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Biometric Fingerprint Capture At South Korean Borders

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South Korea is using Patrol from Cross Match for traveller identification at the country's border crossing points using biometric fingerprint identification



Cross Match Technologies has been selected by the South Korean Ministry of Justice to support its Foreigners' Fingerprint Verification System.

The Ministry will register foreign travelers in 30 immigration offices throughout South Korea using the Cross Match Patrol, an FBI Appendix F-certified biometric capture device, which delivers the highest quality ID flats and ten-print images. By doing so, it will build a high quality database against which it can compare and verify the biometric data of those entering and travelling within the country.

Operators can quickly capture quality fingerprints with minimal interaction, making it quick and easy to enroll biometric data into South Korea's traveler identification program. "Cross Match is proud to partner with Digent on this endeavour, which is an integral part of our global immigration support strategy," states Hugues Gervais, Regional Director, Asia & Pacific at Cross Match.

Digent's Fingerprint Authentication Server software, allows for rapid matching and verification of captured fingerprints. "Cross Match Patrol systems with Digent Matching software provide biometric verification within seconds," says Tae Whun Kim, Marketing Director at Digent. "The Cross Match-Digent solution can verify more than 500,000 fingerprints per second, which will aid the Ministry of Justice in fingerprinting approximately nine million foreign travellers to South Korea annually."

The Ministry of Justice will enhance South Korean security by using the technologies to identify travellers at both airports and harbours. Fred Baradari, President of Government Solutions at Cross Match explains, "Patrol is a low-cost solution for definitive biometric-based identity verification, which makes it an excellent choice for national identification programs. We look forward to assisting the South Korean government on this border control initiative."

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