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The entry/exit system: Insights from the Smart Borders conference

Video Transcript

Ger Daly, Global Managing Director, Defense & Public Safety, Accenture

"A key principle behind this whole programme is the openness of Europe and that is a founding principle of Europe so the extent that smart borders puts in place entry / exit processes and remember exit processing is very rare - it does not even exist in the US today that gives us a level on accountability as to what is happening but it does put extra burdens on the border itself.

Ryan Hutton, Deputy Executive Director, Admissibility and Passenger Programs, US Customs and Border Protection
Security benefits, knowing who is

leaving the country, and entering another country, that is a huge piece as we move into a global market but also for facilitative benefits as well .

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and we have to know who is coming and going - what skills we need and manage that whole migration process and that is the burning platform.

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I brought this situation from Finland to the conference that we have real concerns, our borders.

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And any visitors coming to the United States the burden of proof is on them to show that they are eligible to come in and if there is something on the system erroneously that they didn't leave on time that becomes problematic for that traveller.

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Because in Finland for example, we are guarding the EU external border against Russia and its the third

longest land border in EU area, we have a situation that the traffic increases every year, almost to 2 million per year and

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And they have just got off an A380 and they are crowding in and trying to get across the border and I have got to make a decision as an officer in real time. How do I do that and protect the same level of security? That is where it get a bit tough.

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We know in future that it is possible to have the visa liberalisation between the EU and neighbouring countries and for Finland that means visa free travel from Russia. We think it is very critical to have these proposals or new systems implemented before the visa liberations between large countries

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The European Union considers the two systems to be separate but they are very much a transitional model. If I come in and do an entry and exit into the European Union, then if I am going to do it again in 6 months then should n't there be an easy path to go from Entry/Exit into Registered Traveler? I certainly think so."