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# Secure Biometric Interface



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- Cryptographic Traceability
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Time Sync

Remote Upgrades

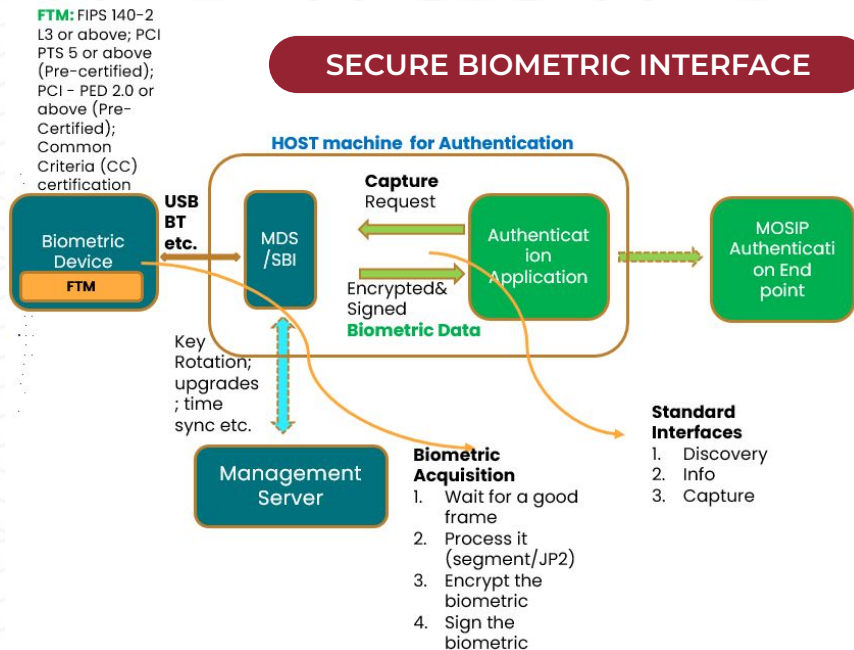
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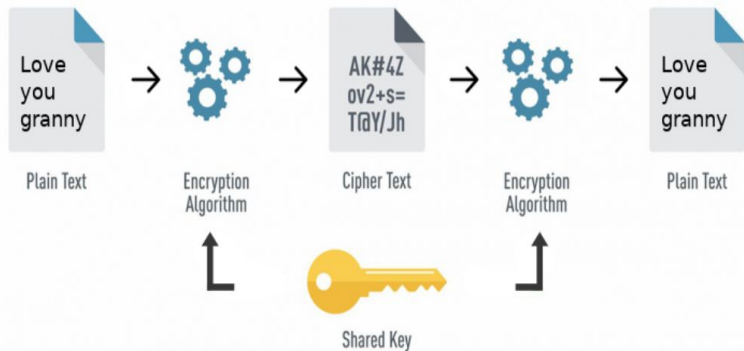


# Basic Concepts



# Symmetric and Asymmetric Encryption

## Symmetric Encryption



## Asymmetric Encryption

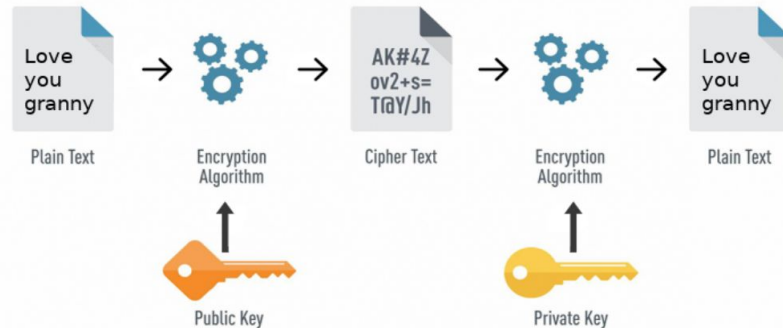
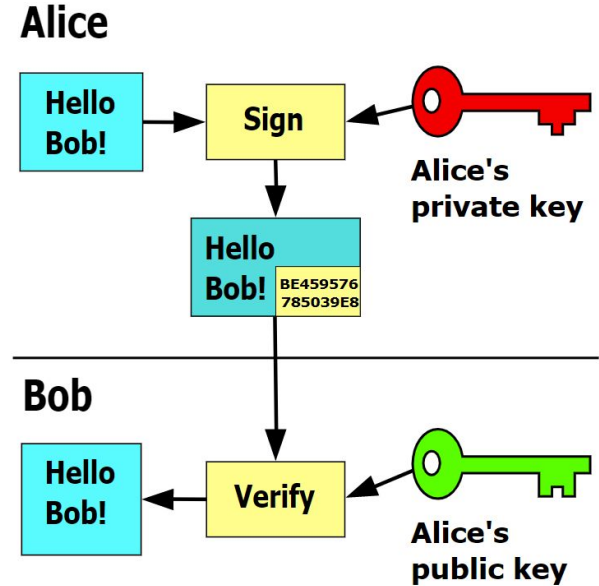
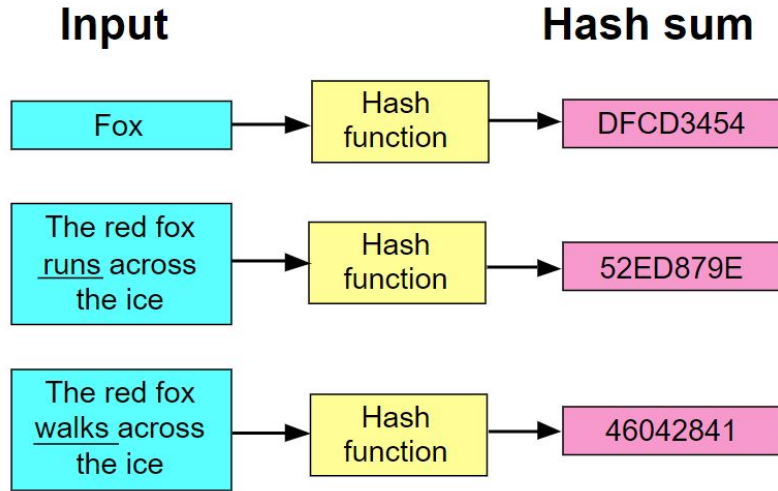


