

Announcement

ePassport Interoperability Test Event

Berlin (Germany)

29 May - 1 June 2006

Germany is one of the leading nations worldwide in ePassport technology. The introduction of the German ePassport started 1 November 2005 and has since been a success. In order to proactively fulfil the responsibility for a smooth use of ePassport technology Germany intends to hold an international interoperability test event. It is planned to hold the event from 29 May to 1 June 2006 in Berlin (Germany). The ICAO NTWG was addressed for support. The respective organisational preparations are ongoing.

Respecting the role of the Brussels Interoperability Group (BIG) Germany intends to focus the event to the following activities:

- regular cross over test (ePassport samples vs. commercially available readers),
- conformity test (ePassport samples vs. selected testcases of ePassport Conformity Assessment),
- workshop (IT-security criteria, experience in the field of issuing and controlling, cryptographic mechanisms, ...),
- verification of certificates (LDAP Server),
- exhibition / industry fair (ePassport samples, readers, ...).

The participating ePassport developers / producers are asked for five identical sample passbooks including realistic personalised data. The testing activities therefore are no longer based on idealised boundary conditions, but realistic data that mirror conditions in the field.

The preliminary agenda consist of the following:

29 May 2006:

afternoon

registration of the participants

30 May 2006:

morning: Welcome / Introduction

30 May 2006 and 31 May 2006:

morning / afternoon

Session 1: Conformity Test

Session 2: Cross Over Test

Session 3: Workshop

1 June 2006:

morning

Session 1: Conformity Test

Session 2: Workshop

afternoon

Results

Closing

The agenda leaves enough room for Your presentations, bilateral discussions and new contacts. You are invited to participate in the ePassport Interoperability Test Event and enrich this important event with Your presence. If You have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

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