



Application of GUARD in the emerging ICT market sectors

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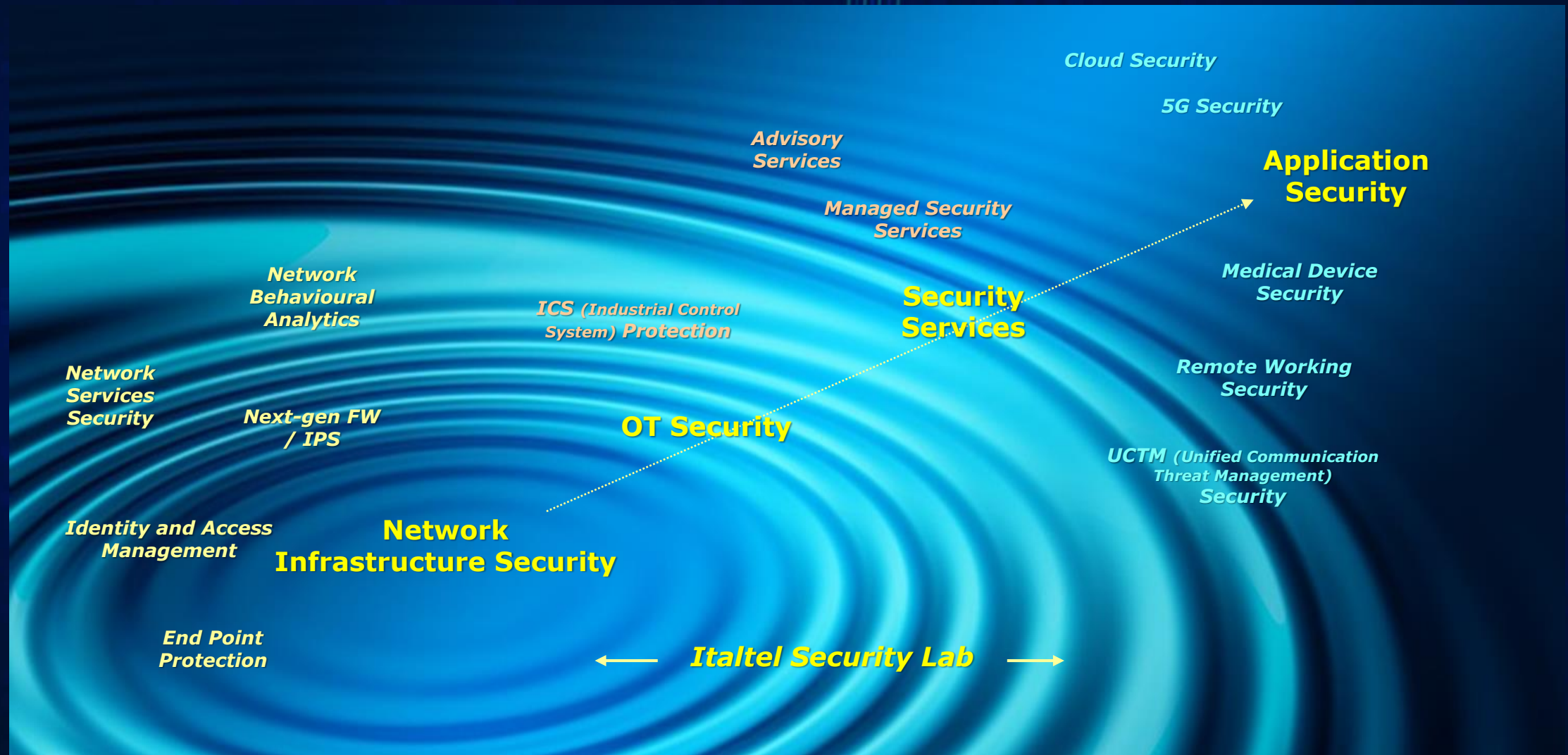
Italtel

Few industrial sectors have undergone such a radical transformation over the past 100 years as telecommunications. Italtel, born in July 1921, has crossed the last century with the gaze of those who know how to anticipate this transformation and guide it to create solutions that improve our lives.

