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Cryptographic governance today

Preparation to **Post-Quantum tomorrow**

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# What are machine IDs?



X.509 certificates, Root keys



SSH keys and certificates



Encryption keys



Code signing certificates

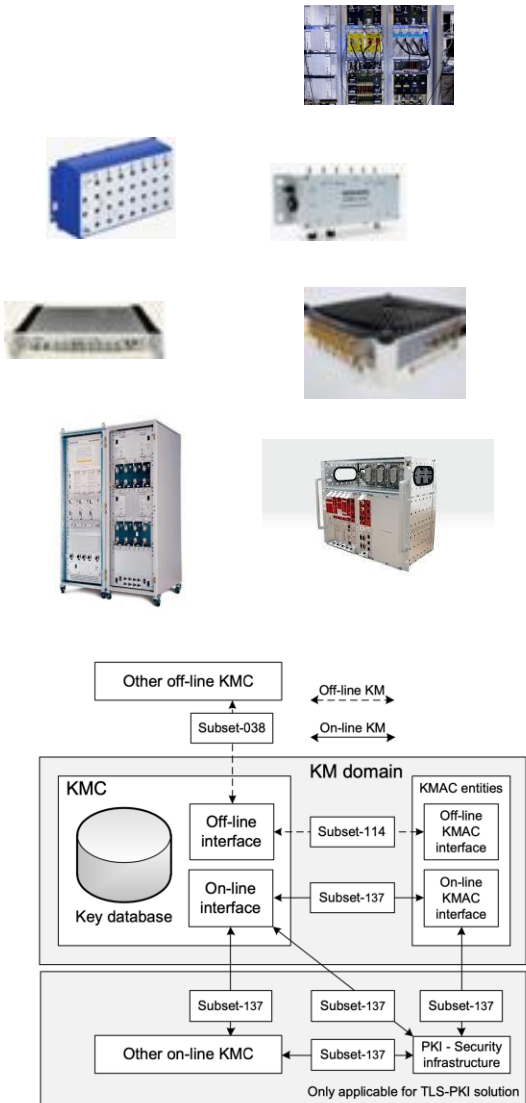
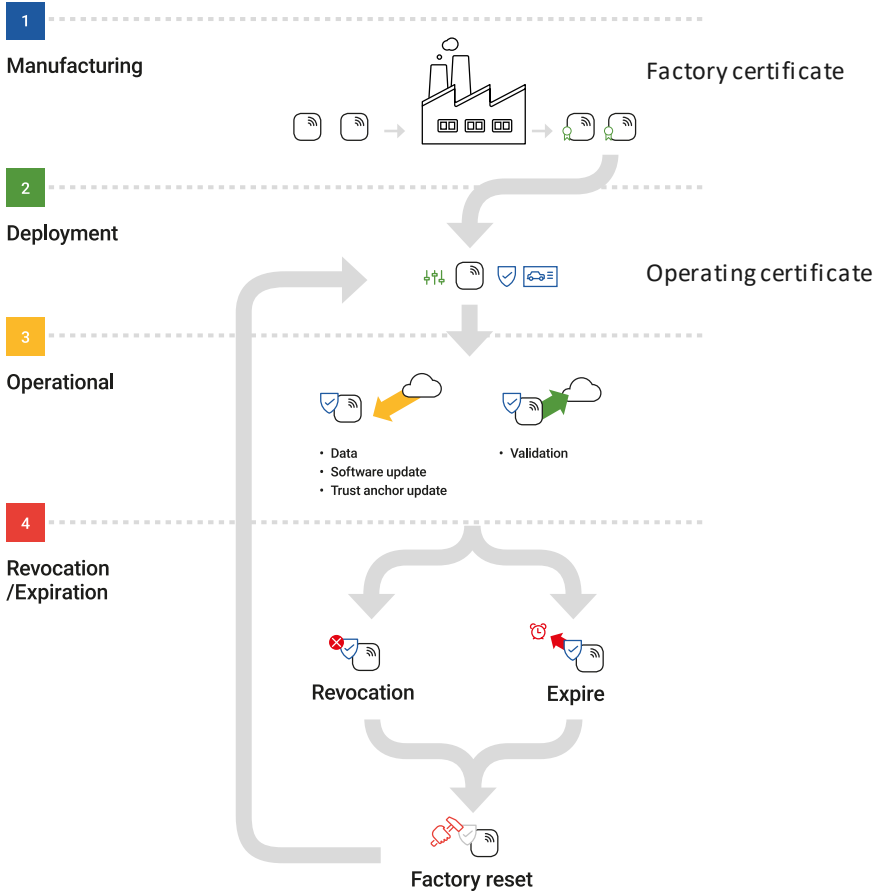


Figure 1 – KMS Reference Architecture



Enrolment protocols: CMP, EST, SCEP, ACME  
Real-time certificate validation OCSP

# What's the story?



## Quantum is coming

Quantum computers are being developed by tech giants and nation states.



