

Quantum-oriented Update to Browsers and Infrastructure for the PQ Transition

POST QUANTUM NEWS

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We are a multi-disciplinary team of experts united by a single goal, to design a reference and replicable transition process to Post-Quantum Cryptography of protocols, networks and systems

- Started September 2023
- 3 years project



Definition of cryptoagility

• Cryptoagile product

- Updatable
 - Without physical substitution of the device
- Cryptoagility
 - Extra surface for updates
 - Ready to react to:
 - Recommendations
 - Standards updates

PQ Cryptography Conference

- Organized by PKI Consortium (second venue)
- November 2023 in Amsterdam



https://pkic.org/events/2023/pqc-conference-amsterdam-nl/



Titolo Evento



- Stop calling it **post-quantum** cryptography
 - The **transition** from quantum-insecure to quantum-resistant cryptography is **urgent**
 - Potential risk of store and decrypt attacks
- Quantum Computing: start planning and preparing for now using hybrid cryptography





- Cryptographic inventory and risk analysis for PQC readiness and agility
- **NIST's first PQC standards** are coming in early 2024
- Being crypto-agile is crucial and is everyone's responsibility
- **Collaboration** between global regions and industries
 - We need to connect more, coordinate better, and share more information



Status update from NIST

PQC conference

- Criteria for the selection of the algorithms:
 - Secure against attacks both in *classical* and *PQ environments*
 - *Performances* measured on various platforms
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- First PQ standards (draft):
 - FIPS 203, ML-KEM (KYBER)
 - FIPS 204, ML-DSA (DILITHIUM)
 - FIPS 205, SLH-DSA (SPHINCS+)
 - FN-DSA (FALCON) under development
- First standards probably will be ready in April 2024

https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/post-quantum-cryptography







PQ challenges in embedded applications

PQC conference

- Key sizes, performances and memory usage
 - Possibility of trade-off between performances and memory
- Side-channel protection
 - The Fujisaki-Okamoto transform
 - Increasing of the surface for side-channel and fault-injection attacks
 - Protection against these attacks causes a significant impact on performance and memory usage





German BSI: PQ migration

- 15 years to migrate their public key infrastructure to quantum-safe algorithms
- Their **first production-ready PQC** root CA will enter in service in **2027**
- Choices of algorithms:
 - SLH-DSA, for security over simplicity
 - No complete faith in lattices-based algorithms



French ANSSI: PQ migration

- ANSSI has a role of **advisory** and **regulatory**
 - It **promotes** the use of state-of-the-art cryptographic algorithms
- ANSSI introduces a *provisional transition agenda* to prevent quantum threat
 - Provides **directions** to industrials developing security products
- No complete replacement of currently used algorithms in the short/medium term
 - Smooth transition with hybrid mechanism

https://cyber.gouv.fr/en/publications/anssi-views-post-quantum-cryptography-transition





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Thank for the attention

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