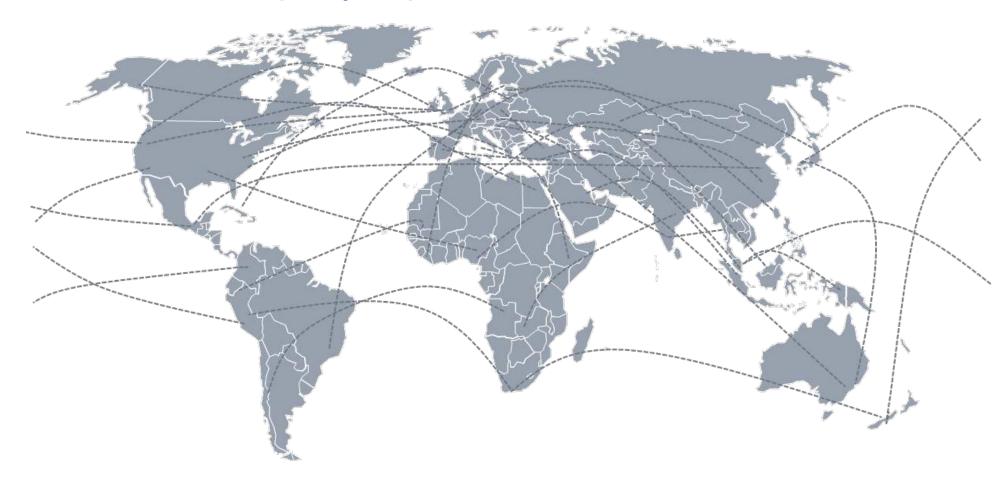
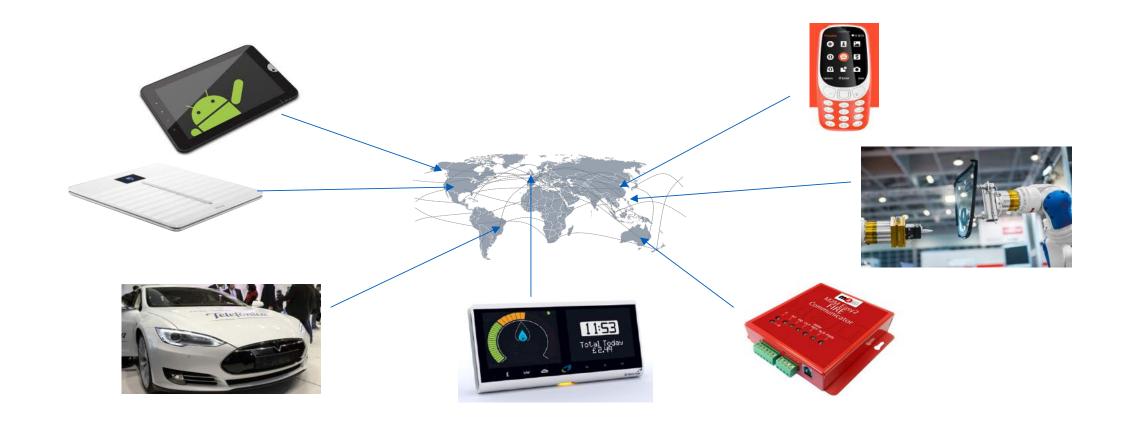


## **Roaming Network – Interconnection Network**

Not the Internet – but equally important



### We are all connected to the Interconnection Network



## **History**

- Established more than 35 years ago between a few state owned operators
- Build on trust (closed private network)
- No inbuilt security (in particular, no source authentication)
- SS7 protocol was constantly extended for new services and features
- New service providers connect all the time e.g. IPX roaming hubs, Application to user SMS, etc
- Now moving towards LTE / Diameter based protocols (4G/5G)



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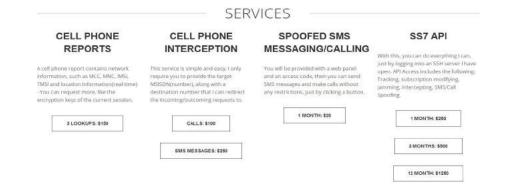
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### **Closed & Private Network?**



Below you can see what I can provide. Contact information at the buttom page

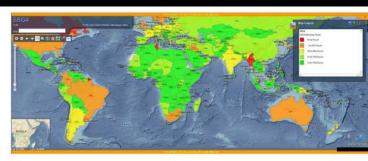


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# The Intercept\_

## **OPERATION SOCIALIST**

The Inside Story of How British Spies Hacked Belgium's Largest Telco



One of the prime targets monitored under the AURORAGOLD program is the Londonheadquartered trade group, the GSM Association, or the GSMA, which represents the interests of more than 800 major cellphone, software, and internet companies from 220 countries.





