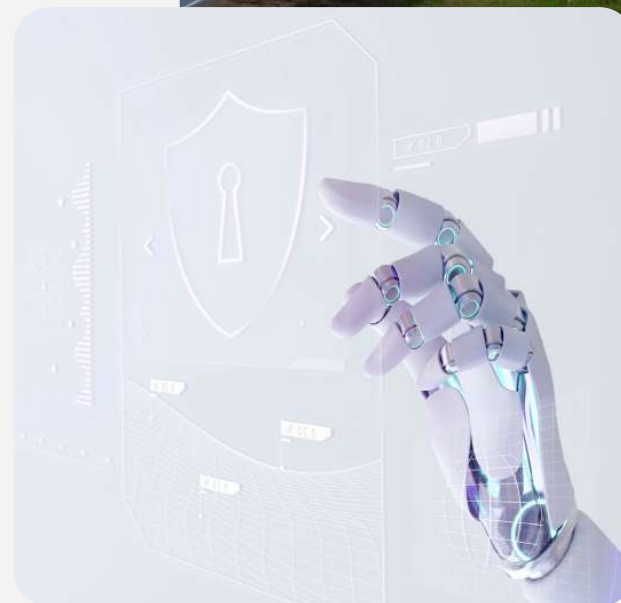


WEBINAR

# Cybersecurity in Solar PV sites





We are the largest  
worldwide **solar tracking  
control systems** vendor

# Company Overview



We scale up PV projects  
maximizing solar energy  
production with the most  
advanced **products &  
services ecosystem**

# Powering a Sustainable Future.

**+20** YEARS

providing industry-scale solutions for Solar PV

Global Design  
Manufacturing &  
Services capabilities

3 Production Plants,  
6 Service Centers  
1 R&D Center

**34** product variants of our TCU

The most advanced product & services ecosystem

**+40** GW

of installed capacity

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+800k devices  
+1.700 solar sites

# Since 1999



We have specialized in the engineering and manufacturing of electronic products and systems for high demand industries **since 1999**.

The mix between innovation and knowledge and leveraging P4Q's extensive experience on in HW and SW development, gave birth to our **Suntrack**

product line: the most flexible and reliable single axis tracker controller in the world.

With a robust design and validation process, Suntrack products also benefit from a 100% controlled production using the latest manufacturing technologies.



# Suntrack Ecosystem

Suntrack provides an open and adaptive system designed to achieve a +99% tracking uptime and obtain a low LCOE.

Our ecosystem consists on an extensive product and service portfolio ready to be customized to your utility-scale PV project and designed to help obtaining a cybersecure net.



