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3 **END USER RESPONSE TO AN EVENT DETECTION AND ROUTE**
4 **RECONSTRUCTION SECURITY SYSTEM PROTOTYPE FOR USE IN**
5 **AIRPORTS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT HUBS**
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ABSTRACT

Video surveillance is extensively used in many countries for security purposes, contributing to effective prevention, detection, and/or prosecution of crime and terrorism. Although its contribution to security is not under debate, its effect on the privacy rights of citizens has been the subject of much controversy. This paper reports the results of research which examined the potential use of new security technologies in an airport and a major public transport hub. The research aimed to consider both the security and privacy implications of new security technologies, specifically closed circuit television (CCTV) with automatic event detection, alerts, and route reconstruction (to determine the route taken by a suspicious person in advance of a detected incident). The system also allows for the deletion of any footage not associated with the detected events or reconstructed routes, when that footage was considered not relevant to security. Interviews and technology demonstrations were conducted with employees of two transport organisations, the airport operator of Linate and Malpensa Airports in Milan in Italy, SEA, and the Spanish railway operator, Renfe Operadora. The main findings are that, while facets of the system appeal to the transport organisations, changes would need to be made in order for it to be implementable. Particularly, the respondents pointed to the early deletion of the non-security relevant footage as an issue due to legal requirements placed on them.

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1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

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3 Security technology involving surveillance brings its own concerns. A study which conducted
4 592 hours of observation of CCTV control rooms between 3 sites and found that almost 40%
5 of those targeted for surveillance were surveilled for no obvious reason (1). They also found
6 that 90% of targets were male and that black people had a higher chance of being targeted for
7 surveillance. Other research suggests that the proliferation of technologies is altering the way
8 police agencies handle urban space and recommended that consideration be given to the
9 impact of automation of these systems on people and cities (2). It was highlighted in other
10 research that using data for a purpose other than the originally intended use is becoming
11 common Coudert (3). She also comments on the presentation of privacy and security as
12 being a zero-sum relationship, where more privacy means less security and more security
13 means less privacy, and that shorter retention periods for footage is among measures
14 introduced to minimise the impact on individuals' privacy (4). The Ontario Information and
15 Privacy Commissioner's Office strongly rejected the use of the zero-sum concept in relation
16 to privacy and security in the context of a complaint against the Toronto Transit Commission
17 (TTC) and said that they should be allowed to collect personal information through the use of
18 video surveillance as it was necessary to the proper administration of Toronto's mass transit
19 system (5). However, they recommended, among other things, that the TTC reduce their
20 retention period of footage to 72 hours from 7 days.

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22 In an effort to mitigate the privacy intrusion of CCTV, other work proposed a system in
23 which the video footage is encrypted and stored within the camera, from where it can be
24 retrieved and decrypted and viewed only if a crime occurs (6). A trial was carried out with
25 certain retailers in Kiryu City, Japan, where the images could only be viewed using special
26 software installed in the computers at the police department. A further experiment in the city
27 involved the installation of the cameras on lamp posts in a residential area (the image owners
28 were a Parent-Teacher Association of a high school). The results of the experiment (which
29 was running for at least 6 months), from the points-of-view of the camera owners and local
30 residents, were that the system was effective from both safety and privacy perspectives, and
31 the system was considered affordable.

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33 In another discussion paper, it was suggested that the organisational need for evolved CCTV
34 systems can be attributed to, among other things, the proliferation of CCTV systems (7). The
35 paper highlights that there are also practical difficulties with operating a smart surveillance
36 system and that there is a gap between users' expectations... and... the reality (7). Other
37 research reports on a CCTV system which allows for searching video based on detected video
38 objects. The authors mention the need to take the users into consideration in the design of
39 such systems. Otherwise, a situation could arise whereby all the advanced and promising
40 underlying technologies end up mismatching the end users' searching and browsing needs
41 (8).