Italtel has always followed the beacon of **innovation**: pioneer of electronic switching in the 1980s, of Voice over IP in the 2000s, today it continues to innovate with solutions based on **5G, Hybrid Cloud, Cybersecurity, IoT for Industry 4.0 and for Smart Cities.**

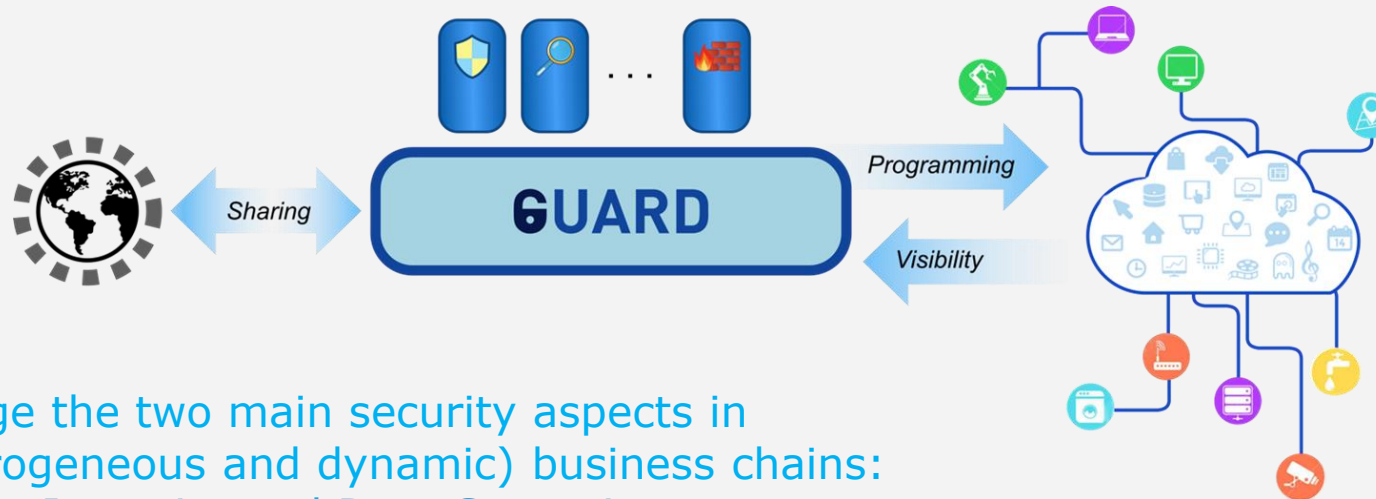
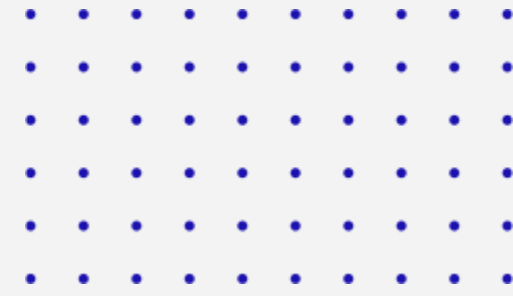


Italtel Approach



GUARD Value

A platform that mediates between detection and inspection



Manage the two main security aspects in (heterogeneous and dynamic) business chains:
Service Integrity and Data Sovereignty

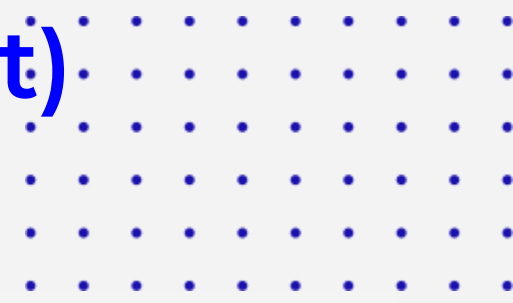
Expose “security capabilities” in digital services and Manage multi-tenancy