TCU/DCU



MOBILE APP  
FOR EASY  
INSTALLATION



RSU



NCU  
WITH WEB  
SERVER

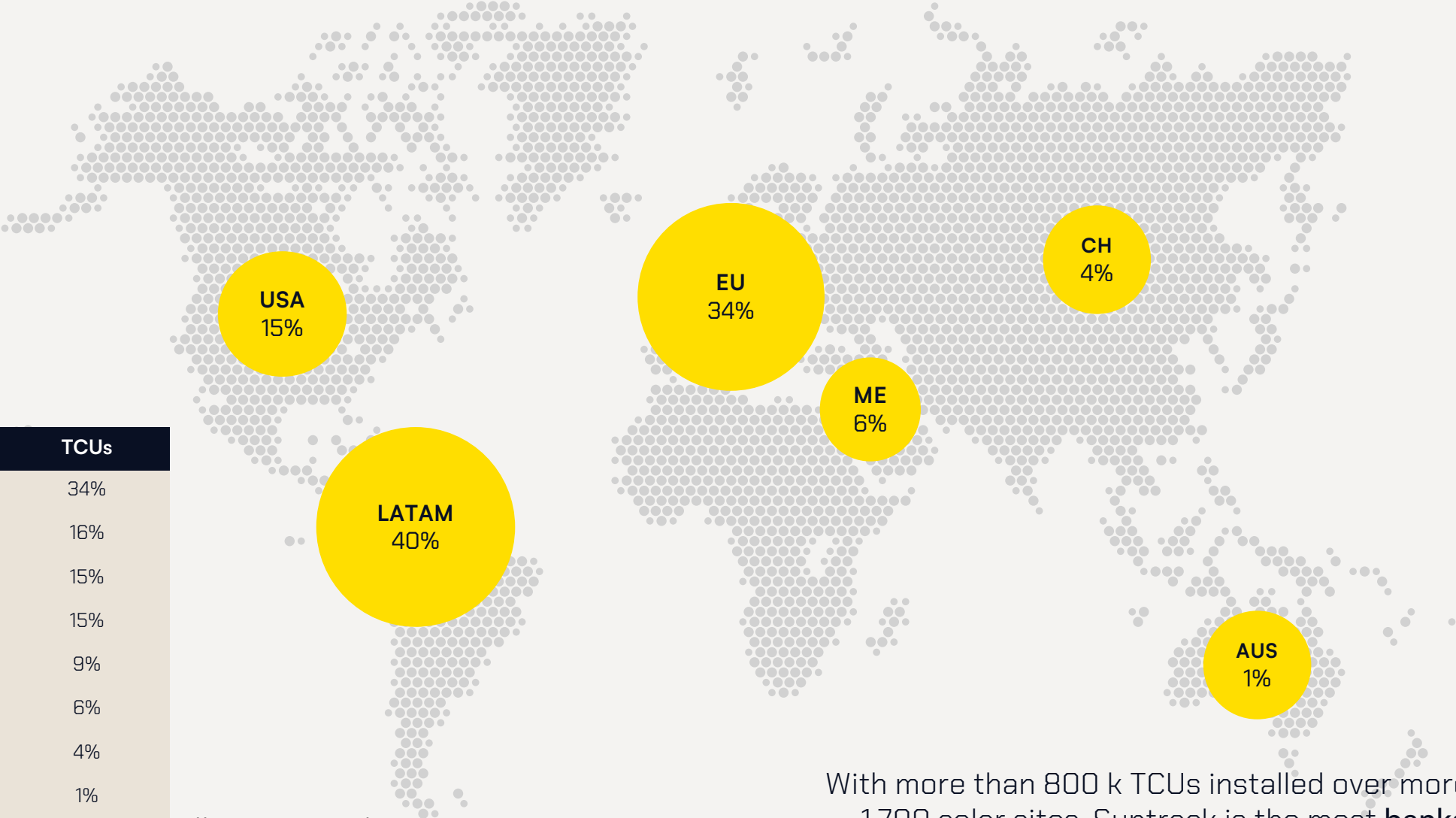


CUSTOMER SERVICE PORTAL  
ADVANCED ALGORITHMS  
& SMART MONITORING

DISCOVER OUR END-TO-END ECOSYSTEM ON [SUNTRACK.P4Q.COM](https://suntrack.p4q.com)

# Deployed TCUs by Suntrack

>800k TCU [\*], > 1,700 solar sites



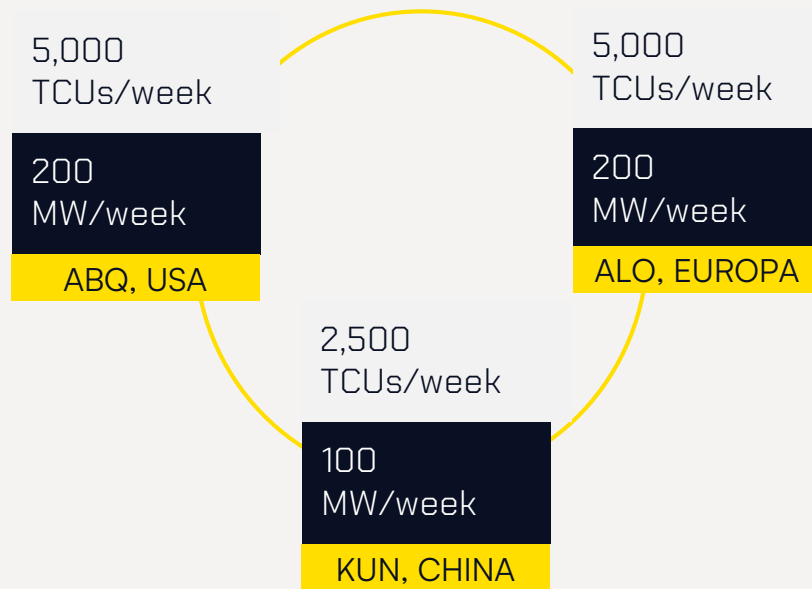
TOP COUNTRIES	TCUs
EUROPE	34%
BRAZIL	16%
MEXICO	15%
UNITED STATES	15%
CHILE	9%
EGYPT	6%
CHINA	4%
AUSTRALIA	1%

[\*] 2016 & 2020 TCU only (updated nov'23) > 75k TCU more of legacy models not shown

With more than 800 k TCUs installed over more than 1,700 solar sites, Suntrack is the most **bankable & reliable** solution for utility scale projects worldwide

# An extensive total production capacity of 500 MW/week

[Average of 25 TCU/MW]



We are a trusted partner for global leaders' internationalization strategy supporting the operations from its **3 production plants (Spain, USA and China)**, and **6 Service Centers** to guarantee a close service to the solar plants.



- Production Plant
- Commercial
- Service Center



- HQ + R&D Center
- Production Plant
- Commercial
- Service Center



- Production plant
- Commercial
- Service Center



- Service Center



- Service Center

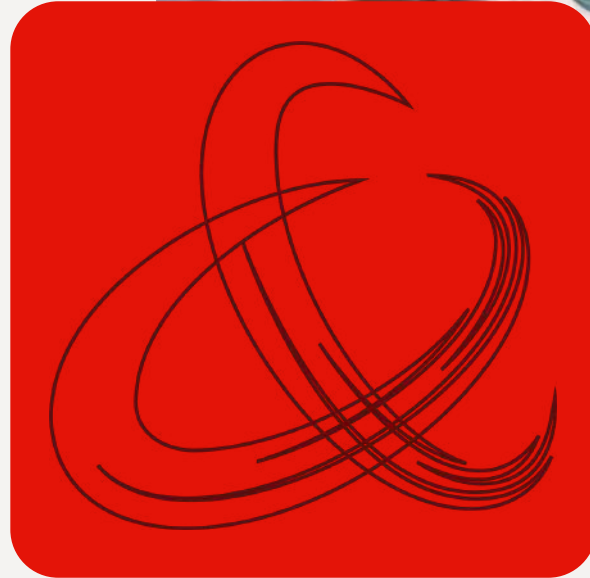


- Service Center

# 1,000,000

In 2024 we will achieve one million delivered TCUs







**100% Spanish company** created in 2009 by **expert lawyers in ICT law, engineers and experts in information security.**



**Mission:** to help companies **reduce the risks** to which they are exposed due to the management of their information.



