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Enhancing airport security:

TEOS touch panel PCs from AURES to be used in the first mobile ID control kits

Lisses-Runcorn - May 18, 2010 ; *The AURES Group's **Equipment & Systems** Department will be equipping the first mobile systems destined to enhance security and improve identity checks in airports.*

Developed by **ID SHIELD**, working closely with the Security Departments of leading international airlines, this portable kit has been designed in a case format, enabling ID checks to be performed anytime, anywhere in airports and other transit areas, right to the stairs of the aircraft - or even in-cabin if required.

Each portable unit consists of a **TEOS** panel PC built into an armoured carry case, along with a document scanner. The station is operated by an all-in-one software platform for document-based and biometric access control (including databases), developed and integrated by **ID SHIELD**.

Powered by a lithium or car battery, these mobile systems offer an effective means of combating documentary fraud.

“Given that airlines can be fined up to €5000 (in France) if they allow passengers whose papers are not in order on board - and that some pay over €5m a year for having allowed unauthorised individuals to enter or pass through another country - the benefit of our new system is clear,” said **Raphaël ROCHER**, founder of **ID SHIELD** and holder of the patent for the technology.

“What is more, the fine is only part of the financial cost: other expenses include the return ticket, the police escort, accommodation in France and the administrative staff assigned by the airline to related duties,” he added.

“The IDS kit will soon be accompanied by a facial recognition programme,” he concluded.

“This recognition programme will be particularly useful in specific instances – for example, when individuals destroy their identity documents once on board the plane, thereby hoping to obtain asylum on arrival,” explained **Franck GEIGER**, in charge of the project for AURES. *“The programme will enable the airline to prove that it did not make any mistakes during boarding and that the passenger did have documentation.”*

“This portable identity control system should be soon implemented worldwide; it represents a major innovation, and we are proud to be a part of that”, said **Patrick ROSA**, head of the **AURES Group's Equipment and Systems** Department.

About ID SHIELD

ID SHIELD is a rising French start-up which focuses on the concept of access control, particularly document-based and biometric systems. For its IDS application (a mobile system to check identity details in airports), ID SHIELD is responsible for software and database development and integration, as well as the operating architecture and platform maintenance.

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About the AURES Group

Founded in 1989 and listed on Euronext Paris since 1999, the AURES Group is present on the point-of-sale IT market in over 40 countries under its POSLIGNE® brand.

In addition to this business, the **Equipment & Systems** Department (OEM* hardware and sub-systems) works closely with integrators and systems suppliers, providing them with product lines and complete sub-assemblies for industry, integrators and dynamic displays under its INTRALIGNE label.

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Encs: *photos and descriptions of the IDS system*
TEOS Technical Data Sheet

IDS system developed by ID SHIELD



The portable ID control unit consists of an armoured case fitted with the following:

- TEOS 17-inch Touch Panel PC by AURES
- high-speed 3-colour document scanner
- mandatory backlit area to show up watermarks,
- connection to mains lithium power or car battery
- the unit can run on Windows XP Pro or Linux

- documents can be enlarged using an integrated magnifier system
- passport photos can be viewed at full-screen size (17 inches) to assist in detection of identity theft.
- Basic Access Control: software enabling the photo in an electronic passport chip to be displayed.