Make the system programmable and Leverage novel techniques for detection of anomalies and attacks



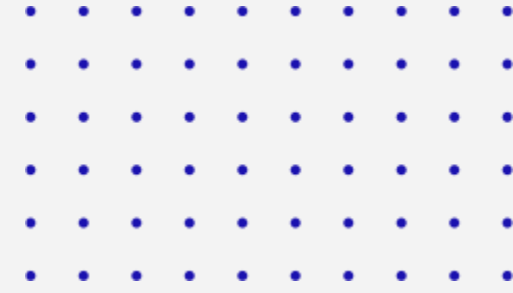
Design a holistic framework for advanced end-to-end assurance and protection of business service chains

Why GUARD for propositions in (almost) any market



- **ICT-enabled market evolution**
 - ✓ Cost reduction, agility, collaboration, optimization, ...
 - ✓ increasingly service-centric
- **Business chains are increasingly complex**
 - ✓ and actors are increasingly diversified
 - ✓ with important role of external Resource and Service Providers
 - ✓ e.g., see role of cloud / edge resources
- **Value of processes ... and related criticality**
 - ✓ to be promptly monitored and protected
- **Value of data ... and related sensitivity**
 - ✓ increasing in volume and velocity
 - ✓ to be shared among multiple stakeholders, according to specific purposes, often AI-driven

ICT-Enabled Markets – Smart Energy



- ✓ **ICT-enabled multi-stakeholder context**
- ✓ **Smart Grid paradigm brings new actors, new business models, increased efficiency, more flexibility ...**
- ✓ **a very critical infrastructure: needed protection from threats**
- ✓ **needed privacy of large sensitive datasets**



A concrete use case ...



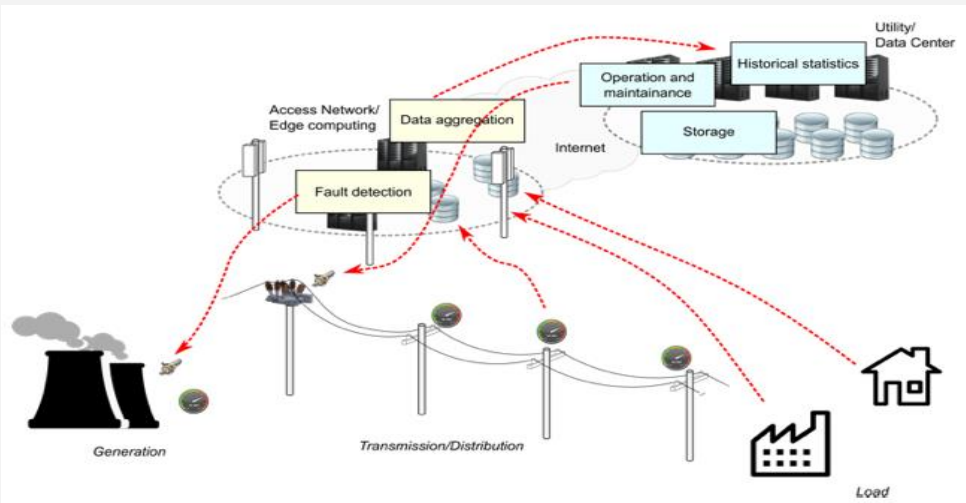
A project involving a major Energy Distribution System Operator



Define new algorithms for the "intelligent" management of the network, in terms of remote control and automation, visibility of producers and consumers, full use of open meters



Monitoring and control of medium/low voltage networks; Use of advanced telecomm. techs; Edge computing-based processing of sensitive data; Predisposition for services to end users (e.g., Prosumers)