**Leaders** in auditing and implementation of advanced **cybersecurity and compliance management models.**



**Two Advanced-SOC security centers** for 24x7x365 control and supervision

Madrid – Vitoria

**ISO27001 / ISO9001 / CERT / ENS**



**360° Security** for your company's information:

- Corporate Processes
- IT Security
- Industrial Cybersecurity
- Regulatory Compliance



Part of **LKS Next**, a service consulting firm of the **Mondragon Cooperative Group.**

# Some definitions...

- **Vulnerabilities** are weaknesses in information and **operational** systems, system **procedures**, controls, or **implementations** that can be exploited by a threat source.
- **Understanding** the source of vulnerabilities and predisposing conditions can help identify optimal mitigation strategies.
- Three main groups:
  - **System**
  - **Communication channels**
  - **Policy and Procedures.**
- A vulnerability can be a potential risk that a Threat Source could exploit by a defined Attack Vector.
- **Consequence** is not **Impact**.
- **Consequence = Operational**
- **Impact = Money**





# Incidents

- Physical damage
- Loss visibility
- Loss of control
- Manipulation of variables or parameters
- Stop operations
- Denial of Service, DoS
- Electric outages
- Tailored malware for Electric grid operations



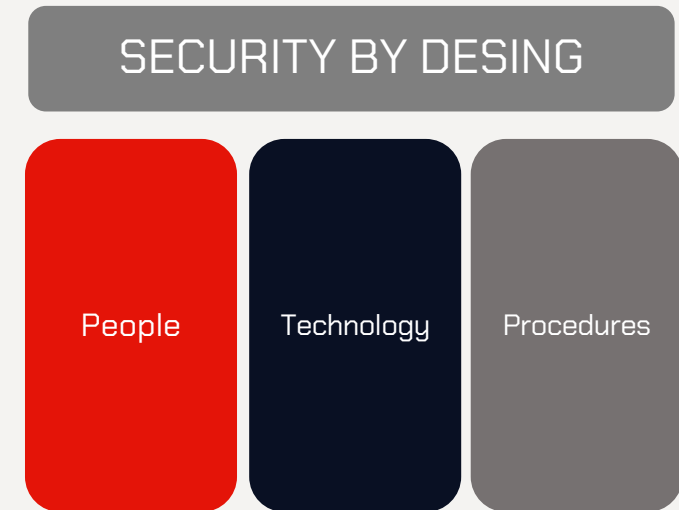
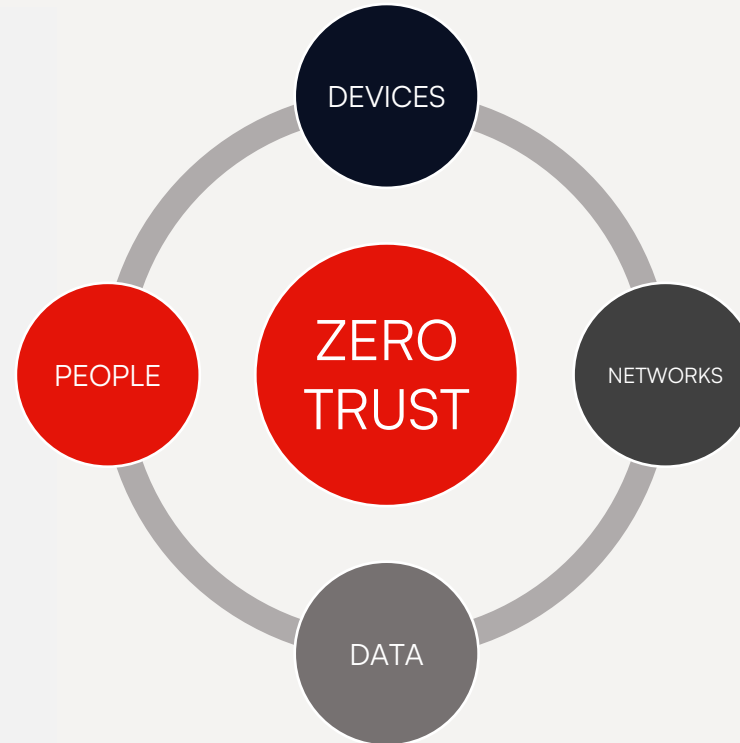
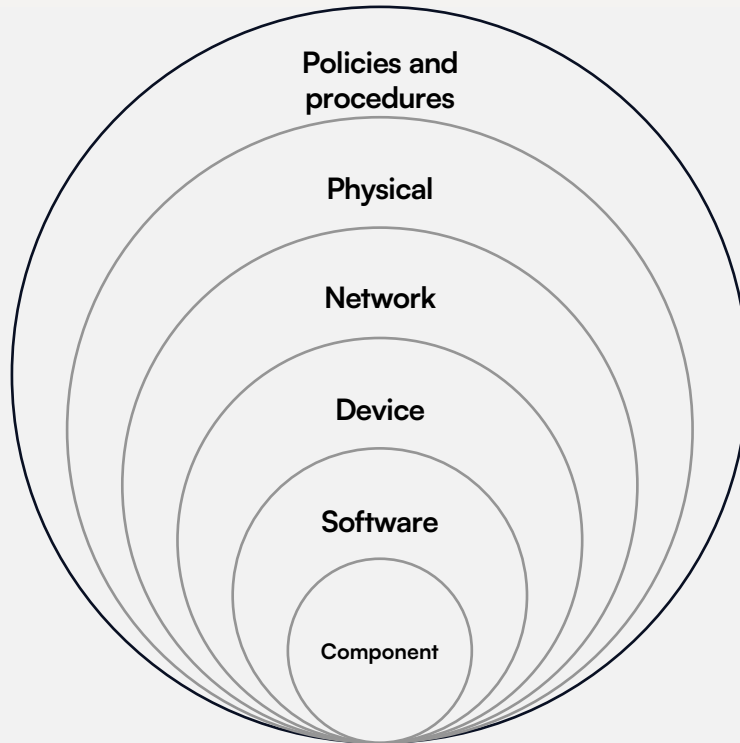


