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# 1 Scope

The present document specifies the trust and privacy management for Intelligent Transport System (ITS) communications. Based upon the security services defined in ETSI TS 102 731 [1] and the security architecture defined in ETSI TS 102 940 [5], it identifies the trust establishment and privacy management required to support security in an ITS environment and the relationships that exist between the entities themselves and the elements of the ITS reference architecture defined in ETSI EN 302 665 [2].

The present document identifies and specifies security services for the establishment and maintenance of identities and cryptographic keys in an Intelligent Transport System (ITS). Its purpose is to provide the functions upon which systems of trust and privacy can be built within an ITS.

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- [1] ETSI TS 102 731: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); Security; Security Services and Architecture".
- [2] ETSI EN 302 665: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); Communications Architecture".
- [3] ETSI TS 103 097: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); Security; Security header and certificate formats".
- [4] ETSI TS 102 942: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); Security; Access control".
- [5] ETSI TS 102 940: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); Security; ITS communications security architecture and security management".
- [6] ISO/IEC 8824-1:2015: "Information technology -- Abstract Syntax Notation One (ASN.1): Specification of basic notation".
- [7] Recommendation ITU-T X.696 (08/2014): "Information Technology-Specification of Octet Encoding Rules (OER)".
- [8] Void.
- [9] ETSI TS 102 943: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); Security; Confidentiality services".
- [10] ETSI EN 302 637-2: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); Vehicular Communications; Basic Set of Applications; Part 2: Specification of Cooperative Awareness Basic Service".
- [11] ETSI EN 302 637-3: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); Vehicular Communications; Basic Set of Applications; Part 3: Specifications of Decentralized Environmental Notification Basic Service".
- [12] ETSI TS 103 301: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); Vehicular Communications; Basic Set of Applications; Facilities layer protocols and communication requirements for infrastructure services".

- [13] NIST FIPS PUB 198-1: "The Keyed-Hash Message Authentication Code (HMAC)".
- [14] Void.
- [15] IETF RFC 4862: "IPv6 Stateless Address Autoconfiguration".
- [16] ETSI EN 302 636-6-1: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); Vehicular Communications; GeoNetworking; Part 6: Internet Integration; Sub-part 1: Transmission of IPv6 Packets over GeoNetworking Protocols".
- [17] Void.
- [18] ETSI EN 302 636-4-1: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); Vehicular communications; GeoNetworking; Part 4: Geographical addressing and forwarding for point-to-point and point-to-multipoint communications; Sub-part 1: Media-Independent Functionality".
- [19] ETSI TS 102 965: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); Application Object Identifier (ITS-AID); Registration".
- [20] IEEE 802.11™: "IEEE Standard for Information technology -- Telecommunications and information exchange between systems -- Local and metropolitan area networks-Specific requirements -- Part 11: Wireless LAN Medium Access Control (MAC) and Physical Layer (PHY) Specifications".

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The following referenced documents are not necessary for the application of the present document but they assist the user with regard to a particular subject area.

- [i.1] ISO/IEC 15408-2: "Information technology - Security techniques - Evaluation criteria for IT security; Part 2: Security functional components".
- [i.2] ETSI TR 102 638: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); Vehicular Communications; Basic Set of Applications; Definitions".
- [i.3] IETF RFC 4046: "Multicast Security (MSEC) Group Key Management Architecture".
- [i.4] IETF RFC 4301: "Security Architecture for the Internet Protocol".
- [i.5] IETF RFC 4302: "IP Authentication Header".
- [i.6] IETF RFC 4303: "IP Encapsulating Security Payload (ESP)".
- [i.7] IETF RFC 5246: "The Transport Layer Security (TLS) Protocol Version 1.2".
- [i.8] IETF RFC 3547: "The Group Domain of Interpretation".
- [i.9] IETF RFC 3830: "MIKEY: Multimedia Internet KEYing".
- [i.10] IETF RFC 4535: "GSAKMP: Group Secure Association Key Management Protocol".
- [i.11] IETF RFC 4306: "Internet Key Exchange (IKEv2) Protocol", December 2005.
- [i.12] IETF RFC 4877: "Mobile IPv6 Operation with IKEv2 and the Revised IPsec Architecture".
- [i.13] ETSI TS 102 723-8: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); OSI cross-layer topics; Part 8: Interface between security entity and network and transport layer".

