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## Smartcard Platform Certification Using the Common Criteria Issues & Opportunities

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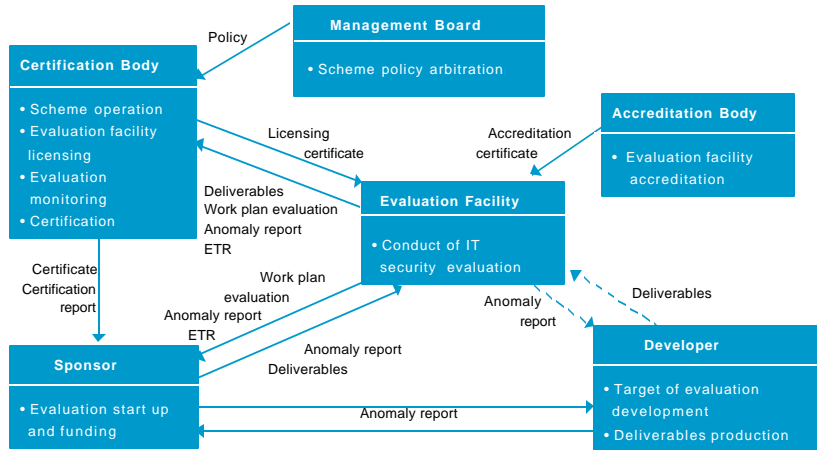
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## Agenda

- Introduction
- Evaluation and Certification Parties
- From Protection Profile (PP) to Security Target (ST)
  - ✓ PP, TOE, Assurance level, Augmentation, ST
- Evaluation and certification process
- Examples & comments on CC & PP's.
- New initiatives GlobalPlatform - eEurope
- Conclusions



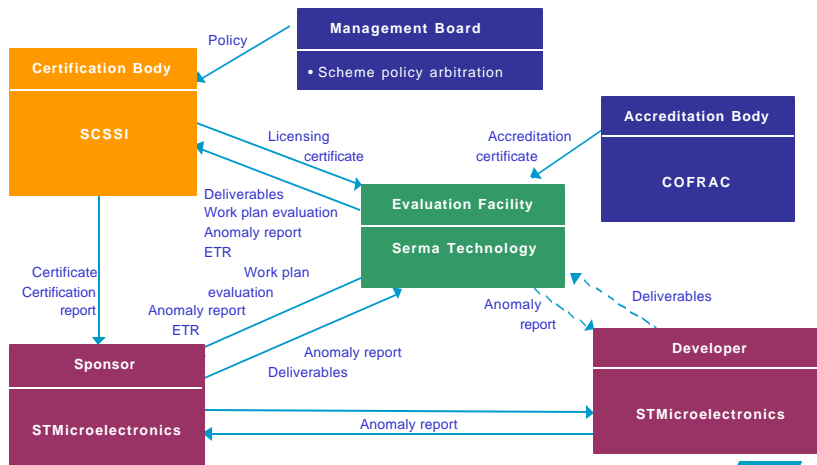
## Evaluation and Certification The Scheme



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## Evaluation and Certification example of partnership



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## Protection Profile

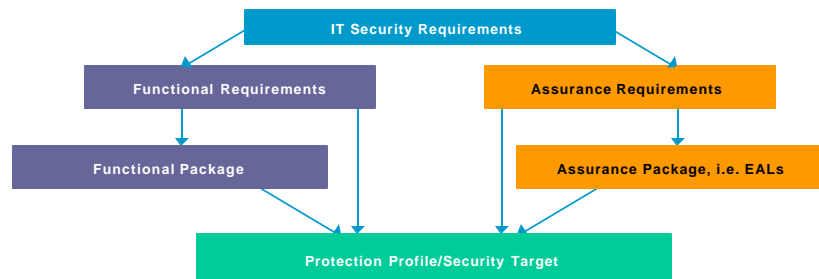
- ❑ What is a Protection Profile?
  - ✓ An implementation-independent set of Security Requirements for a category of products (TOEs) which meet specific *category of users* needs
- ❑ PP/9806 is the Protection Profile used up to now for Smartcard Ics.
- ❑ PP9911 is the one used for single applications
- ❑ Many others are under evaluation.
- ❑ Some PP's are used to “filter” the architectures and functional specifications. Open Kernel – MASSC (MedeaA1112)

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## Security Requirements

- ❑ Functional requirements
  - ✓ Desired security behavior of the TOE
- ❑ Assurance requirements
  - ✓ Grounds for confidence that the TOE meets its security objectives



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## Examples of Security Requirements

- Functional requirements
  - ✓ FIA – user identification and authentication before allowing use of other TOE security functions
  - ✓ FPT – notification of physical attack providing unambiguous detection of physical tampering
  