# Technology

- Solar inverters
- Metheo stations
- Power Plant Controllers
- Managed Network Devices
- Local SCADA Servers
- Time Servers
- Real Time Automation Controllers
- Protection and control equipment



# Strategies

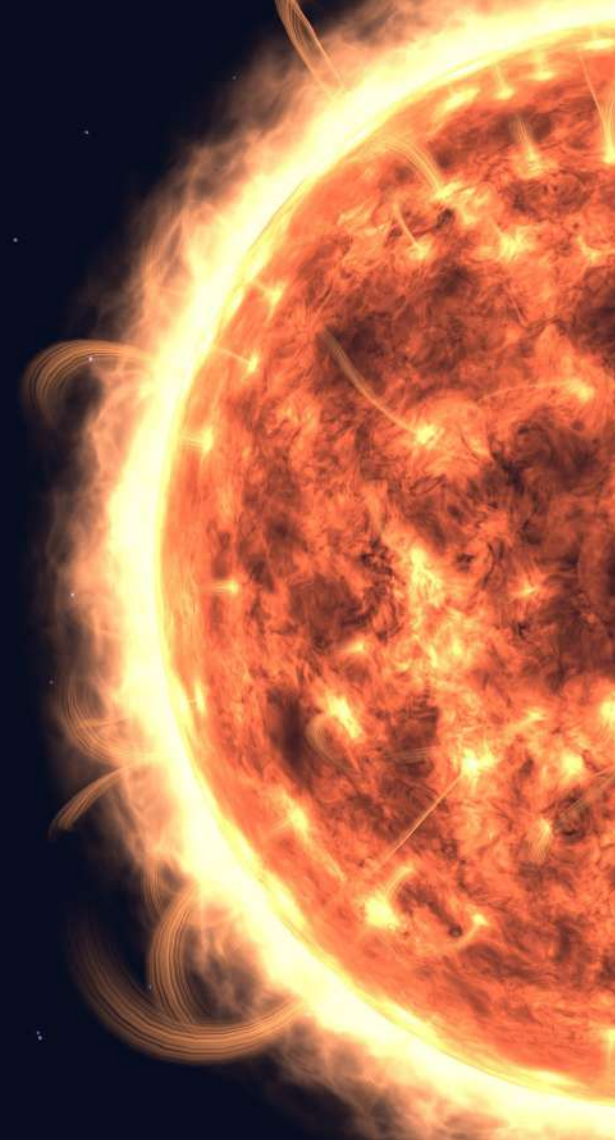


CYBERSECURITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, CSMS



# Devices focused on Solar Sites Cybersecurity

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# IT Device (Information Technology Device)

*/ Physical device or piece of equipment that is used in information technology environments.*

Devices typically designed to:

- Facilitate information processing
- Communication
- Data management

Purpose:

- Information Management
- Communication
- Computational Tasks







# OT Device (Operational Technology Device)

*/ Physical device or piece of equipment that is used in operational technology environments.*

Devices typically designed to:

- Monitor
- Control
- Automate physical processes

Purpose:

- Operational Control
- Industrial Application
- Connectivity

# Why we need **both systems** to be **communicating?**



## OT

Control and monitoring  
of physical processes

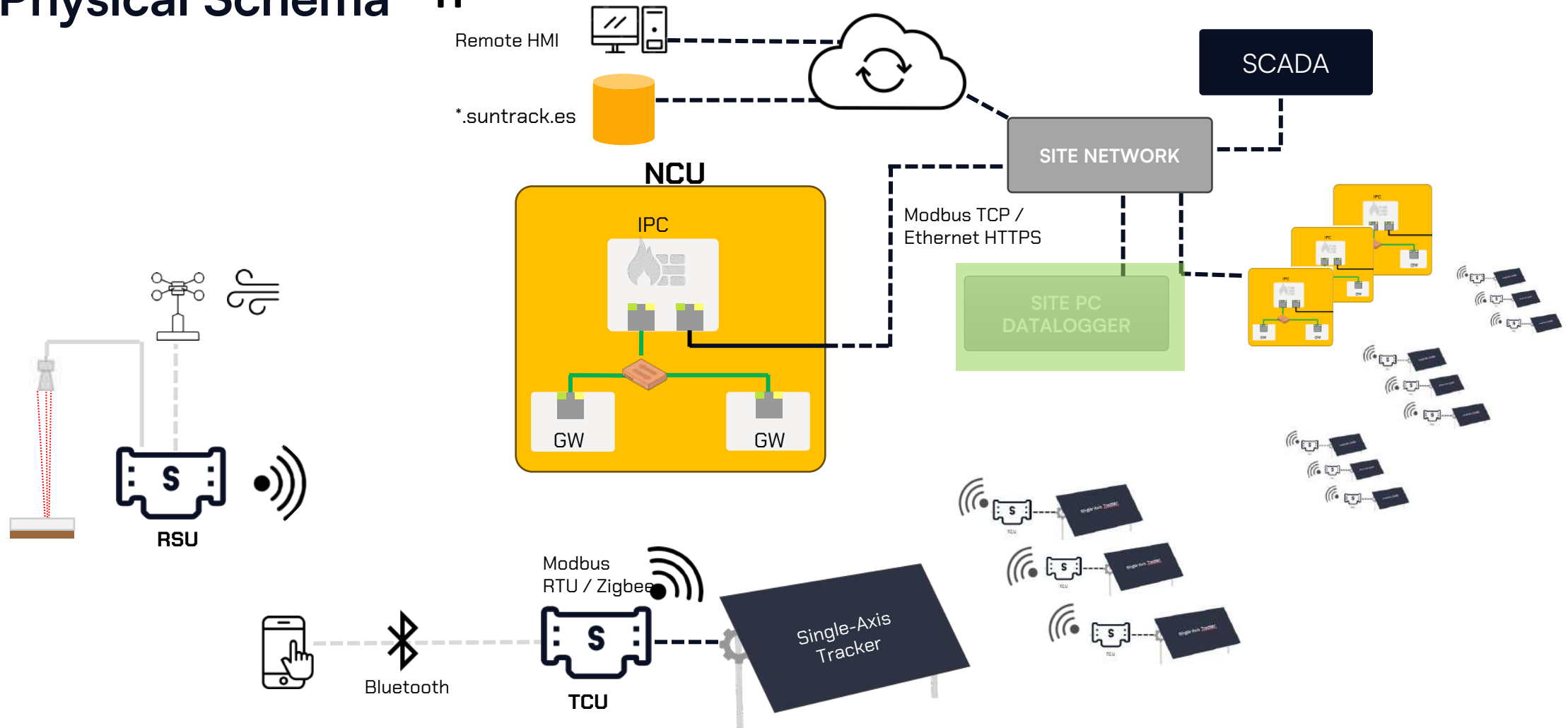
## IT

Primarily used for  
information processing  
& communication

With the increasing integration of OT and IT systems, there may be instances where devices serve dual purposes or bridge the gap between these two domains.