[i.14] CVRIA: "Connected Vehicle Reference Implementation Architecture".

NOTE: Available at <http://www.iteris.com/cvria/>.

[i.15] ISO 21210-2010: "Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS) - Communications access for land mobiles (CALM) - Ipv6 networking".

## 3 Definition of terms, symbols, abbreviations and notation

### 3.1 Terms

For the purposes of the present document, the terms given in ETSI TS 102 731 [1], ETSI TS 102 940 [5], ISO/IEC 15408-2 [i.1] and the following apply:

**delta CTL:** partial CTL that only contains CTL entries that have been updated since the issuance of the prior, base CTL

### 3.2 Symbols

Void.

### 3.3 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the abbreviations given in ETSI TS 103 097 [3], ETSI TS 102 940 [21], ETSI EN 302 636-4-1 [18] and the following apply:

AA	Authorization Authority
AES	Advanced Encryption Standard
ASN	Abstract Syntax Notation
AT	Authorization Ticket
CA	Certification Authority
CBC-MAC	Cipher Block Chaining Message Authentication Code
CCH	Control CHannel
CCM	Counter with CBC-MAC
CCMS	Cooperative-ITS Certificate Management System
COER	Canonical Octet Encoding Rule
CPOC	C-ITS Point Of Contact
CRL	Certificate Revocation List
CTL	Certificate Trust List
CVRIA	Connected Vehicle Reference Implementation Architecture
DC	Distribution Centre
DEN	Decentralized Environmental Notification
DENM	Decentralized Environmental Notification Message
EA	Enrolment Authority
EC	Enrolment Credential
ECC	Elliptic Curve Cryptography
ECTL	European Certificate Trust List
EV	Electric Vehicle
FIPS	Federal Information Processing Standard
GET	command HTTP GET
GN/BTP	GeoNetworking/Basic Transport Protocol
GN6	GeoNetworking-IPv6
HMAC	keyed-Hash Message Authentication Code
HTTP	Hyper Text Transfer Protocol
IETF	Internet Engineering Task Force
IP	Internet Protocol
ITS-AID	ITS Application ID



ITU-T	International Telecommunication Union - Telecommunication Standardization Sector
KDF	Key Derivation Function
LTE	Long Term Evolution (4G)
MSB	Most Significant Bit
MSEC	Multicast SECURITY
OBD	On-Board Diagnosis
PA	Policy Authority
PDU	Protocol Data Unit
PII	Personally Identifiable Information
POP	Proof Of Possession
PSID	Provider Service Identifier
RCA	Root Certification Authority
RFC	Request For Comment
SA	Security Association
SCH	Service CHannel
SLAAC	StateLess Address Auto Configuration
SM	Security Management
SSP	Service Specific Permissions
TCP	Transmission Control Protocol
TLM	Trust List Manager
TLS	Transport Layer Security
URL	Uniform Resource Locator
V2I	Vehicle-to-Infrastructure
WLAN	Wireless Local Area Network
XOR	eXclusive OR function

### 3.4 Notation

The requirements identified in the present document include:

- mandatory requirements strictly to be followed in order to conform to the present document. Such requirements are indicated by clauses without any additional marking;
- requirements strictly to be followed if applicable to the type of ITS Station concerned.

Such requirements are indicated by clauses marked by "[CONDITIONAL]"; and where relevant is marked by an identifier of the type of ITS-S for which the clauses are applicable as follows:

- [Itss\_WithPrivacy] is used to denote requirements applicable to ITS-S for which pseudonymity has to be assured and re-identification by the AA is not allowed. This includes for instance personal user vehicle ITS-S or personal ITS-S Portable.
- [Itss\_NoPrivacy] is used to denote requirements applicable to ITS-S for which pseudonymity does not have to be assured and are allowed to be re-identified by the AA. This may be for instance fixed or mobile RSUs or special vehicles.

