

PhD position (M/F) in the

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Title Cryptographic primitives for GDPR compliance

Department Digital Security

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Description In order to comply with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), biometric operations should be performed without disclosing any sensitive information. Homomorphic encryption

and secure multi-party computation can be considered as the main cryptographic tools for the design of novel primitives as they allow some functions to be evaluated by one or multiple parties without discovering any information than what is needed. The integration of these tools, while delivering privacy protection, may impact on systems' operation/performance. Some complex operations cannot be supported by existing practical tools and therefore may need to be approximated by simpler operations. It is critical, however, that these approximations do not degrade security. The PhD programme will research privacy preserving biometric identification and authentication primitives by leveraging such advanced cryptographic techniques, while minimizing computational, memory and bandwidth costs and

accuracy degradation.

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Requirements The successful candidate will have a Master's degree in engineering, mathematics,

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French is not required.

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of two pages also presenting the perspectives of research and education (iii) names and addresses of three references (preferably one from your final year project supervisor) no later

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