ICAO TRAVELLER IDENTIFICATION PROGRAMME

21ST TRIP SYMPOSIUM

PUTTING TRUST INTO PRACTICE: TOWARDS TRUSTED TRAVEL IDENTITY FOR ALL

22 -24 SEPTEMBER 2026, MONTREAL, CANADA

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

DAY 0 – Monday, 21 September	
TIME	
09:00 – 19:00	**ON-SITE REGISTRATION**
17:00 – 20:00	**WELCOME RECEPTION sponsor IN GROUPE**
DAY 1 – Tuesday, 22 September	
TIME	
ALL DAY	**NETWORKING COFFEE sponsor INNOVATRICS**
08:00 – 11:30	**Barista Coffee sponsor VERIDOS**
08:00 – 09:30	**ON-SITE REGISTRATION**
09:30 – 10:30	Senior officials from ICAO and partner organizations will deliver strategic insights on the future of traveller identification. Speakers will address the evolving regulatory landscape under Annex 9 SARPs, and the integration of new technologies aimed at modernizing identity systems and improving global mobility. The session will highlight how multilateral cooperation and secure identity frameworks can create more resilient, inclusive, and interoperable travel environments.
	MASTER OF CEREMONY: Denis Chagnon, President, York & Cumberland Communications Inc. **OPENING REMARKS**: • **Mr. Toshiyuki Onuma**, President of the ICAO Council, International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) • **Mr. Miguel Angel Aranda Daroczi,** Deputy Minister, Administration and Technical Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Paraguay • **Mr. Lorenzo Ramírez**, Director General, Passports, Dominican Republic **TRIP AWARD RECOGNITION** **Mr. Dion Chamberlain,** General Manager, Engagement, Data and Innovation, Regulatory and Identity Services Branch, Department of Internal Affairs, New Zealand & Chairperson, ICAO TAG/TRIP Implementation and Capacity Building Working Group (ICBWG) The TRIP Award of Excellence is bestowed in recognition of the outstanding contribution of individuals to the development, promotion and implementation of the Traveller Identification Programme as a pillar of enhanced civil aviation security and facilitation worldwide.
10:30 – 10:45	**Welcome Reception sponsor's presentation IN GROUPE** Advanced Document Authentication for the AI Era
10:45 – 11:15	**COFFEE BREAK sponsor CANADIAN BANK NOTE**

	INNOVATION & IMPLEMENTATION
11:15 – 12:15	**SESSION 1. Interactive High-Level Panel: The Future of Trusted Travel Identity** A high level panel of leaders from aviation, border management, and travel document issuing authorities will explore the future of trusted traveller identity. The session will examine how States and industry are moving from innovation to implementation, scaling interoperable solutions such as Digital Travel Credentials, and advancing seamless, inclusive travel. Panelists will also consider global cooperation, governance, and emerging challenges such as quantum safe cryptography, highlighting the priorities that will shape worldwide adoption of trusted travel identity. **Moderator: Sonia Hifdi**, Deputy Director, Aviation Security, Cybersecurity and Facilitation, & Acting, Director, Air Transport Bureau, ICAO • **Justin Erbacci**, Director General, Airports Council International (ACI) World • **Darryl Brile**, Senior Advisor, International Affairs, Passport Services, Department of State, United States; & Chairperson, Technical Advisory Group Traveller Identification Programme (TAG/TRIP) • **Nuno Bellem**, Team Leader, International Agreements for Canadian Transportation Agency & Acting Chairperson, Facilitation Panel • **Jamel Dridi**, Aviation Security and Facilitation Expert, African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC) **Question and Answer Period**
12:15 – 12:30	**LUNCH sponsor's presentation ENTRUST** Unlocking Efficiency at Scale: The Role of Digital Identity in Border Transformation
12:30 – 14:00	**LUNCH sponsor ENTRUST**
12:30 – 14:00	**Barista Coffee sponsor VERIDOS**
14:00 – 15:15	**SESSION 2. DTC Fundamentals from Concept to Deployment** This session provides a practical foundation for understanding Digital Travel Credentials (DTCs) and how they transition from concept to real-world deployment. Building on lessons learned from ICAO workshops and early implementations, the discussion will clarify the roles of physical and virtual components, explore approaches to virtual credential issuance and associated trust models, and examine how existing document validation mechanisms can be leveraged. The session aims to demystify DTC implementation for States by focusing on governance, trust, and operational readiness. **Moderator: Dion Chamberlain**, General Manager, Engagement, Data and Innovation, Regulatory and Identity Services Branch, Department of Internal Affairs, New Zealand & Chairperson, ICAO TAG/TRIP Implementation and Capacity Building Working Group (ICBWG) • **DTC fundamentals - Physical Versus Virtual Components, VC Issuance, Trust Models and Transmission Protocols** **Mika Hansson**, Senior Adviser, National Police Board, Finland & Lead, Digital Travel Credentials Working Group, Finland • **Aptitude Identity Programme, ANTS, France** **Florent Tournois**, Director of Identity, Trust Services and Production, Identity Programme, France • **Leveraging Existing Validation Mechanisms** **R Rajeshkumar**, Convenor, International Organization for Standardization (ISO), JTC1/SC17, Working Group 3 **Question and Answer Period**
15:00 – 16:00	**Barista Coffee sponsor VERIDOS**
15:15 – 15:45	**COFFEE BREAK sponsor GROUND CONTROLS**

