





### **INVITATION**

The Estonian Information System Authority (RIA | NCC-EE) invites post-quantum cryptography (PQC) enthusiasts to the **RIA Micro-Brokerage Event: Post-Quantum Special**, taking place on **May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024** in Tallinn, Estonia. You are also welcome to join the Future Cryptography Conference dedicated to PQC which will be held alongside the RIA Micro-Brokerage Event.

### **Call for Proposals**

Horizon Europe <u>call</u> "**Post-Quantum Cryptography Transition**", with a budget of **€23,4 million**, will open for proposals on **June 27**<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Projects will receive funding of up to €6 million. We would like to bring together different parties who would consider applying for this call!

The expected outcomes of the call are including enhancing post-quantum cryptographic algorithms, providing user-friendly implementation tools, facilitating a secure transition to post-quantum encryption, integrating post-quantum algorithms into applications, showcasing implementations on diverse platforms and offering recommendations for widespread adoption across the EU.

## **RIA Micro-Brokerage Event: programme**

**13:10 Francesco Barbato** (Head of Sector, European Commission) will give an Introduction to the Horizon Europe call "Post Quantum Cryptography Transition" during the Future Cryptography Conference.

**16:30 Pitching session** for project ideas. You are welcome to express interest in presenting your ideas by May 6th.

**17:30 Networking cocktail** for finding potential consortium partners, showing interest in becoming a potential consortium partner, or finding ways to combine similar project ideas to an even stronger proposal.

The RIA Micro-Brokerage event is co-funded by the European Union and the European Cybersecurity Competence Centre.

# Future Cryptography Conference (May 13th, 2024, 10:00-16:00)

Cybernetica, Cyber-Security Excellence Hub in Estonia and South Moravia (CHESS) project team, Estonian Academy of Sciences are organizing a conference that aligns perfectly with the Horizon Europe call "Post-Quantum Cryptography Transition". Topics such as hybrid cryptography, PQC for engineers, E-state of PQC, authentication within the realm of PQC will be valuable to the participants of the same field. You can expect to







meet experts from Estonia (Cybernetica, University of Tartu, Taltech, RIA) and Czechia (NUKIB, Brno University) among others, in the participant list.

You can find the **programme** and **registration form** for the conference at <a href="https://futurecryptography.eu">https://futurecryptography.eu</a>

Please note that the participant list is limited to 100 and the deadline to register for the conference is **May 6**<sup>th</sup>. Conference is in-person and without participation fee (programme and meals included). The conference is funded by the European Union.

### Pitching session and instructions

Interested participants will have the opportunity to present their project ideas in a pitching session divided into 5-minute increments.

The instructions are as follows:

- Participants are invited to send their pitch slides by **May** 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to <u>kaisa.lindenburg@ria.ee</u>. Upon receiving the pitch slides, you will get a confirmation email within a couple of business days.
- The slides should include the name of the presenter and the organisation, summary of the project idea and a description of the consortium partners you are seeking. Here is the download link for the <a href="Pitch Presentation Template">Pitch Presentation Template</a>.
- We accept one project idea per pitch. If a participant has several project ideas, separate sets of pitching slides are expected.
- Pitching slides sent after May 6<sup>th</sup> may be considered if there is spare time left in the pitching session.

Welcome to Estonia on May 13<sup>th</sup>!

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