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# Hashing & Digital Signature





# Certificate Chain Validation

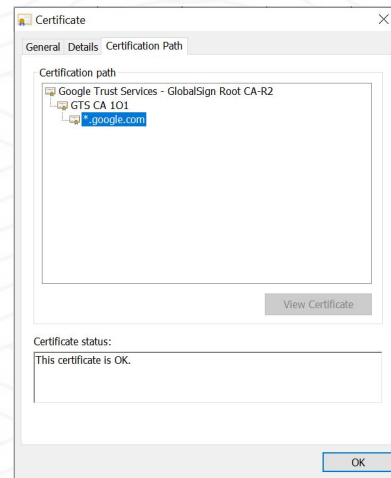
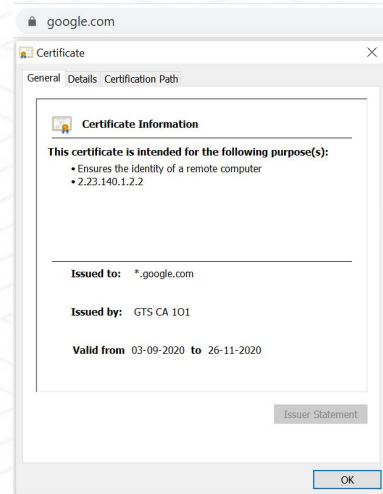
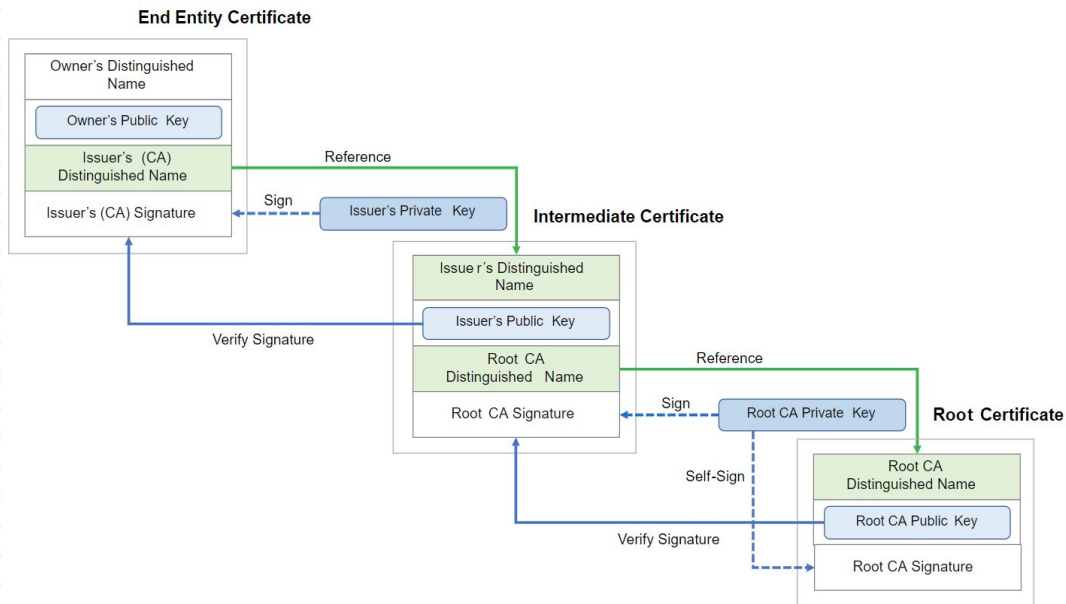


Image courtesy: wiki



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## SBI 1.0 and SBI 2.0

- Signing is done on the host inside its device driver or the SBI service
- The trust is provided at the software level. No hardware level trust exist.

