Swissquote supports research in information security

Marc Bürki, CEO and co-founder of Swissquote, and ETH President Joël Mesot signing the funding agreement.

The Swiss digital bank Swissquote is supporting the Zurich Information Security & Privacy Center (ZISC) at ETH Zurich with a donation of 2.5 million Swiss francs to advance research and education in information security, fraud prevention, and data protection.

Cybercrime poses major challenges to the financial sector and many other service industries. Increasingly professionalised fraud schemes, enabled by technological advancements and artificial intelligence, require cross-sector efforts to effectively protect highly sensitive data and assets.

At ZISC, researchers work together with industry partners on innovative methods, technologies, and strategies to counter digital threats. Swissquote's commitment to ZISC represents a fruitful partnership for both sides. Marc Bürki, CEO and co-founder of Swissquote, explains: "As digital pioneers in the financial sector, we know that trust can only be built through the highest level of security. By supporting ETH and ZISC, we are promoting cutting-edge research and technology, which also benefits our customers."

Close collaboration with companies allows ETH to rapidly transfer knowledge into practice. "The exchange with and support from Swissquote accelerates the development of new security solutions to adequately respond to rapidly evolving fraud techniques," says Professor Srdjan Capkun, Chair of ZISC.

Shaping a responsible digital transformation is a core mission of ETH Zurich. “I’m very pleased about the continued support of our research by the private sector in such a vital area,” says ETH President Joël Mesot. “The donation from Swissquote strengthens our efforts to make communication and IT infrastructures more secure.”

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