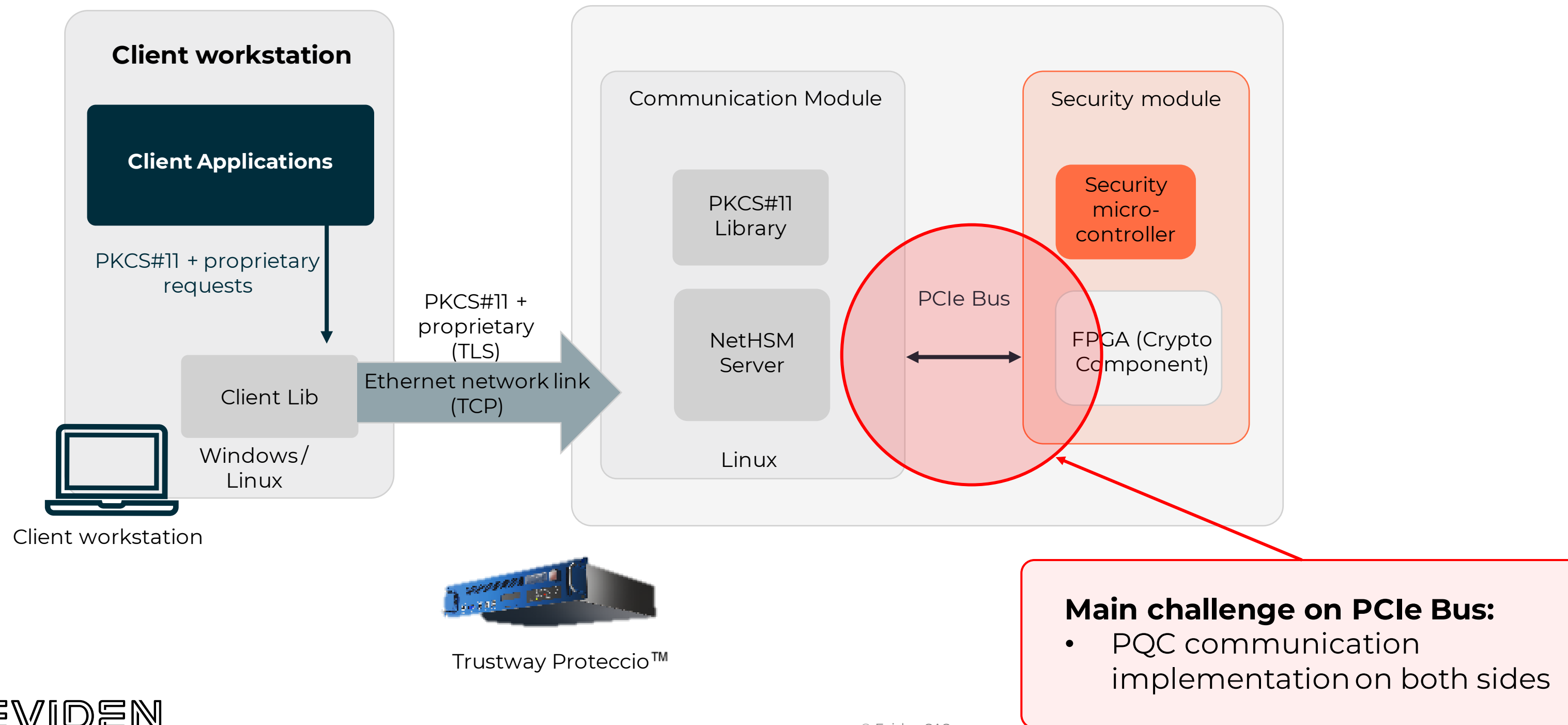
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