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# Innovative security solutions to headline INTERPOL *World* Congress

Singapore, *11 February 2015* – Technology-driven security solutions developed by leading industry players will be presented at the INTERPOL *World* Congress, a knowledge sharing forum anchoring the inaugural INTERPOL *World* in 2015.

With an emphasis on public-private partnerships, the Congress will feature forums on each of the four areas of focus – Cybersecurity, Safe cities, Border management and Supply chain security – chaired by the following experts:

- Michael O'Connell, INTERPOL Director of Operational Police Support, for Border Management;
- **Dr Madan Mohan Oberoi**, Director, Cyber Innovation and Outreach, INTERPOL Global Complex for Innovation, for Cyber Security;
- **Anselm Lopez**, Director, Capability Development and International Partnerships Directorate, International Cooperation and Partnerships Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, Singapore, for Safe Cities;
- **Michael Ellis**, Assistant Director, Trafficking in Illicit Goods and Counterfeiting Sub-Directorate, INTERPOL, for Supply Chain Security;

**Kingsley Ejiofor**, Deputy Director and Head of Legal Division, National Agency for Food and Drugs Administration and Control (NAFDAC), for Supply Chain Security.

The INTERPOL *World* Congress is timely and critical, given the urgent need for countries to address pressing global security challenges. Solutions for countering these challenges will be presented by INTERPOL *World*'s strategic partners:

- Cybersecurity: Microsoft, RSA, The Security Division of EMC and Symantec;
- Border management: 3M Identity Management, Entrust Datacard and Securiport;
- Safe cities: Motorola, Thales Solutions Asia Pte Ltd;
- Supply chain security: Digital Coding and Tracking Association and SICPA.

The Congress will be held alongside the INTERPOL *World* Exhibition, a biennial international security trade event in Singapore (14 - 16 April 2015).

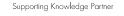
#### **Border management**

Our increasingly globalized world has made it is easier for people and goods to cross international borders. This has led border authorities to search for new automated data-sharing systems and border screening solutions that address technological and logistical challenges while enhancing and integrating border security procedures.

"In the current security landscape, there is a need for law enforcement agencies to have access to relevant, informative and timely information, while at the same time guaranteeing that basic principles of privacy are maintained," said **Michael O'Connell**, INTERPOL Director of Operational Police Support. "The aim of the border management forum will therefore be to address key security challenges and the importance of exchanging security data while ensuring high standards of data protection."







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#### Cybersecurity

With more than 60,000 malware software created daily to infiltrate security systems, it is essential for global efforts to enhance cybersecurity through robust partnerships between law enforcement and private sector Internet security companies, as well as coordinated regulations across countries.

"The world is swiftly moving into cyberspace and more people are living their lives virtually, from social interactions to personal and business transactions. There is an imperative need for the IT and security industry to invest in the development of essential technology, tools and training to generate and share actionable information and intelligence on cybersecurity trends and threats," said Keshav Dhakad, Regional Director, Asia, IPR & Digital Crimes Unit (DCU), Legal and Corporate Affairs, Microsoft.

#### Safe cities

A nation's well-being and prosperity hinges on the safety, functionality and resilience of its critical national assets, which include organizational and physical structures as well as facilities that are vital to society and its economy. Therefore, discussions at the INTERPOL *World* Congress will focus on the development of command and control system integration, prediction, modelling and simulation, which will influence the way information is shared between multiple sources, and ensure reliable access to real-time information that provides actionable insights to identify potential security threats or trends.

"Thales has been working for more than a decade on advanced adaptive systems using biomimetic simulation for training, risk management and decision making. We aim now to apply this technology to situational forecast and real-time risk assessment during large events," said **Jean-Marie Decaux**, Safe and Smart Cities Development Director at Thales Solutions Asia. "Smart cities and critical infrastructure are generally equipped with numerous sensors. We can use the data captured by these sensors to simulate the real environment, enabling us to better plan the event and enhancing our overall situational awareness. This provides a powerful 'What If' tool to create possible scenarios and to prepare for incidents when they occur."

#### Supply chain security

One of four key domains to be discussed at the INTERPOL *World* Congress, supply chain security addresses the challenges of the trade supply that is highly susceptible to threats such as terrorism, piracy, theft and illicit trade. The forum will discuss product verification solutions that will allow the public, private industry and frontline law enforcement officials to access extensive product security information in a quick and easy manner, in order to make an informed decision about a product's legitimacy.

"The key to combating illicit trade and ensuring the security of supply chains lies in innovative security solutions and enhanced collaborative action between governments, the law enforcement community, the private sector and consumers," said Pierre Viaud, Senior Director Public Affairs & Government Relations, SICPA Security Solutions SA. "SICPA invests significantly in R & D and is committed to working in close partnership with all stakeholders, so as to provide the best level of protection for governments, companies and the millions of people who depend on the integrity and value of their currency, personal identity, products and brands."

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#### **About INTERPOL**

INTERPOL is the world's largest international police organization, with 190 member countries. Our role is to enable police around the world to work together to make the world a safer place. Our high-tech infrastructure of technical and operational support helps meet the growing challenges of fighting crime in the 21st century.

## About INTERPOL World

INTERPOL *World* is a biennial trade event which promotes public private partnerships and serve as a business platform for security manufacturers and service providers to offer innovative security solutions to law enforcement agencies, government officials and security professionals from the commercial sectors. INTERPOL *World* creates an environment for public and private sectors to come together to identify, develop and drive security initiatives for real world security situations across four key domains: Cybersecurity, Safe Cities, Border Management and Supply Chain Security.

INTERPOL *World* is owned by INTERPOL and supported by Singapore's Ministry of Home Affairs. The first INTERPOL *World* will take place in Singapore from 14-16 April 2015 and will be alongside the official opening of the INTERPOL Global Complex for Innovation (IGCI) and the 22nd INTERPOL Asian Regional Conference. For more information, visit: <u>https://www.interpol-world.com/</u>

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