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Evidence of Identity – Taking-Off

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Evidence of Identity



"I'm not sure it's legal for us to take you home if you've lost your passport."



When flying through thunderstorms the passengers start to look like their passport photographs.



MATT



Source: Matt cartoons The Telegraph

'Sorry, I should have made myself clearer. It's your PASSPORT that expires in one month'



Why Eol is Important ... and challenging

- Significant progress on other aspects of the Identity life-cycle
- Evidence of Identity (Eol) is currently the most vulnerable
- Most fraud arises out of manipulating instruments of Eol

- Eol is a broad subject – legal, human rights, policy, administrative, technical
- Eol is scattered and not under a single administrative control
- Eol is impacted by history, geography, war, and culture
- Eol is a powerful state instrument, often politically contested

- Commensurate multi-disciplinary effort is required to strengthen Eol-related processes



How does EoI work?

- Founded in the country's constitution, laws, and practices
- Population constituents – citizen, national, resident, refugee, etc.
- Closely linked to Civil Registration
- Breeder Documents – birth, death, marriage / separation, adoption, naturalization, name-change

- Connect to specific passport-related laws and rules
- Application & verification / authentication processes
- Issue (or not) a Travel Document

- *Freedom of Movement (travel) is enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, 1945 (Article 13) international treaties and national Constitutions*



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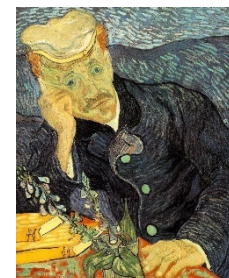
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Eol makes you worried?

- Is this birth certificate genuine?
 - Are these two names the same, from different languages / spellings?
 - Do all these supporting records add up?
 - Is this person the same as the person in the document?
 - What if the identity is fake or forged?
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- Am I taking adequate precautions against issuing travel documents to terrorists?
 - Am I upholding the basic rights of the people of my country?
 - Am I sensitive to humanitarian issues?

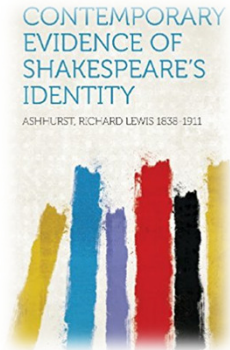


Portrait of Dr. Gachet By Vincent Van Gogh
Two versions painted by the artist in June 1890



Don't worry – help is at hand!

- ICAO will soon release an EVIDENCE OF IDENTITY GUIDE
- Preparation supported by ICBWG



Idea for the cover!

- Contents
 - Introduction to EOI
 - Evidence of Identity
 - Identity exists
 - Identity is a living identity
 - Applicant links to the identity
 - Operational Considerations
 - Legislation
 - Data & information sharing
 - Risk considerations
 - Technological tools
 - Resources
 - Appendix
 - From birth to border – EOI practices
 - Civil Registration – good practices
 - Utility of Biometrics
 - Assessment of available evidence



