



Trusted Clouds: Chances for Security, Resilience and Scalability

Since Successful Business
needs Trustworthy Solutions.

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Mission



Still applied approaches

- „Airbag approach“:
If it happens, it should hurt less.



Adequate approach :

- „ESP strategy“: Avoid skidding,
before it happens.

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- Providing comprehensive Information Flow Control
- Seamless for the user, easy to manage and auditable

Customers:

- Strong business in Europe and Germany
- Focus on Midsize-companies, also organizations like NATO SACT, DoD and Defense Ministries of more than a dozen countries.
- OEMs: TCG, Raytheon, EADS, Wincor Nixdorf, ...



The Cloud

Thesis:

“The Cloud is a chance for improving companies’ security.”

- Looking at: Small and midsize companies (200-10,000 employees)
- IT-Security is an infrastructure topic, compliance nearly absent
- Information Flow control rather than traditional access control policies
- Infrastructure security as part of the service

Requirements for Trusted Clouds

1) Trustworthy Virtualization

- Strong isolation



2) Strong Authentication

- Multi-factor, cryptographic authentication

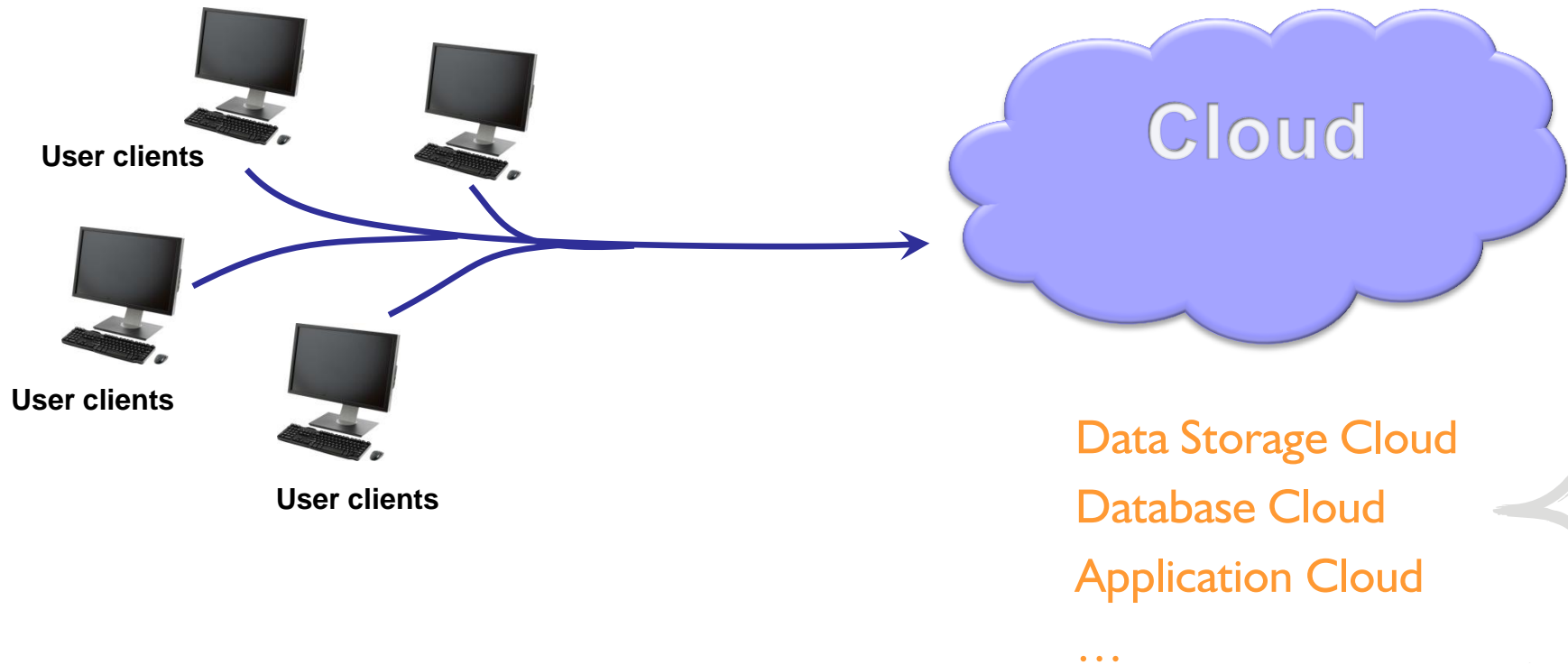


3) Trusted Platforms

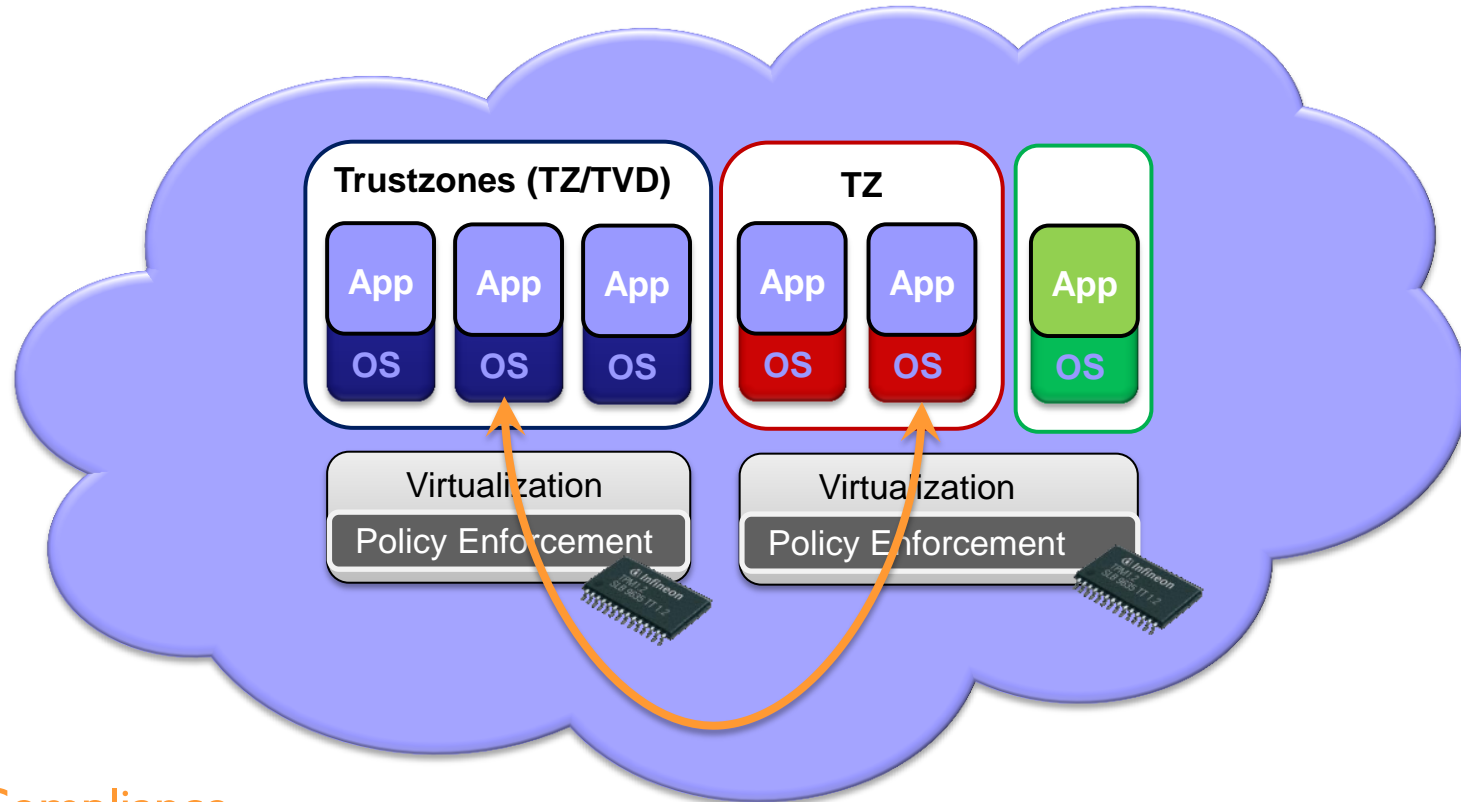
- Reliable integrity verification



Example Scenario



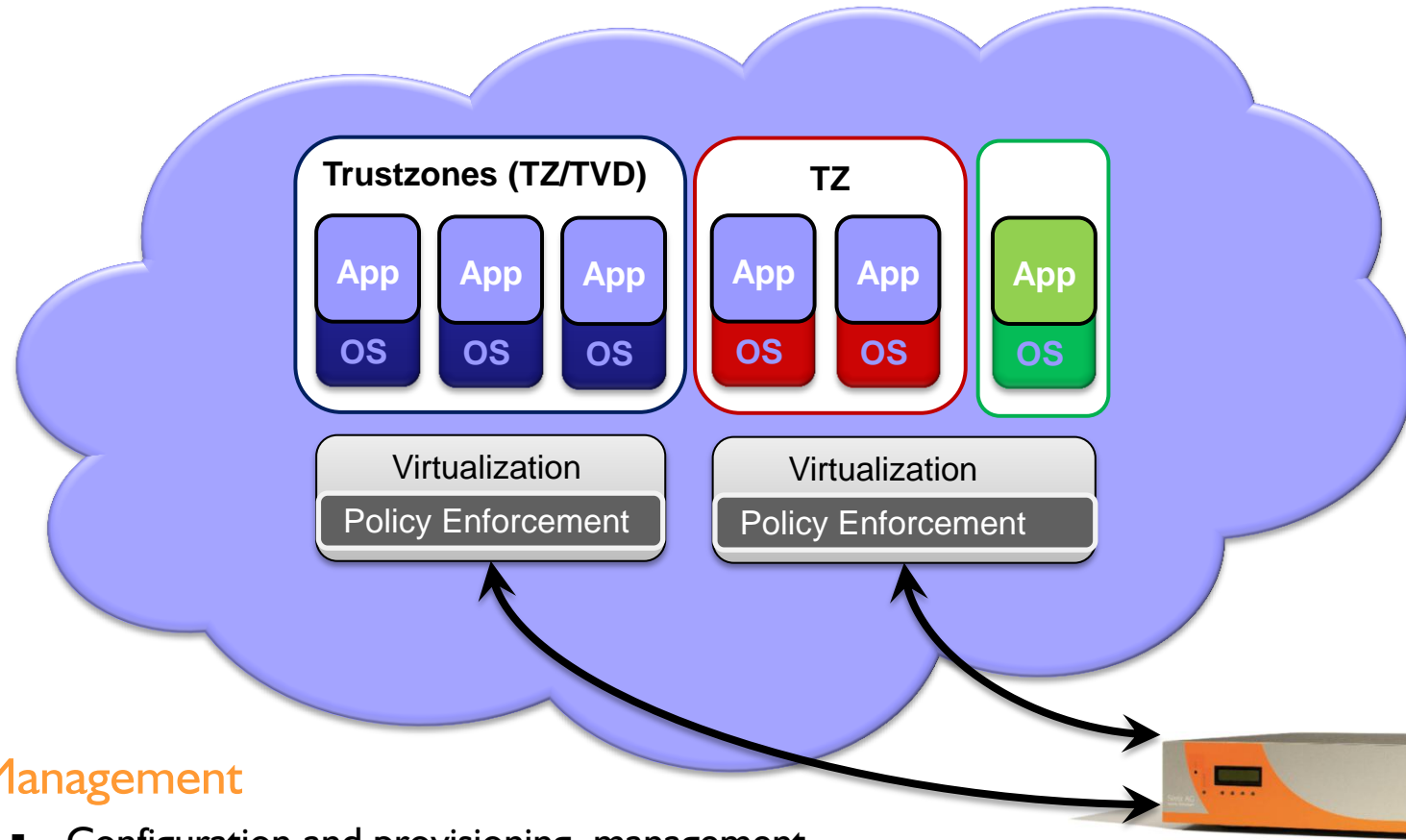
Trusted Cloud



Compliance

- By audit
- By attestation (technically)

