

PRIAM Kickoff Meeting Report

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Plan

1. Partners

- Background wrt PRIAM
- Potential contributions to PRIAM
- Expectations from the project

2. Precise definition of the scope of the project

- Technologies (devices, communication means, etc.)
- Types of personal data and case studies
- Légal framework

3. Objectives and approaches

- WP1: legal issues
 WP2 : privacy policies, modelization
 WP3 : implementation (feasibility study): OS, communications, cryptography

4. Action plan (January-July 2007)



Part 1. Partners

- Inria POPART
- Inria Aces
- Inria Ares
- University Jean Monnet
- University of Twente



Inria – POP-ART

Participants

- Daniel Le Métayer : modelization, verification, security, legal issues
- Nathalie Descot (potential post-doc): legal issues

Potential contributions

- WP1: status of existing regulations, new problems posed by the IA context, requirements/proposals for adaptations of the regulations

- WP2: formal definition of privacy policies which are :
 - consistent with the regulations (possibly adapted as put forward in WP1)
 - suitable in the IA context (user acceptance and effective implementation)



Inria – POP-ART

Potential collaborations

- Uni. Jean Monnet : legal issues
- Uni. Twente: modelization of privacy policies
- Inria-Aces and Inria-Ares: implementation issues

Expectations from the project

- Global and consistent view of the whole spectrum (from regulation to implementation)
- Effective collaborations and breakthroughs on specific issues



Inria – ACES

Participants

- Ciaran Bryce : OS, Java environments, security, DRM, TPM
- Potential post-doc
- PhD student: RFID technologies

Potential contributions

- WP3: secure communications
- WP3: access control, data protection, use of TPM technology
- WP3: secure logs



Inria – ARES

Participants

- Stéphane Ubéda : ad-hoc and hybrid networks, trust management
- Frédéric Le Mouël: trust management, e-home services, gateways
- Marine Minier: cryptography (algorithms, protocols), trust management

Potential contributions

- WP3: authentication techniques, secure communications
- WP3: trust management
- WP3: negotiation of privacy policies ?
- WP3: secure services



University Jean Monnet

Participants

- Joël Moret-Bailly : technology and law, deontology

Potential contributions

- WP1: legal issues
- WP4 : dissemination, contacts with lawyers



University of Twente

Participants

- Sandro Etalle : DRM, privacy policy models, a posteriori enforcement, collaborative environments

- PhD student (M.A.C Dekker): privacy policy models, a posteriori enforcement

Potential contributions

- WP2: privacy policy models and logics



Part 2: Scope of the project

Terminology:

Ambient intelligence = ubiquitous computing + ubiquitous communications + intelligent user interfaces

Pervasive systems = ubiquitous computing

Spontaneous information systems = spontaneous establishment of communications among unknown devices

Self-organized networks = self-configuration, administration and repairing of networks (self-allocation of IP addresses, routing, etc.)

Ad-hoc networks = networks without any central and static communication infrastructure

Peer-to-peer : three interpretations:

- Architecture level : P2P architecture = no distinguished role (as opposed to client server e.g.)

- Application level: e.g. P2P content sharing applications
- Social level: model of community organization



Scope of the project : technologies

Devices

- Sensors
- Actuators
- RFID tags
- Cellular phones, PDA's
- Gateways
- Personal Computers, laptops
- Trusted computing devices (TPM)
- Servers

Distinctive features relevant to PRIAM :

memory size, computation power, communication facilities, battery/batteryless



Scope of the project : Technologies

Networks, communication protocols

- Cellular networks (GSM, GPRS, UMTS)
- WLAN: WiFi, Wimax
- WPAN: Bluetooth
- Ad-hoc networks
- Internet, "Internet of things"

Distinctive features relevant to PRIAM :

central control/decentralized, dynamic/static, throughput, latency, communication range



First conclusions w.r.t. technologies

PRIAM will consider essentially hybrid networks (no restrictions or assumptions in terms of devices and/or networks)



Scope of the project : Case studies

Favorite case studies for PRIAM:

- Health care (medical information, active sensors for health monitoring, emergency situations, localization, etc.)
- Home environment (access to multimedia services, refrigerator, Internet, etc.)
- Ubiquitous commerce (supermarket, home, on the move, service delivery, etc.)

Other scenarios:

- Commercial services based on localization information
- Personalized commercial services
- Professional environment (professional card exchanges, address lists, etc.)
- Transportation, access control (train, airport, highway, company premises, etc.)
- E-Passport, identity card
- Internet of things, ...

Distinctive features relevant to PRIAM : localization/no localization, private vs public place, level of sensitivity of the information, internet connection



Scope of the project : Personal information

Different types of personal information:

- Administrative
- Biological
- Behavioral
- Medical
- Localization
- Multimedia

Distinctive features relevant to PRIAM : sensitivity level, risk of data aggregation



Scope of the project : Regulation

National/regional regulations and case-laws:

- French law
- European directives (European Union)
- European Court of Human Rights (Council of Europe)

Private/business privacy policies ?



First conclusions : most striking features of IA w.r.t. privacy

What are the features of IA which make things really different from already deployed technologies (Internet, cellular phones, smart cards, loyalty cards, etc.) w.r.t. privacy ?