# Physical Schema

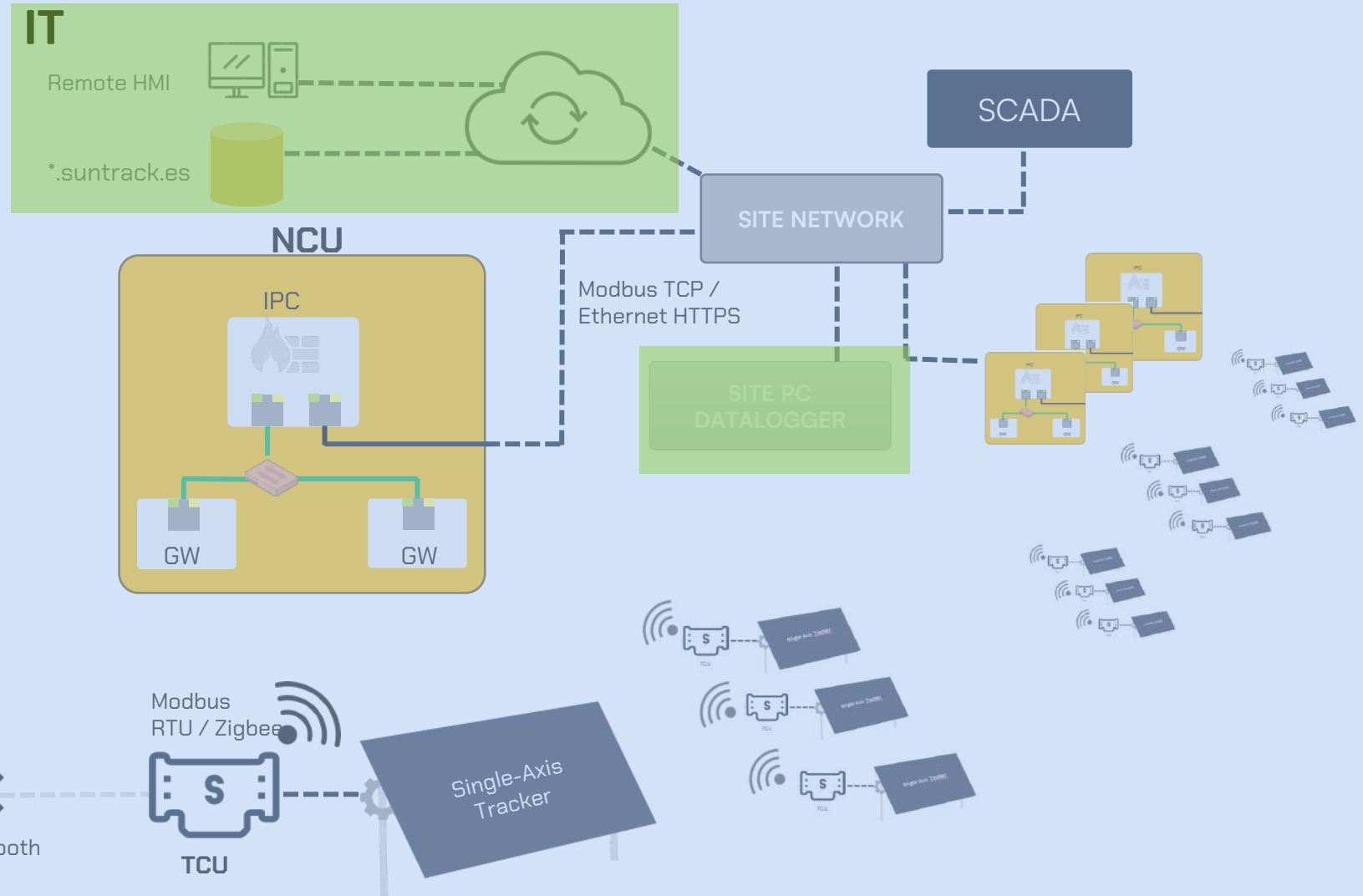
IT



# IT and OT devices

## Physical Schema

OT



TRACKER CONTROL UNIT (TCU) · NETWORK CONTROL UNIT (NCU) · REMOTE SENSOR UNIT (RSU)





## Main changes, Hardened NCU



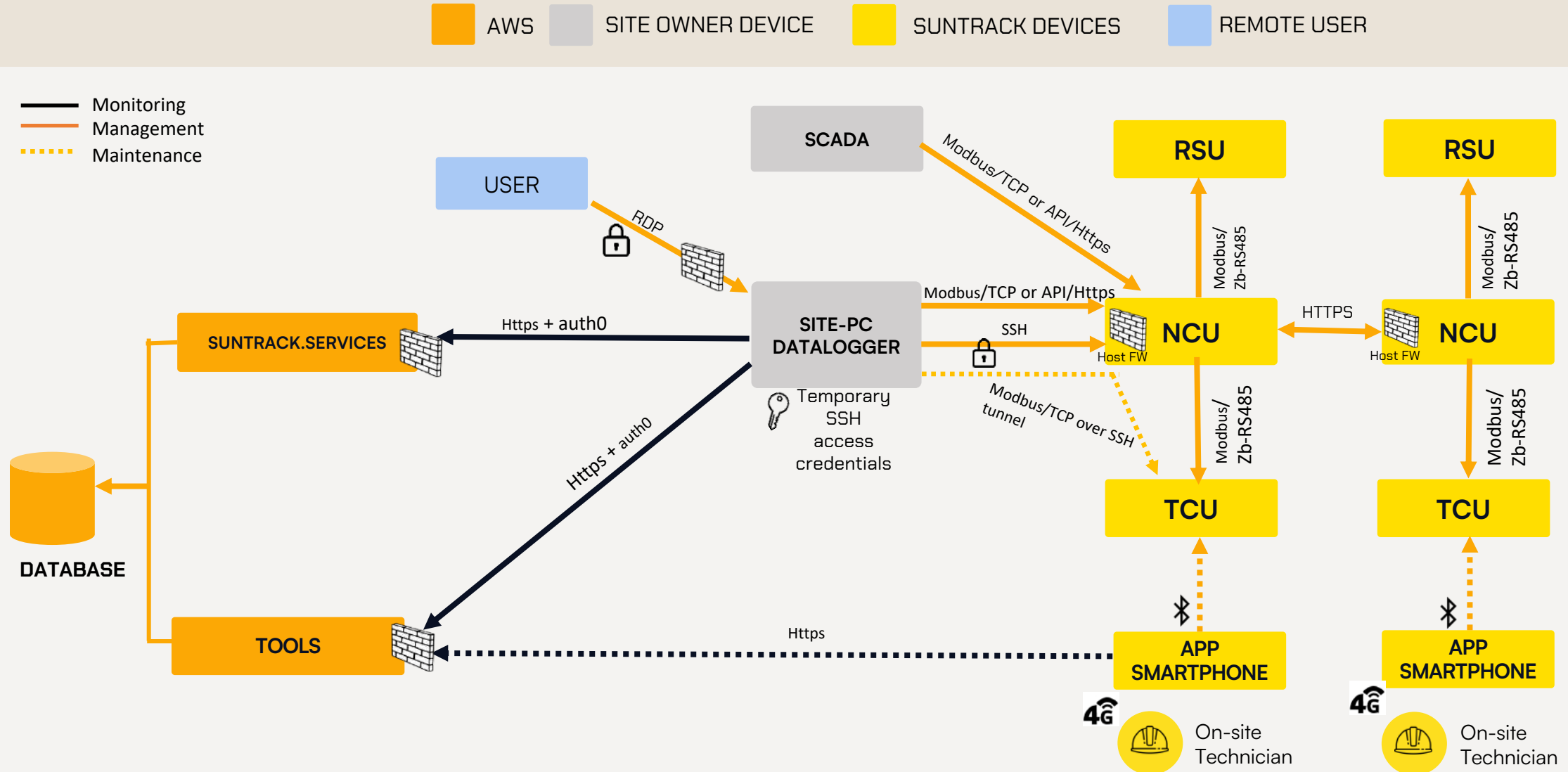
*An additional device into sites network*

