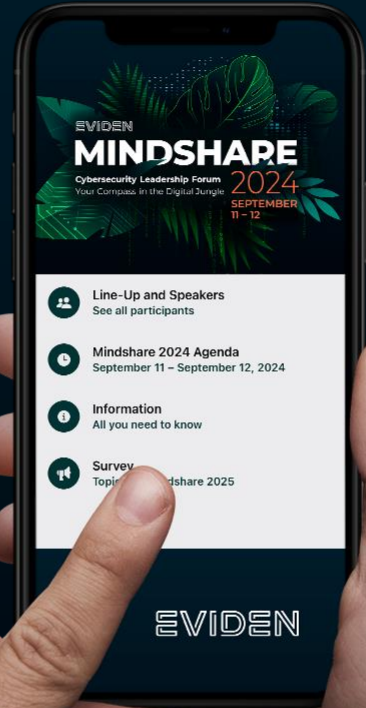


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How to secure your confidential communication and important assets using

Multi Factor Authentication - MFA

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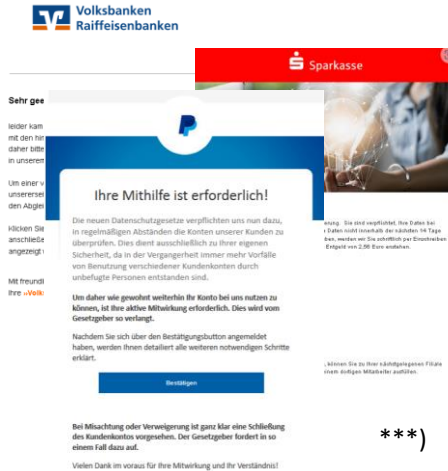
Phishing is a major threat vector

Fake emails or messenger messages lure the recipient to a fraudulent website. There users are asked to enter secret information, which ends up in the hands of the attacker.

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Phishing & Ransomware attack
Shut down of fuel delivery US Eastcoast for a week
in May 2021 *)

New trend in Europe
“please check your credentials
because due to DSGVO/GDPR !”



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Some Statistics

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- Google alone blocks around 100 million phishing emails every day.
- Millennials and Gen-Z internet users (18-40 year olds) are most likely to fall victim to phishing attacks **)

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and it's getting worse !

Artificial intelligence (AI) plays an important role here and enables attackers to create hundreds of thousands of customized phishing emails and fake websites within a very short space of time.



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Good News - Multi Factor Authentication

Multi-factor authentication (MFA) is a proven concept that makes authentication more secure. Basic MFA requires the use of at least two independent methods of authentication.

A traditional method combines the password with a transaction number that is only used once



Alternatively, a smartphone app can send a push notification requesting confirmation from the user



Transaction number sent to smart phone



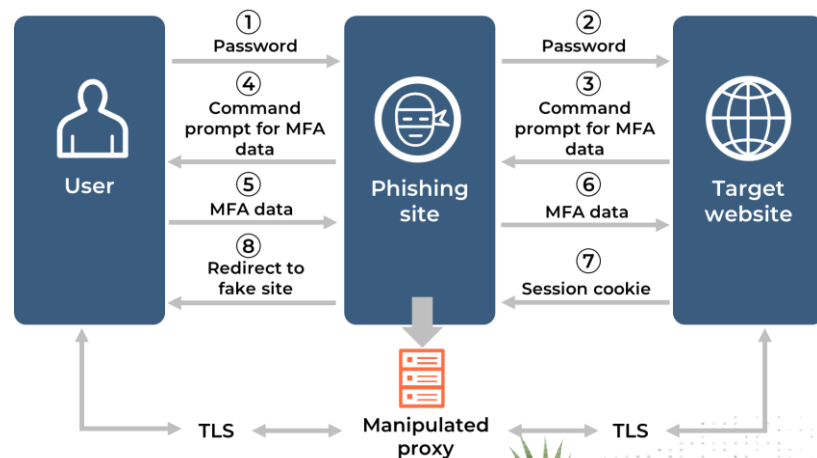
User confirms login

Bad News – Attacker in the Middle

AitM phishing based on a proxy server is now widespread and an integral part of many phishing toolkits.