## That means new risks

These computers will be capable of cracking the algorithms we rely on today.



## We need new algorithms

New quantum-resistant algorithms are already here and will be standardized by 2024.



## It's time to prepare

Making the transition to PQC will take years – the time to plan and prepare is now.

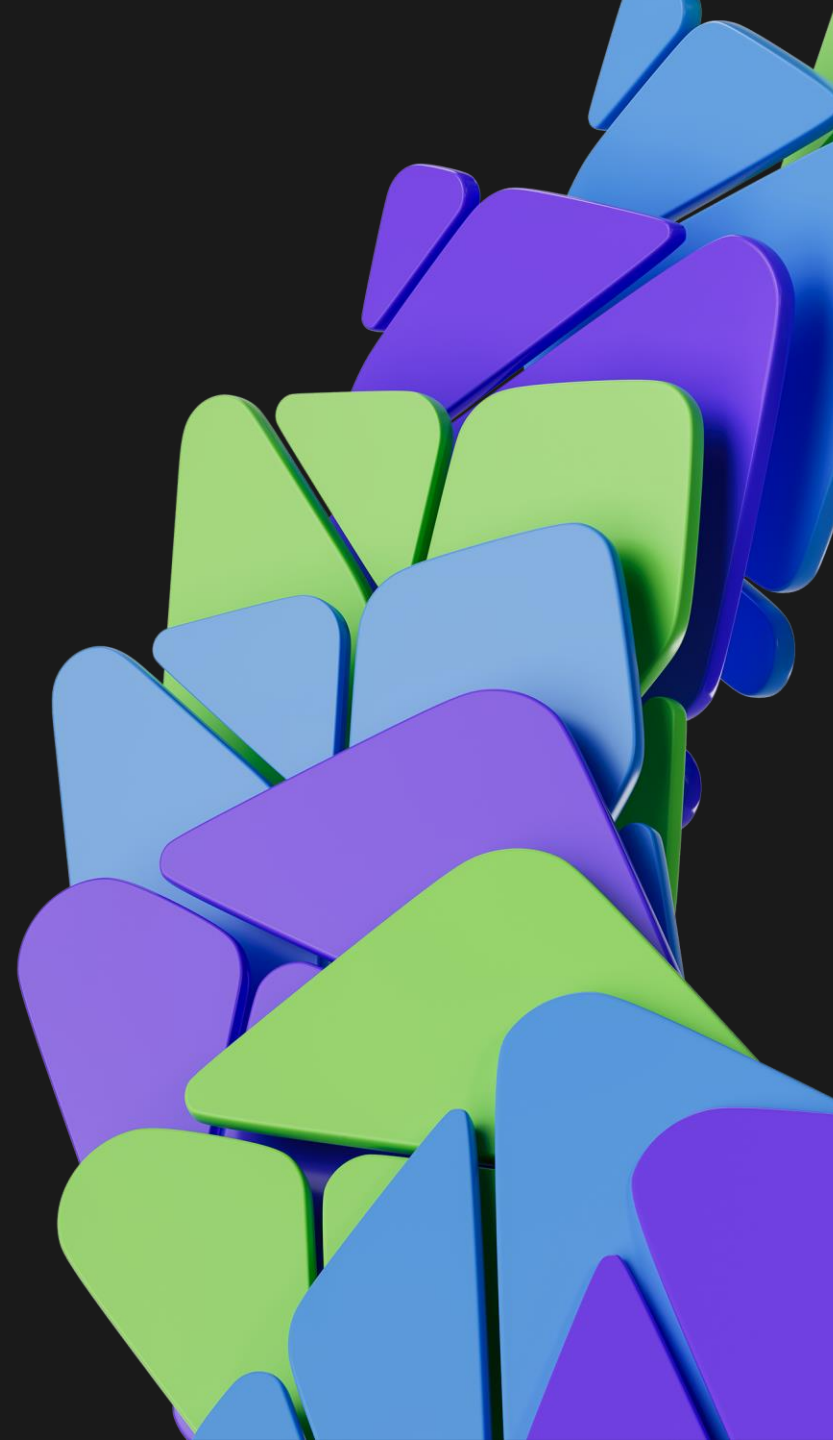


"Although NIST will not publish the new post-quantum cryptographic standard for use by commercial products until 2024, CISA and NIST strongly recommend organizations start preparing for the transition now..."

