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Biometrics in Law Enforcement Filmed at the 2013 International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) conference

Video Transcript

**Tim Godwin – Managing Director,
Accenture Police Services,
Former Deputy Commissioner of
the London Metropolitan Police**

I used to be told when I was a police chief – that automatic facial recognition really works and every time I looked at it didn't work.

**Mark Crego, Global Border and
Identity Management Lead,
Accenture**

The use of biometrics to help officers make decisions in real time is very much a new phenomenon and that is the game changer, the ability to look at you, get camera information, biometrics passively and be able to make a decision as to who you are.

**Tim Godwin – Managing Director,
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The technology has moved on so far now. Automatic facial recognition is a reality and it is accurate, and as a result of that gives law enforcement and crime fighting a massive opportunity.

**Mark Crego, Global Border and
Identity Management Lead,
Accenture**

Not only that but integrate that with the other information we have about you legitimately and be able to make a decision, are you a threat, are you a suspect, are you

somebody that needs help.

**Ger Daly – Global Managing
Director, Accenture Defense and
Public Safety**

So a lot of what we are doing today is moving towards getting that biometric identity piece fully incorporated into the core operation of police solutions so it's not like a different policing system you don't have to send it upstairs to the fingerprint guys – you can do a lot of the work yourselves digitally.

**Tom Bush – Tom Bush
Consulting, Former Assistant
Director of the FBI's Criminal
Information Justice Services
Division**

And then you have to have standard so if you want to interoperate – say the US and the UK – you have to have the same standards in biometrics or other information technology to exchange that data.

**Mark Crego, Global Border and
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It is more about making sure that officers and resources are used more effectively to make identifications faster and more accurately and being able to link that with the relevant information behind it to help provide the right support in a given situation. So the accuracy, improved speed is not about cost, it is about being able to do the job more effectively.