

SCMS157

TCG Credentials: Their Role in the Trust Infrastructure and Manufacturing

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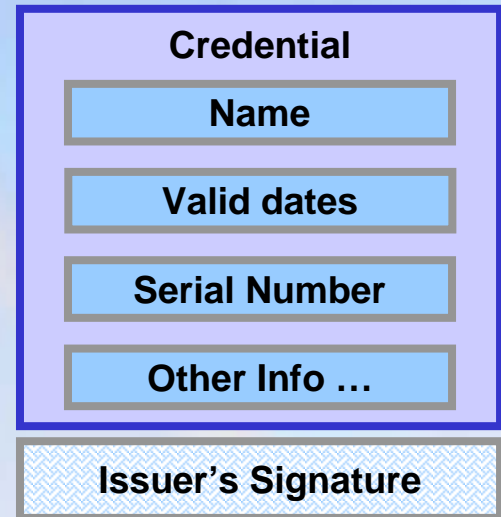
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Why do you care about Credentials?

- **Credentials are used by an IT infrastructure to maintain policy**
 - E.g., User authentication
- **TCG introduces the notion of “platform” credentials**
 - Typically, most think only of “user” credentials
- **Platform manufacturers will care what information the credential contains when issuing Credentials**
- **Credentials must be signed! What does this mean?**
- **What impact Credentials have on the manufacturing and distribution process for components and platforms**

What is a Credential

- **Contains primary information**
 - Identity String (E.g., name), Public Key
 - Attributes
- **Auxiliary information**
 - Valid dates
 - Serial Number
 - Issuer Name
- **Signed by someone verifying that the information is true**
 - Without a signature the information cannot be trusted



Types of Credentials

- **Identity Credential**

- **Contains:**

- Identity String
- Public Key

- **Binds the contents with the public key**

Statement: Issuer verifies that the Public Key is associated with the Identity String

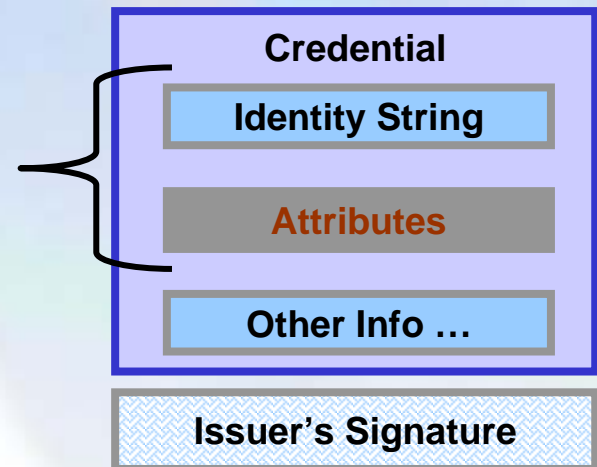
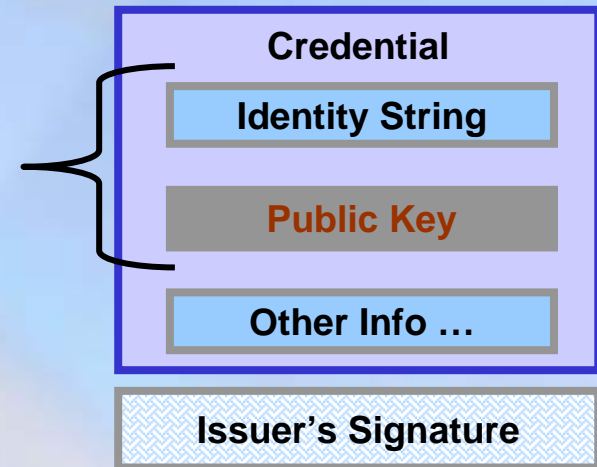
- **Attribute Credential**

- **Contains:**

- Identity String
- Set of Attributes

- **Binds the attributes**

Statement: Issuer verifies that the Attributes are associated with the Identity String