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43 Dubbeld (9) investigated the impact technology has on CCTV surveillance practices. A case
44 study was conducted of a central control room for CCTV for 15 stations, set up by a Dutch
45 railway company, using observations, various interviews, a review of relevant documents
46 (and articles) and attendance at company meetings. Among the results, it was found that

1 technical objects steer operators' monitoring capacities and behaviours, thus affecting the
2 levels of surveillance achieved in a system of CCTV (9). The Urbaneye project incorporated
3 studies completed in seven European countries; Austria, Hungary, Germany, Great Britain,
4 Norway and in parts of Denmark and Spain. One method used for gathering information was
5 to survey (using questionnaires) people involved with the CCTV systems, such as owners or
6 managers (10). Information sought included;

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- 8 • The system's owners and operators
- 9 • Whether or not there was notification of the system
- 10 • The monitor-camera ratio of the system
- 11 • Whether or not observers could watch the system in real-time
- 12 • Whether or not the images were recorded.
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14 Also studied were the control room routines and surveillance practices of some participants
15 (10). They find that house rules are often an essential part of this risk management regime,
16 and CCTV is used to support the enforcement of these rules. They noted that the system
17 relies on the CCTV operators targeting, interpreting and reacting to a scene from a distance
18 according to a specific purpose. The sensory limitations imposed by this distance and the
19 observation occurring through a video screen was found by the researchers to encourage the
20 application of categorical suspicion based on narrow range of readily observable traits rather
21 than the application of behavioural suspicion (10).

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23 Other research examined the issue of privacy in the development of ITS (11). Two surveys
24 were conducted: the first with state agencies responsible for commercial vehicle security and
25 the second concerning both personal and commercial vehicle operators. One of the
26 conclusions of the research was that future implementation of technologies would be
27 influenced by public privacy concerns (11). One of the perspectives which came out of this
28 work, concerning civil rights, was that non-criminals could be forced to change their daily
29 routines and modify their behaviour. Their recommendations included that CCTV managers
30 must be professionally accredited and made legally responsible for compliance with human
31 rights, data protection and associated codes and that systems should be subject to routine and
32 random inspections and evaluations.

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34 An EU funded project, entitled PACT (Public perception of security and privacy: Assessing
35 knowledge, Collecting evidence, Translating research into action) presents the results of a
36 pilot survey with a discrete choice design, but based on train or metro travel in Europe (12).
37 The attributes used in the discrete choice scenarios were recognition capabilities in CCTV
38 cameras; time period for storing the CCTV information; who has access to CCTV
39 information; type of security personnel at the station; security measures at the station; time to
40 pass through security checks and related queues, and additional security surcharge (on top of
41 ticket cost). Among the results, it was shown that advanced CCTV technologies were
42 preferred to standard CCTV and that retention of CCTV footage was preferred to it not being
43 recorded. The results regarding the level of access to the footage suggested that it was not an
44 attribute to which the respondents were particularly sensitive (12).

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1 Other work looked at the purpose of CCTVs and their effectiveness in counter-terrorism
2 security (13). The authors determine that CCTV would be more effective for deterring street
3 crime than terrorism, especially in the case of a suicide terrorist act, and that the footage
4 could be used by the terrorist organisations. Another study mentions non-crime related uses
5 for CCTV such as finding missing children and encouraging residents or visitors to visit an
6 area, among others (14). The authors conclude that too much must not be expected of CCTV.
7 Other researchers have concentrated on the discourse on privacy and CCTV in society (1, 15,
8 16); while others, (17, 3, 4) have studied the issues from the perspective of the law or its
9 interpretation.

