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INTERPOL World 2017 strengthens resolve for international cooperation to address crime

SINGAPORE, 31 July 2017 – INTERPOL World 2017 concluded on a resounding note, with 8,362 attendees from over 40 countries and regions gathered at the event to network, source and forge alliances with the security community. 565 government leaders, international organization representatives, technology innovators and academics engaged in robust dialogues at the Congress, addressing future security challenges, with 52 thought leaders and experts guiding the discussion and sharing latest developments. On the exhibition floor, 226 international solution providers from 34 countries and regions showcased and discussed next generation solutions for security threat mitigation and the global fight against emerging crime. INTERPOL World 2017 stimulated collaboration, networking and information exchange between multiple stakeholders who sought to bring about a safer future.

Collaborative efforts from public and private sectors needed to address future crime

The need for collaboration and openness in information sharing were repeatedly emphasized by various leaders and experts at INTERPOL World. INTERPOL President Meng Hongwei delivered the opening address that stressed the importance of pulling together expertise across professions, enhancing information sharing among agencies and capacity building at all levels and sectors.

INTERPOL Secretary General Jürgen Stock said at the Opening Launch, “We are witnessing technological and geopolitical uncertainties, leading to a complex international security environment. Responding effectively to these challenges requires constantly adapting investigative procedures, ensuring that investigators have the right skills for this environment, staying ahead of trends, accessing information outside of the police world and preserving evidence wherever they might be hidden or hosted.”

Mr Desmond Lee, Second Minister for Home Affairs and Second Minister for National Development, added, “The global community today grapples with a rapidly changing, and increasingly complex security landscape that presents unprecedented challenges. It is critical that both the public and private sectors collaborate closely to understand the current and emerging risks in the operating environment and examine how technology and innovation can be harnessed to their fullest potential to address and mitigate these risks.”



Experts agreed that while technology can move the industry ahead, criminals who have access to the same advancements are innovating at a much faster speed, with more organized networks that disregard international borders. In this light, government, security and law enforcement agencies around the world must come together to integrate and share intelligence and best practices.

INTERPOL World Congress: Confluence of perspectives and strategic approaches

The Congress Agenda for INTERPOL World 2017 was developed by INTERPOL and supported by the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS). This year's Congress took on an innovative end-to-end structure, which gave delegates a guided experience in exploring the key themes of Cybercrime, the Future of Policing in Global Cities and Identity Management. Delegates to the Congress received a copy of the INTERPOL World Congress reader, a collection of articles on drones, artificial intelligence, darknet, biometrics, smart cities and identity management by speakers at this year's Congress.

Day One of the INTERPOL World Congress kicked off with the World Economic Forum Cybercrime Dialogue moderated by Dr Jean-Luc Vez, Head of Public Security Policy and Security Affairs, Member of the Executive Committee, World Economic Forum. Experts discussed and deliberated on the escalating threats of cybercrime, coming to a consensus that technology today has exponentially expanded the impact of crime, as actors moved from simply causing disruption to profiteering from their activities. With the estimated cost to global cybercrime now running into billions of dollars, panelists agreed that a consolidated approach is needed, in order to cooperatively detect and investigate crimes on a global level.

On Day Two, discussions around the future of policing saw robust participation from both experts and the audience. As cities become smarter and more global, concerns have risen among security and law enforcement communities on threats to public safety and security. Experts discussed the importance of collaborative public safety and the transformation that needs to take place in police forces around the world, in order to engage communities in the fight against crime.

The globalized nature of crime was also discussed in depth, especially in light of challenges in identity theft of people, goods and vehicles. Day Three of the Congress saw leaders exchanging strategic views and ideas on border controls, immigration and identity fraud. Key takeaways include the urgent need for information sharing across all stakeholders, common standards for tools and best practices, and the importance of the human factor in exercising caution when managing identities.



INTERPOL World Exhibition: The answer to emerging security challenges

The INTERPOL World Exhibition saw solution providers showcasing the latest in security technology solutions that aim to equip security and law enforcement agencies with heightened capabilities. These innovations aid in detecting, preventing, investigating and ultimately solving crime more efficiently.

In crime investigation, the ability to recreate crime scenes can help investigators observe details missed during the on-site investigations. FARO's creative booth demonstrated how its line of laser scanners can capture 3D scans of crime scenes for off-site forensic investigations. The FARO software enables data analytics on scanned data to recreate the scenarios accurately with details that investigators might have missed during on-site investigations.