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## 4 ITS authority hierarchy

Trust and privacy management requires secure distribution and maintenance (including revocation when applicable) of trust relationships, which may be enabled by specific security parameters that include enrolment credentials that provide 3<sup>rd</sup> party certificates of proof of identity or other attributes such as pseudonym certificates. Public key certificates and Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) are used to establish and maintain trust between the ITS-S and other ITS-S and authorities.

ETSI TS 102 731 [1] specifies requirements on security management services and security management roles such as EAs and AAs. The ITS security architecture is defined in ETSI TS 102 940 [5] and covers both the secured Communication Architecture, the architecture of the ITS-S Communication security system and the Security Management System architecture.

The present document assumes the definition of the security management entities specified in ETSI TS 102 940 [5] and the top-level entities for the management of multiple Root CAs collaborating within a single Trust Model. For ease of reading and for further specification of trust and privacy management the relevant tables from ETSI TS 102 940 [5] are copied here.

**Table 1: Functional element roles of the PKI**

Functional element	Description
<b>Root Certification Authority</b>	The Root CA is the highest level CA in the certification hierarchy. It provides EA and AA with proof that it may issue enrolment credentials, respectively authorization tickets
<b>Enrolment Authority</b>	Security management entity responsible for the life cycle management of enrolment credentials. Authenticates an ITS-S and grants it access to ITS communications
<b>Authorization Authority</b>	Security management entity responsible for issuing, monitoring the use of authorization tickets. Provides an ITS-S with authoritative proof that it may use specific ITS services
<b>Distribution Centre (optional)</b>	Provides to ITS-S the updated trust information necessary for performing the validation process to control that received information is coming from a legitimate and authorized ITS-S or a PKI certification authority by publishing the CTL and CRL
<b>Sending ITS-S</b>	Acquires rights to access ITS communications from Enrolment Authority Negotiates rights to invoke ITS services from Authorization Authority Sends single-hop and relayed broadcast messages
<b>Relaying ITS-S</b>	Receives broadcast message from the sending ITS-S and forwards them to the receiving ITS-S if required
<b>Receiving ITS-S</b>	Receives broadcast messages from the sending or relaying ITS-S
<b>Manufacturer</b>	Installs necessary information for security management in ITS-S at production
<b>Operator</b>	Installs and updates necessary information for security management in ITS-S during operation

**Table 2: Functional element roles of the top-level trust management**

Functional element	Description
<b>Policy Authority</b>	Policy authority is a role composed by the representatives of public and private stakeholders (e.g. Authorities, Road Operators, Vehicle Manufacturers, etc.) participating to the C-ITS trust model. It designates and authorizes the TLM and the CPOC to operate in the C-ITS Trust system. It decides if root CAs are trustable and approves/removes the Root CAs operation in C-ITS trust domain by notifying the TLM about approved/revoked Root CAs certificates
<b>Central Point of Contact (optional)</b>	The CPOC is a unique entity appointed by the Policy Authority. It has responsibility to establish and contribute to ensure communication exchange between the Root CAs, to collect the Root CA certificates and provide them to the Trust List Manager (TLM). The CPOC is also responsible for distributing the ECTL to any interested entities in the trust model
<b>Trust List Manager</b>	Trust List Manager is responsible for creating the list of root CA certificates and TLM certificates and signing it. The signed list issued by the TLM is called the ECTL

## 5 Privacy in ITS

ISO/IEC 15408-2 [i.1] identifies 4 key attributes that relate to privacy:

- anonymity;
- pseudonymity;
- unlinkability; and
- unobservability.

Anonymity alone is insufficient for protection of an ITS user's privacy and unsuitable as a solution for ITS, as one of the main requirements of ITS is that the ITS-S should be observable in order to provide improved safety. Consequently, pseudonymity and unlinkability offer the appropriate protection of the privacy of a sender of basic ITS safety messages (CAM and DENM). Pseudonymity ensures that an ITS-S may use a resource or service without disclosing its identity but can still be accountable for that use [i.1]. Unlinkability ensures that an ITS-S may make multiple uses of resources or services without others being able to link them together [i.1].