SKY TALKS	
15:45 – 16:00	SITA - Redefining Borders
16:00 – 16:15	VERIDOS - Securing the Borders of the Future
16:15 – 16:30	SECURIPORT - The Next Trust Stack
16:30 – 16:45	COVESTRO - A New Material Paradigm for the Passport
16:45 – 17:00	INNOVATRICS - Biometrics House a Seamless Airport
17:00 – 17:15	SICPA - Digital Identity for Trusted Human Global Mobility
17:15 – 20:00	**NETWORKING RECEPTION sponsored by** SICPA

DAY 2 – Wednesday, 23 September

DOCUMENT SECURITY & TRUST

ALL DAY	**NETWORKING COFFEE sponsored by** REGULA
08:00 – 11:30	**Barista Coffee**
09:00 – 10:30	**SESSION 3. Securing Travel Documents in a Digital Era** As travel documents evolve, so too must the security architectures that protect them. This session focuses on the security of eMRTDs and digital credentials in an increasingly sophisticated threat environment. It will provide updates on Doc 9303, review emerging security features, and introduce considerations related to Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC). Participants will gain an understanding of how States can prepare for quantum-safe travel document ecosystems while ensuring continuity, interoperability, and resilience. **Moderator: Christiane DerMarkar**, TRIP Officer, ICAO • **Evidence of Identity in the Digital Age** **Dion Chamberlain**, General Manager, Engagement, Data and Innovation, Regulatory and Identity Services Branch, Department of Internal Affairs, New Zealand & Chairperson, ICAO TAG/TRIP Implementation and Capacity Building Working Group (ICBWG) • **Travel Document Ecosystems Designed for All People** **Michael Casasola,** Senior Resettlement and Complementary Pathways Officer, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Canada • **Preparing for Quantum-safe Travel Document Ecosystems** **R Rajeshkumar,** Convenor, International Organization for Standardization (ISO), JTC1/SC17, Working Group 3 • **Capacity Building Initiatives – Asia Pacific Region** **Laura Scorretti**, Senior Regional Specialist, Immigration and Border Governance, Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, International Organization for Migration (IOM) **Question and Answer Period**
10:30 – 11:00	**COFFEE BREAK sponsor** EMPTECH

11:00 – 12:15	**SESSION 4. Biometrics & Identity Integrity** Biometrics play a critical role in establishing and maintaining identity integrity throughout the traveller journey. This session explores biometric quality requirements, international standards, and advanced techniques for detecting fraud, including morphing and presentation attacks. Discussions will emphasize responsible and secure use of biometrics within identity assurance frameworks, balancing facilitation, security, privacy, and inclusion. Practical insights will support States in strengthening defences against identity fraud while preserving public trust. **Moderator:** **Dinusha Frings**, Coordinator International Affairs, National Office for Identity Data, Ministry of Interior and Kingdom Relations, Netherlands
	• **Biometric Quality and Standards** **Patrick Grother**, Computer Scientist, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), United States • **Verifying Identity** **Justin Ikura**, Director, Identity Management Division, Strategic Policy Branch, Canada Border Services Agency • **Countering Identity Fraud** **Karla Santos**, General Coordinator Civil Aviation Management, Secretariat of Civil Aviation, Ministry of Ports and Airports, Brazil **Question and Answer Period**
12:15 – 12:30	**LUNCH sponsor's presentation** TOPPAN Identity Was Never Black And White
12:30 – 14:00	**LUNCH sponsor** TOPPAN
12:30 – 14:00	**Barista Coffee**
14:00 – 15:15	**SESSION 5. Trust Infrastructure – Validating Digital Identity** Trusted travel identity depends on robust, interoperable validation infrastructure. This session examines the trust frameworks underpinning digital identity validation, including the continued role of the eMRTD alongside DTCs. It will highlight the ICAO Public Key Directory (PKD) as a global trust anchor and discuss how States can maintain interoperability across national and regional systems. The session will address technical, governance, and operational considerations essential to sustaining global trust in digital identity. **Moderator:** **Cor de Jonge**, PKI Team Leader, Judicial Information Service, Ministry of Justice and Security, The Netherlands & Chairperson, ICAO Public Key Directory (PKD) Board • **United States Model & Maintaining Global Interoperability Across Systems** **Mia Plagmann**, Program Analyst, Passport Services, Department of State, United States • **Nigerian ePassport Implementation** **Kemi Nanna Nandap**, Comptroller General of Immigration, Immigration Service, Nigeria • **eDoc PKI eMRTD Verification and PKI** **Titus Abele**, Head, Department Digital Technology, Standards and PKI & **Benjamin Mouchet**, Information Security Officer, PKI Operations, Fedpol, Switzerland • **PKD Global Trust Anchor** **Ciaran Carolan**, Technical Officer, Public Key Directory (PKD), ICAO **Question and Answer Period**
15:00 – 16:00	**Barista Coffee**
15:15 – 15:45	**COFFEE BREAK sponsor** OVD KINEGRAM
SKY TALKS	