**SBI 1.0 (Controlled Enviroment)**

- Signing on the device inside its trusted zone.
- The trust is provided by a secure chip with secure execution environment

**SBI 2.0 (Uncontrolled Environment)**



## Secure Biometric Interface

- No external Biometrics can be injected
- Should have a signing mechanism
- Signing Keys cannot be extracted
- Biometric Capture Processing, Signing and encryption

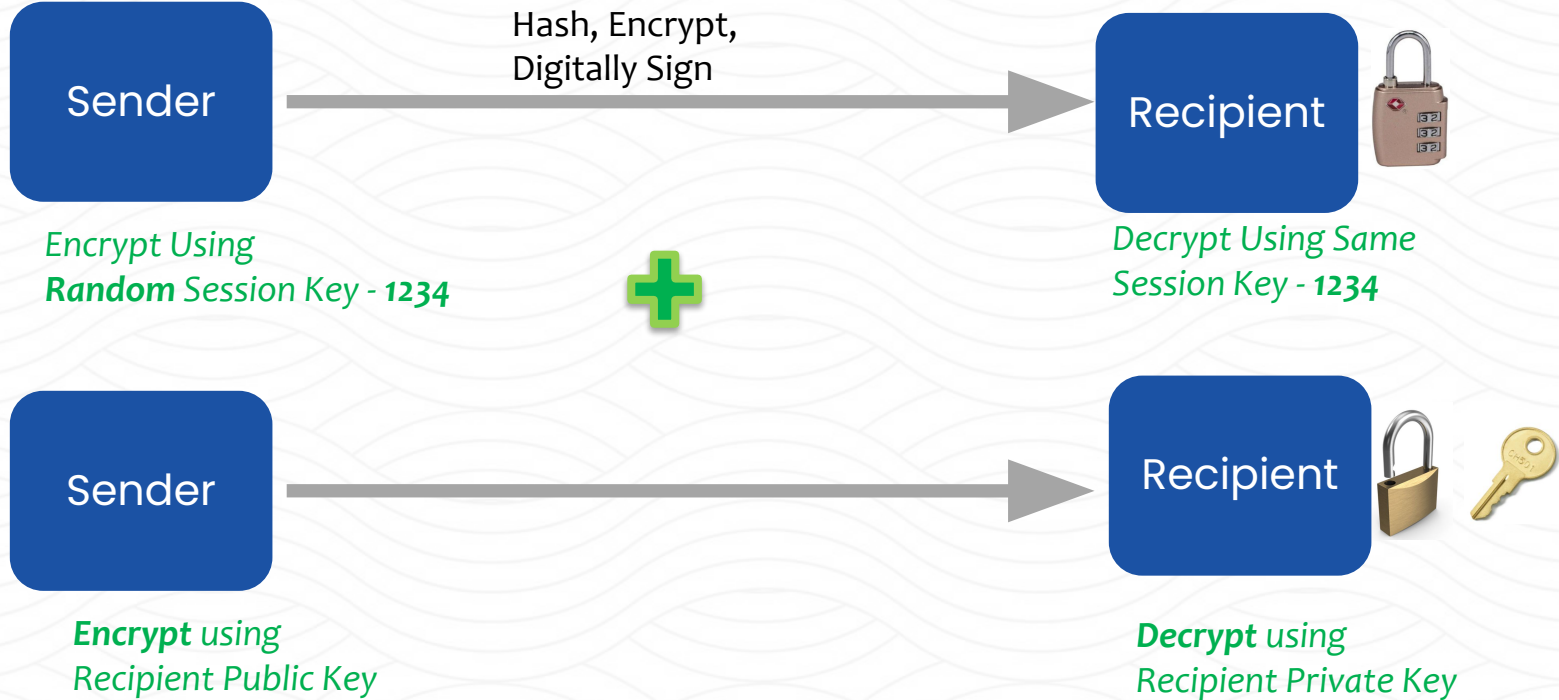
SBI Service

- Rotate the signing keys.
- Validate own devices and issue certificates
- Repo of devices, Device Provider Keys in HSM (FIPS 140-2 L3)
- Sync time with SBI; manage upgrades

Management Server



# Secure Capture/Transfer of Biometrics





# SBI Communication Interfaces

## Device Discovery

*Device discovery would be used to identify MOSIP compliant devices in a system by the applications*

## Device Info

*The device information API would be used to identify the MOSIP compliant devices and their status by the applications*

## Capture

*Used to capture a biometric from MOSIP compliant devices by the applications. Response will provide the actual biometric data in encrypted and digitally signed form*

