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### NEWS

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IDEMIA, the provider of biometric terminals specialising in access control, is to join the S.P.A.C. Alliance, an alliance launched in 2020 to help tackle a global problem, with a view to sharing its world-renowned expertise in security and biometrics.

The S.P.A.C. Alliance was formed because of recent multiple changes in combatting cybercrime like the European NIS (Network and Information Security) directive, the GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation), the CNIL (French Data Protection Authority) ruling on physical access biometric authentication controls and European Cybersecurity Act certification programs. The goal of S.P.A.C. is to build a strong and

open security market by leveraging this regulatory framework, the SSCP communication protocol and the expertise of its members.

The creation of S.P.A.C. and the work it carries out meets the expectations of the access control world and of the security market as a whole. For example, S.P.A.C. promotes the SSCP protocol, as an alternative to the US OSDP protocol, as the SSCP Protocol is CSPN (a cybersecurity certification) certified by A.N.S.S.I. (National Information Systems Security Agency), an open, interoperable and user-friendly European standard. S.P.A.C. has set itself the objective of promoting French and European know-how in the field of access control. A provider such as IDEMIA, which manufactures its readers in France at a site near Rouen, therefore wanted to support this initiative and participate in the work of the S.P.A.C. working



groups.

S.P.A.C. already has several security firms on board and important associations/institutions like the A.N.S.S.I. in France, or the O.S.S. Association in Germany.

IDEMIA is a global provider of biometric access controls delivering

groundbreaking hi-tech products used by hundreds of firms across the world, like MorphaWave - a contactless instant fingerprint reader involving a mere handwave over the device, VisionPass - an ultra-powerful facial recognition terminal and its Sigma contact fingerprint reader range.