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# Technical Advisory Group on the Traveller Identification Programme

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Strengthening Aviation Security through Improved Traveller Identification



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## Evolution of the Technical Advisory Group on the Traveller Identification Programme (TAG/TRIP)

- TAG/Machine-Readable Passports (TAG/MRP) – 1984
- TAG/Machine-Readable Travel Documents (TAG/MRTD) – 1990:
  - Advisory group of experts to develop technical specifications for machine readable passports, visas and official travel documents, as well as guidance material to assist States in implementing these specifications
- TAG members appointed by ICAO Secretary General
- Reports to ICAO's Air Transport Committee (ATC)
- 38<sup>th</sup> Assembly in 2013 endorsed the new TRIP Strategy
- ATC approved TAG/Traveller Identification Programme (TAG/TRIP) - 2015

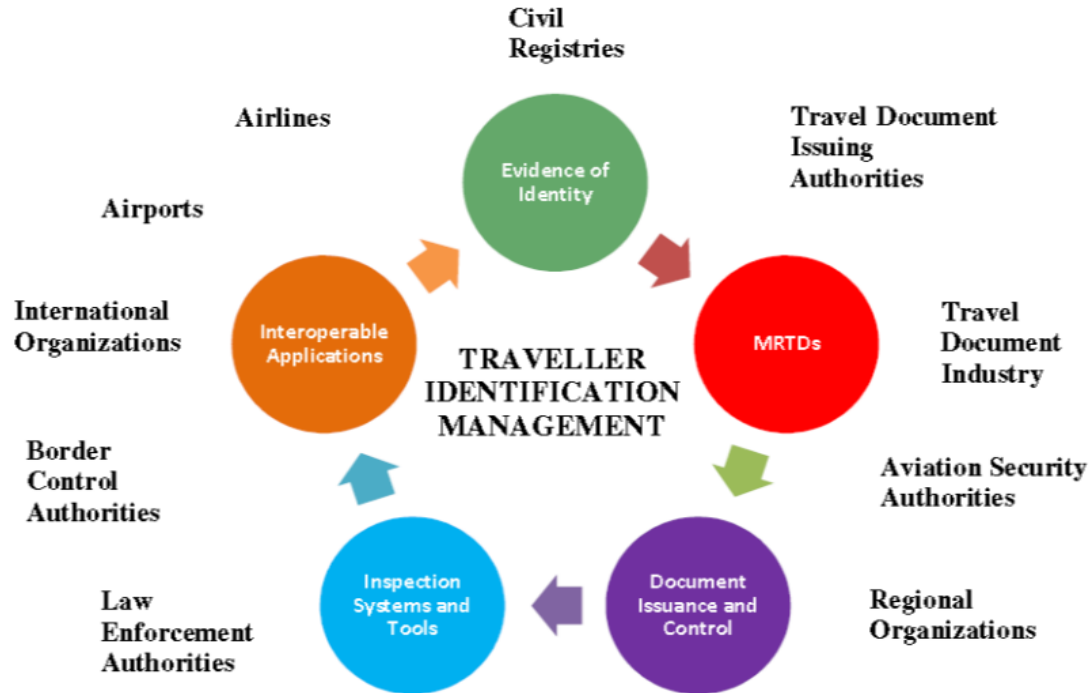


## New TAG/TRIP Terms of Reference – 2016

- Undertake tasks required for implementation of the ICAO TRIP Strategy and the provision of capacity building assistance:
  - Identification management to uniquely identify individuals and enhance travel document integrity
  - Advise Secretariat on ways to implement the five elements of the TRIP Strategy
  - Doc 9303, MRTDs – specifications and guidance, technological advances, border management
  - Assistance to Member States in traveller identification, travel documents and border management
  - Measure and monitor implementation of the TRIP Strategy
  - Update policy & guidance on the TRIP Strategy, responsive to changes and needs of States
  - Support the online ICAO TRIP Platform
  - Assist the Public Key Directory (PKD) on the validation of e-Documents
  - Support ICAO Compliance Programmes on travel document Standards and specifications
  - Develop ePassport roadmap based on strong identity management
  - Assist Secretariat through the TAG/TRIP Working Groups