Identity Credential Uses

- **Identity Credentials are associated with a key pair**
 - Private component is kept secret
 - Public component is “public” and is part of the Credential
- **Encryption**
 - The public key encrypts data
 - The private key decrypts the above data
- **Digital Signature**
 - The private key signs a blob of data
 - The public key verifies the above data
- **Never mix usage of these keys**
 - Never sign with an encryption key
 - Never encrypt with a signature key



Formats

- **Definitions**
 - **X.509 v3**
 - Defined by the ITU-T
 - Coding in ASN.1
 - **Others:**
 - SPKI, XKMS, XML DSIG
- **Format for TCG**
 - Based on X.509 v3
 - Specific fields defined

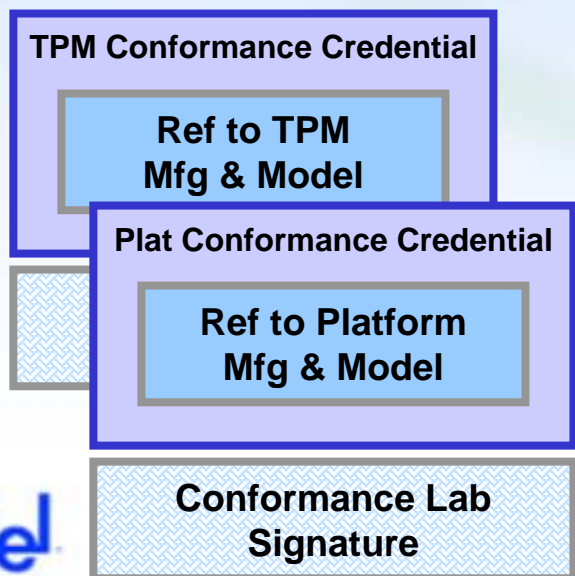
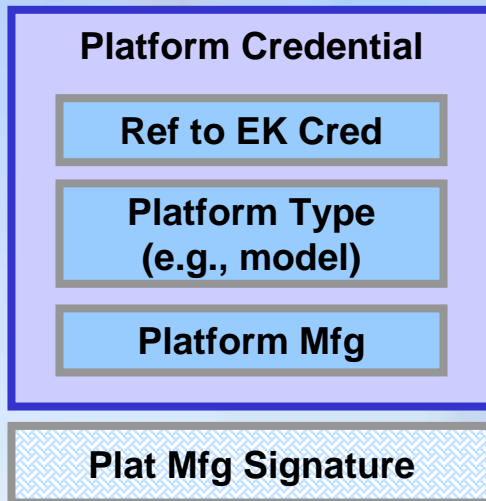
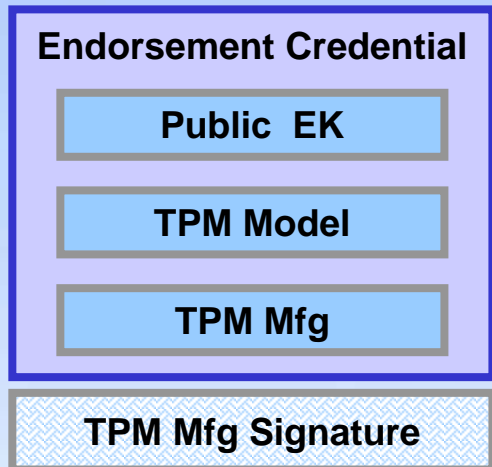
Obtaining and using Credentials

- **Certification Authority (CA)**
 - Verifies the information
 - Issues the Credentials
 - Compile information into specified format
 - Digitally sign the information
 - Must be trusted by requester and receiver
- **Used in:**
 - **S/MIME**
 - Sign and encrypt messages
 - **SmartCard transactions**
 - Sign and encrypt documents
 - **SSL**
 - Verifies the server
 - (could also verify the user but that is not widely used)

