PKI Cross Border Interoperability: Pan Asian E-commerce Alliance (PAA) Mutual Recognition Scheme

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Agenda
- Highlights of Tradelink
- Cross Border PKI
- Pan-Asian E-Commerce Alliance (PAA)
- Secure Cross Border Transactions
- PAA Mutual PKI Recognition
- Current Status
- Future Direction

Tradelink’s Mission
- To help Hong Kong maintain its international competitiveness through the use of Electronic Commerce
- To jump start HK’s adoption of Electronic Commerce

Tradelink’s Electronic Services
- All Traders
  - Import & Export Declaration
  - Certificate of Origin
  - Dutiable Commodities Permit
  - Shipping Order Service
  - Trader Documentation Service for Regional/Global Trade
  - China Processing Trade/Cross Border Documentation Service
- Textile Traders & Manufacturers
  - Maintained Textile Export Licenses
  - Carrier Notification and Electronic Visa Copy to US Customs
  - Production Notification
  - Textile Trader Registration Scheme (TTRS) Notifications
- Forwarders & Carriers
  - Carrier Notification
  - Shipping Order/AMS/ACI
  - Manifest
  - Textile Trader Registration Scheme Notifications
Tradelink’s Role as an e-Business Magnet in International Trade Transactions

- Establish
- Market
- Channel
- Negotiate
- Contract
- Prepare Products
- Arrange Logistics
- Comply with Regulations
- Settle Payment
- Web Hosting
- Pan-Asian Portal
- Export Credit Insurance Declaration
- Purchase Order
- Production Notification
- Certificate of Origin
- Outward Processing Arrangement
- China Cross Border Documentation
- China Processing Contracts
- Carrier Notification
- Shipping Order
- Bill of Lading / Forwarder Cargo Receipt (Draft)
- Packing List
- Advanced Shipment Notice
- Textile Quota Licenses
- Electronic Visa Copy to US Customs
- Trade Declaration
- Dutiable Commodity Permit
- Manifest
- TTRS Notification

Pan-Asian e-Commerce Alliance (1)

- CIECC (China): 10,000
- KTNet (Korea): 25,000
- CrimsonLogic (Singapore): 25,000
- Trade-Van (Taiwan): 15,000
- Tradelink (Hong Kong): 53,000
- DagangNet (Malaysia): 2,000
- TEDMEV (Macau): 2,000
- TEDI Club (Japan): __________

Total: 132,000

PKI (e.g. Hong Kong)

- Legislation
  - Electronic Transactions Ordinance (Cap. 553) - enacted on 5 Jan 2000
- Certification Authorities
  - CA Recognition Office (CARO)
    - Digi-Sign
    - HITRUST
    - Postmaster General
- Applications
  - Tradelink’s Services
  - DTTN
  - HKJC e-Betting services
  - e-Banking (corporate)
  - Corporate (email, document management, access controls)
- Users
  - Personal
  - Corporate
  - Device
  - Local
  - Overseas

Cross Border PKI

- Technical
  - Cross Certification
  - Bridge CA
  - Certificate Trust List
  - Application support?
- Legal
  - Digital Signature Law

Pan-Asian e-Commerce Alliance (1)

Established in July 2000, aims to secure cross border electronic services for efficient global trade and logistics

Members | Number of Customers
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Pan-Asian e-Commerce Alliance (2)

- Initiatives
  - Secure Cross Border Transactions
    - Document Supported: Purchase Order, Invoice, Packing List, Advanced Shipment Notice, Bill of Lading, Pre-Declaration
    - Cross border data sharing related to import and export declarations
  - Mutual Recognition of Public Key Infrastructure
  - Pan Asian Portal and e-Market Place
  - Logistics Tracking
  - Financial Services

Business Process – HK Example

China Trade

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Legal Structure Overview

- PKI Mutual Recognition
- CA Service
- Secure Cross Border Transaction Services

PAA Mutual PKI Recognition - Approach

- Pragmatic approach to drive cross border trade
- Establish comparative level of trustworthiness
- Establish Pan Asian Certificate Policy Authority to set criteria for PAA CA/CPS recognition
- Authentication of identity of individuals/organizations so as to establishing non-repudiation for cross border trade
- Adherence to "good practice" while being flexible to allow for local requirements/variations
Process for Mutual PKI Recognition

Pan Asian Certificate Policy Authority

1. Evaluate CPS against Certificate Policy
2. Confirm CA's Operation is in accordance with CPS
3. Assess CA's operations with CPS
4. Community CA Certification Practice Statement (CPS)
5. List of Accredited CA's

PAA Mutual PKI Recognition - Current Status

- Established Policy Authority (Jan 2001)
- Established Pan Asian Certificate Policy (Nov 2001)
- Recognized CAs
  - Digi-Sign (Hong Kong) (Jan 2002)
  - TWCA (Taiwan) (Jan 2002)
  - Netrust (Singapore) (May 2002)
  - TradeSign (Korea) (Aug 2002)
  - GFACA (China) (Feb 2003)
  - JETS (Japan) (Feb 2003)
- Certificate Trust List distributed among PAA members