- Encrypted Zigbee
- Only one IPC port exposes to the outer network
- NCU IPC
  - Secure boot
  - OTP
  - Disk encryption
  - Fw configuration
  - SSH Certificates, CAs
- HTTPS connection
- Suntrack Password policy:
  - Robust passwords
  - Password Rst
  - Restrict Psw reuse
  - MFA
  - Restrict authentication

# Cybersecurity in every step

## Secure Access Schema

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# Our On Cloud Systems



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# Suntrack Services

## IIoT in Solar PV Trackers



### Universal Login

- **Secure Authentication:** Universal login offers robust, multi-factor security.
- **Encrypted Data:** Passwords and sensitive data are encrypted at rest.
- **Compliance with Standards:** It employs OpenID Connect and OAuth 2.0 security protocols.
- **Brute Force Protection:** Shields against brute force and dictionary attacks.
- **Audit Trails:** Provides comprehensive audit logging for incident response.
- **Token Management:** Ensures effective access token control.
- **Regulatory Compliance:** Assists in adhering to GDPR, CCPA, and other regulations.



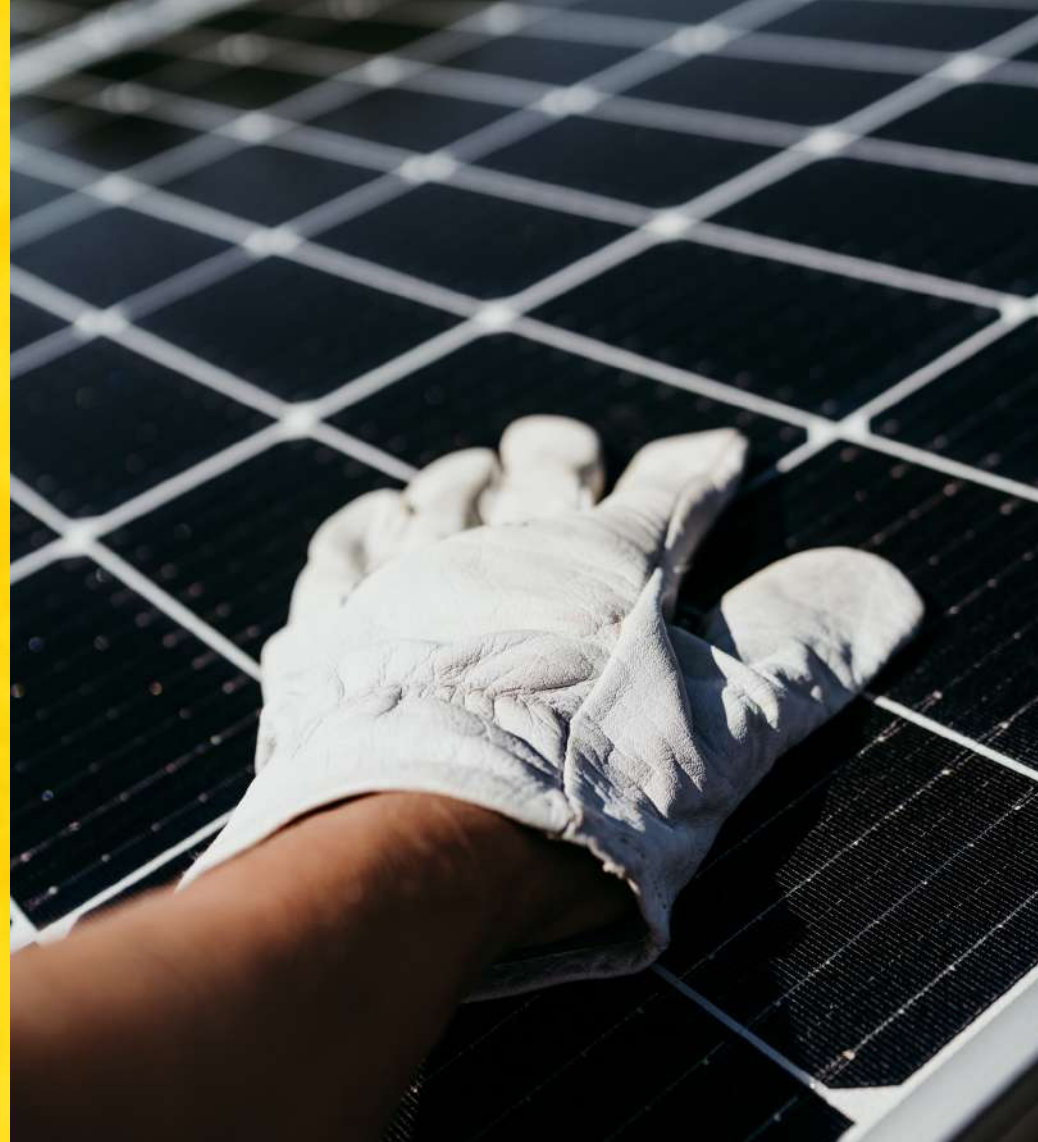
### Suntrack.Services Data Lake & Data Encryption