Types of TCG Credentials

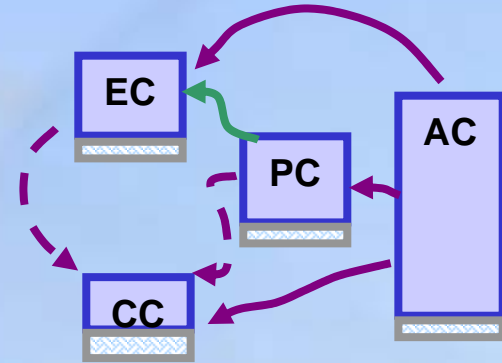
- **What is the use/purpose of each Credential:**
 - **What statement is made by each**
 - **What claim is made by each issuer**

Credentials



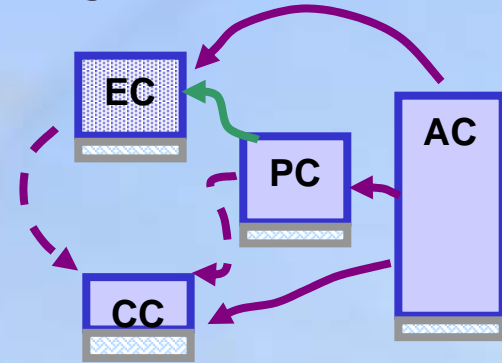
TPM Credentials

- **Types:**
 - **Endorsement Credential**
 - One per platform
 - **Platform Credential**
 - One per platform
 - **TPM Conformance Credential**
 - One per “model” of platform
 - **Platform Conformance Credential**
 - One per “model” of platform
 - **Validation Credentials**
 - One per component (Optional for a TCG-platform)
 - **AIK (Attestation Identity Key) Credential**
 - Any number per platform
- **Signers**
 - The “issuer” signs the Credentials
- **Creation and distribution mechanism is not specified by TCG**



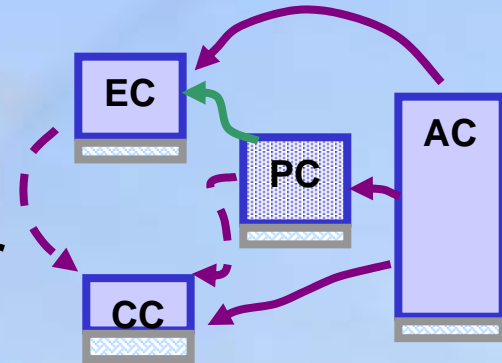
Endorsement Key Credential

- **Issuer:** Entity claiming the security properties of the TPM
 - This could be the TPM Manufacturer
- **Identifies:** The specific TPM
- **Contains the Public Key component of the Endorsement Key**
- **Purpose:**
 - Provides attestation that this is a “genuine” TPM
 - Identifies the specific TPM
 - Provides the Public Key used to encrypt the AIKs



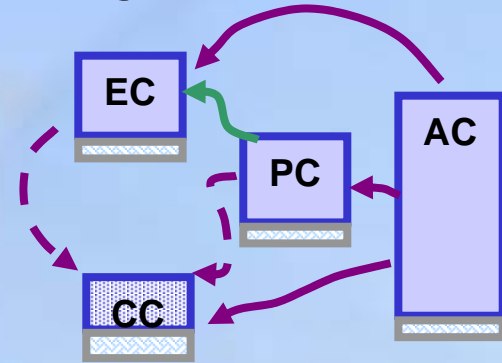
Platform Credential

- **Issuer:** Entity claiming the security properties of the Platform
 - This could be the Platform Manufacturer
- **Identifies:** The specific platform
- **Contains:**
 - Pointer to the Endorsement Credential
 - May contain other information about the platform
- **Purpose:**
 - Provides attestation of the platform's security components by the platform manufacturer
 - Add examples of security components:
 - How the TPM Is bound to the platform
 - etc.