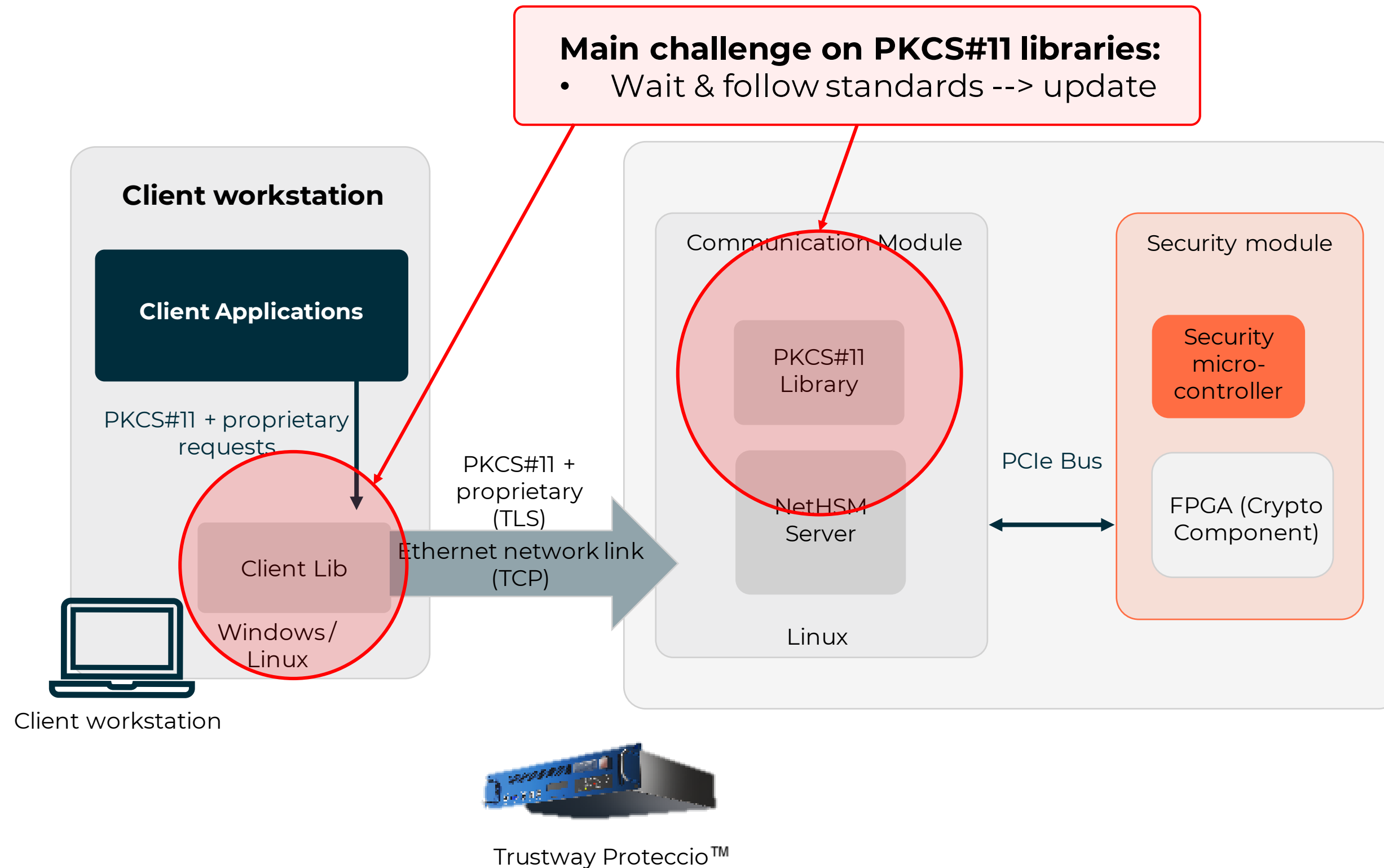
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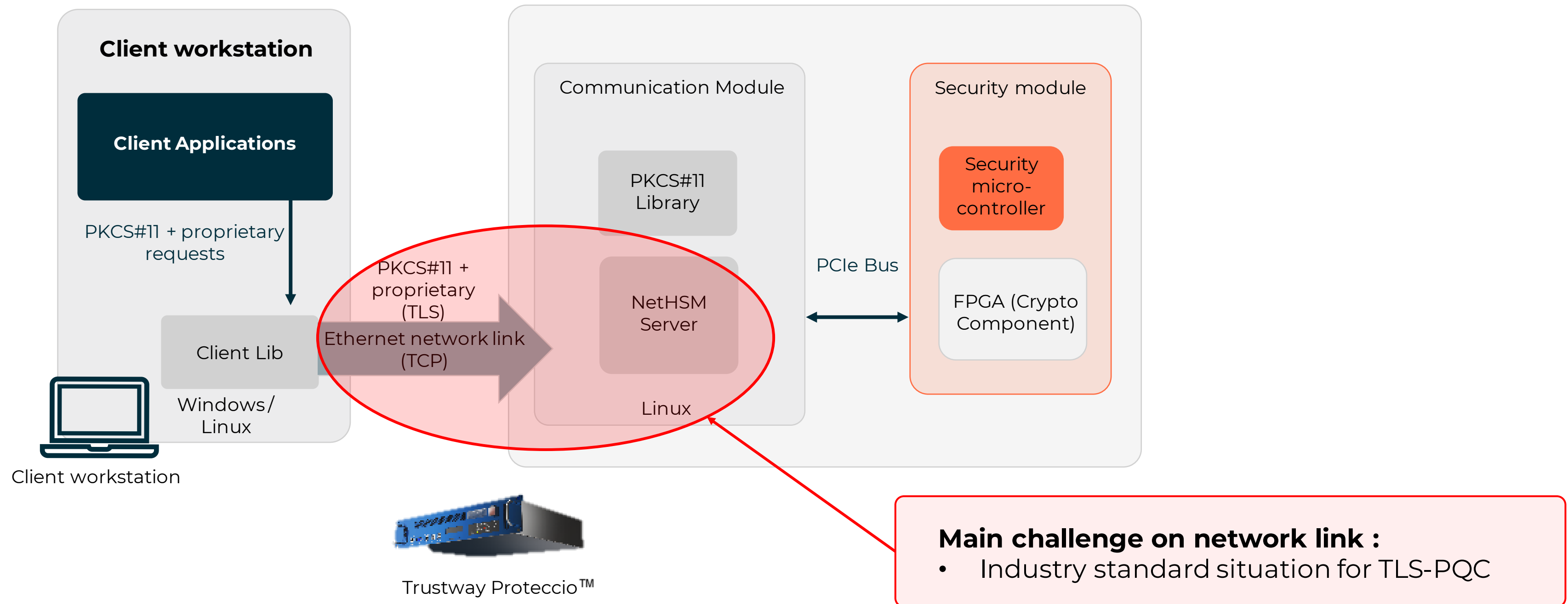