ICT-Enabled Markets – Smart Manufacturing

- ✓ **digitalization as cornerstone of any I4.0 implementation**
- ✓ **multiple actors, models and tech's: from diversified shop floor to complex supply chains, to external resource providers**
- ✓ **new scenarios: human-centric factory, personalized production, ...**
- ✓ **critical processes: protection from threats**
- ✓ **needed privacy of valuable production data**



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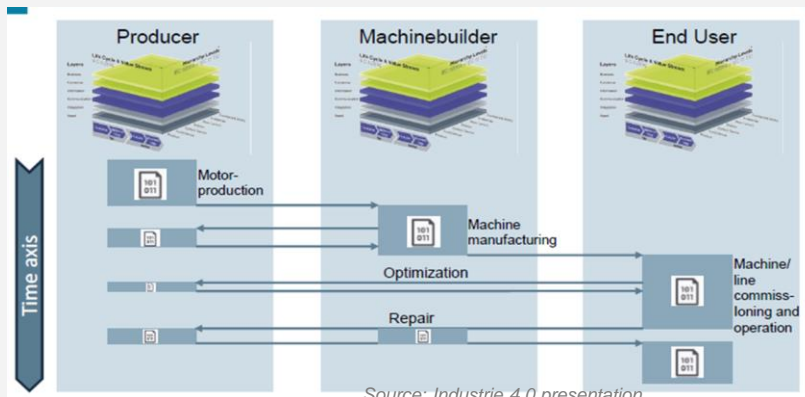
Company operating in the creation of automated logistics solutions



Protection of automated guided carts from external threats – and Secure connection to the systems used by maintenance personnel



Complete visibility of IT and OT traffic, Access control, Asset inventory profiling, Maintenance systems malware protection, ...



ICT-Enabled Markets – Smart Government / Smart City

- ✓ **Public Administration digitalization – e.g. in a Metropolitan City^(°) context**
- ✓ **multiple actors, from decentralized agencies to citizens**
- ✓ **usability and confidence in services from public administration**
- ✓ **needed privacy of sensible data and protection from improper service use**



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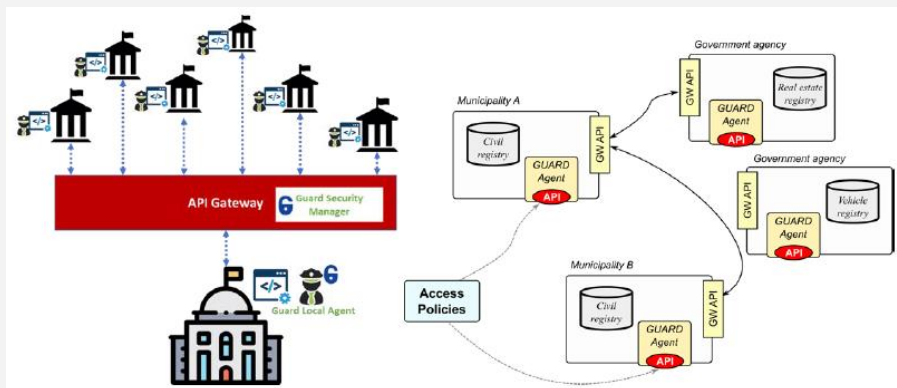
One of the largest Italian Metropolitan Cities



Wide collection and management of data regarding the real-time status and health of infrastructures; Mix with diversified info: traffic, meteo, ...