Another attention-grabbing showcase was the security robot developed by Singapore-based Concorde Security, designed to assist on-the-ground surveillance using a combination of cameras, wireless connectivity and machine learning capabilities. Oneberry Technologies' RoboGuard™ also attracted much attention, as the sleek remote monitoring vehicle demonstrated its capabilities around the exhibition floor.

IoT devices and systems have notoriously broken the barrier between the cyber and physical world, but their security features have been lacking. Kaspersky Lab introduced its breakthrough Secure Operating System for IoT systems, that aims to protect software and data systems from the consequences of the intrusion of malicious code, viruses and hacker attacks.

Drones and other unmanned systems are certainly becoming mainstream, with several exhibitors showcasing various innovations used in safety and security operations. Among them was Canon, which showcased the latest six-rotor drone, designed to carry a cutting-edge camera that can capture images even in extremely dark situations – making it the perfect drone for search and rescue situations. Hikvision Digital Technology's falcon series drone, designed for aerial surveillance, stood out amongst others for its portability, thanks to its all-carbon fiber design and foldable flying arms.

Huawei set up a command centre on the exhibition floor that allowed attendees to truly experience the latest in command system technology via virtual reality. Huawei also signed individual MoUs with five companies – Agent Video Intelligence (Agent Vi), Ipsotek, Xjera Labs, Thuraya Telecommunications Company and Ascent Solutions, committing all to the joint development of public safety solutions and expanding its Collaborative Public Safety ecosystem. The signings took place at the Huawei-run Collaborative Public Safety Forum held in conjunction with INTERPOL World.

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The INTERPOL World Theatres, an expertly curated programme of seminars and workshops, took participants on a deep dive into key innovative technological evolutions. For instance, the session “Threat Hunting to Combat Cyber Crime” shared how organizations can leverage on existing network information to gain a competitive edge in the ongoing cyber war with criminals. Workshops were also conducted to provide participants with a hands-on learning experience. The IEEE Communications Society (IEEE-ComSoc), together with ECU, held a workshop on forensic computing, to share the latest tips and tricks on how to recover digital evidence.

INTERPOL World 2017 concluded on a successful note, with 91% of the exhibitors satisfied with the event – a significant 12% increase from the previous edition. The number of attendees also rose by 7%, with 98.4% of them satisfied with their experience at INTERPOL World 2017.

“This year marks the second edition of INTERPOL World, once again providing a unique platform for stakeholders such as law enforcement, government bodies, academia, international security experts and solution providers to discuss the spectrum of future security challenges and chart the way forward to combat emerging crimes. As we face unprecedented forms of crime occurring every day, we need to understand the implications of this trend on law enforcement and the security community worldwide. I am pleased that INTERPOL is once again able to host the top minds in the industry and I look forward to forging stronger collaboration among the players in the months to come,” said Mr Noboru Nakatani, Executive Director of INTERPOL Global Complex for Innovation.

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“For me this year’s INTERPOL World has been a resounding success. For senior government officials from across the globe, including police, this event created an opportunity to view the private sector’s latest cyber and technology security innovations. Furthermore, for three days there was a meeting of minds from across the private and public sectors to define and explore the cyber challenge. Impressively, this event saw innovation sharing between sectors and businesses. What became clear, throughout the proceedings was both sectors needed to change to meet emerging and future threats.”

– Dr John Coyne, Head of Border Security Program, Australian Strategic Policy Institute

“INTERPOL World 2017 has brought together a diverse and engaged group of international stakeholders who have engaged in a relevant, proactive dialogue that will significantly advance the organization's goals of collaboration, innovation, and transparency. The highlight for me was having the opportunity to meet stakeholders from a wide range of countries who are all working to develop solutions to very challenging security issues by leveraging emerging technologies. I am certain that the exchange of ideas that has happened here in Singapore will have a significant impact on international security moving forward. I was honored to have been a part of INTERPOL World 2017.”

– Mr Arthur Holland Michel, Co-Director, Center for the Study of the Drone, Bard College

“Gemalto has participated in the INTERPOL World conferences consecutively for two years, and it is a great experience to meet and have meaningful interactions with other exhibitors and visitors. This year, we showcased our full suite of e-government and identity solutions, such as biometrics technology including facial recognition and fingerprint identification, e-passport systems, border management solutions, to name a few. In addition, we also spoke at the INTERPOL WORLD TV about how the industry can collectively enhance our digital security posture and create safe digital identities for the citizens.”