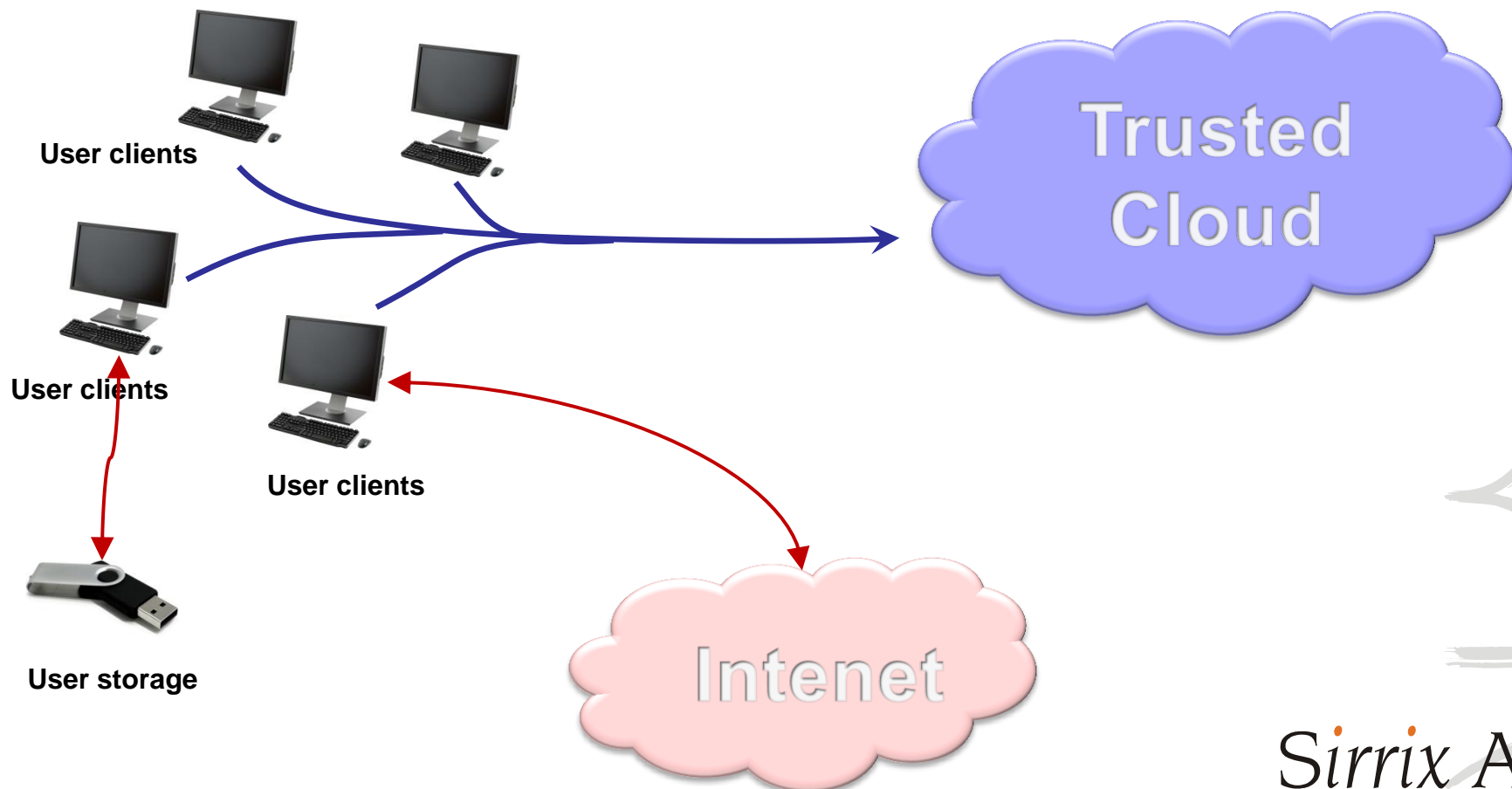
Trusted Cloud: Management



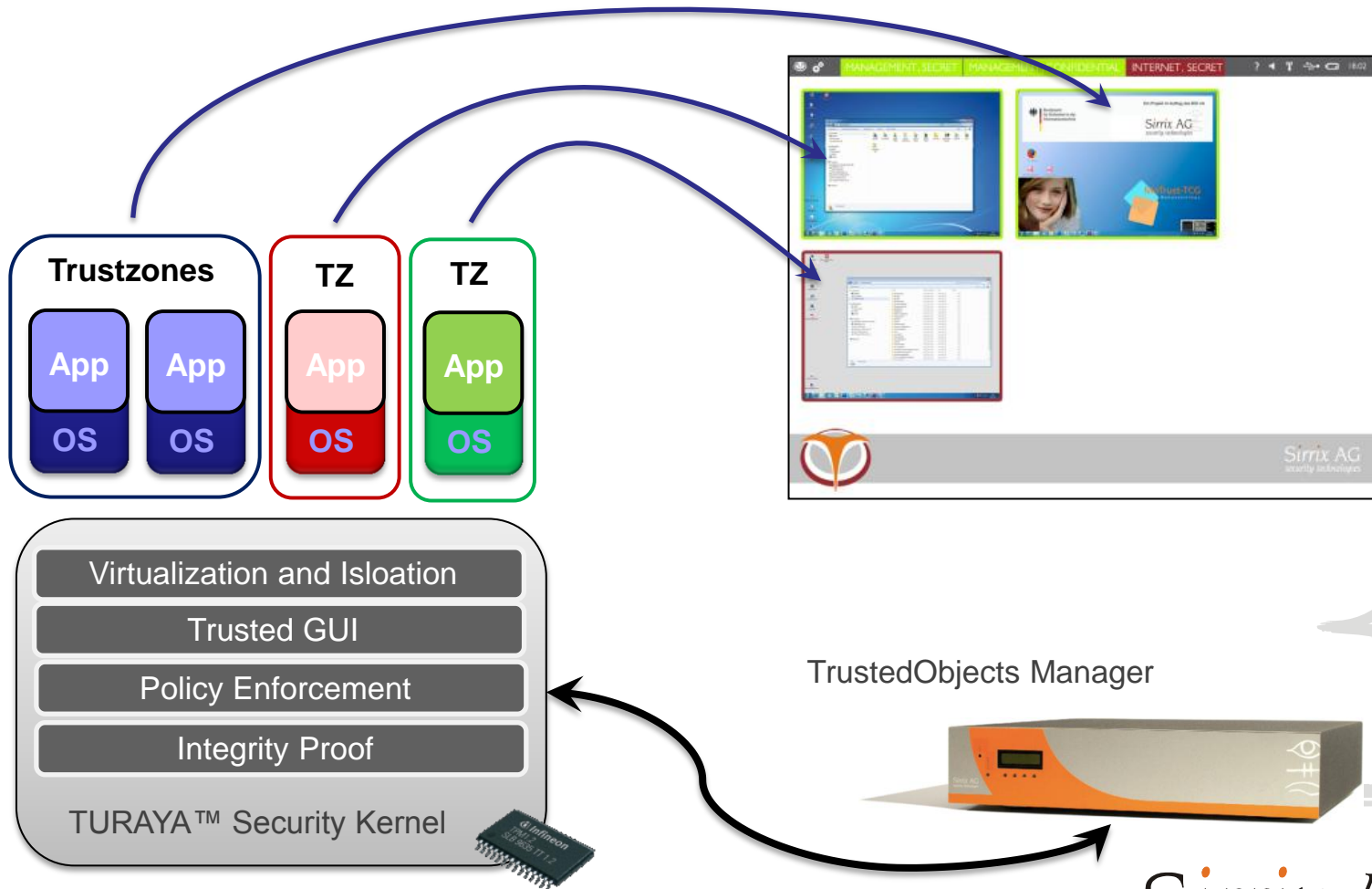