- 1. Mobility (dynamic federation of "microdomains")
- 2. Pervasiveness (scale factor w.r.t. (1))
- 3. Lack of central control (connection of heterogeneous devices without any distinguished role, peer to peer architectures)



Part 3. Objectives and approaches

- WP1: legal and social issues
- WP2 : definition of privacy policies
- WP3 : implementation of privacy policies
- WP4: dissemination



Objectives and approaches WP 1: legal and social issues

Objective 1 : state of the art

- Clear picture of existing regulations w.r.t. privacy (France, Europe, USA):

- commonalities and differences among regulations
- actual enforcement of the regulations
- Clear picture of existing practices (business practices, published or implemented privacy policies, etc.) ??

- Social point of view: status on the expectations of citizens and consumers and their evolution over time (e.g. quest for added value services vs privacy) ??

- Legal proofs (rules and practices w.r.t. electronic data)



Objectives and approaches WP 1: legal and social issues

Objective 2: assess the suitability of current regulations w.r.t. the ambient intelligence context

- Existing regulations:
 - Do they provide appropriate protections ?
 - Can they be implemented effectively ?
 - Technical feasibility (consent, purpose, access, modification, deletion, etc.)
 - User acceptance
- Existing privacy policies:
 - Do they provide the appropriate protection ?
 - Can they / are they be implemented effectively ?



Objectives and approaches WP 1: legal and social issues

Challenging issues

- Does the evolution of the technology question the very definition of privacy and its legal basis ?

- Notion of "private sphere" in the ambient world (virtual home)?
- Notion of private information in the ambient world (potential aggregation of large amounts of insignificant data) ?
- Notion of liability / accountability in the ambient world (dynamic systems, lack of control, etc.) ?

- Where to put the boundaries between different types of regulations (law, deontology, moral obligations, etc.)?

- How does the notion of trust fit into the legal landscape ?

- How flexible can the regulation be in terms of delegation via/to automatic tools (intelligent agents, user consent?)

- Ownership of personal data (e.g. medical)



Objectives and approaches WP 2: definition of privacy policies

Requested (and challenging !) features

- Conditional rights (read, use, etc.) and obligations (owner information, consent request, deletion, etc.)

- Purpose (statistics, patient health care, etc.)
- Transfer (of rights and obligations)
- Revocation (of rights and obligations)
- Time (before/after, at occurrence of specific events, at specific time(s), etc.)
- Specific rights of the owner of personal data (access, modification, deletion, etc.)



Objectives and approaches WP 2: definition of privacy policies

Desirable (and challenging !) features

- Notion of data aggregation
- Notion of liability / accountability
- Notion of trust (=> trade-offs, proportionality)
- Notion of data sensitivity (=> trade-offs, proportionality)
- Options (parameterized policies)



Objectives and approaches WP 2: definition of privacy policies

Privacy policy model

- Non ambiguous (formal) semantics
- Decision algorithm to check the validity of actions (a priori / a posteriori)
- Comparison (or refinement) of security policies
- Composition of security policies
- Evolution of security policies (over time, through a negotiation process) ?
- User understanding (natural language or P3P-style translation ?)



Objectives and approaches WP 3: implementation of privacy policies

Range of techniques :

- Identification / authentication : Inria-ARES + Inria-ACES
- Trust management : Inria-ARES
- Privacy policy agreement / negotiation : Inria-POPART + Inria-ARES ?
- (Secure) communication (secure channel): Inria-ARES + Inria-ACES
- Anonymisation : Inria-ARES
- Access control / data protection (DRM-like) : Inria-ACES
- Secure log : Inria-ACES



Objectives and approaches WP 3: implementation of privacy policies

Challenges :

- Computing power limitations : need for specific cryptographic algorithms (authentication, confidentiality, integrity)

- Memory limitations : need to minimize the amount of logged data (without compromising log analysis and legal acceptance ...)

- Ad-hoc and spontaneous networks : intermittent connectivity, no central server : need for specific authentication protocols

- No tamper proof hardware : need to rely on pure software means to ensure data protection and log integrity

- Privacy API to allow for the integration of applications with different privacy needs



Part 4: action plan (Jan-July 2007)

Expected results (July 2007):

- French regulation : state of the art and weaknesses w.r.t. to AI (based on PRIAM favorite case studies) (Inria-POPART + Univ St-Etienne ?)
- Privacy enhancing technologies: state of the art and suitability in the AI context (based on PRIAM favorite case studies)
- Inria-ACES + Inria-ARES
- "A posteriori policy enforcement" (Univ. Twente)

Next bilateral meetings:

- Inria-POPART / Univ Saint-Etienne (February-March)
- Inria-POPART / Univ Twente (June?)
- Inria-ACES + Inria-ARES (February-March)

Next PRIAM Workshops:

- August 2007: Rennes (to be confirmed, possibly with an open workshop associated with EUROPAR: to be decided before February 1st)
- January 2008 : Lyon



Part 4: action plan (Jan-July 2007)

Urgent organizational tasks

- Public web site
- Wiki with restricted access for information sharing within the project
- Priam mailing list
- (F. Le Mouël)

Action for each partner: provide information about

- Forthcoming events on privacy and/or IA (conferences, workshops, etc.)
- State of the art on privacy and/or IA (academic and industrial)

Contacts:

- University of Geneva (privacy in health services)
- (C. Bryce)

