PersoSim – simulate your eID card

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PersoSim

- Common project of
  - Bundesamt für Sicherheit in der Informationstechnik (BSI)
  - HJP Consulting GmbH

- Goals
  - Provide an example implementation of crypto/access protocols for eID
  - Simulate chip functionality (Layer 6/7)
  - Replace test cards by software simulation
  - Testbed for new features
- eID scheme consists of/utilizes many components
  - Browser, Application, eID Client, eID Server, ...
  - For most of them several implementations / different vendors
- Currently: Integration tests done with test cards
  - Many different flavours
    - Chip version/vendor; COS version/vendor; different generations, ...
    - → combinatorial explosion
Current Situation

- New protocols/features
  - Specification → Implementation → Testing → and back
  - Currently: Implement on chip
    - Many players involved – chip vendor, COS vendor, …
- Conformity testing of card reader, client software, ...
  - Currently: Use (commercial) hardware based card simulator
  - Hardware simulator provides ISO 14443 layer
    - Great for Layer 1-4 reader tests, but unnecessary for higher layer tests
PersoSim

- Software simulation of complete German eID Card as specified in BSI TR-03110, including:
  - PACE
  - Terminal Authentication
  - Chip Authentication
  - Restricted Identification
  - Age verification

- Personalisation files for:
  - Beta-PKI / Test-PKI (same PKI as test cards)
  - Different data sets, “edge cases”, …

- Certified according to TR-03105 for conformity to TR-03110

- Open Source (GPL)
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- PC/SC interface to client software
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- Simulator provides full trace of commands/responses
- Virtual card reader with/without PIN pad
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- Communication via NFC interface
- Allows testing the full setup including reader
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Future

Possible enhancements (some of them already in progress)

- Nice GUI for the android simulator
- Integration of additional/new protocols / testing of new ideas
  - ePassport, eIDAS Token
- Bugfixes
- …

Join the community!

- Users → [www.persosim.de](http://www.persosim.de)
  - Ready to use binaries, manuals, personalisation files, …
- Developers → [https://github.com/PersoSim](https://github.com/PersoSim)
  - Source code, style guide, wiki, …
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