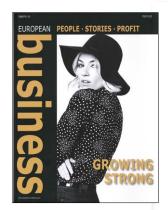
## Interview - STid, expert in contactless identification

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## STid, expert in contactless identification

Apart from convenience and increased card read reliability, there is a decisive argument in favour of contactless ID technology: Contactless cards are extremely difficult to duplicate and provide superior levels of security, both to the cardholder and the issuing organization. Systemes ET Technologies Identification (STid) SAS in Gréasque, France, is one of the pioneers of RFID and specializes in innovative RFID readers and tags for high-security personal identification, long-range vehicle identification and product identification in demanding environments.

in 1996, solutions for personal identification and vehicle identification have remained the mainstay Dupart, General Manager and uct identification was adopted in 2000 and accounts for 15% of the company's total turnover. "Access

Since Guy Pluvinage founded STid control is a mature market with competition from major international players," points out Vincent of business at a rate of 85%. Prod- delegated proprietor of STid. "In the niche market of product identification, we excel with innovative solutions and growth rates of 25%.'



Vincent Dupart and the new access control range

Innovation has been the key to success for STid all along and has resulted in solutions that are guided by customers' needs and advancing technology. "We offer systems for extremely demanding environments, for example the aviation industry or the offshore industry," says Mr. Dupart. "Quite often we develop novelties that are used by our customers straight away, combining innovation with market orientation." The fact that 15 of the company's 40 employees

are involved in R&D underlines its focus on innovation, just like the award STid received at the EXPO Protection 2014 for its new Bluetooth access control. "We bank on our innovative strength in order to strengthen our position in the competitive market," explains Mr. Dupart with a view to the future. "Our aim is to raise our export share from 30% to 50% and expand our existing good contacts in Europe and overseas."





The new, award-winning Bluetooth access control with mobile phone

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