- Assurance requirements
  - ✓ ADV – stepwise refinement from the summary specification in the security target down to the actual implementation
  - ✓ AGD – understandability and coverage of the operational documentation provided by the developer

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## Assurance Level

- EAL7 = Formally verified design and tested
- EAL6 = Semi-formally verified design and tested
- EAL5 = Semi-formally verified design and tested
- EAL4 = Methodically designed, tested and reviewed
- EAL3 = Methodically tested and checked
- EAL2 = Structurally tested
- EAL1 = Functionally tested

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## Augmentation

### □ Assurance requirements

#### ✓ Classes

- ❖ ACM – Configuration management
- ❖ ADO – Deliver and Operation
- ❖ ADV – Development
- ❖ AGD – Guidance documents
- ❖ ALC – Life Cycle support
- ❖ ATE – Tests
- ❖ AVA – Vulnerabilities Assessment

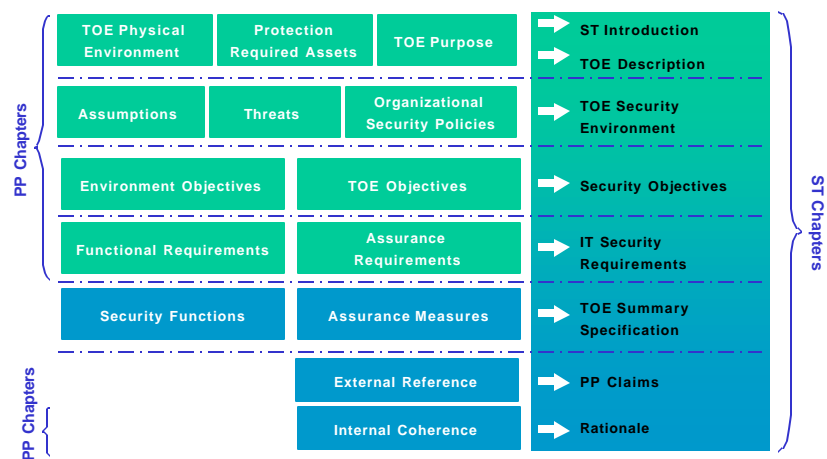
#### ✓ Additional Assurance requirements for ST19SFxx platform (EAL4) are

- ❖ ADV\_IMP.2 (from EAL5)
- ❖ ALC\_DVS.2 (from EAL6)
- ❖ AVA\_VLA.4 (from EAL6)

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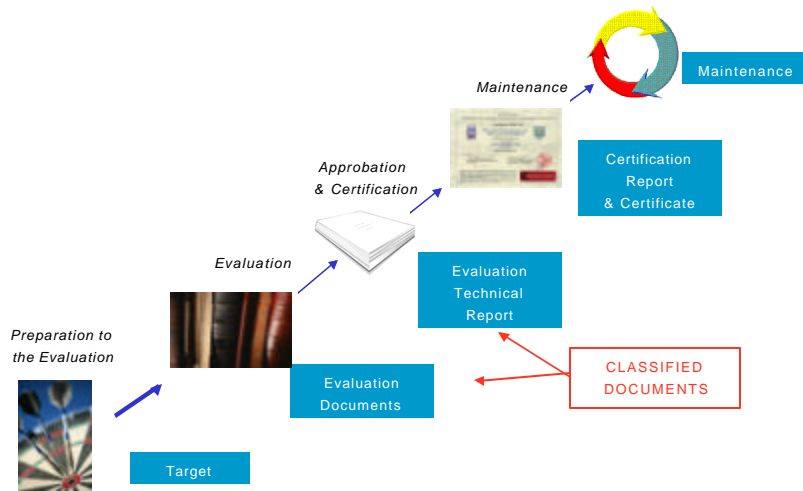
## From Protection Profile to Security Target



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## Evaluation / Certification Steps



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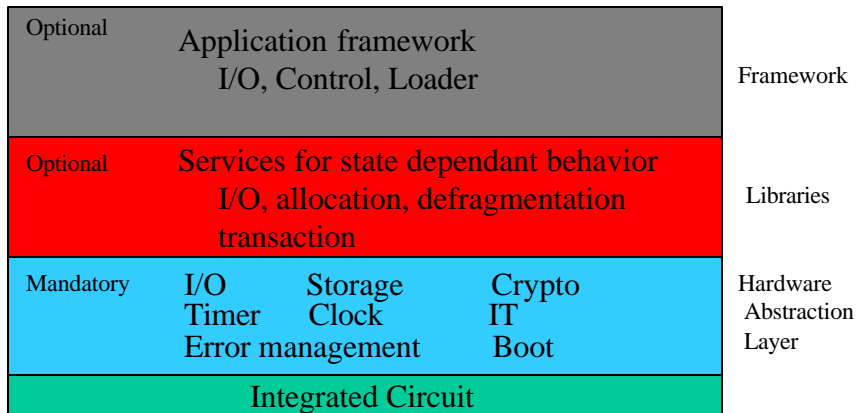
## Global Platform Card Committee