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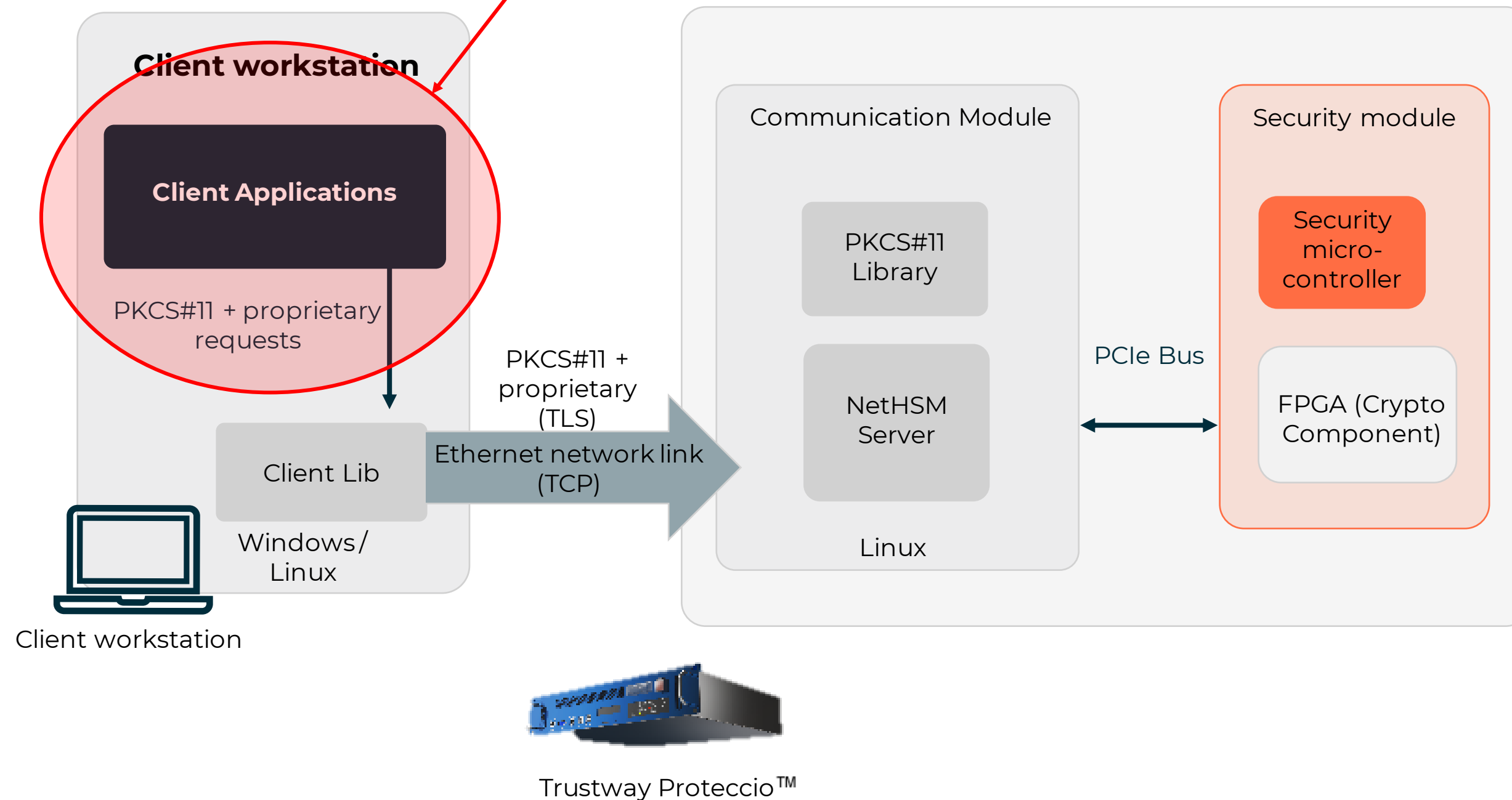