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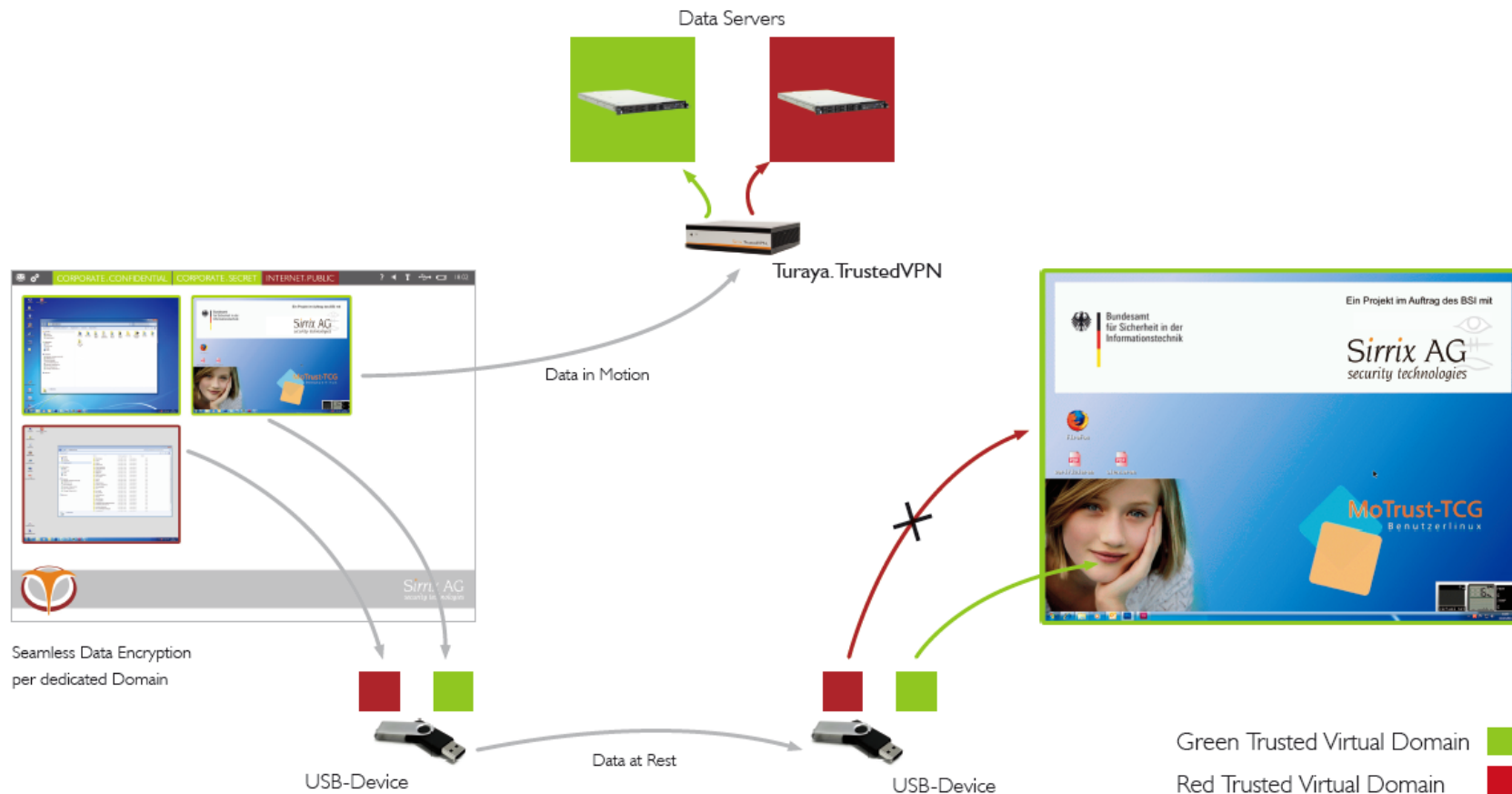
- Configuration and provisioning management
- Security policy management
- Tools, e.g., RSA Archer