Pseudonymity shall be provided by using temporary identifiers in ITS safety messages, and never transmitting the station's canonical identifier in communications between ITS stations. Unlinkability can be achieved by limiting the amount of detailed immutable (or slowly changing) information carried in the ITS safety message, thus preventing the possible association of transmissions from the same vehicle over a long time period (such as two similar transmissions broadcast on different days).

ITS Privacy is provided in two dimensions:

- i) privacy of ITS registration and authorization tickets provisioning:
  - ensured by permitting knowledge of the canonical identifier of an ITS-S to only a limited number of authorities (EAs);
  - provided by the separation of the duties and roles of PKI authorities into an entity verifying the canonical identifier known as the Enrolment Authority (EA) and an entity responsible for authorizing and managing services known as the Authorization Authority (AA);
- ii) privacy of communications between ITS-Ss.

Separation of duties for enrolment (identification and authentication) and for authorization has been shown in ETSI TS 102 731 [1] as an essential component of privacy management and provides protection against attacks on a user's privacy. However, it is possible for the EA role to be delegated to the manufacturer and for the EA and AA roles to be assumed by a single authority.

When the same operational authority manages both the EA and AA, it shall guarantee privacy of requesting ITS-S i.e. providing all the technical and organizational measures to ensure that ITS identity information held by the EA is kept separately to avoid re-identification of pseudonym certificates (ATs).

When dedicated authorities are used only for certificates provisioning to ITS-S which do not have privacy requirements such as Road-Side Units, the EA and AA may not provide technical and operational separation.

## 6 Trust and privacy management

### 6.1 ITS-S Security Lifecycle

#### 6.1.1 ITS-S Life-cycle management

The ITS-S Security Lifecycle includes the following stages (see Figure 1):

- initial ITS-S configuration during manufacture;
- enrolment;
- authorization;
- operation and maintenance;
- end of life.

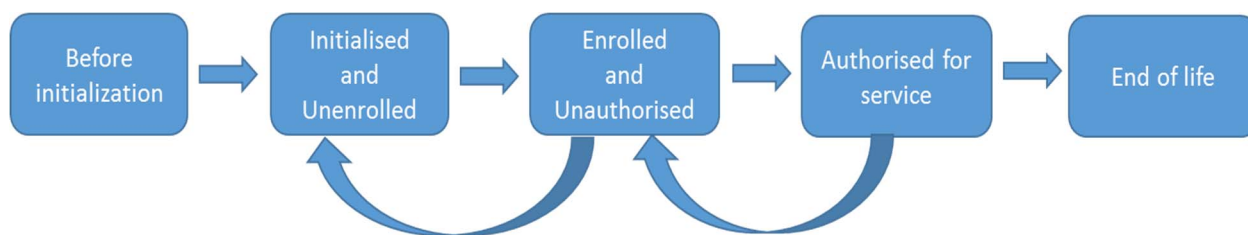


Figure 1: ITS Station Security Life Cycle

## 6.1.2 Manufacture

As part of the ITS-S manufacturing process, the following information elements associated with the identity of the station shall be established within the ITS-S itself and within the Enrolment Authority (EA):

- In the ITS-S, the following information elements shall be established using a physically secure process. The specification of this physically secure process is out of scope for the present document:
  - a canonical identifier which is globally unique (see note 1);
  - contact information for the EA and AA which will issue certificates for the ITS-S:
    - network address;
    - public key certificate;
  - the set of current known trusted AA certificates which the ITS-S may use to trust communications from other ITS-S;
  - a public/private key pair for cryptographic purposes (canonical key pair); and
  - the trust anchor (Root CA) public key certificate and the DC network address;
  - in case of a multiple root CAs architecture as specified in [5], the TLM public key certificate and the CPOC network address.