– Mr Tan Teck Lee, Asia President, Government Business Unit & Singapore Country Head, Gemalto

“Today’s security threats are taking the shape of professional operations and can impact on anyone in any form. Criminals are becoming more and more creative in their determination to create disruption. As a multi-stakeholder community, we should not just be protective but strategic in our approach towards safety and security. With cities becoming more connected today, keeping citizens safe demand the cooperation and collaboration among multiple agencies, private sector organizations and nations. INTERPOL World provides an excellent platform for the community to deliberate on and



progress these joint efforts. I am looking forward to more robust exchanges and concrete steps forward stemming from the initial discussions that were held here.”

– **Dr William H. Saito, Special Advisor to the Cabinet, Government of Japan**

“In order to combat and prevent growing threats like cybersecurity, terrorism and hooliganism, it is important that there is a step-change in future public and private security efforts. It is vital that we urgently look at how emerging smart technology can be proactively used. There is now a clear need to help strengthen the smart data and security capabilities of law enforcement agencies, as well as proactively enhance their situational awareness in high-demanding security situations.”

- **Mr Michael Hershman, Group CEO of the International Centre for Sport Security (ICSS)**

“All countries globally are concerned about terrorism and all forms of transnational organized crime. International cooperation, exchange of data and information sharing, as well as active joint participation, is the key answer to this phenomenon. Considering the global scale and rapid mobility of these issues, technology is also pivotal to ensure fullest achievement of these responses. Identity management is among the first challenges to ensure that each person is identified and identifiable as one unique person across all the steps of its identity cycle. INTERPOL World Congress 2017 marked another significant milestone in bringing together key actors and major stakeholders to discuss all these issues in a single event, and pave the way for most effective responses.”

– **Mr Donato Colucci, Senior Regional Immigration and Border Management Specialist,
International Organization for Migration (IOM)**

“INTERPOL World served as an ideal platform to showcase NEC's cutting-edge artificial intelligence (AI) technology portfolio, including face recognition technology, video analysis technology, and liveness detection, for law enforcement agencies, government, and security professionals. These solutions aim to address the emerging risks in both physical and cyber world, thereby creating safer cities of tomorrow. The event has helped us strengthened our relationship with customers and also built new ones.”

– **Mr Kris Ranganath, Senior Director, Advanced Recognition Systems, NEC Corporation of America**

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"The control of borders – or indeed other control points – is an ever-increasing political imperative. At SICPA we aim to provide solutions which support governments to meet the justifiable demands of their citizens – keeping out the 'bad' and expediting the swift passage of the legitimate. INTERPOL World is a great opportunity to listen to the concerns and priorities of the security and law enforcement communities and keep abreast of the latest technological initiatives,"

– Mrs Christine MacQueen, Director, Corporate Affairs and Communications, SICPA





About INTERPOL

Today's crimes are interconnected and global. More than ever, there is a need for multilateral police cooperation to address the security challenges facing the world. INTERPOL's role is to enable police in our 190 member countries to work together to make the world a safer place.

We provide secure access to global databases of police information on criminals and crime, operational and forensic support, analysis services and training. Our colour-coded Notices are used to alert police worldwide to wanted people, security threats and modus operandi.

All these policing capabilities are delivered worldwide and support three global programmes against the issues that we consider to be the most pressing today: counter-terrorism, cybercrime, and organized and emerging crime.

INTERPOL's General Secretariat is based in Lyon, France, supported by the Global Complex for Innovation in Singapore, seven regional bureaus and Special Representative offices at the African Union, the European Union and the United Nations.

Each member country runs an INTERPOL National Central Bureau, staffed by national law enforcement officials, which connects them and their frontline officers to our global network.

About INTERPOL World

INTERPOL World is a strategic platform for the public and private sectors to discuss and showcase solutions to evolving global security challenges. The biennial exhibition and congress event aims to connect law enforcement, government bodies, academia, international security professionals and buyers with security solution providers and manufacturers. The event fosters mutually beneficial collaboration, information sharing, innovation and solutions to ensure faster and more accurate responses to security threats.

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