China Mobile



### **Hackers Exploit SS7 Flaws to Loot Bank** Accounts

## Existing Attacks for the "old" SS7 If no protection is deployed

- Location Tracking
- Eavesdropping
- Fraud
- Denial of Service user & network
- Credential theft
- Data session hijacking
- Unblocking stolen phone
- SMS interception
- One time password theft and account takeover for banks, Telegram, Facebook, Whatsapp, g-mail (bitcoin)



JUN 15, 2016 @ 08:00 AM 71,405 VIEWS

Kovacs on May 04, 2017

#### **Bulgarian company - Global Innovator in Wiretapping**

"Circles Bulgaria" has listed itself as a virtual operator to intercept encryption keys from the SS7 inter-operator

Hackers Can Steal Your Facebook Account With Just A Phone Number





hers has been shaker



### Telenor mobile network hit by international signal

Victim Hacker Friend

stwork outage for several hours on 19 February due to

Media: officials fired for using WhatsApp, Viber and Telegram

Security

WhatsApp SS7 attack

Someone checked and, yup, you can still hijack Gmail, Bitcoin wallets etc via dirty SS7 tricks

Two-factor authentication by SMS? More like SOS

# All will be better with LTE and Diameter.....



# All will be better different with

LTE and Diameter.....

## Diameter Attacks researched under the CyberTrust Project

- Location Tracking (NATO CyCon Conference, 2015)
- Downgrading attacks (Troopers TelcoSec 2016)
- Denial of Service & Fraud (Blackhat, 2016)
- SMS and one time password interception (IEEE ICC 2017) (e.g. g-mail, MS, Twitter, Facebook, Amazon, etc)
- Subscriber Profile Modification (Network and System Security 2017)

### To come

Data interception for GPRS & LTE (potentially December 2017)

## **Countermeasures for operators**

## **Detect**

Monitor network traffic Penetration & re-testing Tenant monitoring

# Cooperate

Share experiences (GSMA)

IPSec with partners e.g. TW

Cooperation with legislators

# Mitigate

Filter, filter, filter
Signaling Firewall
SMS Home Routing

## Prepare

Follow FS.11,FS.19,FS.07
Find weak spots
Node hardening/procedures

## CyberTrust WP4 Impacts – Academic Locally

- ✓ D4.4 A report, submitted publication, or thesis on escalation paths of targeted attacks, detection and mitigation approaches, technical viewpoint
- ✓ Academic impacts:
  - ✓ Two theses on DoS in mobile LTE networks / Location tracking in LTE.
  - ✓ Workshop organization on 5G Security
  - ✓ Close academic industry collaboration between F-Secure, VTT, Aalto, Abo University and Nokia
  - ✓ Blackhat / Troopers / IEEE ICC / NATO presentations (key ones)
    - ✓ Follow up request from operators and legislators -> Market creation with finnish leading expertise.

## CyberTrust WP4 Leaves a World Impacts

- ✓ Nokia impact:
  - ✓ Nokia Firewall product mitigation and detection enhancements
  - ✓ Nokia Security service enhancements (penetration testing)
  - ✓ Improvement of various products (hardening)
- ✓ Global and Industry impact
  - ✓ Finland recognized worldwide expertise on security (worldwide requests e.g. Taiwan regulator tomorrow)
  - ✓ GSMA standards (worldwide roaming security standards)
    - ✓ Attack scenarios, forensic analysis information, countermeasures input
    - ✓ Firewall configuration technical details
  - ✓ US FCC guideline 3/2017 given to congress, work continues in a new Working Group
  - ✓ US DHS guideline to be given to congress
  - ✓ Nordic regulators proactively work on diameter security
  - ✓ Worldwide security deployments and customers
  - ✓ SOME & News coverage



