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The 4th edition of the EAB Research Projects Conference (EAB-RPC) will take place on the 18th and 19th of September 2017, at the premises of **Fraunhofer IGD in Darmstadt, Germany**.

The conference is organized by the European Association for Biometrics (EAB) in cooperation with the Joint Research Center (DG-JRC) of the European Commission, through its Cyber and Digital Citizens' security Unit. The EAB-RPC 2017 will be co-located with the EAB Research Award and the IEEE BIOSIG Conference, later that same week. The conference is currently the largest event on research funded by the European Union in the area of Biometrics and Identity Management.

Over the previous three successful editions, EAB-RPC has become the main forum in Europe where attendees can simultaneously promote research carried out in biometrics, forge new links and networks, and identify the appropriate partners for possible future project applications. Last year's edition welcomed over 100 participants from academia, industry and public institutions.

This year's edition will include the participation of numerous EU-funded research projects, such as: ARIES, iBORDERCtrl, PYCSEL, AMBER, LIGHTest, ABC4EU, HECTOS, BODEGA, PROTECT, SWAN, INGRESS, FastPass and Tabula Rasa. Researchers and industry from all over Europe will present the advances achieved in these projects, provide updates on how results from finished projects are being currently used to improve biometric technology and eventually give an insight into the future of biometric research. The conference will offer a holistic and comprehensive perspective of the status of biometric and identity management technology in Europe with the participation of the following stakeholders: end-users (Frontex, ENFSI, ENLETS), Policy makers (DG Home) and Managers of large IT-systems (eu-LISA, SIS-II and Eurodac).

The conference will include a round-table presenting the challenges that the above communities face in their daily work and propose solutions. One of the main objectives of the conference is to bring together all stakeholders to try to find common approaches, strategies and coordinated response to give a coordinated response to the key needs identified by the Union in order to efficiently protect the freedom and security of EU citizens.

All the projects in the conference are engaged in one of the objectives driving the Union's policy development in order to reach a more secure society (EC COM(2011) 809 final): fight crime, illegal trafficking and terrorism; strengthen security through border management; provide cyber security; increase Europe's resilience to crises and disasters; ensure privacy and freedom including the internet and enhance the societal dimension of security; enhance standardization and interoperability of systems.

We thank our partners:



Information about the conference:

Date: 2017-09-18 - 2017-09-19
Location: Fraunhofer IGD, Fraunhoferstraße 5, 64283 Darmstadt, Germany
Program and registration: <http://eab.org/events/program/122>
Entrance fees: Normal: 360,00 € / EAB members: 240,00 € / Speakers: 120,00 €
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About the EAB:

The European Association for Biometrics (www.eab.org) is a pan-European non-profit association seeking to advance the proper and beneficial use of biometrics in Europe, taking into account the interests of European citizens, industry, academia and governments. The EAB is the European platform for biometrics, currently having over 200 members from 35 countries. Driven by developments in connection with immigration challenges, the requirements of e-passport implementations and a whole range of emerging commercial applications, the EAB fulfills the role of an independent and multi-stakeholder platform, where stakeholders can meet and exchange information and visions. For more information about the EAB please contact secretariat@eab.org.