## TRIP elements and actors





## TAG/TRIP - 2016

- TAG/TRIP contributes to global air travel facilitation, aviation and border security
- Membership
  - Renewed in 2016, ensuring world class technical expertise and geographical representation
  - 36 Member States – all ICAO Regions
  - 18 Observer Organizations (e.g. ACI, ECAC, EU, IATA, INTERPOL, ILO, IOM, ISO, OSCE, WTO &c.)
  - Members drawn from all related agencies/departments (e.g. national civil/birth registration, passport and travel document-issuing authorities, Customs, immigration, law enforcement, foreign affairs, interior affairs etc.)
- Activities of TAG/TRIP supported by:
  - New Technologies Working Group (NTWG) – development of standards, specifications & guidance; policy & process for the use of TRIP-related advanced technologies
  - Implementation and Capacity Building Working Group (ICBWG) – policy, guidance, assistance, compliance
  - ICAO Public Key Directory (PKD)



## TAG/TRIP - 2016

- First meeting of TAG/TRIP held 30 March to 1 April 2016 – TAG/TRIP/1
- Key outputs included:
  - Review of Secretariat TRIP Strategy-related initiatives: Policy, planning, promotion, assistance, implementation, specifications etc.
  - Detailed review of the many items of work being handled by NTWG and ICBWG to develop specifications, Standards, guidance, polices, new technologies, compliance monitoring etc.
  - International Organization updates on their TRIP-related programmes, initiatives and developments
  - Posting on the ICAO public website and on the ICAO TRIP Platform of new guidance materials: <http://www.icao.int/Security/FAL/TRIP/Pages/Publications.aspx>
  - Endorsement of work programmes of NTWG and ICBWG
  - Support for the work of the PKD, including automated border control developments
  - Full report of the meeting to the ICAO governing bodies



An online platform that allows secure collaboration, communication and sharing of resources among its members

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View information and interact with TRIP organizations, member states, international agencies, MRTD experts, etc.



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**Background**

In 2015, it was estimated that on a yearly basis around 3.5 million international passengers are controlled at the borders. With air traffic projected to double in the next 15 years, current and emerging facilitation risks need to be addressed proactively to ensure that this significant capacity expansion is carefully managed and supported through strategic regulatory and infrastructure developments.

Considering that the presentation and inspection of travel documents is a routine aspect of international air travel requiring State programmes, specialized infrastructure and personnel, as well as a processing time for the travel incurred, the scale of future aviation activity brings into sharp focus the need for travel documents and related systems that are up to the task of tomorrow's facilitation and security challenges.

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**ICAO TRIP**

**Background**

The MRTD field has been rapidly evolving into the broader global agenda of traveller identification management. At the 38th Session of ICAO Assembly (24 September – 4 October 2013), Member States adopted the ICAO Traveller Identification Programme (ICAO TRIP) Strategy, which aims to establish the goal and objectives of traveller identification management, to lead and reinforce a global approach, and to provide direction for action by ICAO, States and the many international, regional and industry partners in identification management. The ICAO TRIP Strategy presents a framework for multidimensional integrated efforts and synergies, under ICAO's leadership, to support ICAO's Strategic Objectives in the 2014-2016 triennium and beyond.

**Panels/Groups**

- Publications
- Request For Information
- Events
- Declarations and Statement

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# ICBWG's Work Towards TRIP

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# ICBWG's Mandate

As approved by the 38<sup>th</sup> Session of the ICAO General Assembly, the TAG/TRIP and its subsidiary working groups (including the ICBWG) shall assist the Secretariat in implementing the ICAO Traveller Identification Programme (TRIP) Strategy.



# Outcome Framework

1. States effectively establish and authenticate identity
2. States comply with TRIP-related Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs)
3. States have robust and secure document issuance systems and controls
4. States routinely read and validate MRTDs (including eMRTDs) at borders
5. States utilize globally interoperable applications to manage risk and maximize border efficiency



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# Activities related to TRIP



- Develop guidance material and tools for implementing SARPs and measuring compliance;
- Update ICAO policy and contribute to development of SARPs;
- Support capacity building including seminars and symposia;
- Build the capability of States to design, procure and implement new technologies
- Maintain up-to-date information on States in relation to TRIP



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# Evidence of Identity Guidance