15:45 – 16:00	**SICPA - High Security Documents: Enabling Enhanced Identity Sovereignty**
16:00 – 16:15	**SERPRO - Travel Intelligence System: AI and Biometrics for Safer Borders**
16:15 – 16:30	**EMPTECH - Putting AI into Practice: Advancing Consistency and Trust in Traveller Identification**
16:30 – 16:45	**IN GROUPE - DTC - latest update on the experimentation made this year by IN Groupe and France Titres**
16:45 – 17:00	**THALES - From Concept to Reality: PQC-Enabled eMRTDs in Action**
17:00-17:15	**SITA - What do Netflix, Spotify, Amazon, and modern borders have in common?**
17:15 – 20:00	**NETWORKING RECEPTION sponsor SITA**

DAY 3 – Thursday, 24 September

BORDERS & INTEROPERABLE SYSTEMS

ALL DAY	**NETWORKING COFFEE Sponsored by COVESTRO**
08:00 – 11:30	**Barista Coffee sponsor SERPRO**
09:00 – 10:30	**SESSION 6. Seamless Travel in Practice** This session examines how seamless, contactless travel concepts are being implemented in operational environments. Through practical examples, it will explore automated border control (ABC), biometric-enabled processes, and facial recognition technologies as components of integrated traveller journeys. The session will also consider how these systems interface with passenger data, including API and PNR, to enhance facilitation while supporting border control and security objectives. **Moderator: Christopher Hornek**, Facilitation Subject Matter Expert, ICAO • **Rollout Facial Recognition and Biometrics** **Vsevolod Kim**, Director, Standardization Officer, Facilitation, Passenger and Cargo Services, Kazakhstan • **Singapore's Experience with Seamless Travel – New Clearance Concept** **Wang Boon Loh**, Senior Assistant Director, Future Ops & Transformation – Passenger, Immigration and Checkpoints Authority, Singapore • **Border Security Management – Contactless Travel Solutions** **Siv-Katrine Leirtroe**, Head, Border Security and Management Unit, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) • **FIELDS Integration – National Experiences** **Andrijana Risović**, Document Expert, General Police Directorate, Border Police, Ministry of Interior, Croatia **Alina Andreescu**, Document Expert, Border Police, Romania **Question and Answer Period**

10:30 – 11:00	**COFFEE BREAK sponsor THALES**
11:00 – 12:00	**SESSION 7. Interoperable Applications Across the Traveller Journey** Interoperability is essential to delivering trusted and seamless travel across borders. This session focuses on how DTCs, ePassports, biometrics, and passenger data can be integrated across multiple touchpoints in the traveller journey. Discussions will address end-to-end orchestration, data-driven decision-making using API/PNR, and the importance of common standards to enable interoperability among States, airlines, airports, and service providers. The session will highlight practical pathways toward coordinated, scalable implementation. **Moderator: Ciaran Carolan**, Technical Officer, Public Key Directory, ICAO • **Latest Trends Identity Document Fraud – Harmonizing IT Equipment at Borders** **Jeremy Souchet,** Document Specialist, National Direction Border Police, Identity Fraud Documentation, Research and Analyst Group, MOI, France • **European Travel Information and Authorization System (ETIAS)** **Sabine Kloss-Tullius**, Head, Application Processing, ETIAS Central Unit, Frontex • **Seamless End-to-end Traveller Journey** **Patrick Bertsch**, Chairperson, IATA Control Authorities Working Group (CAWG), United Airlines • **UNOCT** **Christine Bradley**, Chief, Countering Terrorist Travel Section, United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) **Question and Answer Period**
12:00 – 12:15	**CLOSING REMARKS: Sonia Hifdi**, Deputy Director, Aviation Security, Cybersecurity and Facilitation, & Acting, Director, Air Transport Bureau, ICAO