Overall proposition: Innovative monitoring methods; Protection of very sensible data; Possible, governed use of specific data subsets by different entities



ICT Markets – SOC

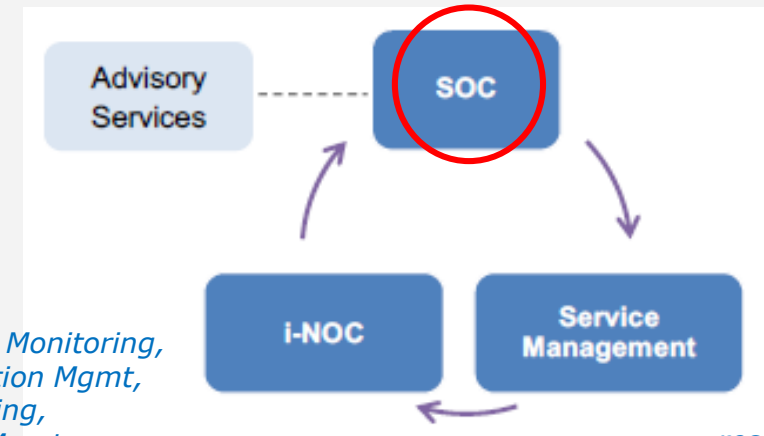
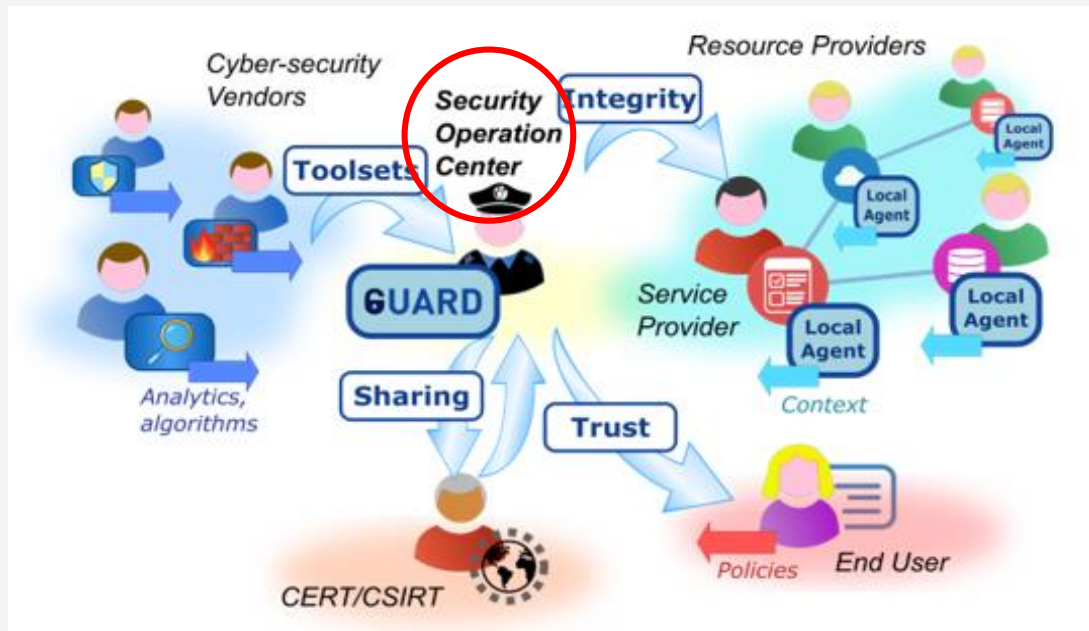
**A suitable platform to implement
(and improve) SOC operations
up to a SOCaaS concept**

*more flexibility and programmability, more automation in
detection, more use of AI for needed analysis*



An example of current SOC ...

- ✓ SPOC
- ✓ Security Event Correlation Mgmt
- ✓ escalation to further Analysis levels
- ✓ Event Reporting
- ✓ first-level Remediation



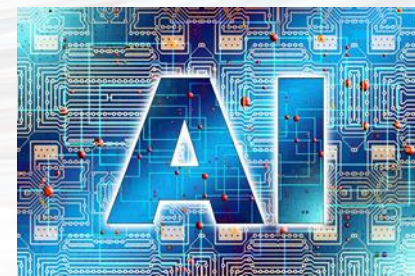
*responsible for
contracted SLAs*



Evolving Integrations of a GUARD-based Proposition



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