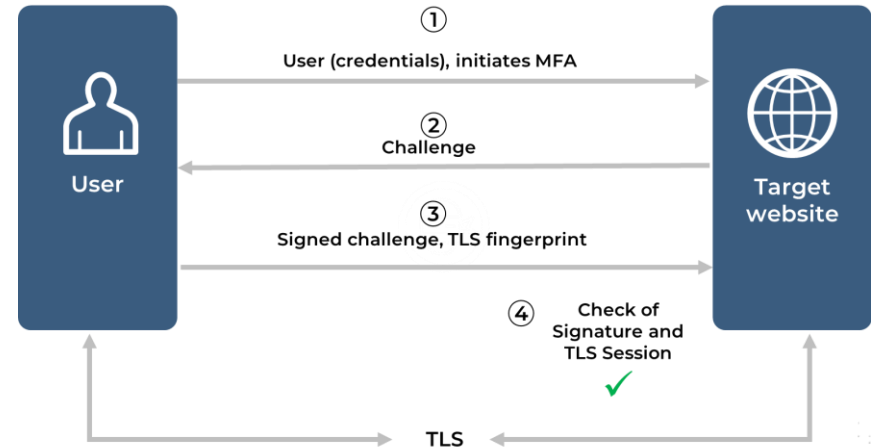
Using this technique, an attacker can tap into any information that the user enters as part of a phishing attack.

- + In theory users could expose the false identity of the proxy server by checking the site certificate, but
- Normal users are missing the technical know-how
- This reduces the acceptance of the MFA due to reduced convenience



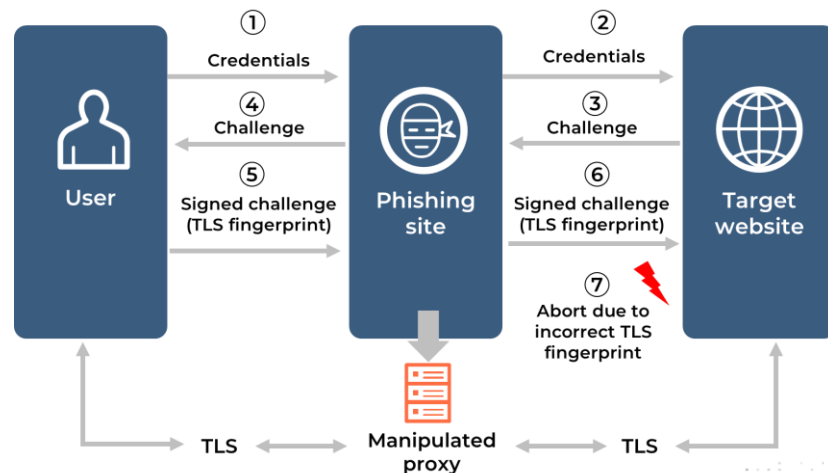
The solution – Phishing-proof MFA through private signature keys

- 1 User request access to web site or resource..
- 2 challenge containing a random number, the current time and the server's URL
- 3 Client digital signature bound to PIN or biometric information.
Challenge bound to session.
- 4 The server checks the signature. If it is correct and matches the TLS connection, authentication is successful.



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- 1 2 User enters credentials, forwarded by Proxy
- 3 4 challenge containing a random number, the current time and the server's URL
Phishing Site re-sends challenge
- 5 6 Client signature bound to PIN or biometric information.
Challenge bound to session.
Phishing site re-sends signed challenge
- 7 **Target Web Site checks the signed challenge. TLS session is changed – ABORT !**



The associated public signature keys must be trustworthy !!!

Most secure technologies – PKI and FIDO2

- + Both certificates and FIDO2 are suitable for achieving the highest Authenticator Assurance Level 3 (AAL3) and the Authentication Level of Assurance 4 (LoA4) (enables eIDAS Identity Assurance HIGH)

But what are the differentiators ?

- + The **centralized nature of PKI** allows any service that trusts given PKI infrastructure to authenticate users through the corresponding certificate.
- + Implementing a PKI infrastructure also empowers end-users to utilize certificates for secure connection setup, digital signatures, and other cryptographic functions.
- + Smartcards/PKI-Tokens are **usually company-owned** and distributed to employees.
- + **FIDO** credentials are **designed specific to a single service**. Combined with an identity providers with single sign-on capabilities, the FIDO approach closely resembles the centralized one of PKI.
- + The principle of FIDO is to separate the user authentication process from the technical protocol between server and client.
- + FIDO allows for a Bring Your Own Device approach without compromising security