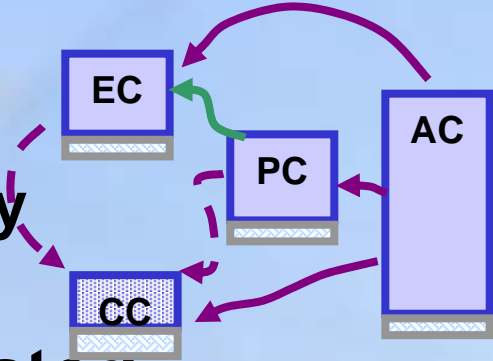
TPM Conformance Credential

- **Issuer:**
 - Same as Endorsement Credential entity
 - Or, Evaluation Lab
- **Identifies:** The entity that evaluated the TPM
- **Contains:** A reference to the TPM “manufacturer” and model number
- **Purpose:**
 - Provides attestation of the TPM’s security properties by an accredited party



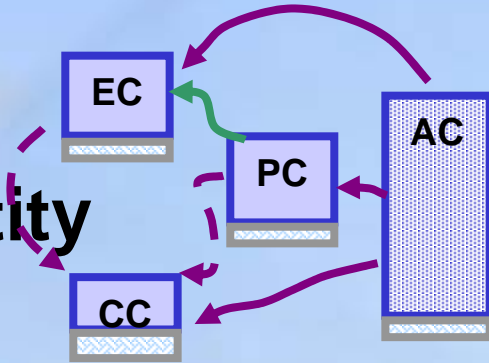
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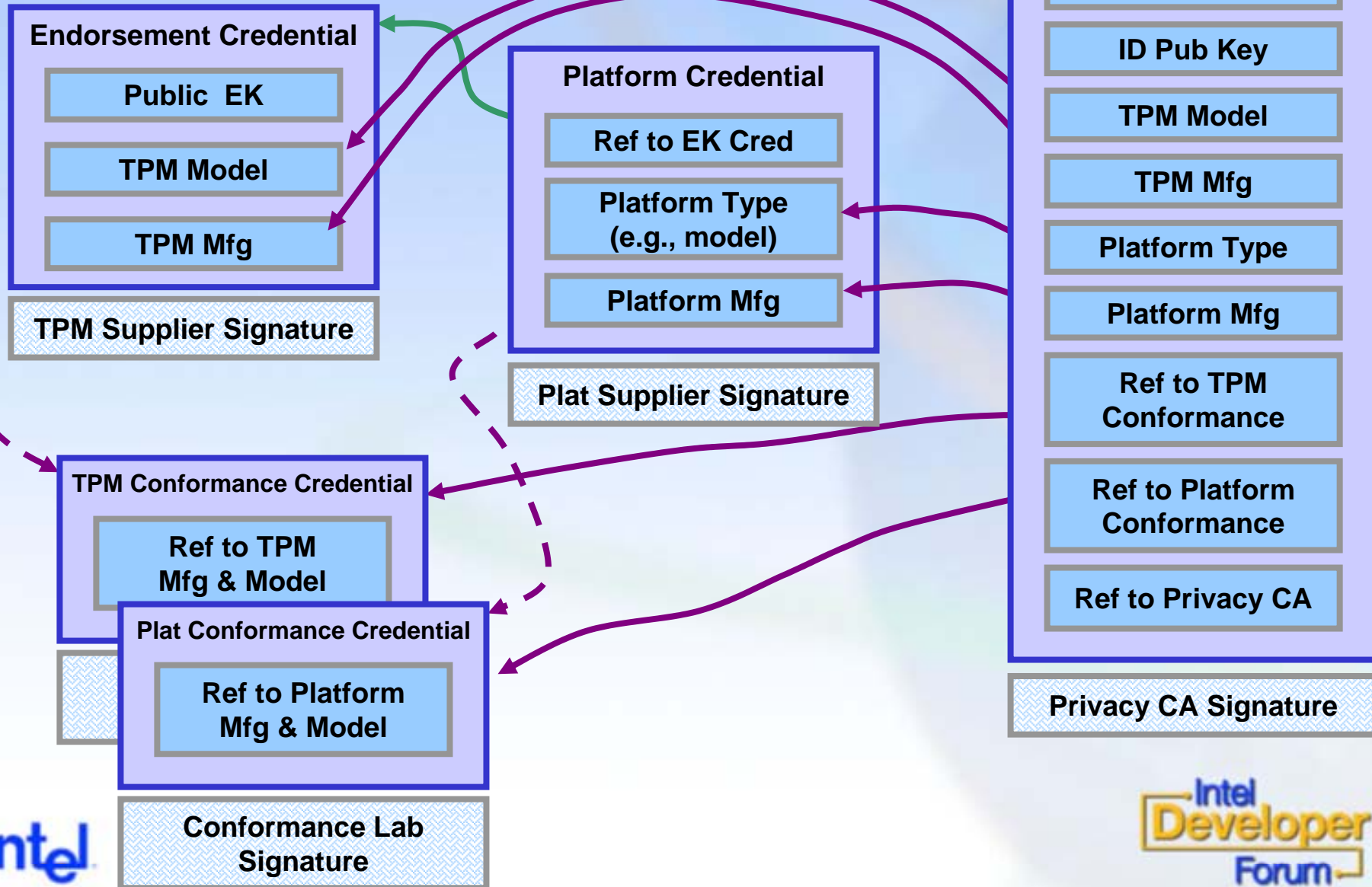


