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Dear all,

I managed to delete all copies of my talk in Hanoi, so I made a new set of slides for tomorrow's talk at RWC (attached).

Any comments are most welcome.

Happy New Year, Rene.

NIST's Post-Quantum Cryptography Project

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The Problem

- “Large” quantum computers would break most of our public-key crypto
 - RSA, Diffie-Hellman key exchange, elliptic curve crypto
- Symmetric crypto would be affected, but not broken
 - Keys will have to be longer.
- Full transition to alternatives takes a long time (possibly > 10 years).
- Long-term privacy and security implications ...

NIST's PQC project

- To monitor progress in quantum computers and quantum algorithms.
- To find and standardize quantum-resistant alternatives for PKC, key-exchange, and digital signatures.
- To ensure transparency of the process and legitimacy of the outcome.

Not a Competition

- We hope at the end of the day there will be significant community consensus.
- We may standardize several algorithms.
- The evaluation criteria is not set in stone, it will probably evolve during the next few years.

The Call For Proposals

- Nominations for post-quantum candidate algorithms may now be submitted
<http://csrc.nist.gov/groups/ST/post-quantum-crypto/cfp-announce-dec2016.html>
- Deadline is November 30, 2017

The PQC Forum

- The wording of the CFP followed public discussion on the pqc-forum (pqc-forum@nist.gov).
- This is also where submissions and germane issues - such as evaluation criteria - will be discussed.
- To join send mail to pqc-forum-request@nist.gov with subject=subscribe

How Things Look Like Now

- Signatures: hash-based , lattice-based, multivariate...
- PKE : lattice-based, code-based, multivariate, ...
- Key agreement: PKE, isogeny-based, ...

How Things Look Like Now

- Speed looks good.
- Key sizes may increase significantly.
- Some signature sizes look big.
- Possible significant increase in ciphertext size for short plaintexts.
- **We need industry to do an impact assessment.**

Public Discussion

- Ongoing discussion regarding “security-levels” and derived parametrization.
- Suspicion that NIST is just doing NSA’s bidding.
- Demands that future standards make bad implementations harder.

TIMELINE

Dec 20, 2016	Formal Call for Proposals 😊
Nov 30, 2017	Deadline for submissions
Early 2018	Workshop - Submitter's Presentations
3-5 years	Analysis Phase - NIST will report findings <i>1-2 workshops during this phase</i>
2 years later	Draft Standards ready

THANKS