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11 The EU funded project entitled Automatic Data relevancy Discrimination for a PRIVacy-
12 sensitive video surveillance (ADDPRIV) (18) aimed to develop a system for CCTV which has
13 event detection and route reconstruction functions. In this case, route reconstruction means
14 the route an individual took prior to being identified as associated with a security event as
15 determined by the network of cameras employed in the airport or public transport hub. The
16 intention of the ADDPRIV system is that CCTV footage involved in the detection of an event
17 or a route reconstruction will be retained, allowing footage that is not considered relevant to
18 security to be deleted. The purpose of the research presented in this paper is to investigate the
19 practical implications of implementing the ADDPRIV solution in transport end user
20 organisations. The end users in the project consortium were Renfe Operadora, Spain and SEA
21 Aeroporti di Milano, Italy. The ADDPRIV system was installed in Linate Airport, Milan, in
22 order to test it in real life scenarios. The research conducted for this paper sought to analyse
23 how the personnel in the end user organisations responded to the prototype, more detail of
24 which is presented in the project deliverables (19). Feedback was sought on how, or if, they
25 thought the system could be implemented in their organisation, and what adjustments may be
26 necessary both to the system and within the organisation itself if the ADDPRIV system were
27 to be implemented successfully. The paper first summarises the system interface and then
28 focuses on the demonstrations conducted to collect end user feedback on the ADDPRIV
29 system (20). The feedback is analysed and its findings are discussed from which the resulting
30 conclusions from the work are drawn.

31 32 **METHOD**

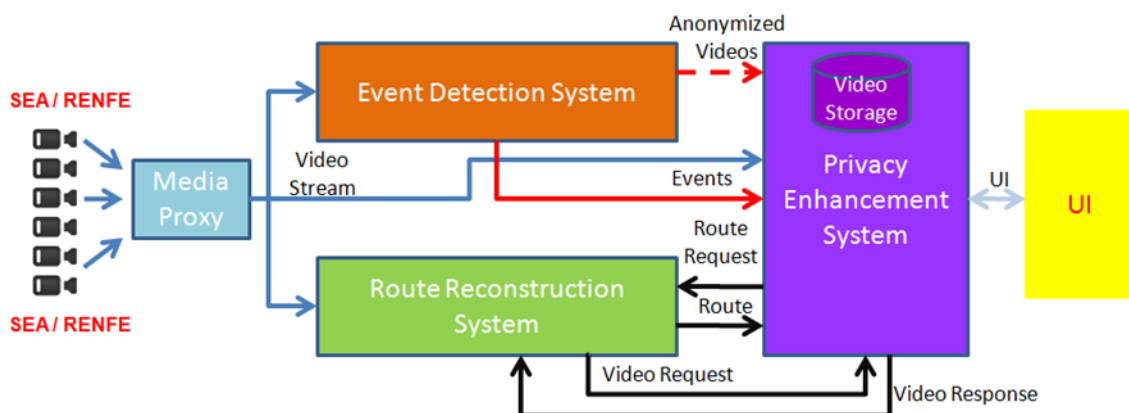
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34 ADDPRIV's approach is based in the principle that discrimination cannot be implemented at
35 the level of a single camera but at the multi-camera network level as a whole. The suspicious
36 behaviour of one individual generates an alert event in one of the network cameras. This alert
37 triggers the instruction to other cameras in the network for automatic detection of that same
38 individual (features recognition) by browsing scenes stored in certain time windows. The
39 development of these solutions is based on implementing artificial intelligence for learning
40 algorithms, so that they can be rapidly and effectively adapted to different infrastructures and
41 changing situations.

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1 The ADDPRIV System

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3 This section provides a brief summary of the system architecture in order to provide context
4 for the following discussion about the individual components (21). Figure 1 shows the main
5 components and their interactions.

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7 • A multi-camera network provides input video frames to the Media Proxy (MP)
8 system. The MP has the main goal to enrich and synchronise video frames with a
9 timestamp used later as a unique ID for all the video systems. Both event detection
10 (ED) and route reconstruction (RR) systems process the frames received in real-
11 time to generate internal metadata and tagging information for the respective goals:
12 find and describe security relevant events (ED), prepare metadata (RR) to be used
13 later when building route reconstruction trees.
- 14 • The ED is in charge of discovering security relevant events, such as unattended
15 luggage. As a consequence it sends an event descriptor (red arrow) to the privacy
16 enhancement (PE) system that stores it into the ADDPRIV system permanent
17 storage.
- 18 • The PE sends the event descriptors received from ED to the RR system thus
19 triggering the creation of a RR tree of video frames that are related to the event
20 received (black arrow labelled Route Request).
- 21 • The RR provides the RR tree related to the route request received to the PE system
22 that stores this information for later retrieval via the user interface (UI).
- 23 • In addition to storing events and routes, the PE also saves video streams received
24 from the MP in order to provide videos about detected events when requested by the
25 users. RR optionally can request specific video frames stored in PE as needed by
26 RR internal algorithms. All data stored in the PE is deleted after a configurable time
27 interval unless related to an event marked as relevant.
- 28 • The UI retrieves events, routes and videos from the PE in order to allow human
29 operators to interact with the system. Users can give feedback to mark events as
30 relevant or irrelevant (21).