AIK Credential

- **Issuer: Privacy CA**
- **Identifies: The Attestation Identity Key (i.e., the AIK)**
- **Contains: As much or little information as dictated by requester and issuer policy**
- **Purpose:**
 - Signs operations that provide platform authentication or platform attestation
 - Unlimited number can be created per platform
 - Provides aliasing of the platform



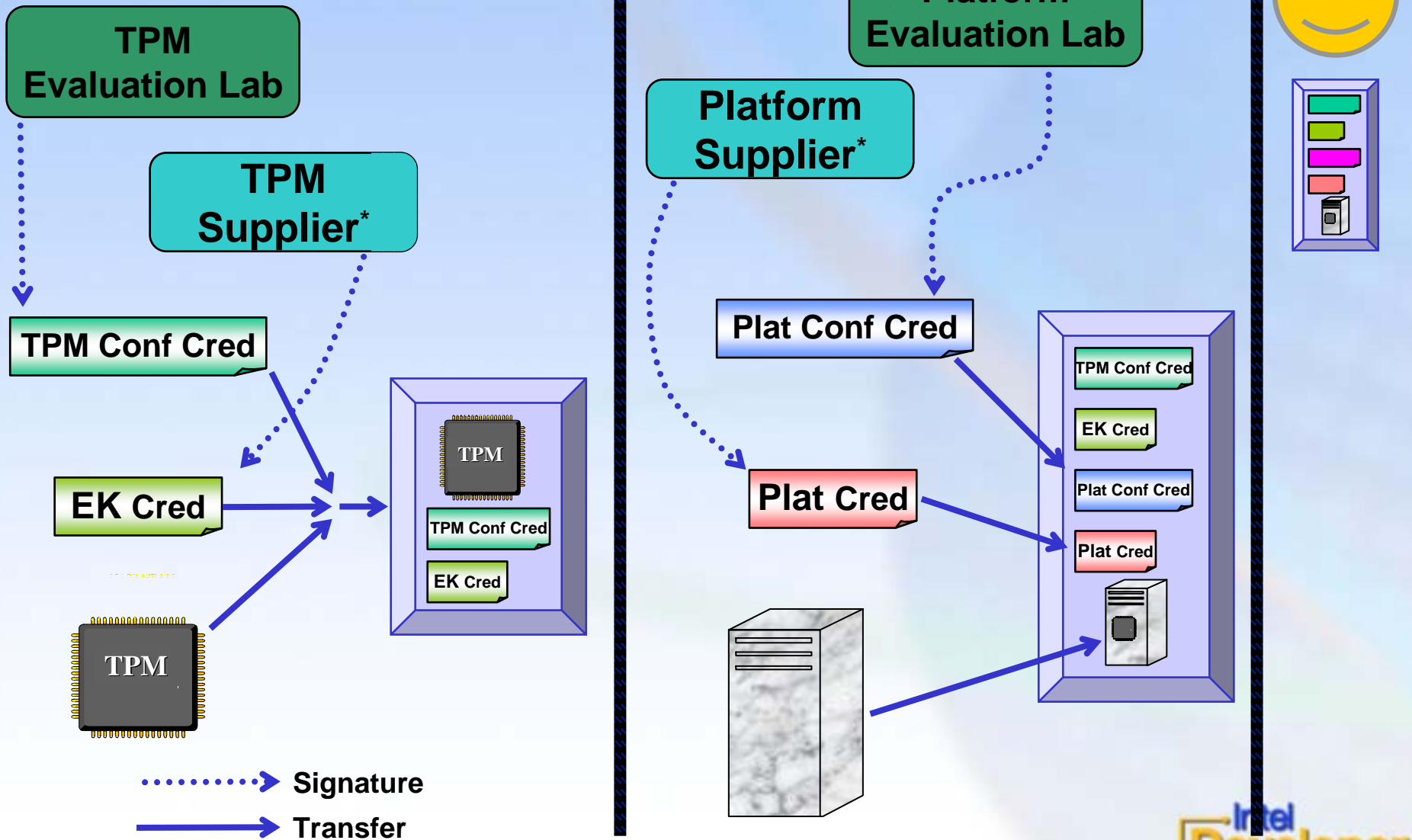
Credential Relationships



Putting it all together

- **Credential creation**
- **How Credentials provide trust while providing aliasing / anonymity**
- **Credentials and their role within the ecosystem**