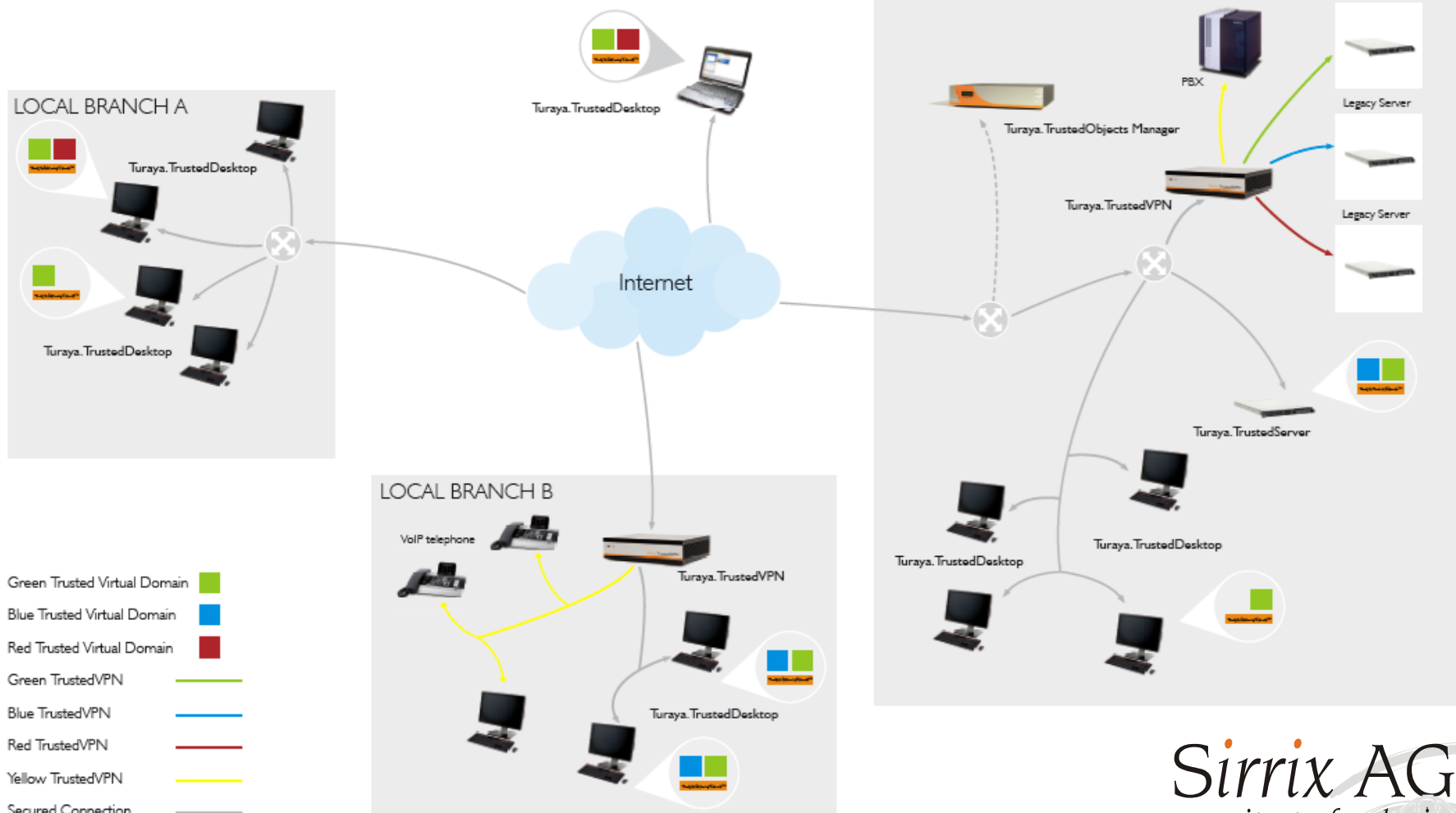
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Trusted Platforms at the Endpoints