## Device Stream

*Used only for the registration module compatible devices. Visible only for the devices that are registered for the purpose as "Registration".*

## Registration Capture

*Used by Registration Client.*

- Response will provide the actual biometric data in a digitally signed non encrypted form.*
- The device to send the images as well as its extraction values.*

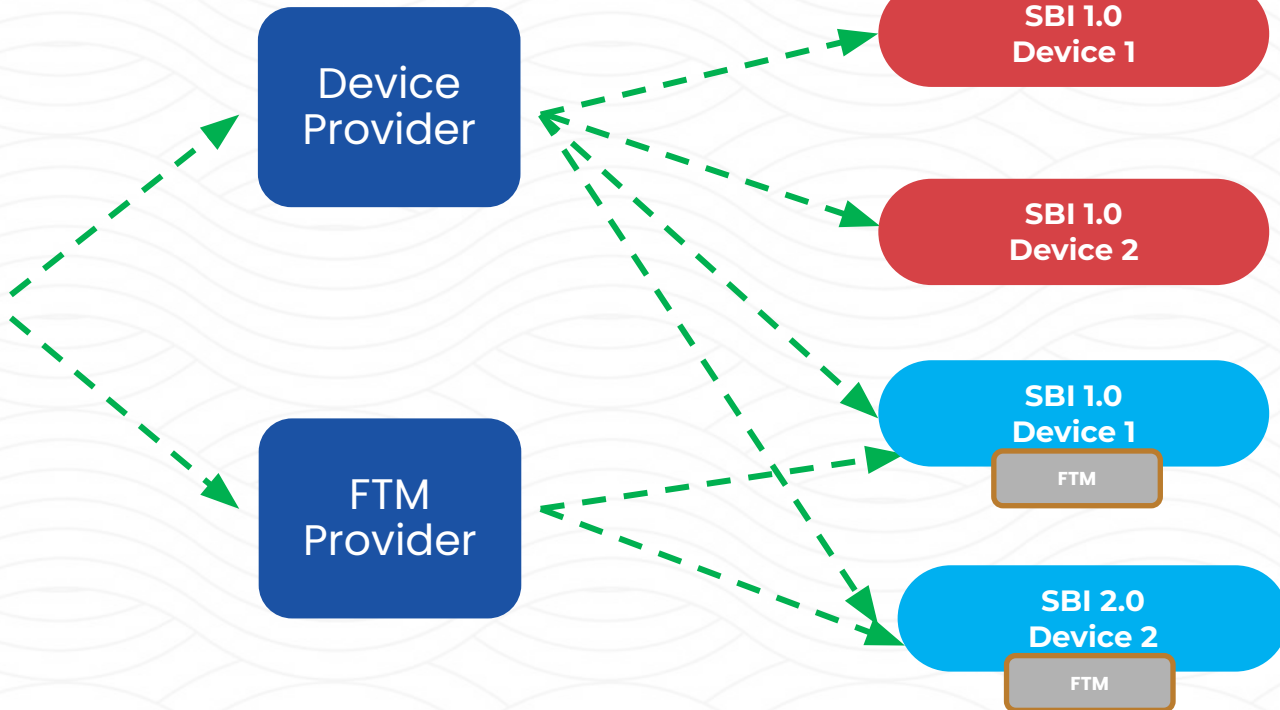


# It's all about Trust !

Line of  
trust



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Country**







# On boarding/Trusting the Device Provider

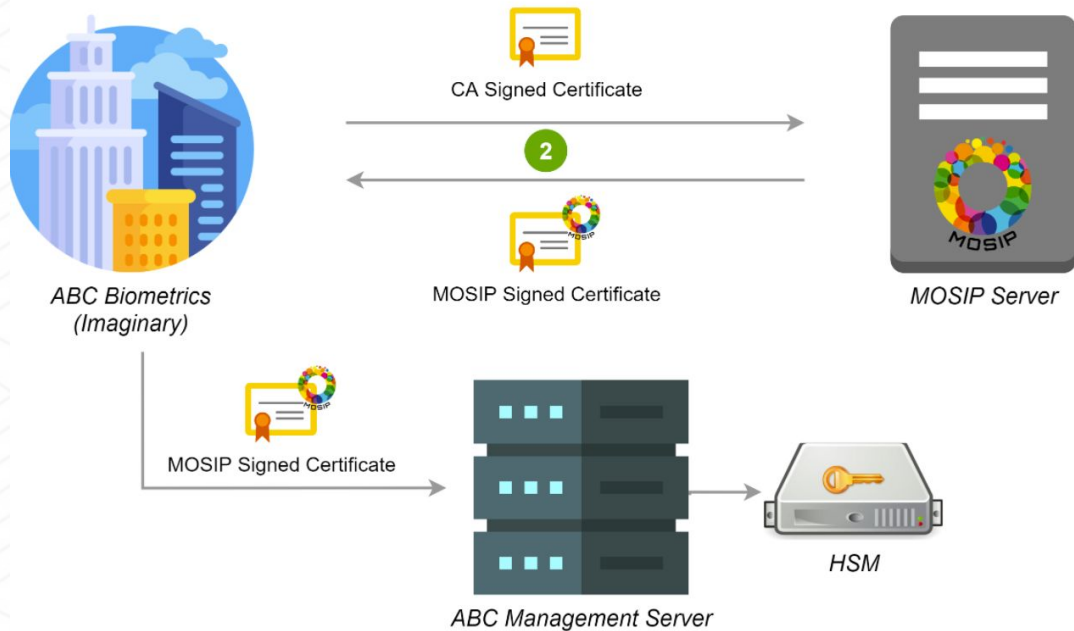
1. "ABC Biometrics" obtains a CA signed certificate from a valid CA registered in the MOSIP ecosystem