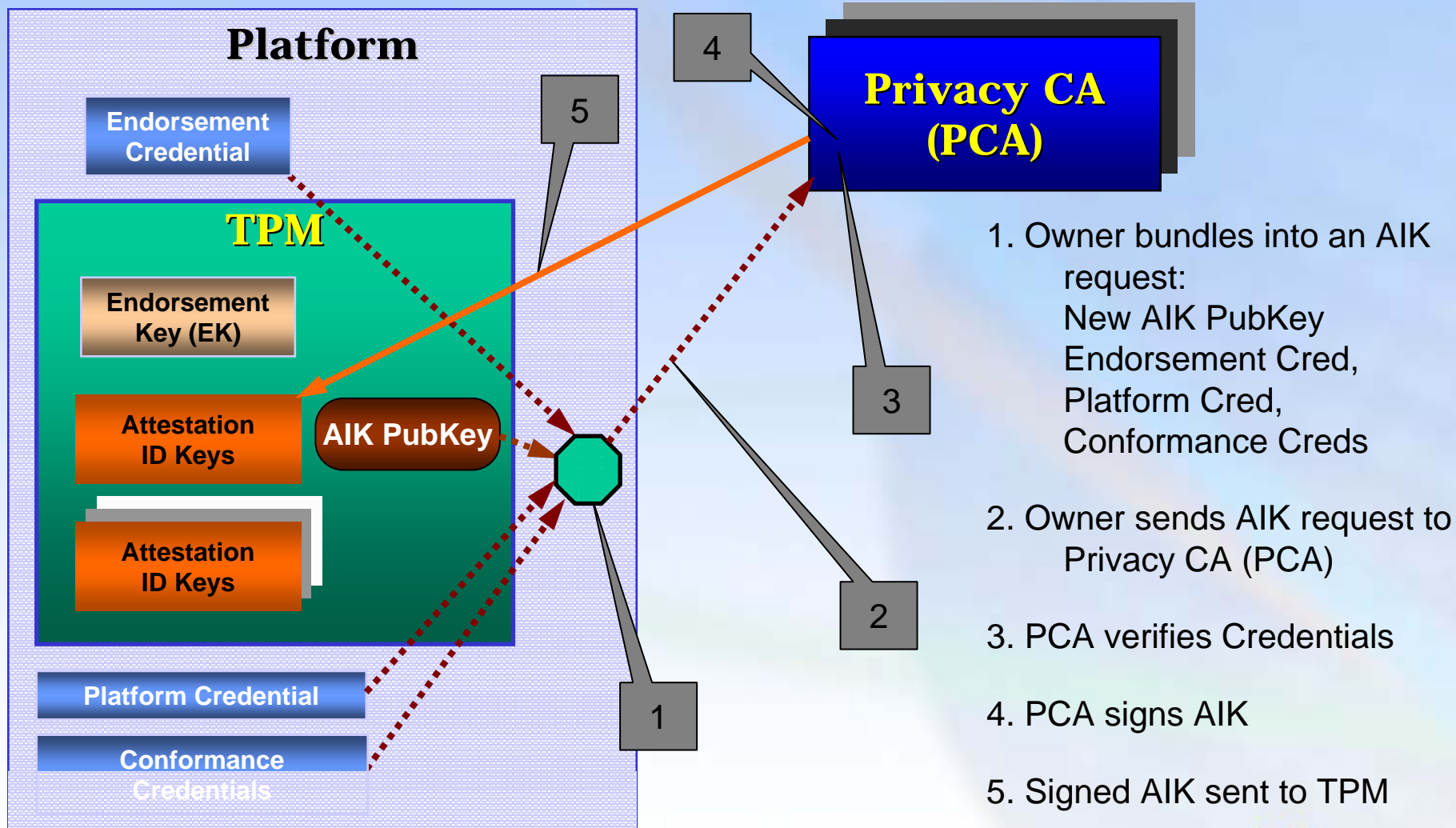
Credential Creation



* This is the entity claiming the security properties of the TPM or the Platform. This may be the manufactures but that is not a requirement