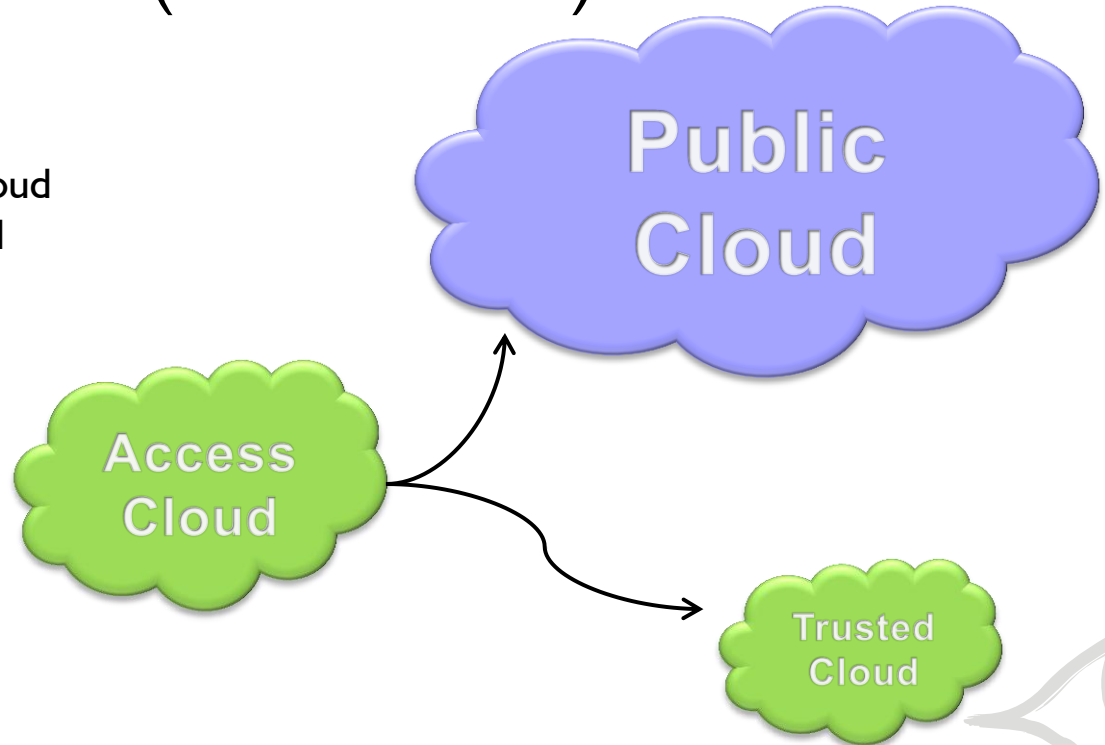




Trusted Clouds – Outlook (FP7-TClouds)

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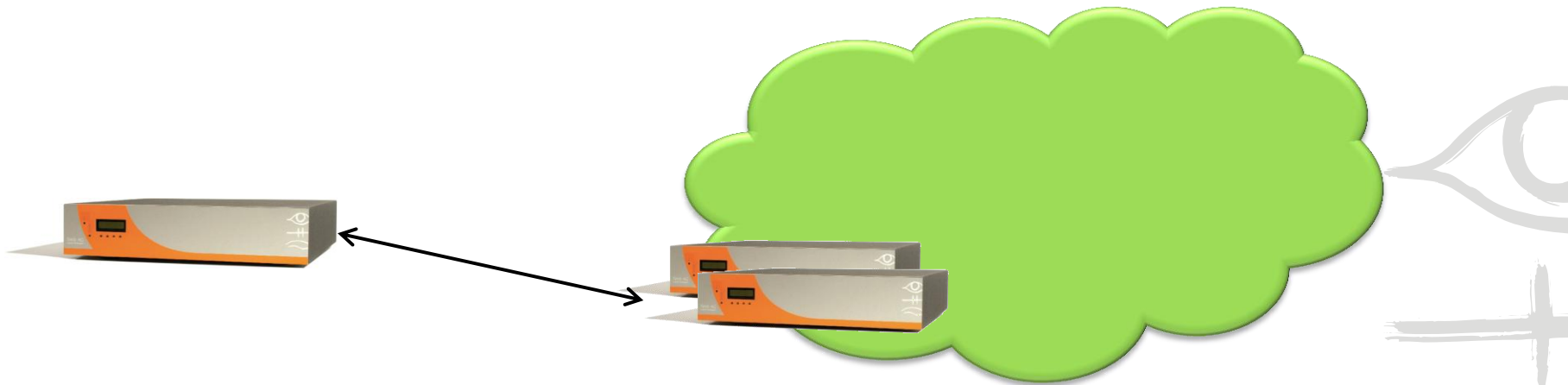
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Mobile and autonomous entities accessing the cloud

- Concept of TZ on mobile user devices (smartphones, tablets)
- Enabling trustworthy M2M authentication to allow for cloud resource access



It's your turn now . . .

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