- **Encryption at Rest:** Safeguards data at rest within the Data Lake.
- **Encryption in Transit:** Ensures data is encrypted during transmission.
- **Data Loss Protection:** Offers robust data replication.
- **Access Control:** Provides granular access controls for data protection.
- **Regulatory Compliance:** Aids in meeting GDPR, CCPA, and other regulations.
- **Physical Security:** Ensures the security of physical data center facilities.
- **Monitoring & Alerts:** Incorporates real-time monitoring and alerting systems.
- **DDoS Protection:** Offers protection against Distributed Denial-of-Service attacks.
- **Data Segregation:** Facilitates secure data segregation and organization.





QUICK VIEW OF  
IEC 62443 &  
NERC-CIP



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# IEC 62443

*IEC 62443 is a series of international standards for **Industrial Automation and Control Systems (IACS)** security.*

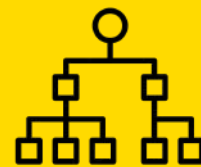
Developed by the **International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)** to address the growing concerns around cyber threats in critical infrastructure. Aimed at providing a systematic approach to protect IACS from cyberattacks, ensuring the reliability and safety of industrial processes.

- IEC 62443-4-1 - Secure product development lifecycle requirements
- IEC 62443 3 3 - System security requirements and security levels

Defense  
in depth



PLANT  
SECURITY



NETWORK  
SECURITY



SYSTEM  
INTEGRITY

# What Is NERC-CIP?

*North American Electric Reliability Corporation — Critical Infrastructure Protection.*

A non-profit **international regulatory authority whose mission is to assure the effective and efficient reduction of risks to the reliability and security of the grid.** The NERC has authority over the continental United States, Canada, and the northern area of Baja California, Mexico.

The **CIP standards establish a baseline set of requirements and best practices** that are the basis for maintaining the reliability of the **North American Bulk Electric System (BES)** and protecting it from cyber-attack.



Standard	Topic
NERC CIP-002	BES Cyber System Categorization
NERC CIP-003	Security Management Controls
NERC CIP-004	Personnel and Training
NERC CIP-005	Electronic Security Perimeter(s)
NERC CIP-006	Physical Security of BES Cyber Systems
NERC CIP-007	Systems Security Management
NERC CIP-008	Incident Reporting and Response Planning
NERC CIP-009	Recovery Plans for BES Cyber Systems
NERC CIP-010	Configuration Change Management and Vulnerability Assessments
NERC CIP-011	Information Protection
NERC CIP-013	Supply Chain Risk Management
NERC CIP-014	Physical Security



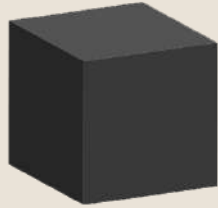
# Ethical Hacking Audit



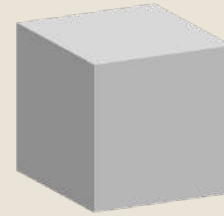
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# Suntrack System Pentesting



BLACK BOX  
Zero  
knowledge



GREY BOX  
Some  
knowledge

VULNERABILITY CLASSIFICATION	DESCRIPTION
<i>CRITICAL</i>	Requires immediate attention and prioritization to prevent significant security breaches and protect system integrity, as their exploitation can allow attackers to gain full control over web application and server.
<i>HIGH</i>	Should be assessed and corrected whenever possible. If these vulnerabilities are exploited valuable information about the system is accessible and can be the door to other weaknesses.
<i>MEDIUM</i>	Minimal risk to data security but can serve as attack vector that might create new point of entry.
<i>INFORMATIONAL</i>	Information with preventive nature to continuously enhance security practices.



# Suntrack System Pentesting

## THE RESULTS OF THE PENTESTING

- **No vulnerabilities** in the **Zigbee communication**.
- **No vulnerabilities** in any access to the **IPC**.
- All vulnerabilities detected classified as **MEDIUM severity** has **not impact** in **Suntrack system** and all of them require **physical access** to be exploited.

# Thank you!



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