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35 **FIGURE 1. ADDPRIV High level Architecture (21)**

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Event Detection (ED)

The ED component is devoted to finding three types of events in the video streams in real-time: left luggage, barrier crossing (intrusion in a forbidden area) and counter flow. The detection of all events is based on moving object detection. Then, the left luggage detection algorithm analyses pixel stabilities in regions denoting stopped objects, while barrier crossing and counter flow detection algorithms combine object tracking with optical flow in order to obtain object movement trajectories and short-term, pixel-level velocity vectors of all objects. The Event Detection component receives video streams from the Media Proxy module and reports events detected with advanced message queuing protocol (AMQP) messages (21).

Route Reconstruction

The RR module processes in real time (no local video frame storage) the input video frames to create tagging and metadata used later by the RR algorithms. It receives event descriptors from the PE module and provides as output a route reconstruction tree that collects all the video clips that could be related to the event descriptor received. In order to do this, the module contains a topology database in which to store the information about spatial dependencies between cameras and relevant surveyed sensitive areas. The RR can also request specific video frames from the PE system during the execution of the route reconstruction algorithm. The RR module provides the RR tree related to the route request received by the PE system that stores this information for later retrieval via the UI. The PE module deletes all the video frames that are older than 24 hours (or a configurable time interval) or that are not marked as events or part of a RR tree (21).

Privacy Enhancement

The PE system is the integration point of the elements of the ADDPRIV solution. Its main task is to implement the storage, indexing and deletion of the information (both privacy-sensitive - such as video footage - and anonymous data - such as security events being detected). It also orchestrates the interaction between the ED and the RR systems (21)

Queries on the collected information are also managed by the PE, which enforces the access levels for each role consulting the data. This way, normal users cannot access privacy-sensitive information that has not been informed as security relevant by the ED or the RR. A special access level is provided for special cases such as national law enforcement agencies requiring access to specific footage (21).

Events Tested

The system was developed using recorded video footage and then validated on live streams in a SEA controlled airport terminal. The algorithms were further tested using video footage from a commuter train station provided by Renfe Operadora. The project involved the development of algorithms to detect the events agreed by the end user organisations involved, SEA and Renfe Operadora. Those events were:

- Abandoned luggage
- Intrusion into a forbidden area / crossing a barrier

- Counter flow (a person moving against the direction people are supposed to move – for example in the security queue)

Once an event had been detected, the system compiled footage from across its CCTV network which the system estimated were most probably going to contain the person detected as being involved in the event, from before and after the event up to the point when the event was reviewed. This is shown in Figure 2 where a piece of luggage has been abandoned and the cameras taking footage of the individual who left it are highlighted in red. The intention was that all footage not related to any event or route reconstruction could be deleted, thus reducing the amount of footage of passers-by retained. This is shown in Figure 3 where the time period over which the luggage abandonment event took place is shown in red at the bottom of the figure, on the time axis, indicating that this period of footage would be retained but footage taken outside that time frame would be deleted.