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Main challenges on client applications :

- POC
- Inventory
- Impact analysis



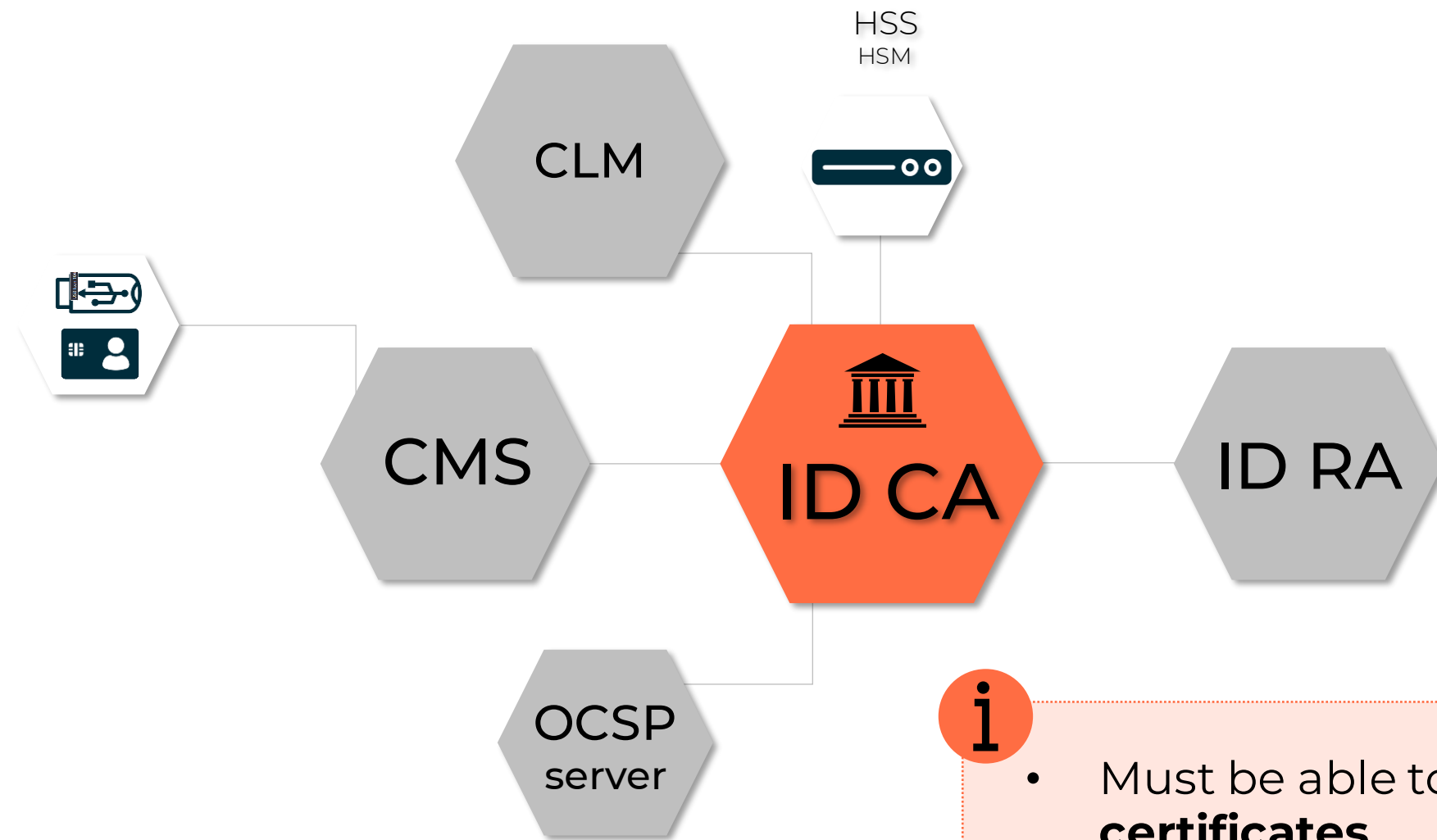
We are all in this together, hence the need to act now