FIDO = Fast Identity Online



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Single-Sign-On &
Federation



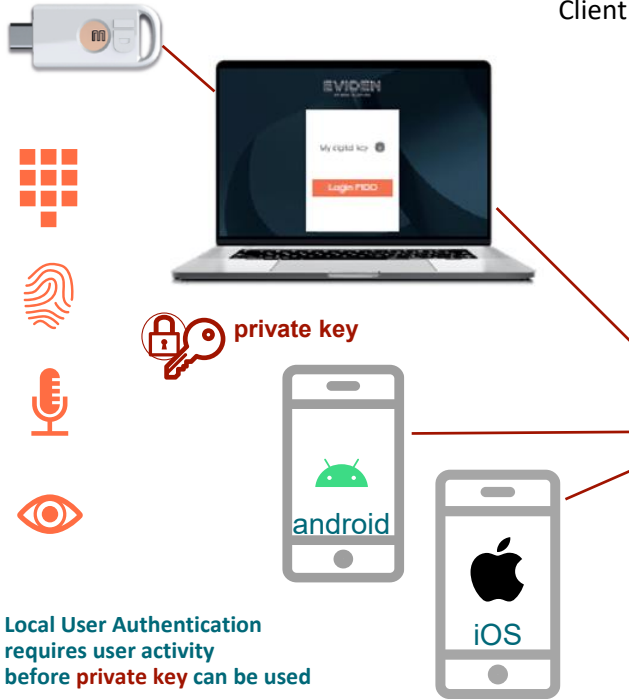
CardOS Secure ID
Smart Cards & Tokens



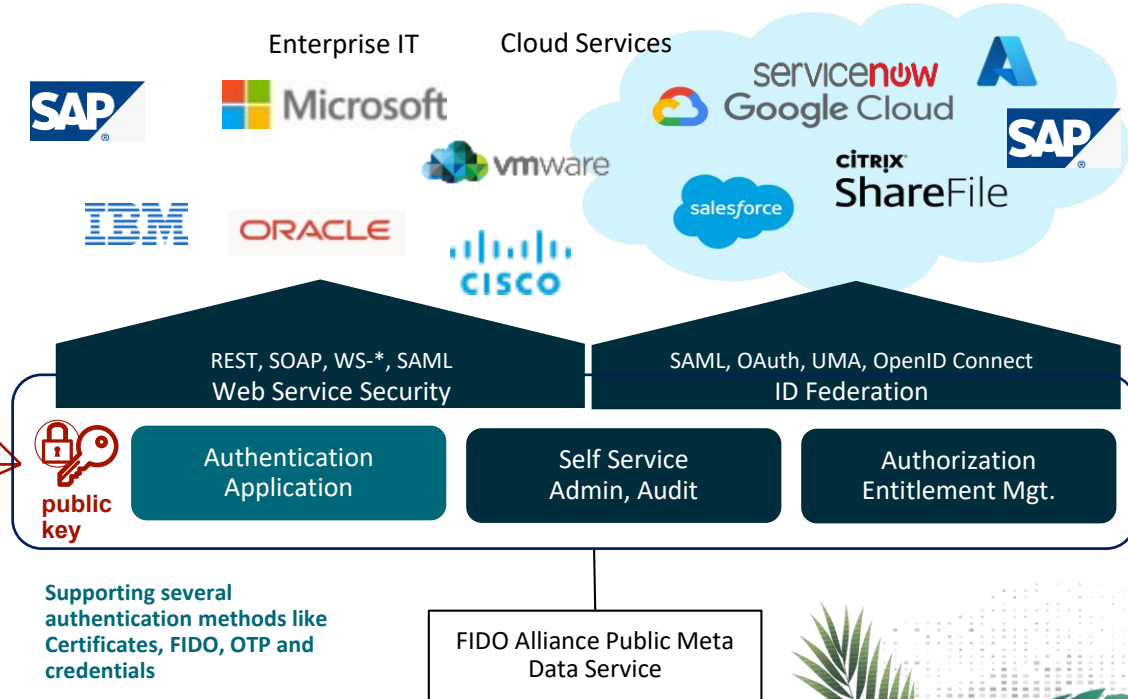
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Email (S/MIME) & Document
Encryption