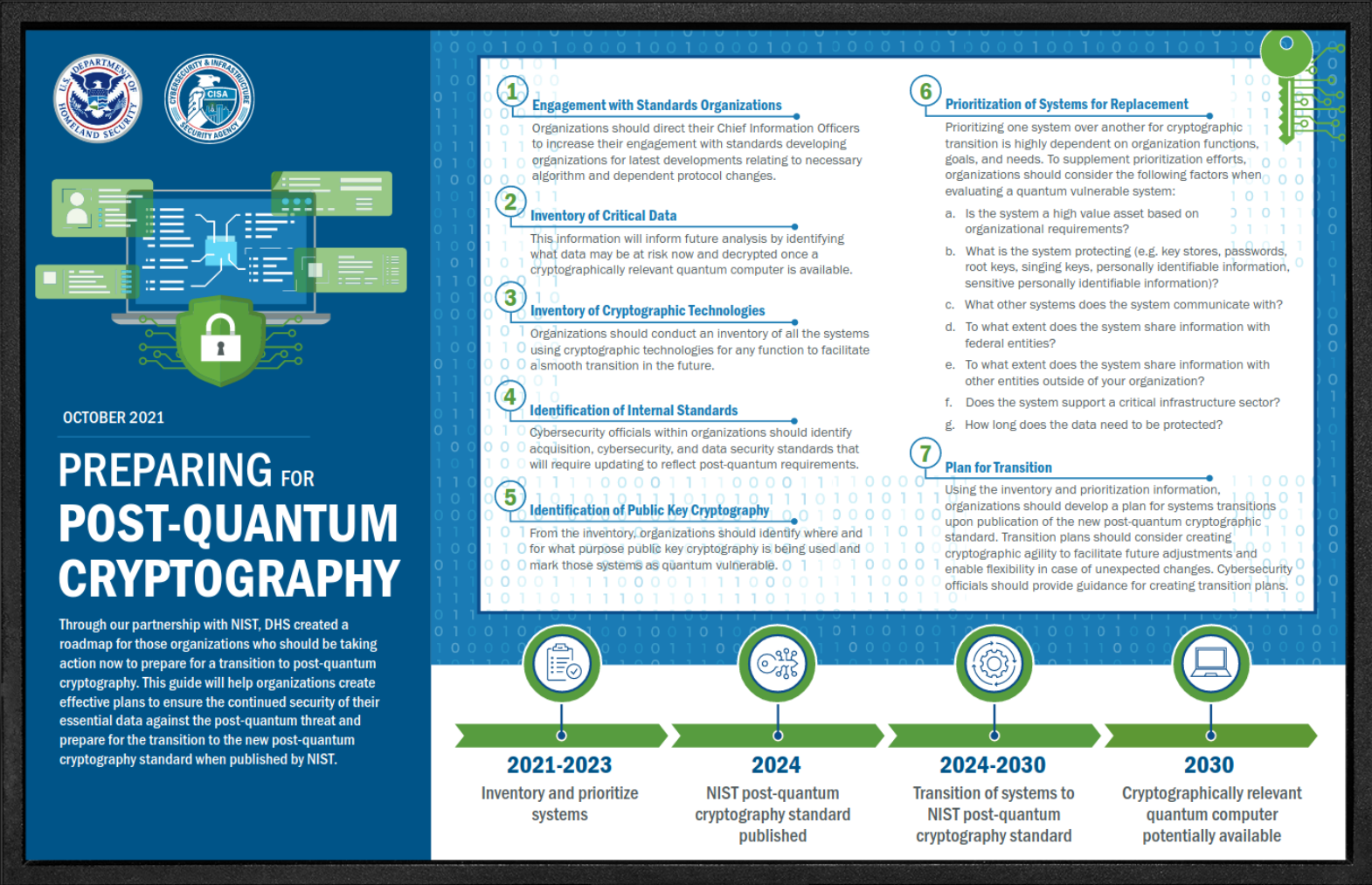
White Paper: Start Planning Ahead for Post-Quantum Security

