

# Annex 6

## Key project 3

### ACN – Alliance pour la Confiance Numérique – Alliance for Digital Trust

#### 1. Project background / societal challenge

The societal challenge is to provide interoperable and secure digital identities for everyone and to secure the digital exchanges.

#### 2. Project goal

Alliance pour la Confiance Numérique (ACN) comprises more than 20 companies, research laboratories as well as some public agencies, which together have the objective of representing the French security industry, to manage the dialogue with public bodies, to make recommendations and propose actions to better structure this industry.

#### 3. Project description

Nowadays, Europe is more and more involved with the digital world. Digital products and services are invading our whole life (e-banking, e-education, e-health, e-commerce, TV, mobile, to name some). The digital world offers new services but it presents new threats, too. To be able to counter them, it is necessary to create common messages and to make public authorities aware of them in order to help them establish a new regulatory framework. But besides improving security, any new regulations should also respect the individual's right to privacy, and consider the industrial and political contexts. With these considerations in mind, several concrete actions have been launched:

- Several common meetings with public authorities have taken place to exchange ideas:
  - On French identity policy.
  - On security policy for national data management systems.
  - On national and European R&D programmes to develop future solutions.
- A conference was held on 26 May 2011 entitled "Creating Digital Trust" which involved representatives from industry and from various public authorities.
- Some preliminary figures on the French security market were published, which is to be continued.
- Two Working Groups were established:
  - WG 1 on Digital Identity, which aims at defining a "Digital Policy" at both French and European levels.
  - WG 2 on Cyber security, to express the French industry's position on how to counter new security threats in networks with existing products, technologies and know-how.
- A strategic committee dedicated to the users' needs was created in 2012.

#### 4. Role of the electrical engineering industry

European industry offers many, high-quality digital security products and tools, such as "smart cards" for instance. This facility is one of the industry's strengths. Local companies are better positioned to meet the European users' needs but they may struggle not to be overcome by solutions from other fast-growing regions such as the US, Asia and Latin America.

#### 5. Project's partners

- ORGALIME Member associations: FIEEC.
- Associations: GIFAS, GITEPTICS, IGNES.
- Public partner: La Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations (French state-owned financial institution).
- Companies: AdvancedTrack and Trace, Alcatel Lucent, Bull, Cassidian, Certeurop, CS (Communication & Systèmes), Dictao, Gemalto, IBM, Keynectis, Oberthur, Orange, PrimX, Radiall, Safran Morpho, Siemens, STMicroelectronics, STS Group, Thales, Xiring.
- Research laboratories: CEA-LETI, INRIA.
- Associated members: l'ANSSI (French Prime Minister services in charge of the information system security), ANTS (National agency for secured documents).