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Main challenges for a Certificate Authority

Multi-level evolution needed

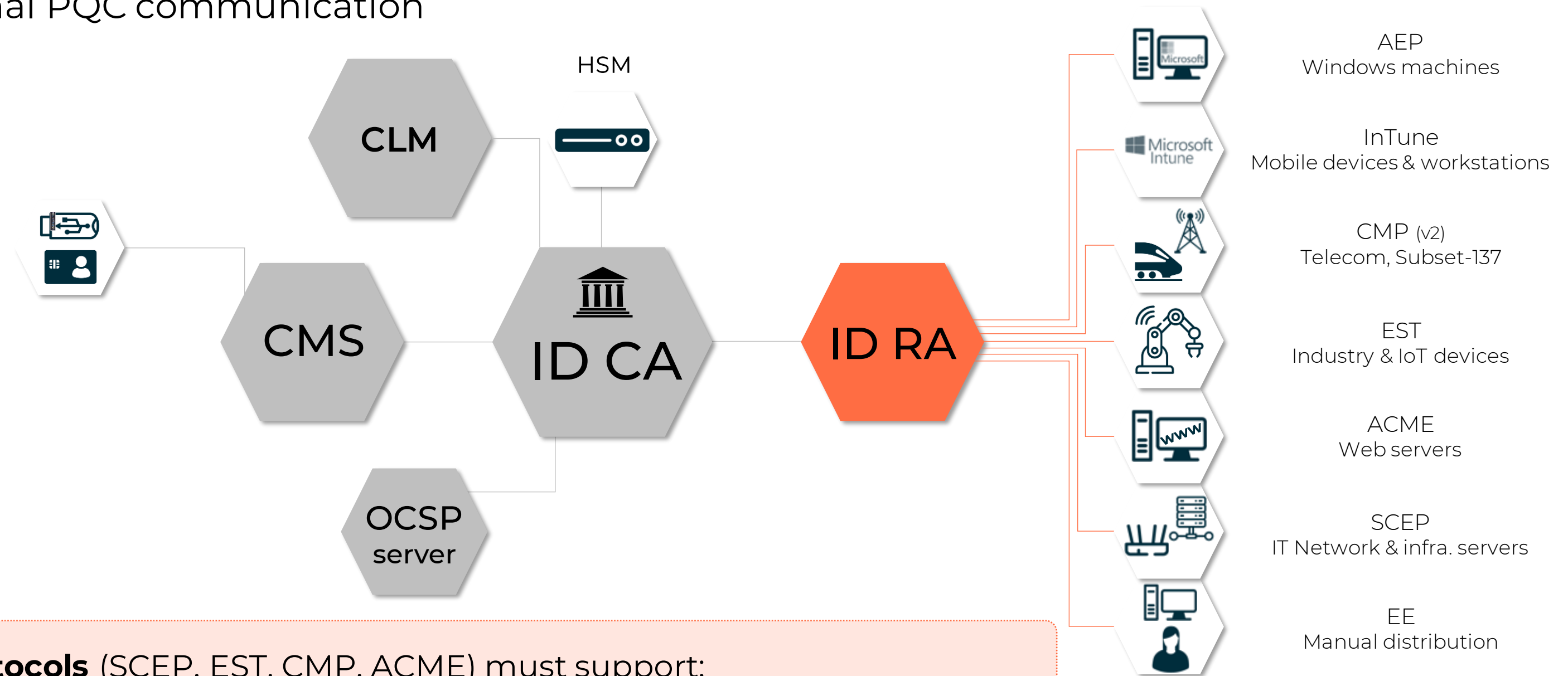


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- Must be able to issue **post-quantum and hybrid certificates**
- Existing **PoP** (CSR and CRMF) must support **new OIDs and extensions**
- **New PoP mechanism** are required for KEM keys (e.g., ML-KEM) and dual key usages (e.g., RSA + ML-DSA)
- Must support **PKCS#11 v3.2** to integrate post-quantum mechanisms