# On boarding/Trusting the Device Provider

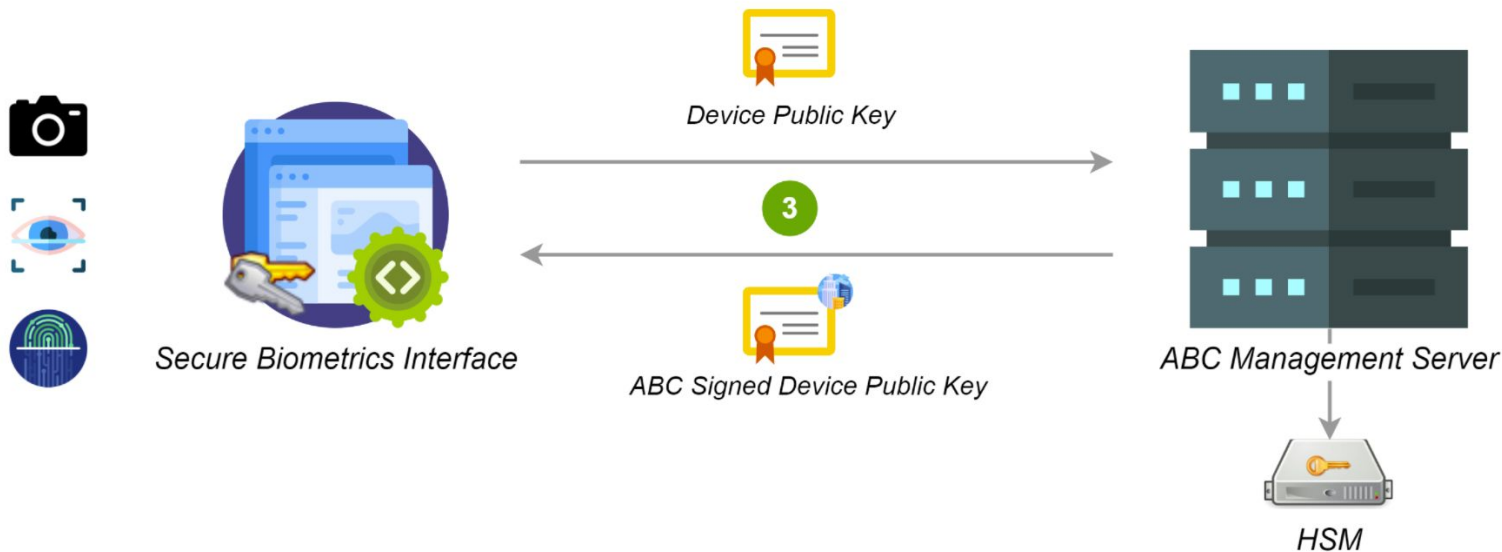
2. "ABC Biometrics" now uploads the CA signed certificate in MOSIP's partner management portal to get a MOSIP signed certificate which is later uploaded to the Management Server





