

## Use Case - Electrical Automation

## Implementation of **FIDO2** Sign-In for locally joined air-gapped workstations and servers within a power distribution company.



**DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION**: December 2023

**ENVIRONMENT**: User authentication to their air-gapped local Active Directory (AD) joined

Microsoft Windows systems using their username and password.

PROBLEM STATEMENT : • Deploy FIDO2-based authentication across local Active Directory (AD)

connected Microsoft Windows PCs and Servers, ensuring secure access

to a specific enterprise application using FIDO2 security keys.

 $\bullet \ \ \text{Restrict employees from sharing their passwords}.$ 

• Restrict access to system only with Biometric authentication.

• Enable employees to login to any of the PC in the work area to access

apps.

## **Solution Offered:**

In response to these requirements, Ensurity has implemented the XSense IdP solution within the enterprises' on-premises data center. The inventory of ThinC-AUTH devices are managed by 'AMS Module' a life cycle management system within the XSense IdP. Furthermore, the ThinC-AUTH Biometric Security Keys are customized to accommodate the following solutions:

- Configured the ThinC-AUTH Security Keys with corporate licenses to specifically be used with XSense IdP and XSenseCPP (Credential Provider Plug-in). This functionality mandates users to utilize their registered biometrics bringing critical user attribution, while enhancing security measures.
- Supplied a customized Software Tool (Windows, macOS and Linux platforms) to enroll user fingerprints. This process is one-time activity and these settings will be saved directly to the connected ThinC-AUTH device.
- FIDO2 Security Key sign-in to Windows machines is supported in Hybrid and Azure AD environments. XSenseCPP extends support to airgap AD joined machines, for FIDO2 Security Key sign-in along with their domain credentials.

The Global Electrical Automation company was able to secure their systems and eliminate risks of credential sharing and attribute users access to its systems.