- OPEN KERNEL Working Group
- More representative of industry
- Chip manufacturers
  - ✓ Hitachi
  - ✓ Infineon
  - ✓ Philips
  - ✓ ST
- Card suppliers & Others
  - ✓ Bull
  - ✓ Datacard Platform 7
  - ✓ OCS
  - ✓ Gemplus

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## Open Kernel Architecture



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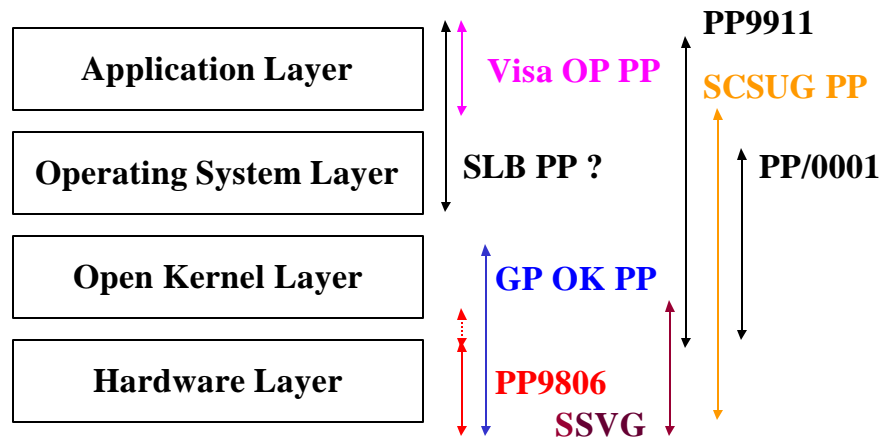
## List of OK deliverables

- OK general specification
  - ⇒ Blue layer specification: HAL
  - ⇒ Red layer specification: libraries
  - ⇒ Black layer specification: framework
- OK Protection Profile
  - ⇒ Guideline and/or Protection Profile
- OK detailed specification: semi-formal model
- OK testing method
  - ⇒ link with other working groups

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## Overview the current PP's scenario



Plus: MEDEA A112 PP's and other applications PP's

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## OK on security approach (1)

- Is a new PP really required ???
- PP: Security Functional +AssuranceRequirements
- No market standard requirements for security level.
- If PP: assumptions are necessary on upper levels
- A guideline defining security functions needed in OK will help to define new PP and even the ST.
- Both will perhaps be necessary

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## OK on security approach (2)

- Security issues are handled by security and Common Criteria expert members (some ESWGs ).
- Plenary and dedicated meeting on the subject.
- Technical writing by Datacard experts (formal SW evaluators).

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## Another experience for cryptographic modules

- Summary of CygnaCom Experience in Developing Cryptography based Systems PPs and STs
- Examples of comparison with FIPS 140 .

Source: CygnaCom

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## FIPS 140-1/2 and CC Differences

- ❑ FIPS 140-1/2 contain specific security requirements for a cryptomodule which may be included in a product. CC specifies generic requirements for a security product or system.
- ❑ FIPS 140-1/2 tries to minimize security analysis performed by testing laboratories. CC requires testing laboratories to determine what is good enough to meet the generic requirement.
- ❑ FIPS 140-1/2 is more specific but less flexible. FIPS techniques will become outdated over time. CC is more flexible but requires more interpretation and evaluation.

Source: CygnaCom

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## FIPS 140-1/2 and CC Differences (Concluded)

- ❑ FIPS 140-1/2 testing laboratories are accredited by NIST and CSE. CC testing laboratories in U.S. are accredited by NIAP (NIST and NSA).
- ❑ FIPS 140-1/2 is recognized by U.S. and Canada. CC testing is recognized by U.S., Canada, France, Germany, UK, Australia, and New Zealand.
- ❑ FIPS 140-1/2 specifies a four levels of cryptomodule security. CC specifies the criteria whereby security functionality and assurance can be specified.

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## FIPS 140-1/2 and CC Differences: Examples

- ❑ FIPS requires specific cryptomodule states (e.g., power on/off, crypto officer, key-CSP entry, user, and error). CC is not specific to cryptomodules.
- ❑ FIPS has specific maintenance role requirements for key and CSP protection. CC does not mention maintenance role.
- ❑ FIPS has specific physical security requirements such as hard opaque tamper evident coatings, seals, physical locks, and key zeroization. CC requires detection, notification, and response but no specific physical features.

