

SCION AT THE CYBER-DEFENCE CAMPUS

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Cyber-Defence Campus

Zurich



ETH zürich



armasuisse S+T

EPFL



Lausanne



Thun

Founded in **2019** by DDPS (**armasuisse**)

Collaborative effort with 60+ national and international partners from academia (ETH Zurich and EPFL) and industry

Supports the **Swiss Confederation** in

- research and innovation
- security testing
- technology monitoring and transfer
- talent development



SCION Technology Timeline



2012 First meeting with Adrian Perrig at ETH

2017 Anapaya Systems created



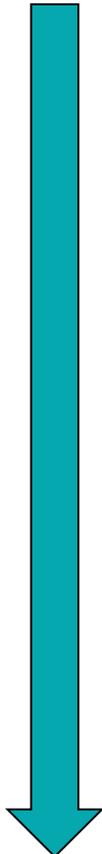
2020 Commercial Scion offerings by 3 independent ISPs in Switzerland

2020 Decision to build a national Scion testbed for cyber defence at CYD/DDPS

2020 Launch of first research projects related to Scion with ETH Zurich

2022 Scion CYD network inauguration

2023 Extension with site at NATO CCDCOE





SCION Inauguration at the CYD Campus Zurich on 24.11.22

Toni Eder, General Secretary DDPS





Goals of the CYD Campus SCION Network

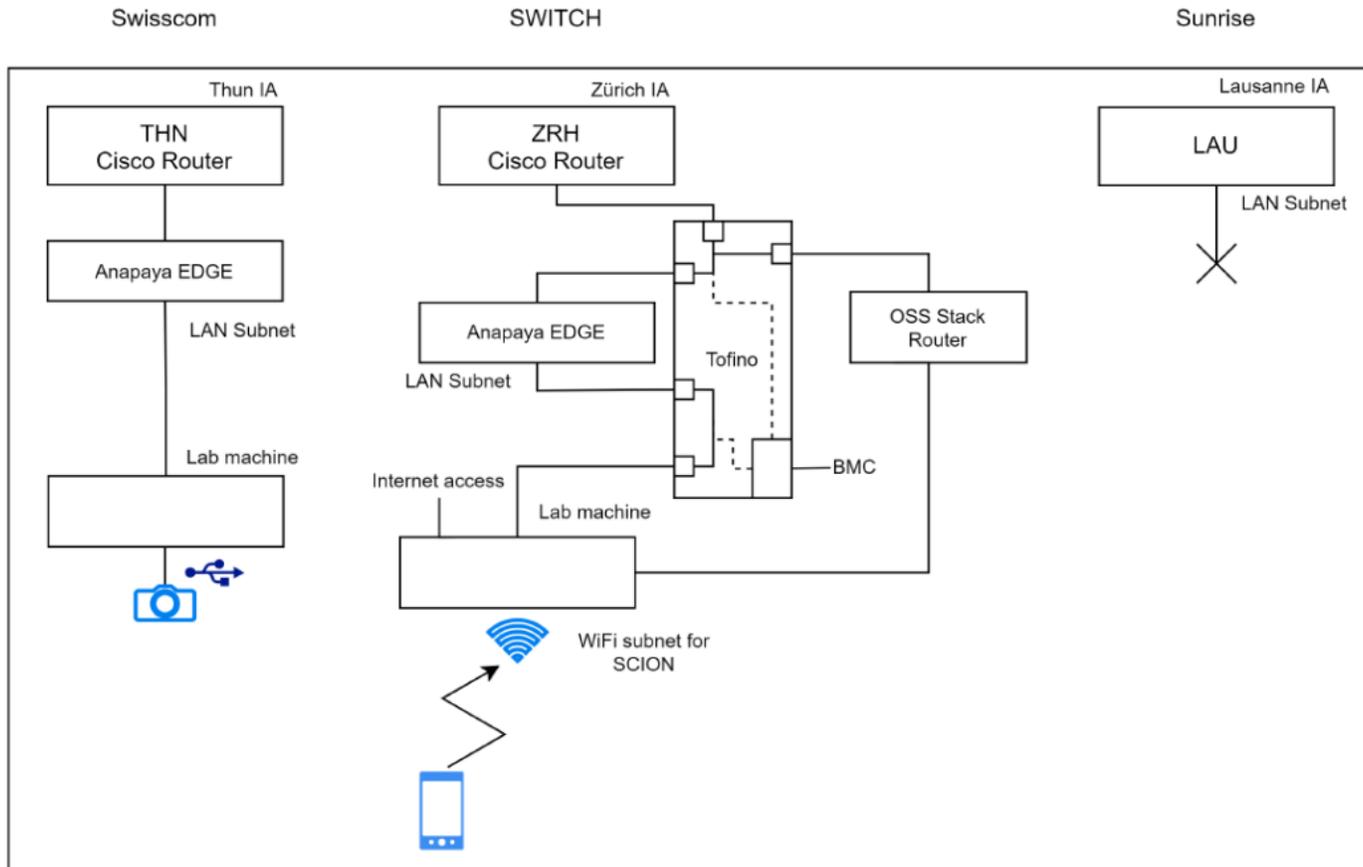
SCION

- Drive dissemination of SCION in the security and defence domain (army, critical infrastructures, NATO)
- Gather experience for the federal administration with commercial providers
- Promote and advance Swiss innovation in the security of networking





Current Deployment



In operation since November 2022

3 locations with different providers

Location	ISP	Speed
Zurich	Switch	10 Gb/s
Thun	Swisscom	10 Gb/s
Lausanne	Sunrise	1 Gb/s

Part of the Swiss ISD

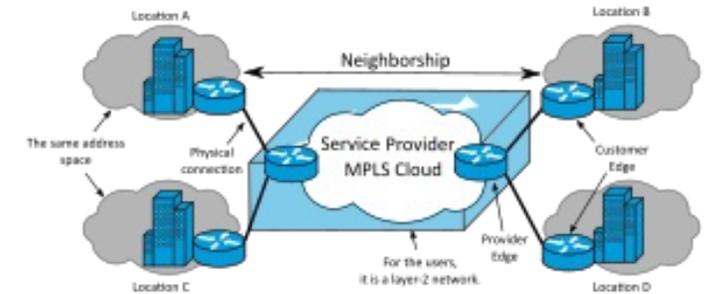
Ongoing site expansion in Tallinn at NATO CCDCoE



