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#### WP4 - Network



## nSHIELD functional architecture





## The SCOPE in synthesis

- The main objective of SPD Network is to provide Trusted and Dependable Connectivity to Embedded Systems through the implementation of a reconfigurable radio system capable:
  - of maintaining awareness of the operating scenario,
  - of detecting possible threats and counteracting in such a way to ensure communications integrity to the maximum possible extent by reconfiguring the single nodes and/or the system itself.
  - of smart-managing the crypto Keys in order to handle security in lightweight devices and in highly dynamical reconfigurable networks.



## **Activities Carried Out**

- Main features needed for making the SHIELD SPD-Based Radio system working:
  - Reconfigurable radio components with waveform parameters (frequency, bandwidth, ...)
  - Sensing mechanism to acquire awareness about available/used resources
  - Different IDS approaches (misuse vs. anomaly detection, architecture) taking into account the requirements of sensor networks
  - Cognitive algorithms elaborating the available information and taking countermeasures decisions against the identified threats
  - Simulator development for studying and evaluating performances of the Security Aware Framework
  - Embedded platform adaptation to implement and validate SHIELD Security Aware Framework



# Work progress of nSHIELD

- nSHIELD items that started to be:
  - detailed,
  - implemented,
  - tested
  - validated:
    - <u>Sensing</u>: awareness (active users, bandwidth, modulation, frequency, ...)
    - <u>Cognitive Manager</u>: decision making, reasoning, cross-layer optimization and resource allocation
    - <u>Radio</u>: adjust radio parameters according to cognitive manager (dynamically exploitation of available resources, ...)
    - <u>Networking</u>: spectrum-aware routing, cognitive transport protocols
    - Optimize the IDS architecture regarding distributed or centralized approaches or a combination of both
    - **<u>Reputation based IDS</u>** approaches are starting to be implemented
    - Key Management
    - Adaptation of the simulator



## Work package - objectives

- Task 4.1 Smart SPD driven transmission
  - SE; SG; THYIA; TUC; UNIGE
- Task 4.2 Distributed self-x models
  - **ATHENA;** THYIA, TUC, UNIGE, UNIUD, SE
- Task 4.3 *Reputation-based resource management technologies* 
  - HAI; SE, TECNALIA, INDRA, MGEP, TUC
- Task 4.4 Trusted and dependable Connectivity
  - ISL; SE, SCOM, TECNALIA, HAI, MGEP, THYIA, TUC



## Smart SPD-driven transmission

- Goal: providing reliable and efficient communications even in critical (physical) channel conditions
  - Adaptive and flexible algorithms for dynamically configuring and adapting various transmission-related parameters
- Based on the Software Defined Radio (SDR) or Cognitive Radio (CR) technology
- Shall be SCA-compliant
- Security-aware framework
  - Deployment of different state-of-the-art technologies for detecting and countering reconfigurability-related and cognitive capability-related security issues and attacks



## Smart SPD-driven transmission (2)

#### Software Communications Architecture (source: SCA 4.0 specification)





## Smart SPD-driven transmission (3)

#### Security-aware framework (*source: nSHIELD deliverable 2.4*)





## Smart SPD-driven transmission (4)

#### Trusted Network Routing Service (source: nSHIELD deliverable 2.4)



## Distributed self-x models

- Goal: Providing network transmission technologies to support the dependable self-x technologies at the node level by means of Cognitive Radio technologies
- Self-x refers to:
  - Self-(re)configuration
  - Self-management
  - Self-supervision
  - Self-recovery
- Evaluation of risks has been performed so far, with the following types of attacks identified and analyzed:
  - Side channel attacks
  - Denial-of-Service (DoS) attacks



# Reputation-based resource management technologies

- Goal: Using information of nodes' past behaviours in order to estimate the current trustworthiness level
- Reputation and trust based Intrusion Detection Systems for WSN
  - New distributed approach (vs. centralized in pSHIELD)
    - Agent based detection minimises the communication needs
  - Both anomaly and specification-based detection
    - Anomaly detection using a simpler model (to reduce CPU and power consumption)
    - Coupled with specification based detection to enhance efficiency



# Reputation-based resource management technologies (2)

- Distributed detection
- Node monitors local activities
- If not sure about the nature of an activity, node contacts its neighbouring nodes
- Reputation and trust of a node set according to local and neighbouring information
- When anomalous activities are flagged locally, this information is broadcasted to the rest of the nodes





### Trusted and dependable connectivity

- Goal: assuring communications integrity to the maximum possible extent
- Regarded at two levels:
  - Trusted Network Routing Service
    - Possibility of choosing between different routing schemes, based on the input of the reputation-based scheme
  - Secure Data Exchange/Communication Service
    - Encryption schemes to enable protection (and integrity) of data
    - Authentication schemes to verify identity of sender/receiver



## **ES Computational Hardware**





PCB OMBRA-nSHIELD (18x68 mm) OMAP uP, Xilinx FPGA WCP (1K pieces) =~150 Euro Computational Power 5X

Carrier Board OMBRA-nSHIELD Example (40x80mm) PCB S

PCB Standard - PXA270 uP Size (110x130mm) WCP =~ 350Euro



## The END



#### Thanks for your attention!

