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Travel Document Security

Action against Terrorism Unit

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Mandate

- **Maastricht Ministerial Council 2003**
 - ~ **ICAO minimum security standards for Handling & Issuance**
 - ~ **Issuance of 9303 standard MRTDs, if possible with digitized photos**
 - ~ **On voluntary basis, also supports issuance of ePassports with biometrics**



Mandate

- **Sofia Ministerial Council 2004**
 - ~ **Report lost & stolen travel documents, either blank or personalized to Interpol**
- **Brussels Ministerial Council 2006**
 - ~ **Support deployment of FIND & MIND to provide first-line law enforcement end-users real-time access to Interpol's databases**

Core Tasks and Partners

- Provide political platform for IOs
- Facilitate the work of major specialized agencies





Four Strategic Areas

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- Interpol's databases for law enforcement end-users
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Handling and Issuance

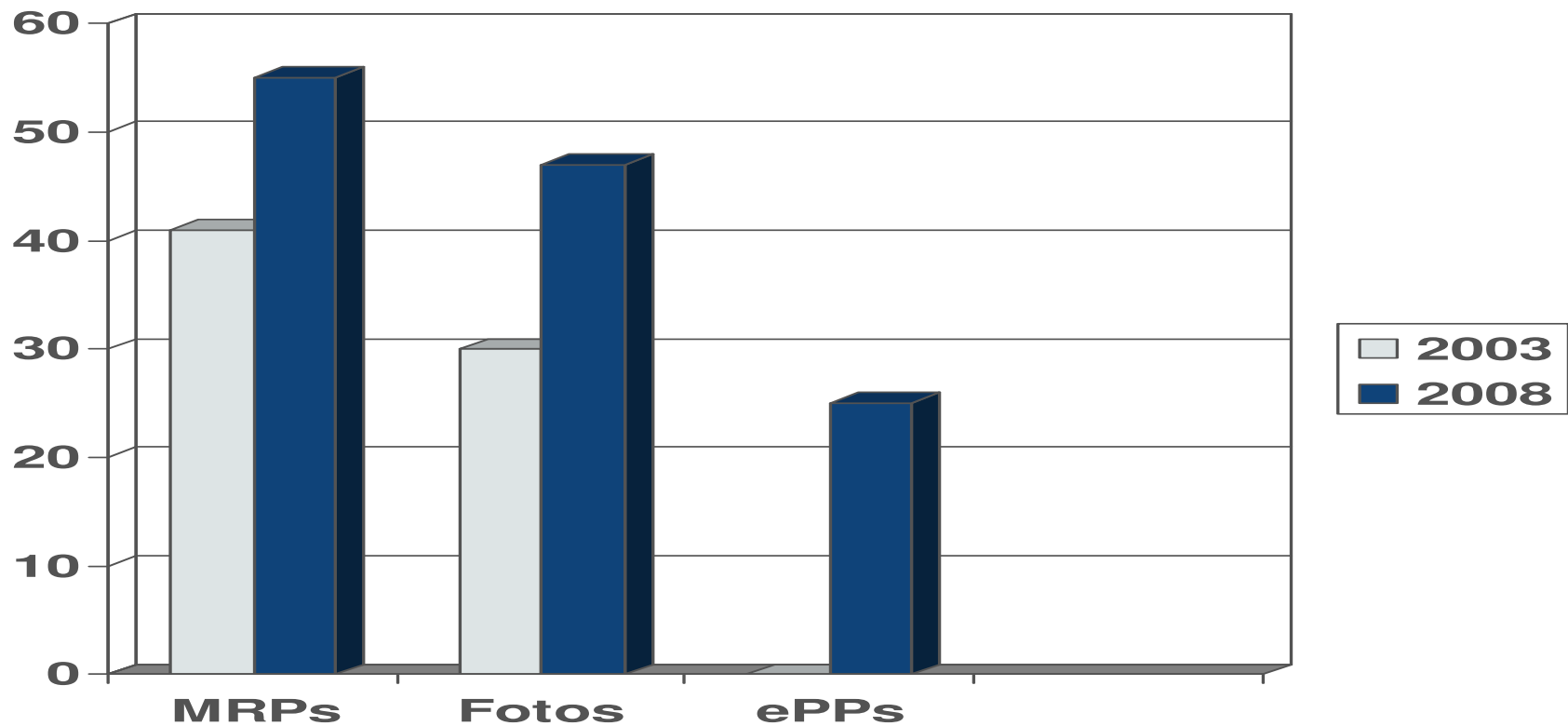
- Highlight importance of H&I especially in regard to Counter-Terrorism
 - High assurance in enrolment & adjudication process
 - Reduce possibility of issuing fraudulent documents
 - Support comprehensive civil registration systems
- Specific issues:
- Transliteration
 - National harmonization of breeder documents



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Document Upgrades





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Lost & Stolen Travel Documents

- Raise awareness for use of ASF-SLTD
- Institutionalize regular & rapid reporting of documents
- Link national databases to Interpol's databases
- Facilitate deployment of technical platforms:
 - Fixed Interpol Network Database – FIND
 - Mobile Interpol Network Database – MIND



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Falsified/Fraudulent Documents

National-specific, intensive training

- Macedonia 2007, Montenegro 2008

Build capacity for first/second-line controls

- Supported by Austria and Netherlands

5 regional workshops in 2003/2004 held in

- South-Eastern Europe, Central Asia, Eastern Europe



Cross Cutting Areas

Groups:

- ISO Task Force 3
- G8 Lyon/Roma MESG
- IF4TD

Issues:

- WP 2 Transliteration
- WP 4 Handling & Issuance



Growth Areas

- Public-Private Partnerships to provide:
 - 1) Comprehensive Handling & Issuance Systems
 - ~ Identity Data Management
 - 2) Extended Access Control
 - ~ Experts needed
- FIND or MIND at the first line



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Questions?

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What are the ATU's objectives?

- To **enhance the OSCE's continued role** as an effective framework and mechanism for addressing the terrorist threat
- To **enhance the capabilities and capacities of participating States** to address the multifaceted and evolving terrorist threat
- To **improve internal and external co-ordination** of counter-terrorism related activities



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What does the ATU have to offer?

- OSCE **comprehensive approach** to security / Broad mandate
- **Co-ordinated intervention** on a broad range of terrorism facilitators
- **Platform** for high-quality networking and information exchange
- **Action-oriented** workshops and seminars!
- **Supporting advanced security standards** from specialized international organizations
- Identifying and addressing **gaps**