PAA Secure Cross Border Transactions - Current Status

- Secure Cross Border Transactions
  - Hong Kong - Taiwan (Buyer & Suppliers)
  - Taiwan - Korea / Japan (Buyer & Suppliers)
  - Taiwan - Singapore/ Malaysia (Freight forwarders)
  - Taiwan - China (HQ & Manufacturers)
  - Korea - Japan (Buyer & Suppliers, Title documents)

Future Direction

- Online Certificate Status Protocol
- Global Certificate Service
- Others
Certificate Validation

- Certificate Revocation List (CRL)
- Issued periodically (e.g. once every 8 hours)
- Size grow in time
- Force CRL may affect CRL publication schedule
- End user’s responsibility to go through CRL
- Multiple CAs \(\Rightarrow\) Multiple CRLs

Online Certificate Status Protocol (1)

- OCSP
  - OCSP responder (aka Validation Authority) collects Certificate Status from CA
  - End User queries status of a certificate
  - OCSP returns status of the certificate
- No CRL downloads
- No need to search through CRL
- No CRL delay (CA dependent)
- Can Serve multiple CAs (local & overseas) hence single point of contact
- Remove End user’s burden

Online Certificate Status Protocol (2)

- Considerations
  - Suitable for online only!
  - Turn around time
  - Cost
    - CRL - free
    - OCSP - per transaction (typical)
  - Application support

PAA OCSP

1. OCSP request
2. OCSP response

Central OCSP Responder

End user application

PAA CAs
OCSP Caching

Global Certificate Services
- OCSP only solves half of the problem
- Global Certification Service
  - One national GCS centre per member economy
  - National gateway for all certificate related services
  - Business model similar to the relationship with the bank

How GCS Works?

Why GCS? (1)
- Delineated liability boundaries in complex transactions
- Single contact point for certification of transactions
- Reduces management overhead in maintaining & establishing global relationships with third parties
- Simplified legal framework (Application and local GCS centre in same jurisdiction
- Deposit an overseas cheque into the local bank
Why GCS? (2)

- Only need to deal with one local GCS
- Protected by local government regulation
- Single certificate to access broader global services
- Globally recognised certificate

GCS Model

- National GCS centre as a trusted gateway provides a national single point of certification for all the subscribing CA’s and the enterprises connected using public networks
- GCS Global Network
  - Full peer-to-peer network with local point of presence in each country (i.e. National GCS centre)
  - Each centre operates under the full jurisdiction & laws that are applicable for their host country

Other Possibility

- Beyond PAA

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Banker’s Perspectives on Secure Electronic Transactions and National Infrastructure

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Security Concerns & E-Business

• Security concerns do not block the progress as much as initially fear.
• E-Business does not have to be 100% risk-free and fraud-free to be profitable.
• e-Business can still grow to a certain extent by ensuring that the “Rewards” out weight the “Risks”.

Example: Verified by VISA

- **Verified by VISA (VbV)** can successfully mitigate credit card fraud for e-Commerce Merchants and card holders.

- Some E-Business decide to delay using VbV when

  *Loss in Sale with VbV > Risk in Fraud without VbV*

- VbV is expected to be effective and widely used when VISA will make Verified by VISA mandatory worldwide in 2005.
Payment System & Security

Payment System

\[ \text{Payment System} = \text{Instruments} + \text{Procedures \\& Rules} \]

Security Decisions:

- How much should be invested in hardware \\& software for security?
- How much security should appear in procedure \\& rules?
10 BIS Core Principles for Systematically Important Payment Systems (SIPS)

• Address ways to manage legal risks, credit risks, and liquidity risks in SIPS (payment system which can cause domino effect that led to financial crisis if something goes wrong).

• Address that SIPS need rules and procedures to manage the risks & foster understanding about system’s impact on each financial risks.

• Address that SIPS must be practical and efficient and their governance arrangement should be effective, accountable, and transparent.
Levels of security in e-Business

- **Local Level:**
  - With e-Business customers of one bank.

- **National Level:**
  - With e-Business customers of any bank in a country.

- **Regional level:**
  - With e-Business customers of any bank in any country within the region.
Local Level:

- Banks in THAILAND began to offer e-Commerce Service years before Cabinet approved E-Commerce Law.
  
  - **B2C**  
    - Transaction amount is not high.  
    - Level of Risks are acceptable.  
  
  - **B2B**  
    - Businesses signed contracts with bank  
    - Businesses must have accounts within the same banks to do fund transfer.

- Implement security that meets International Standard  
  BUT PKI are not widely used
National Level:

• **E-Business Growth:**
  – *Need to allow InterBank Transfer in large sum across banks within Thailand to do e-Commerce transaction.*
  ➤ *Need PKI.*

• **Payment 2004: A Road Map for Thai Payment System.**
  – *Interbank Transaction Management and Exchanges (ITMX)*
Regional Level (APEC)

Several issues to address

• e-Commerce legislation for APEC region to help settle disputes in-court or out-of-court.

• **PKI IS A MUST but its acceptance depend on ACCOUNTABILITY of CA.**
  - How much liability CA are willing to accept for their mistakes when transaction amount is in million U.S. Dollars?
  - How much fee e-Business is willing to pay to make CA accountable?