The new EoI at work

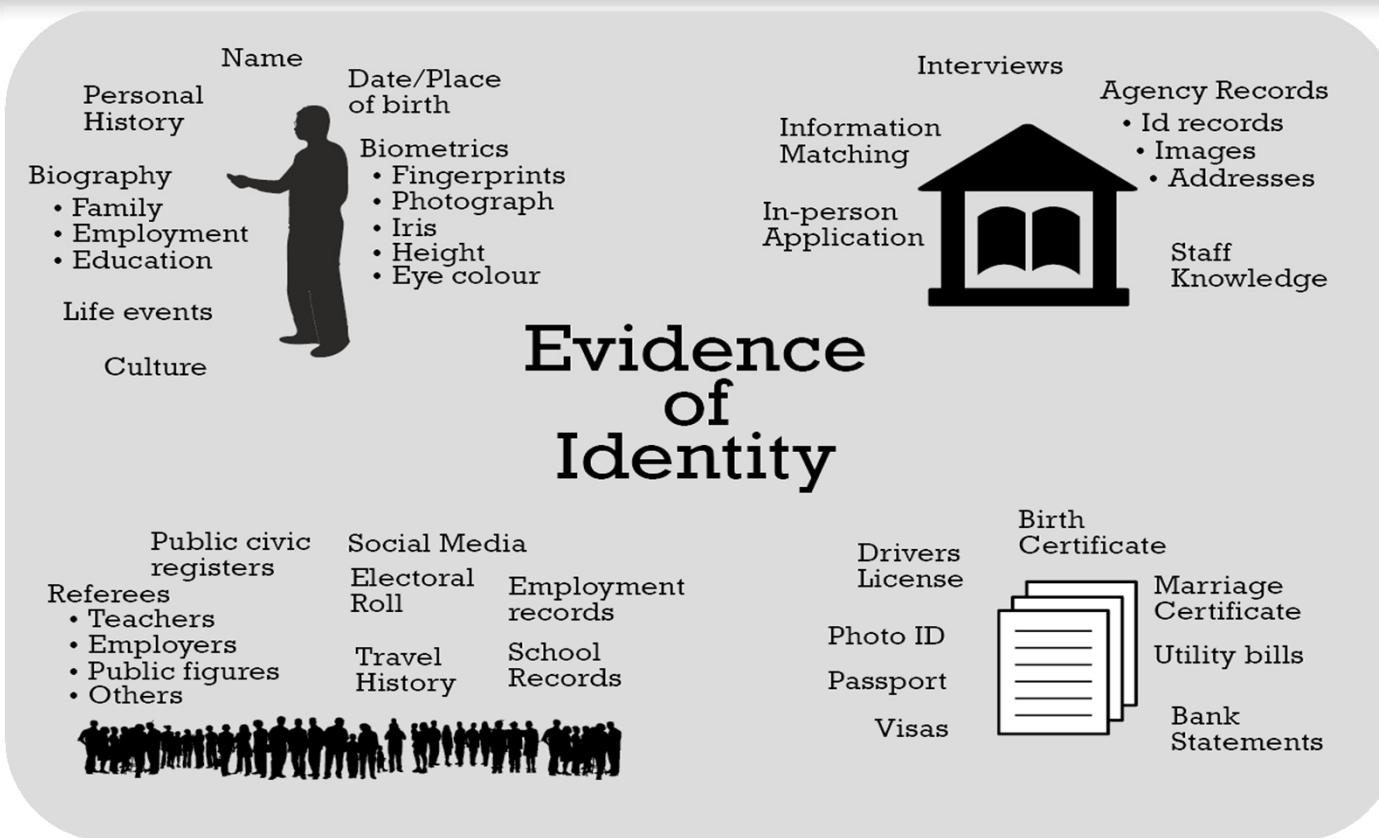
- Biometrics to authenticate physical identity
- Biographics to link with civil registration
- Robust breeder documents
- Social footprint

- No silver bullet, no single solution
- Combination of factors to minimize risk

- Amendments to existing laws and new laws (e.g. privacy) might be required
- New set of SARPs from ICAO are taking off
- Increased engagement with digital identity & online data access
- Interoperability will be key



The New EoI
eco-system





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Some Questions

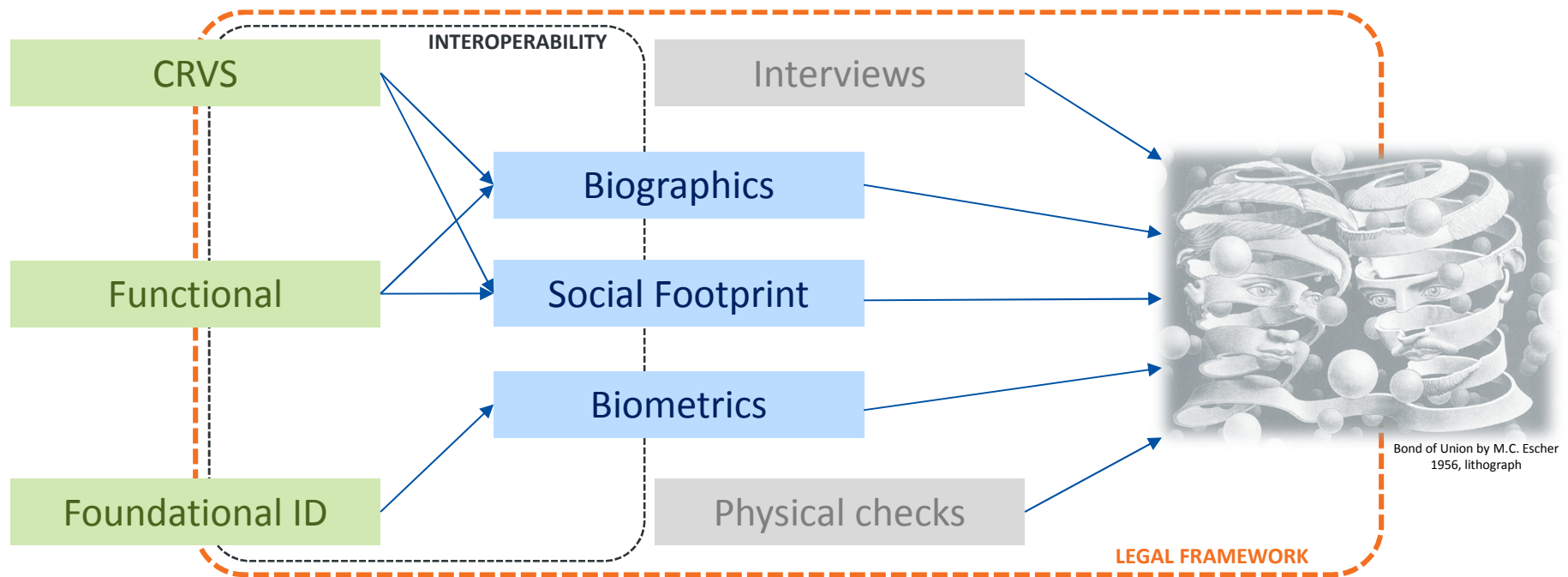
- How good is your country's Civil Registration (CRVS) System? – LEGAL IDENTITY
 - Are the registers up-to-date?
 - Can a birth certificate be unambiguously authenticated? – BREEDER DOCUMENTS
 - Is digital access available or likely to be available?