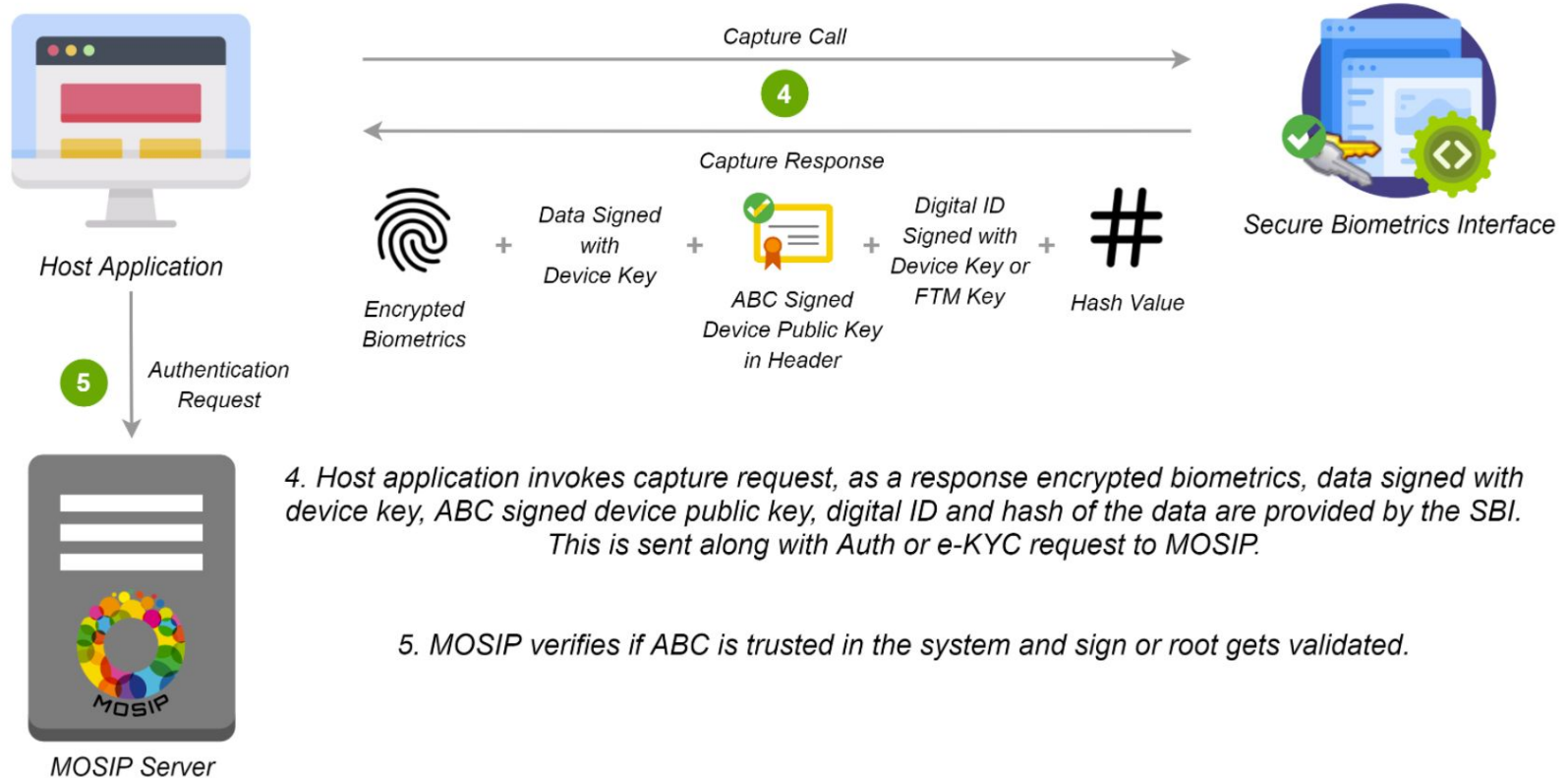
## On boarding/Trusting the Device Provider

3. Each individual device or SBI creates its own key pair, and sends the public key to the Management Server gets back a "ABC Biometrics" signed public certificate





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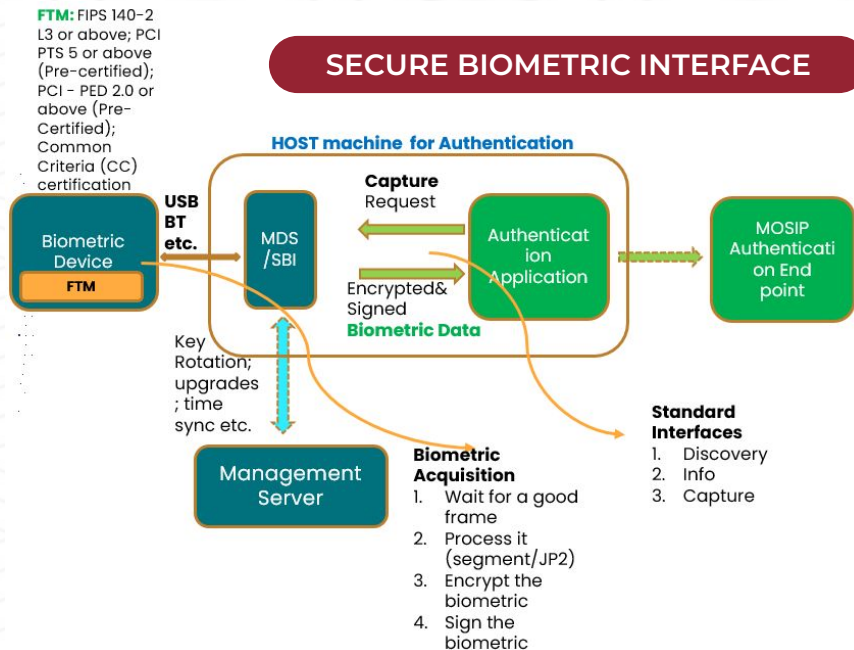
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# Foundational Trust Module (FTM) - SBI 2.0