NOTE 1: The management of the canonical identifier and the means to guarantee uniqueness are not addressed in the present document.

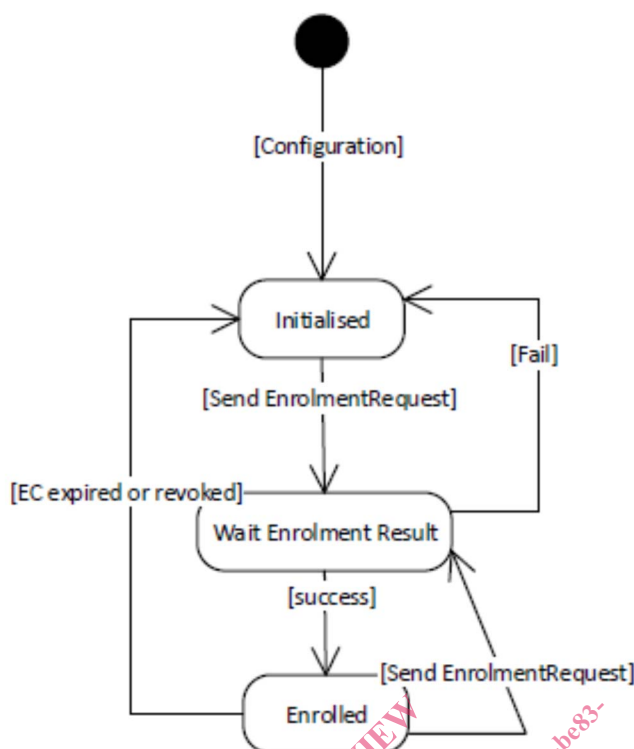
- In the EA, the following three items of information shall be established, all associated with each other (see note 2):
  - the permanent canonical identifier of the ITS-S;
  - the profile information for the ITS-S that may contain an initial list of maximum appPermissions (ITS-AIDs with SSPs), region restrictions and assurance level which may be modified over time;
  - the public key from the key pair belonging to the ITS-S (canonical public key).

NOTE 2: The process for establishing this information within the ITS-S and the EA is beyond the scope of the present document.

## 6.1.3 Enrolment

The ITS-S requests its enrolment certificate from the EA (see clause 6.2.3.2).

The state transitions for enrolment are shown in Figure 2.



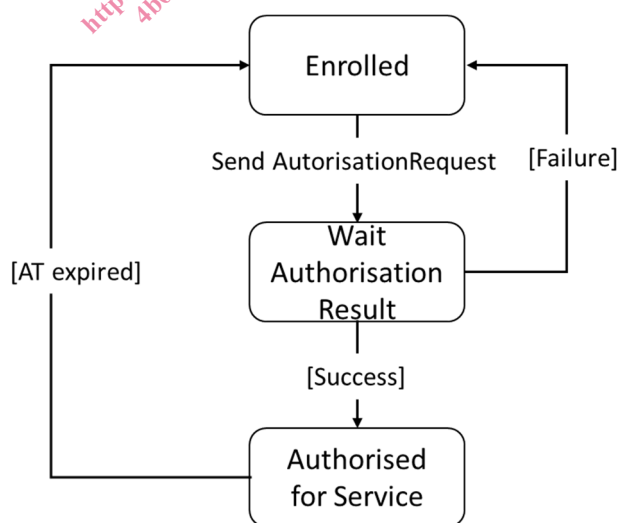
**Figure 2: Simplified state machine for the enrolment process**

After a successful enrolment process, the ITS-S shall possess an enrolment credential that shall be used in subsequent authorization requests.

For renewing the Enrolment Certificate at the EA, the ITS-S shall send an EnrolmentRequest signed by the previous valid enrolment credential issued by this EA.

#### 6.1.4 Authorization

Having received the enrolment credentials (i.e. in state "Enrolled" as shown in Figure 2), the ITS-S is able to request its authorization ticket(s) from the AA (see clause 6.2.3.3).



**Figure 3: Simplified state machine for the authorization process**