- How good is your country's Foundational ID system? – PHYSICAL IDENTITY
 - Does it include biometrics?
 - Is digital access available or likely to be available?

- What other kinds of records are accessible? – SOCIAL FOOTPRINT
 - Education – school & university
 - Residence – utility bills
 - Bank statements
 - Employment records

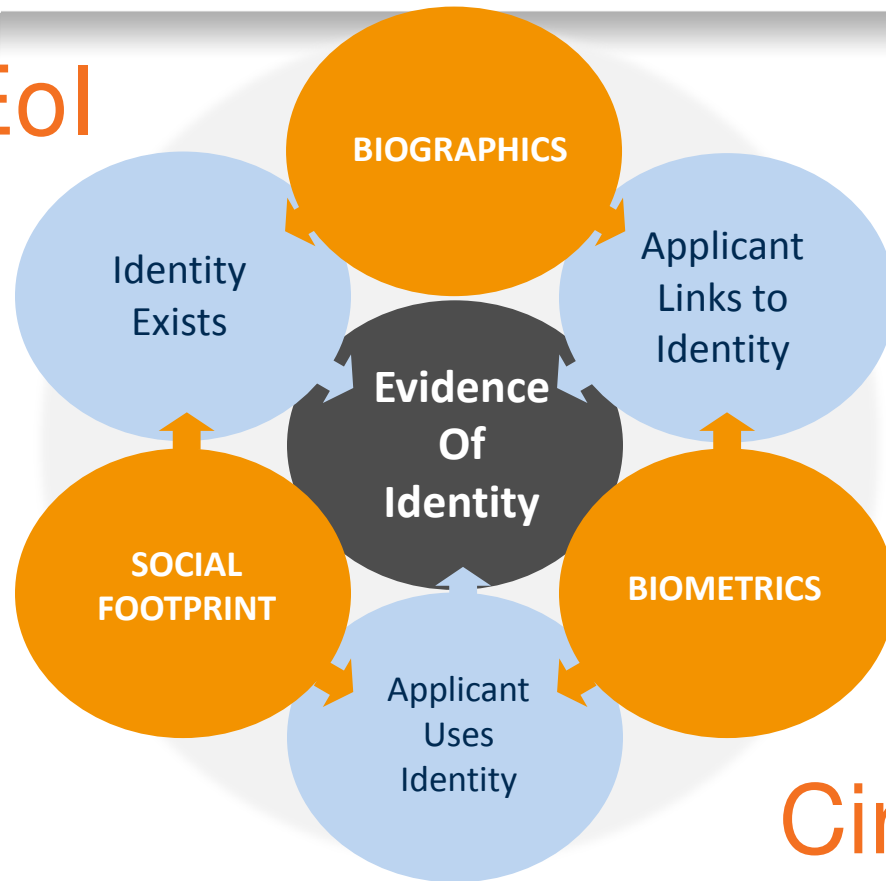


The New EoI – Process overview





The new EoI



Circle of Trust



Other organizations - thinking EoI

- OSCE / ODIHR – Compendium of Evidence of Identity (57 states)
- The World Bank – ID4D various documents (SDG 16.9 deficient countries – national ID)
- IOM – Regional travel documents
- WHO / UNICEF (focus on child)
- Others



Together, we need to find the way!

- Agencies review their existing Eol processes
- Draw up a blueprint for the New Eol
- Advise states about suggested legal changes, if any
- Participate in formulating and evolving Eol SARPS
- Capacity building / training
- Harmonize internationally
- Enhance customer service while reducing risk





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