Securely  
Generate,  
Process and  
Store  
Cryptographic  
Keys

Asymmetric and  
Symmetric Key  
Generation

Protect the Keys  
from  
tampering/atta  
cks & extraction

Secure Boot  
Verify Code

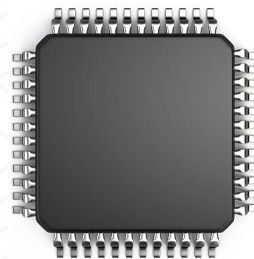
Run Trusted  
Applications

Forward only  
upgrades

Validate  
Integrity

All required  
biometric  
processing

Certificate  
Issuance in a  
secure  
provisioning  
facility



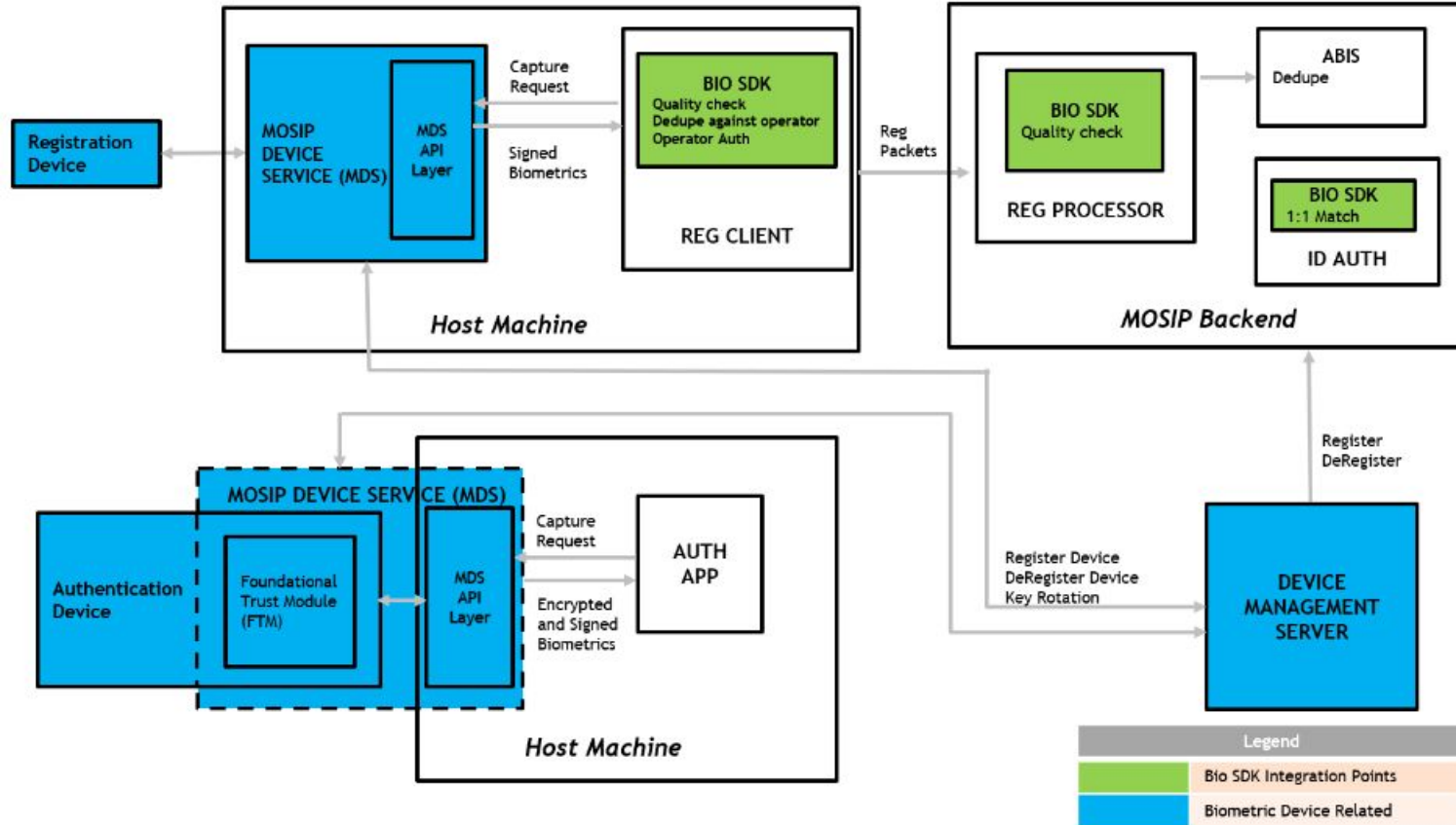


# Biometric SDK





# Biometric SDK – High Level Overview





# Biometric SDK - Function

## Quality Checker

- Checks the quality of input biometrics and returns quality score for the same.
- When the Biometric image is received by MOSIP in the registration client this method is used to check the quality of the image