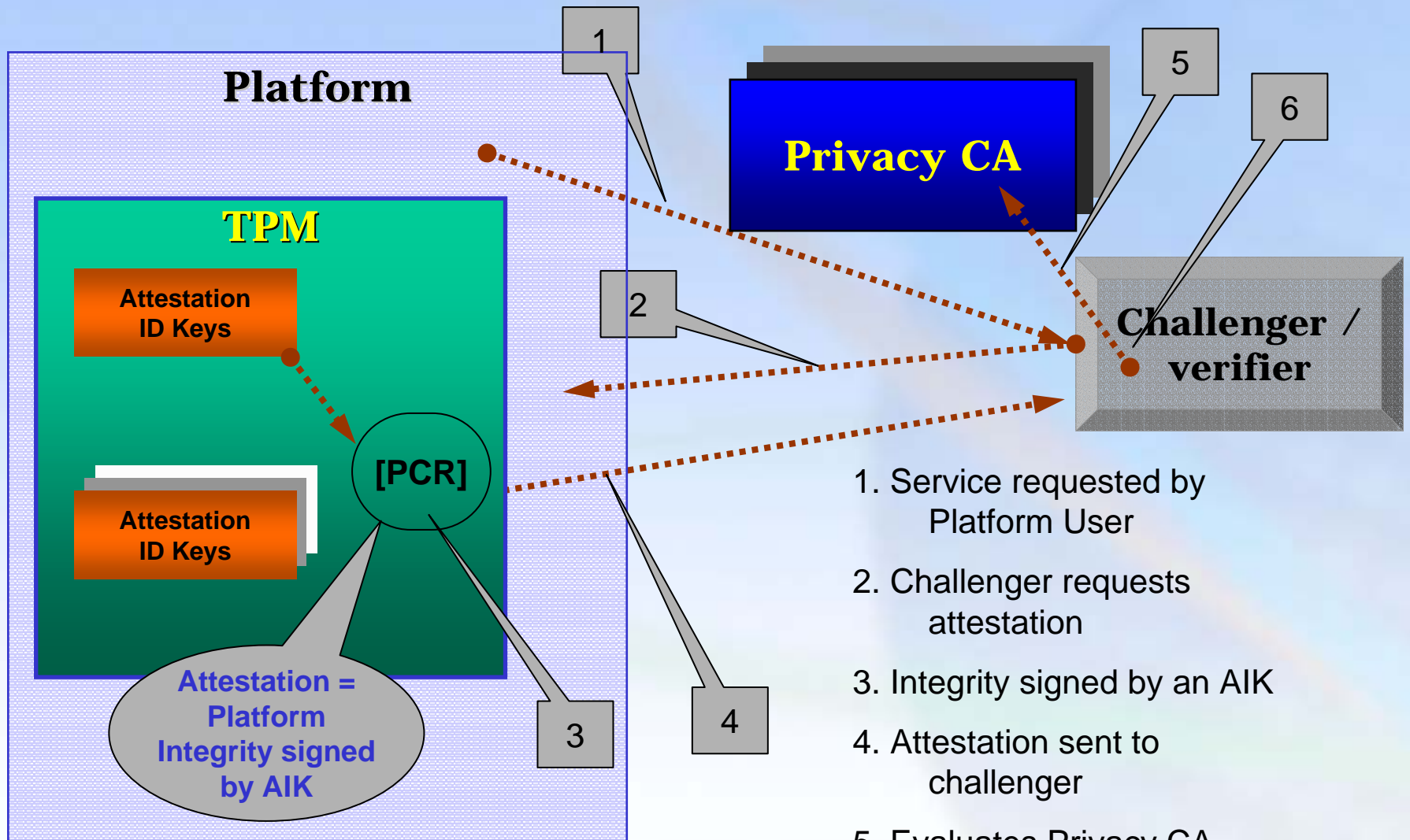


Role of Credentials in Attestation



For an alternate method review:
"Privacy Method for Assuring Trust SCMS-19"
presentation

Role of Credentials in Attestation



Storage of Keys and Credentials

- **Keys and Credentials are not intended to be “stored” on the TPM**
 - TPM has limited resources
- **During Platform Use**
 - **AIKs**
 - User may need ready access to these
 - Likely to be stored by the application
 - **EK, Platform, and Conformance Credentials**
 - **Only used to get AIKs**
 - No need for ready access
 - **Need to be protected**
 - Privacy Sensitive
- **See course “Recovering from Computer Failures, if TPMs Go Bad” SCMS-25**

Distribution of Keys and Credentials

- Platform does not ship with any AIKs
- EK, Platform, and Conformance Credential are OS independent
- Can be supplied:
 - On distribution CD
 - On hard drive partition
 - Downloaded via the Web
 - etc.
- Must be made available to platform owner if original distribution copy is not available

Revocation

- **An compromised TPM or Platform can no longer be trusted**
- **Trust is revoked by notification to those interested:**
 - **Privacy CAs**
 - **Challengers / verifiers**

Credentials: Their role within the ecosystem

- **IT infrastructures have policies e.g.,:**
 - Only platforms owned by the company can access the network
 - Only Trusted platforms can sign documents
 - Only Trusted platform can receive confidential data
- **Attestation using an AIK provides the IT infrastructure with the necessary trust statements**

Summary / Next Steps

- **Credentials allows automated trust policies to be enabled**
- **Start design process for manufacturing line to provide credentials**
- **Start designing your IT infrastructure to issue and use credentials**

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