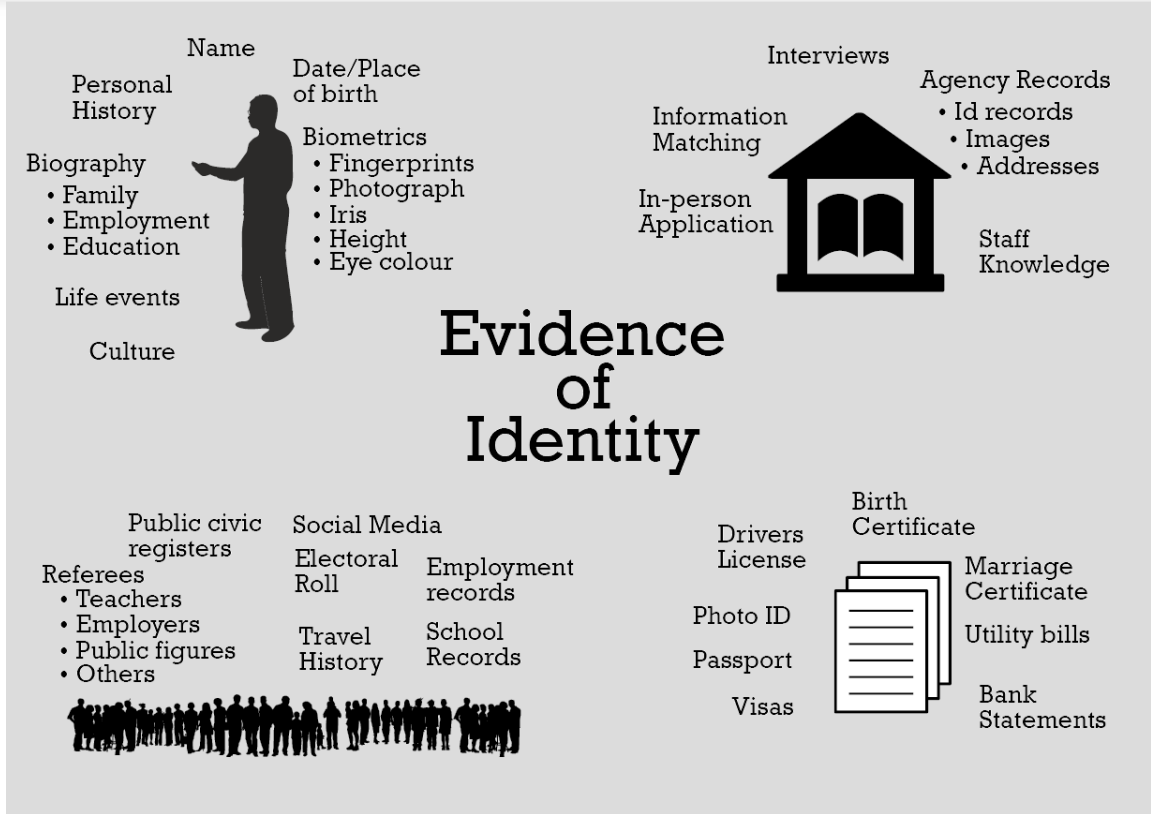
## TRIP Vision

States can uniquely identify  
travellers





The Objectives	
A. Identity Exists	
B. Identity is a 'living identity'	
C. Presenter 'links' to identity	
D. Presenter is sole claimant of identity (identity is <b>UNIQUE</b> to the system)	
E. Presenter uses identity (Social footprint)	







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# Non-Compliance Sub-Group

- All passports must be machine readable in accordance with Doc 9303.
- Technical assessments of MRPs.





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# Doc 9303 Compliance Programme

- States want confirmation that travel documents are Doc 9303 compliant.
- Programme endorsed.
- Next Step: Implementation.
- Participation voluntary.





# Guide for Assessing Security of Handling and Issuance of Travel Documents

- Part 1 – Best Practices
- Part 2 – Assessment Tool





# Acquisition of MRTD Goods and Services (Best Practices)

- Guidance for States tendering MRTD related systems.
- Tip sheet lists potential issues and possible treatment.





# Guidance for Circulating Specimen Travel Documents

- How to inform receiving States about your new travel documents.
- Includes a template letter.





# Guide for Issuing Machine Readable Convention Travel Documents for Refugees and Stateless Persons

- ICAO – UNHCR Guidance for States 2013 – update drafted
- Amendment 25 to Annex 9: Standard (3.12) now requires CTDs to be machine readable (applicable 25 February 2016)





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# Small States

## “No Country Left Behind”

- What is a small state?
- Issues, challenges, benefits





# infoTRIP

- Web Portal.
- Information Sharing.
- Details on all TRIP elements.







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