Relevant Cyber Defence Use Cases

Use Case 1: Alternative to MPLS / leased lines

➡ cost savings



Use Case 2: Routing of sensitive international traffic

➡ enhanced security



Use Case 3: Path Selection based on Router Properties

➡ more control





FABRID: Flexible Attestation-Based Routing for Inter-Domain Networks

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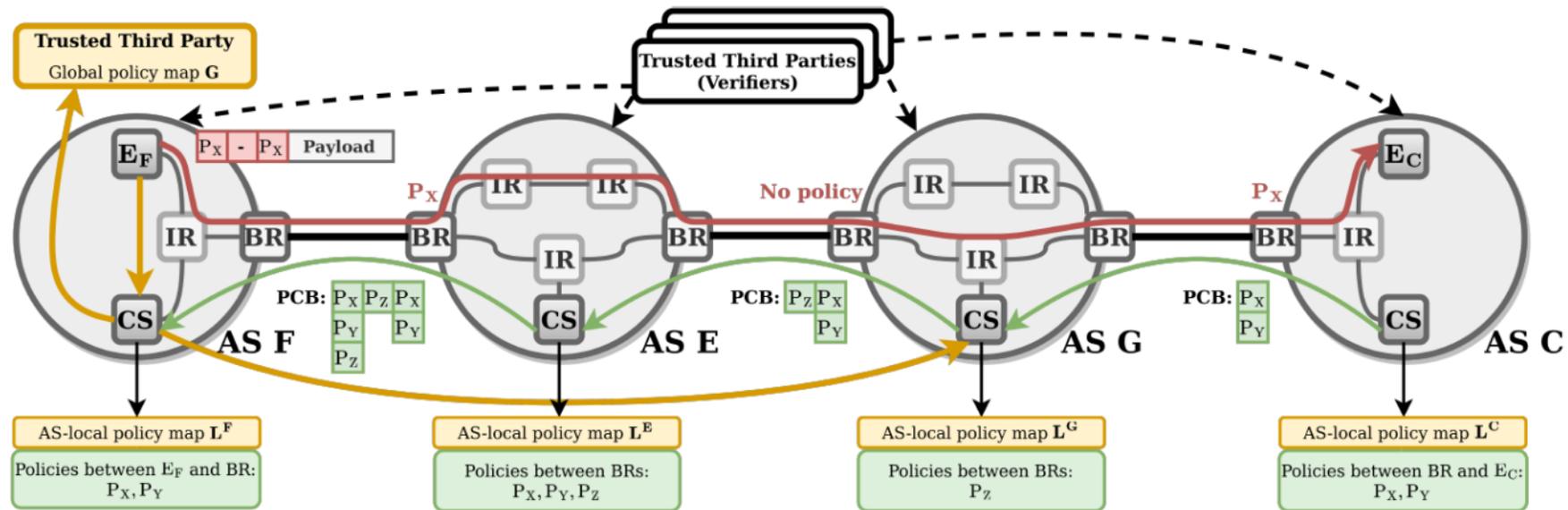
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FABRID: Attestation-Based Inter-domain Routing

Users can select paths based on **router policies**

- E.g.: avoid paths with routers from Huawei, Cisco, etc
- E.g.: use only paths with routers in Switzerland, EU, and USA
- Network provides **route attestation** across different network domains and providers





Relevant Router Policy Properties

- Manufacturer
- Hardware
- Software (+ patch level)
- Geolocation
- Jurisdiction
- CO₂ Emissions