Main challenges for a Registration Authority

Internal and external PQC communication



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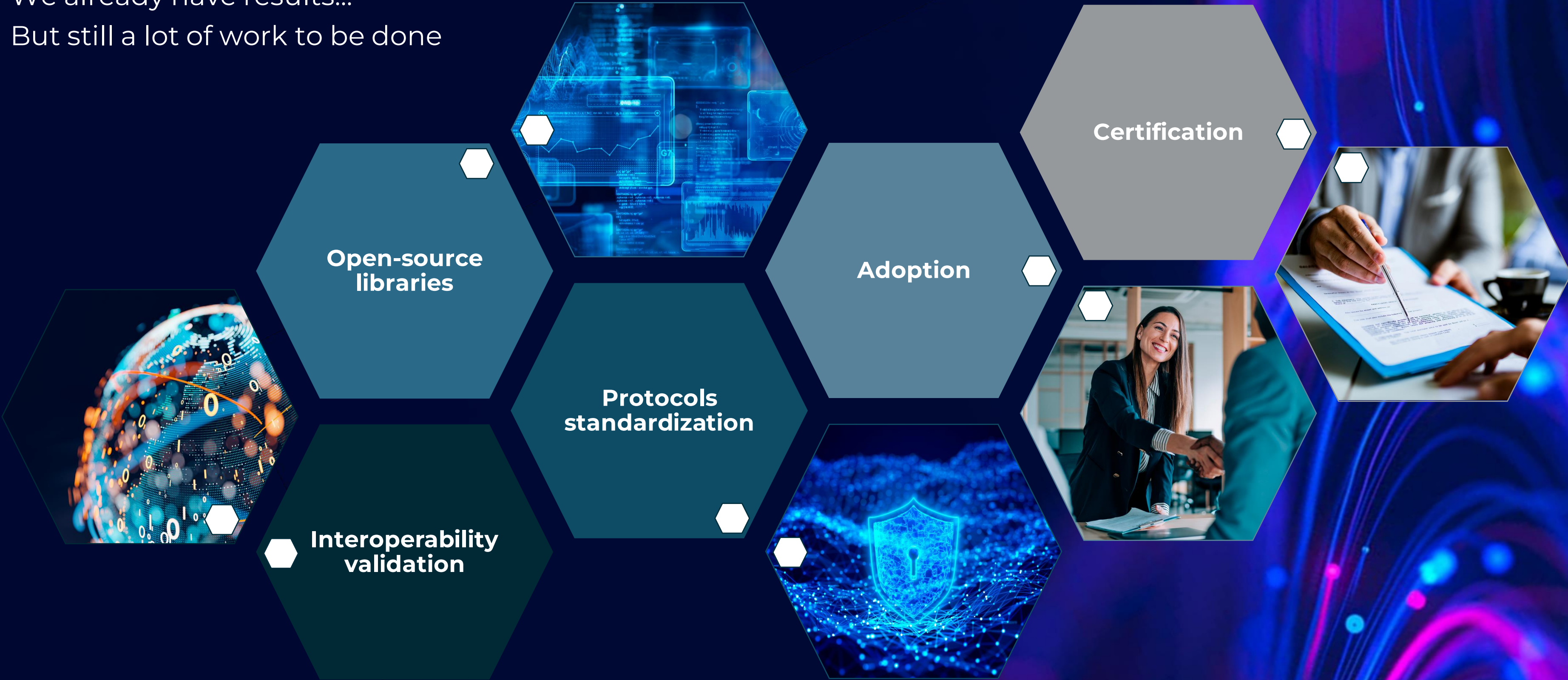
- **Enrollment protocols** (SCEP, EST, CMP, ACME) must support:
 - ✓ **Hybrid** certificate profiles, and **larger** message sizes
 - ✓ **PoP** for KEM or dual key usages
 - ✓ **PQC in vulnerable building blocks**, such as JWS in ACME
 - ✓ Challenge-response authentication flows (e.g. TLS client authentication, etc.)
- Internal communication must be secured by **TLS with hybrid key exchange**

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State of affairs

We already have results...
But still a lot of work to be done



Questions?

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