

Morpho facial recognition solution for Smartphones and Tablets certified by FIDO

'Selfie'-based solution provides viable and highly secure alternative to passwords for authentication

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Morpho (Safran), the world leader in security and identity solutions, today announced that its biometrics authentication solution has been certified by FIDO* (Fast Identity Online) Alliance.

Morpho's Face authenticator utilizes face recognition for smartphones and tablets to replace traditional user verification methods (e.g., PIN, password). The certification validates the quality of Morpho's implementation of FIDO standards and ensures interoperability among other FIDO compliant products and services. With this solution, service providers can easily deploy facial authentication to secure access to their services for all customers on devices currently on the marketplace. With its first in class liveness detection technologies, which ensure that the face submitted is captured from a live user (and not a photo, for example), Morpho's solution quickly provides universal and strong authentication that replaces passwords with easier to use, more secure and private authentication.

Through an ever-expanding ecosystem, Morpho continues to work with customers and partners to implement biometric authentication solutions more quickly and efficiently, helping drive increased adoption among consumers. Morpho is developing highly secure and convenient solutions that are aligned with FIDO Alliance's mission to revolutionize the nature of online authentication. Protecting users from hacking, identity theft, biometric security technology is a solution that offers convenience whilst guaranteeing a high level of security.

The days of relying exclusively on password-based security are coming to an end. Through face recognition, a simple selfie enables users to both prove and link their unique identities to their smartphones and tablets. In the fight against identity fraud for mobile transactions, Morpho is developing with FIDO viable solutions which are easier to use and protect consumers.

Morpho Chair and CEO Anne Bouverot

*FIDO (Fast IDentity Online) Alliance, www.fidoalliance.org, was formed in July 2012 to address the lack of interoperability among strong authentication technologies, and remedy the problems users face with creating and remembering multiple usernames and passwords. FIDO Alliance is changing the nature of authentication with standards for simpler, stronger authentication that define an open, scalable, interoperable set of mechanisms that reduce reliance on passwords. FIDO authentication is stronger, private, and easier to use when authenticating to online services.

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Securing our identity has become mission critical in the world we live in today. By standing for Augmented Identity, we reinvent the way we think, produce, use and protect this asset, whether for individuals or for objects. We ensure privacy and trust as well as guarantee secure, authenticated and verifiable transactions for international clients from Financial, Telecom, Identity, Public Security and IoT sectors.

OT (Oberthur Technologies) and Safran Identity & Security (Morpho) have joined forces to form IDEMIA. With close to \$3 billion in revenues and 14,000 employees around the world, IDEMIA serves clients in 180 countries.

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