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InfoGuard is approved as an official Managed Security Service Provider for the Secure Swiss Finance Network

InfoGuard AG has been approved as a partner of the Secure Swiss Finance Network (SSFN) by SIX, making it one of the first listed Swiss Managed Security Service Providers (MSSP) i.e., Managed Endpoint Providers. This means that financial sector customers are able to benefit from prompt connections and InfoGuard-managed access to the SSFN communication service, which is based on the high-security SCiON network architecture.

InfoGuard, the Swiss cyber security expert, has been approved by the Swiss financial infrastructure operator SIX as a Secure Swiss Finance Network (SSFN) endpoint provider, providing managed services for SSFN connections for those who participate in the SSFN. This gives financial service providers the opportunity to switch over at an early juncture to the new SSFN communication network. To this end, InfoGuard offers a simple, secure conversion or connection, as well as access to SSFN as a managed service. This is delivered from the ISO:27001-certified InfoGuard Operation Center in Baar/Zug (Switzerland).

In late September 2024, SIX will be decommissioning the current Finance IPNet that serves as a route to access its infrastructure services. Financial service providers who have been using SIX's Finance IPNet access path up to now will need to have migrated to SSFN by this date. The SSFN communication network enables there to be controlled data exchange between participants with the highest possible levels of security and availability. SSFN is being launched by the Swiss National Bank and SIX.

SSFN is based on the ETH Zurich-developed SCiON technology, which is used by the Swiss financial sector among others. SCiON's next-generation architecture delivers the highest possible levels of security and reliability for private networks, while maintaining the Internet's flexibility. InfoGuard's managed endpoint is based on hardware supplied by Extreme Networks and software provided by Anapaya Systems. Both companies are long-standing InfoGuard partners.

Stefan Thomann, Chief Sales Officer at InfoGuard, says "We see great potential for the secure SCiON Internet protocol, far beyond the SNB's and SIX's SSFN, because cyber resilience is a key issue for Swiss companies, given the threats increasing on a global scale". To enable companies to benefit from this technology rapidly and efficiently, InfoGuard has set up a Managed Network & Security Service, operating the endpoint as a gateway to the SCiON Internet and SSFN for our customers," adds Ricardo Balseiro, InfoGuard's Head of Technology.

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