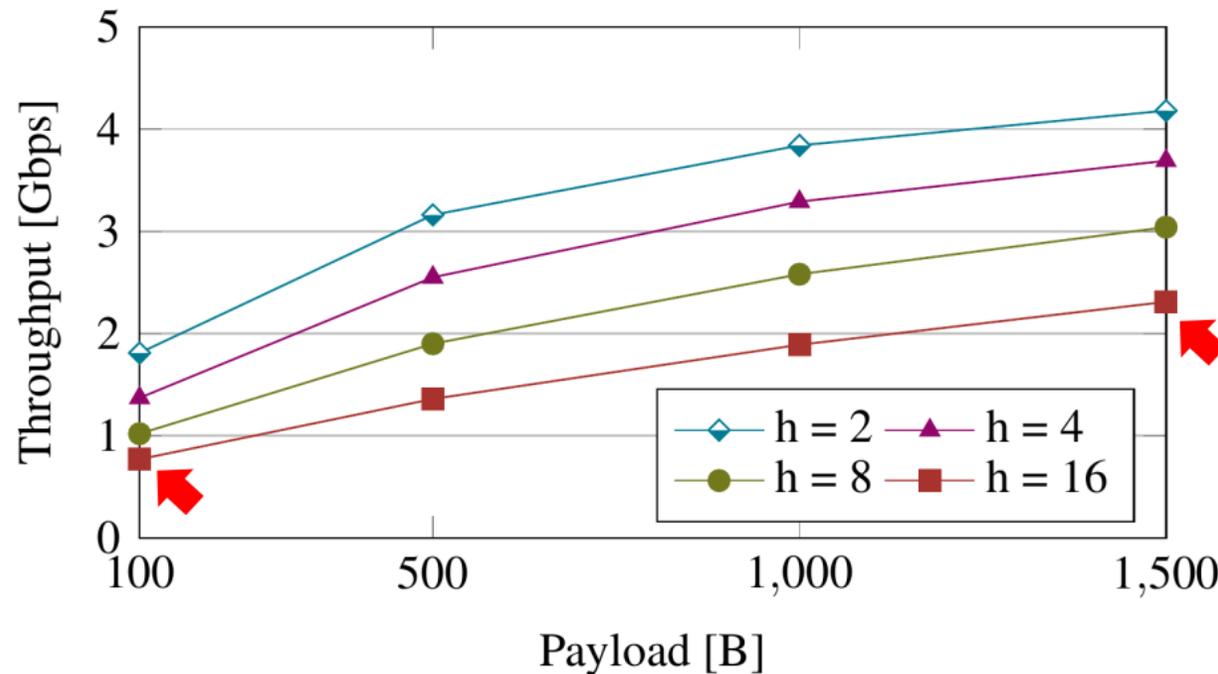


Verifiable via remote
router attestation



Evaluation of FABRID Performance on SCION

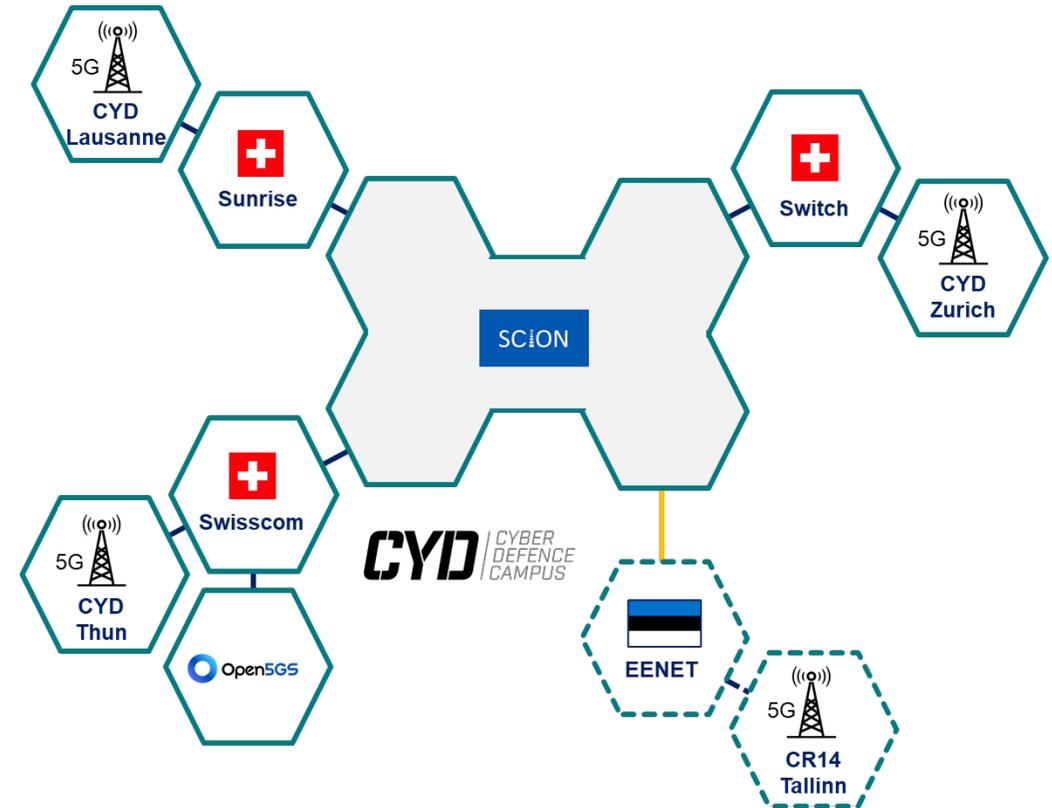
- Border Router Forwarding: Up to 160Gbps with fewer than 16 cores
- Endhost Traffic Generation: Over 1Gbps with a single core (h: path length)





Teaser: Upcoming 5G Testbed over SCION

- **5G** Core network and access
- **Scion**-based backbone
- Connecting 4 cities over 4 different commercial Scion ISPs
- Test Scion and 5G security features
- Evaluate real-world deployment use cases of 5G and Scion







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