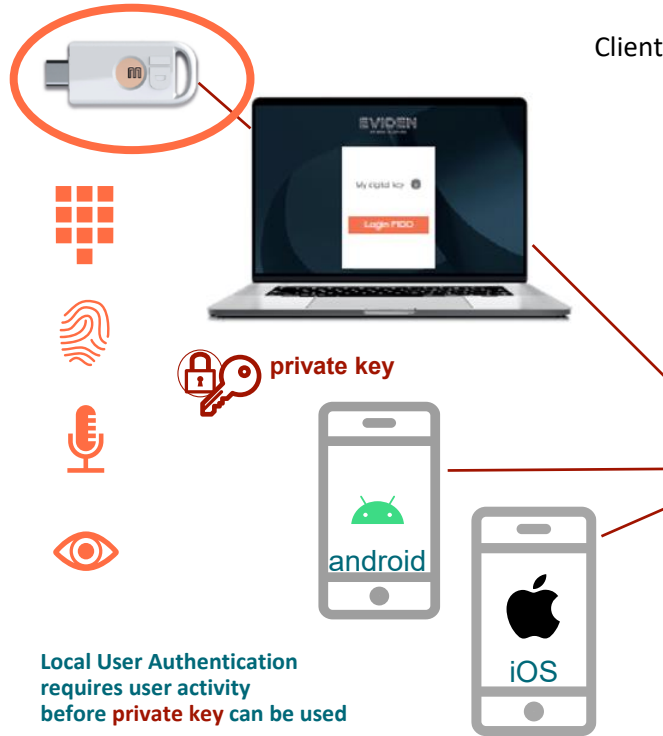
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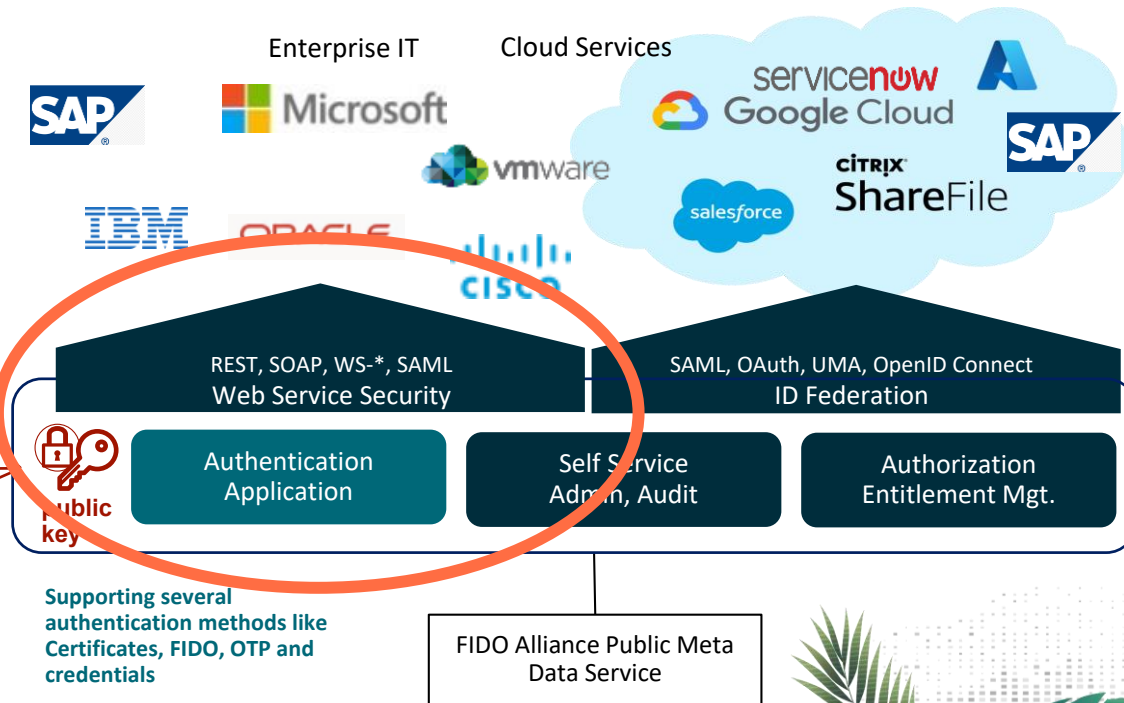
FIDO2 Architecture with SSO IDP / DirX Identity & Access Management



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FIDO Authentication

Registration and Authentication Process

- FIDO Registration
 - User is already in IAM and able to login with user and password
 - User registers FIDO token via DirX authentication application
- FIDO Authentication
 - User login to My Company website with user and password
 - User wants to access financial management
 - DirX Access requests the user to step up to FIDO authentication



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