# What organizations should do to prepare

- 1) Identify where, and how, public-key algorithms are being used on information systems
- 2) Mitigate enterprise risk by providing tools, guidelines, and practices that can be used by organizations in planning for replacement/update of hardware, software, and services that use quantum-vulnerable algorithms
- 3) Develop a risk-based playbook for migration involving people, processes, and technology







# PQC Current State of Play

September 2023

FIPS 203 ML-KEM (formerly Kyber), FIPS 204 ML-DSA (formerly Dilithium), and FIPS 205 SLH-DSA (formerly SPHINCS+) now out in draft format.

Round 4 drawing to a close – round between BIKE and HQC. Classic McEliece to be standardized outside NIST, NIST still deciding whether to join in.



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Signature round has started,  
40 candidates initially,  
30 still standing, 7 lattice based.

IETF drafts already progressing for  
Public/Private key formats.

Signature round includes a variant of  
SPHINCS+ based on the Ascon Hash/XOF  
algorithm.



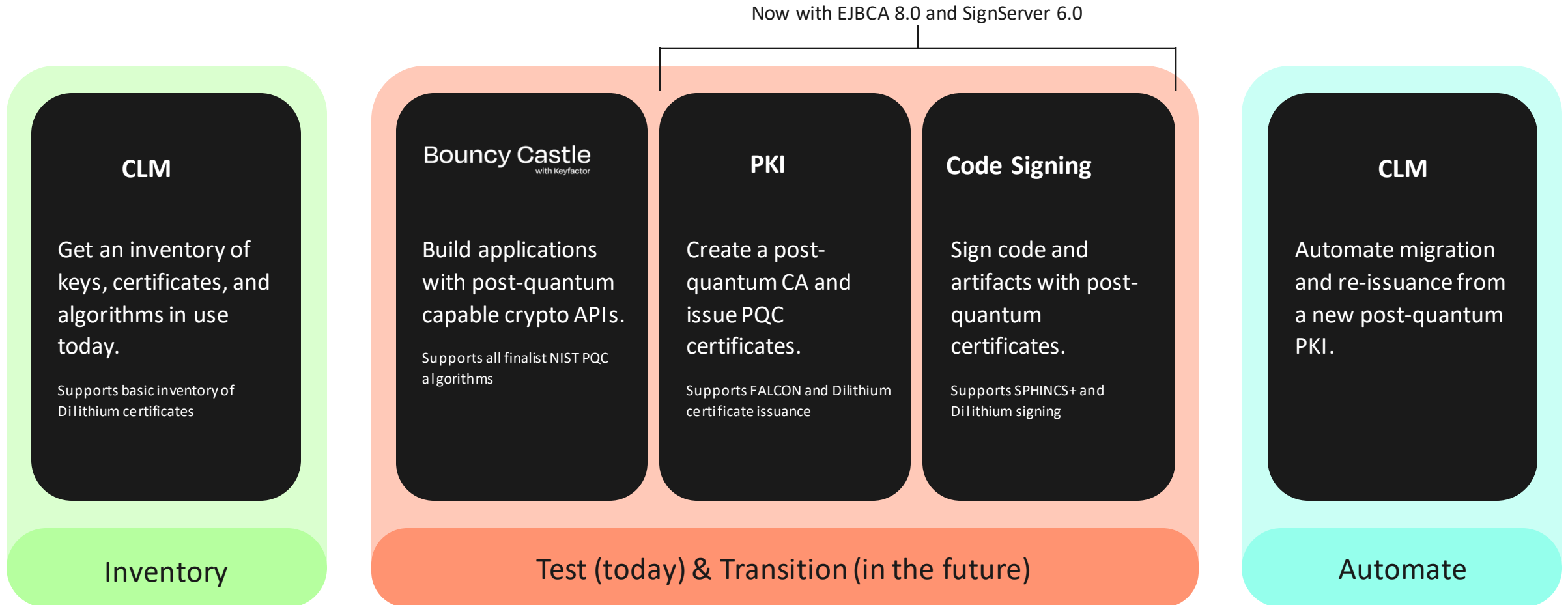
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IETF drafts also written for additional elements for certificates, cryptographic message syntax, certification request, management, and migration to quantum ready.

X.509 now includes the “alt” extensions.

# Quantum-ready solutions



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