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## FIPS 140-1/2 and CC Differences: Examples (Continued)

- ❑ FIPS distinguishes three cryptomodule embodiments each having different requirements. CC does not distinguish between embodiments.
- ❑ FIPS distinguishes security levels by adding additional requirements. CC distinguishes physical security levels as detection, notification, and response.
- ❑ FIPS 140-1 deals primarily with the functions of the vendor product. CC also covers assurance requirements for configuration management, delivery, operation, development, and life cycle support.

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## FIPS 140-1/2 and CC Differences: Examples (Concluded)

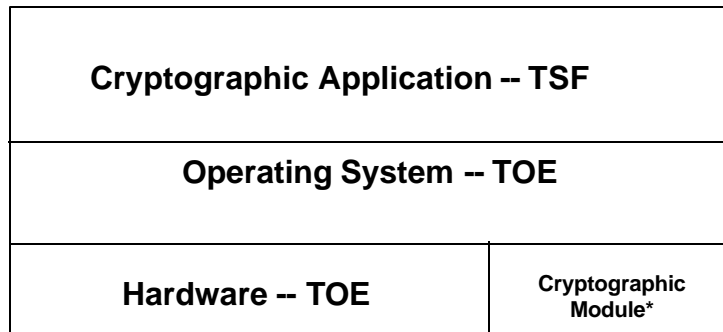
- ❑ FIPS 140-1 has minimal audit requirements. CC has extensive audit requirements. FIPS 140-2 will have more audit requirements.
- ❑ FIPS 140-1/2 requires a semiformal security policy model. CC allows for informal, semiformal, and formal security policy models.

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## Observation: TOE Definition



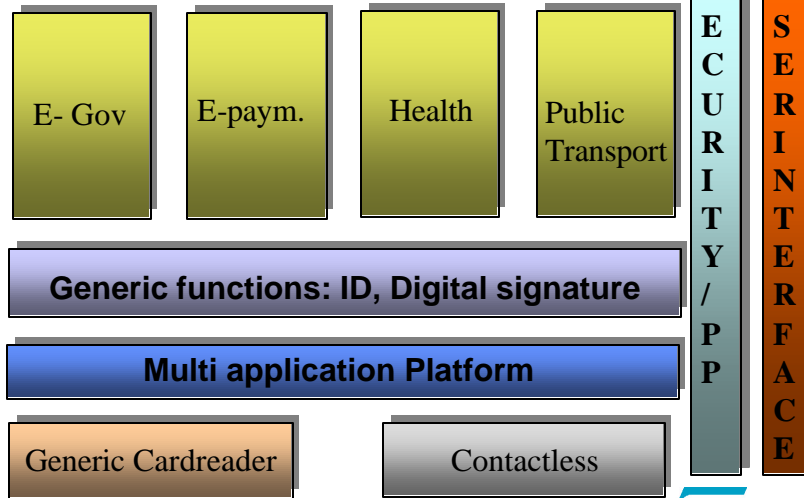
\* TOE, TSF, or Environmental Assumption

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## Scope



## Mission

- The mission of the trailblazer 3 working group is to promote and facilitate the adoption of the Common Criteria (CC) – ISO/IEC 15408 standard through the Smartcard Industry (card issuers - service providers – product's manufacturers - software providers - evaluation facilities - certification bodies etc...) for the evaluation and the certification of products and systems, to provide trust and confidence to the smartcard users.*

## Strategy

- To this purpose: the group will elaborate a framework to facilitate the process (product development - evaluation - certification...) of using the CC in a cost and time effective way to support internationally recognised certifications.*

## Objectives & Schedule (1)

- List of current issues in using CC in a cost & time effective way.  
Common document: **End Q1-2001**
- Propose possible solutions  
Common document: **End Q3-2001**
- Proof of concept:  
Evaluation/Certification on a practical example **2002**

## Objectives & Schedule (2) Promotion & Education

- Establish communication plan: **End Q-1 2001**
  
- Promotion & education: **Start: Q2-2001**  
**End : Q4-2002**

## Conclusion

- CC is still at the innovation stage and have not yet been largely endorsed.  
*More active participants are welcome ....*
- CC can only work if a common methodology for smartcards evaluations is in place.
- This methodology is not wideley shared and recognized.
- CC can be viewed (and used) as an industrial espionage toll.
- « *Security is not about technology but process and methodology on how to implement technology* » - (Bruce Schneier).