



SETS & C-DAC Jointly Offers Workshop on SECURE PROCESSOR 2026

Date & Time: March 2nd - 3rd, 2026 & 9:30AM - 6PM

Location: SETS, MGR Film City Road, CIT Campus, Taramani, Chennai, Tamil Nadu 600113

WORKSHOP OVERVIEW

This workshop offers a forward-looking introduction to security considerations in modern processor design. It explores how trust is established at the hardware level and how architectural choices influence long-term system security. Participants will explore evolving threat landscapes, including physical, side-channel, and supply-chain attacks, alongside future-ready defensive design strategies.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WORKSHOP

- Architecture Fundamentals:** Security-conscious processor design based on core computer architecture principles.
- Hardware Root of Trust:** On-chip identity, secure key storage, and reliable entropy generation.
- Cryptographic Integration:** PUF- and TRNG-based hardware mechanisms for unique device identity.
- Lightweight Secure Boot:** Efficient chain-of-trust boot for resource-constrained systems using cryptographic primitives
- Secure Boot Standards:** Secure boot aligned with NIST SP 800-193 and PSA concepts.
- Remote Attestation:** Cryptographic proof of firmware integrity to a remote verifier.
- Advanced Defence Mechanisms:** Protection against side-channel attacks and physical tampering.
- Trusted Execution:** Secure isolation using Trusted Execution Environments (TEEs).
- Open Architectures (RISC-V):** Security opportunities, risks, and trade-offs in open architectures.
- Hands-on Demos:** Live root-of-trust & secure-boot demonstrations.

DOMAIN EXPERTS

1. **Prof. Santanu Sarkar**, IIT Madras
2. **Prof. Chester Rebeiro**, IIT Madras
3. **Prof. Debapriya Basu Roy**, IIT Kanpur
4. **Prof. Debayan Das**, IISc Bengaluru
5. **Mr Libin**, C-DAC Trivandrum
6. **Ms Sajna**, C-DAC Trivandrum
7. **Ms Jaya**, C-DAC Trivandrum
8. **Dr Natarajan**, SETS Chennai
9. **Dr Tapabrata Roy**, SETS Chennai
10. **Dr Vishal Saraswat**, Bosch Global Software Technologies Pvt Ltd.
11. **Mr Madhusudan**, Incore Semiconductor Pvt Ltd.

REGISTRATION

- **Fee:** Free of Cost.
- **Capacity:** 40 Slots (First Come, First Serve).
- **Registration Link:** <https://forms.gle/CQpSJ9npoU3AnkcQ7>.
- **Mode of Attendance:** OFFLINE
- **Target Audience:** Scholars, Researchers, Academia, and Industry professionals.

PROGRAM COORDINATORS

- Dr Prem Laxman Das, Scientist, SETS, Chennai.
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CONTACT INFORMATION

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Event Schedule (Tentative)

02/03/2026

9:30 - 10:30 AM

Inauguration

10:30 - 11:00 AM

Tea

11:00 - 12:00 PM

Secure processor and its industrial application

Dr Vishal Saraswat

12:00 - 01:00 PM

Lightweight Cryptography

Dr Tapabrata Roy

01:00 - 02:00 PM

Lunch

02:00 - 03:00 PM

Overview of a secure processor and its application

Prof. Chester Rebeiro

03:00 - 04:00 PM

Overview of Vega Processor and its application

Mr Libin & Ms Sajna

04:00 - 04:30 PM

Tea

04:30 - 05:30 PM

TBD

Ms Jaya

05:30 - 6:00 PM

C-DAC Demo

03/03/2026

9:30 - 10:30 AM

TBD

Prof. Debapriya Basu Roy

10:30 - 10:50 AM

Tea

10:50 - 11:50 PM

Hard Problems in Cryptography: From Factorization to Post Quantum - Prof. Santanu

11:50 - 12:50 PM

SCA-resilient PQ-secure processor design

Prof. Debayan Das

12:50 - 1:40 PM

Lunch

1:40 - 2:40 PM

TBD

Mr Madhusudan

2:40 - 3:40 PM

Remote Attestation

Dr Natarajan

3:40 - 4:00 PM

Tea

4:00 - 4:45 PM

PUF & TRNG for Secure processor

Mr Raja Adhithan

4:45 - 5:30 PM

Secure Boot and its Standards

Mr Sheik Abdullah

5:30 - 6:00 PM

SETS Demo