

Safran Announces Launch of Albuquerque Police Department MorphoCloud

MorphoTrak, a subsidiary of Safran Identity & Security, together with the Albuquerque Police Department (APD), announced the successful operational deployment of MorphoBIS in the Cloud, the flagship offer of the MorphoCloud platform.

JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY

POSTED ON 09.20.16



Today's announcement opens a new era for the APD as the first law enforcement agency to implement an automated biometric identification system (ABIS) in the cloud. It is a milestone for MorphoTrak and the biometric industry as well, marking the world's first deployment of a criminal ABIS system in a secure commercial cloud environment.

Scientists at the Albuquerque Police Metropolitan Forensics Science Center are able to focus their efforts on the primary mission such as latent examination, suspect identification and verification, using the latest workstations securely connected to the MorphoCloud. The MorphoCloud provides APD with the latest ABIS functionality available today in a highly scalable and secure architecture.

True Software-as-a-Service is new to the criminal justice biometric identification market, and MorphoTrak and the APD addressed concerns about security and data integrity early in the design stage. The APD MorphoCloud is hosted on Microsoft Azure Government, a cloud platform designed to meet strict U.S. government standards for physical and information security.

Allan Armenta, APD Systems Analyst, stated that with the ABIS being hosted in the cloud, more staff hours can be devoted to law enforcement projects. This opens opportunities to leverage other components inherent in cloud computing such as scalability and disaster recovery.

MorphoCloud allows for increased matching speeds and we are hitting on lower quality prints. The new ABIS allows us greater case management and organization. MorphoTrak has been very attentive to our needs and with the system in the cloud, they have been able to meet our demands in a more efficient manner.

Kris Rubi, APD Forensic Scientist

The APD will benefit from another MorphoCloud first – continuous updates. In a significant innovation over the traditional software life cycle, MorphoTrak applies updates to the system on a continual basis. The APD will always have the latest, most advanced version of MorphoBIS including advances in our core algorithms, without the disruption that typically accompanies a major upgrade. In a similar vein, MorphoCloud will allow the APD to expand its system as needed, without the financial demands of new hardware, costly integration, and extensive testing.

We are pleased to be standing with the Albuquerque Police Department on the horizon of cloud adoption in law enforcement. We share a dedication to the public safety mission and are proud to offer a portal to sophisticated crime-solving software and a secure repository for sensitive data that will keep the APD at the forefront of the nation's public safety organizations.

Celeste Thomasson, MorphoTrak President and CEO

About IDEMIA - OT-Morpho is now IDEMIA, the global leader in Augmented Identity for an increasingly digital world, with the ambition to empower citizens and consumers alike to interact, pay, connect, travel and vote in ways that are now possible in a connected environment.

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.

For more information, head to www.idemia.com. And follow us @IdemiaGroup on Twitter.