## Matcher

- Matches the captured biometric record or a list of biometric records (based on single match or composite match), matches it against list of stored biometric records. It then returns a matching score against each stored biometric record or a composite matching score for the list of input biometric records.
- Used for authentication of operators in registration client

## Extractor

- Extracts salient features and patterns of input biometric record to use in fast comparison. It returns the extracted biometric record, ex:- Finger Minutiae points



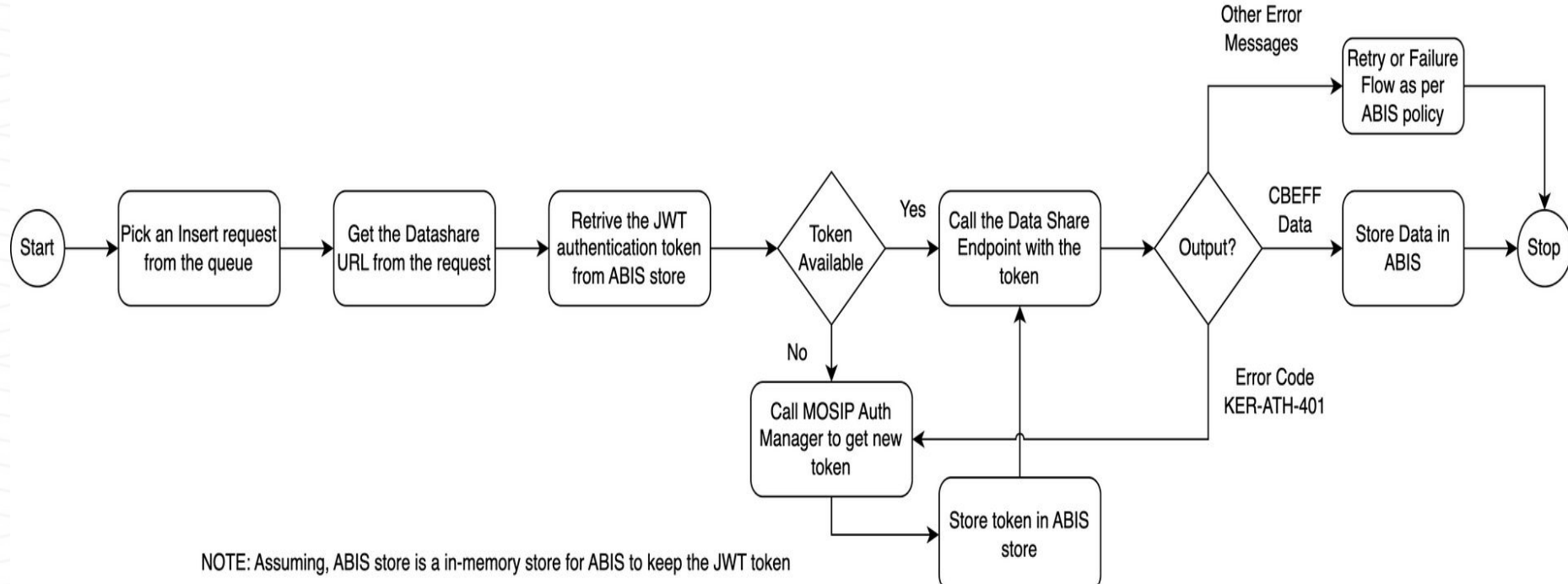
# **ABIS (Automated Biometric Identification System)**







# ABIS - Overview



NOTE: Assuming, ABIS store is a in-memory store for ABIS to keep the JWT token



# ABIS - Overview

- Providing a unique identity for a resident is one of key features
- ABIS is used for 1:N de-duplication of a resident biometric data
- ABIS system never comes to know about resident's identity. Any Personally Identifiable Information (PII) such as demographic details or RID (Request ID for Registration) is not shared with the ABIS system
- MOSIP maintains a mapping between the ABIS specific referenceID and RID of the resident
- ABIS must support the following types of biometric images:
  - Individual fingerprint images (segmented)
  - Iris images (left, right)
  - Face image
- ABIS Operations – Insert, Identify, Delete, Ping, Reference Count



# API Specifications

- <https://docs.mosip.io/1.1.5/biometrics/mosip-device-service-specification>
- <https://docs.mosip.io/1.1.5/biometrics/biometric-specification>
- <https://docs.mosip.io/1.1.5/biometrics/biometric-sdk>
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**Any Questions?**



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## Thank You!

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**Source Code:** [github.com/mosip](https://github.com/mosip)

**Documentation:** [docs.mosip.io](https://docs.mosip.io)

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