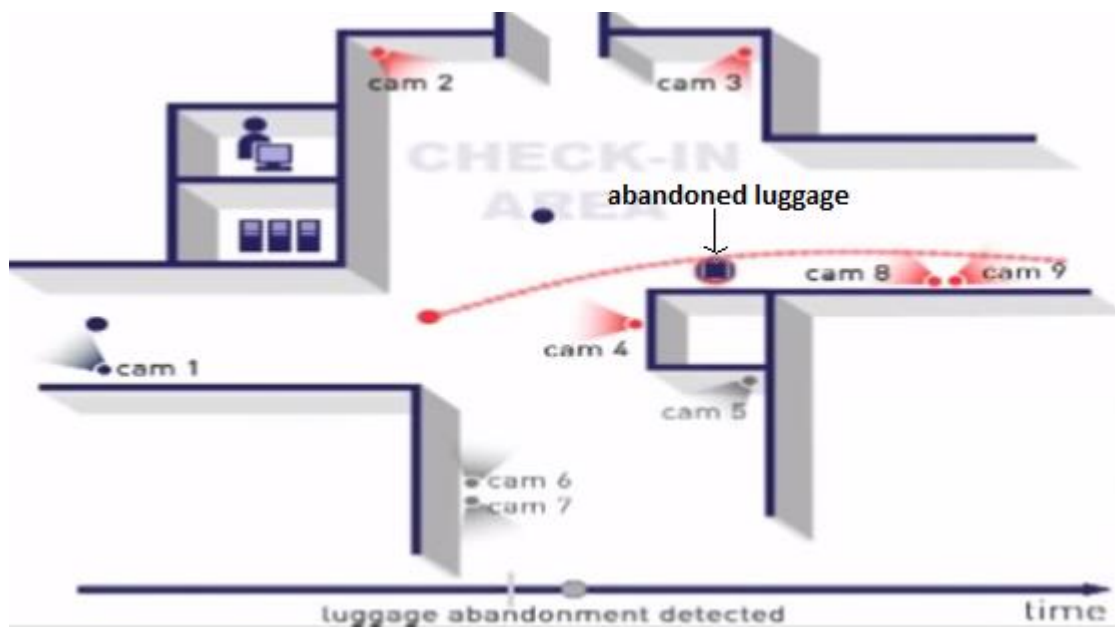
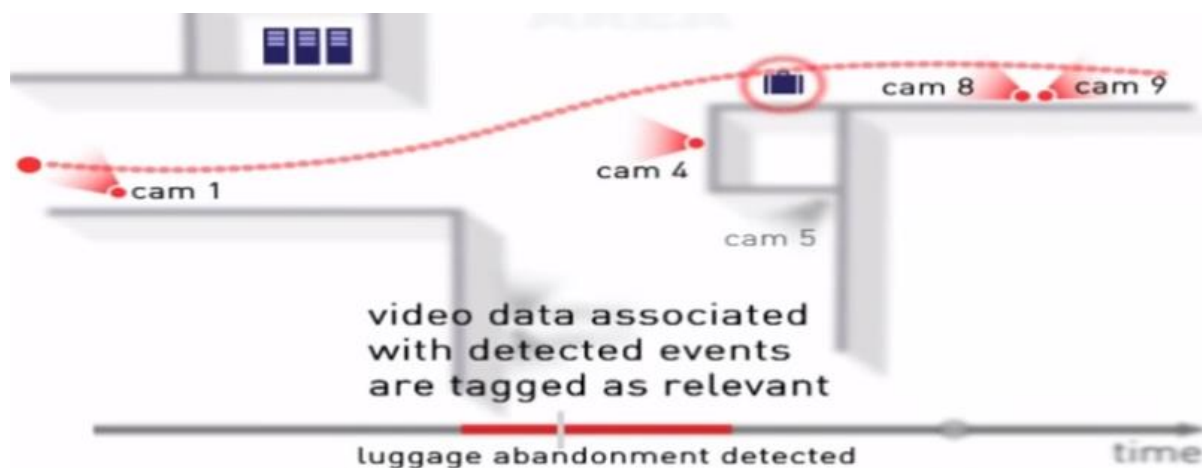


FIGURE 2 Example of abandoned luggage event (22)



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4 **FIGURE 3 Time period during which event took place highlighted for retention (22)**
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8 **Determining Feedback from End Users**

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10 The work presented in this paper focuses on the evaluation of the ADDPRIV system's
11 operation in the transport organisations. Alternative methodologies were considered for
12 gathering feedback, including focus groups and demonstrations of the prototype ADDPRIV
13 system to gauge response. Focus groups involve unstructured interviews or discussion with
14 several respondents at a time, on the topic of interest. This method could have provided rich
15 data in terms of exploring, in-depth, the respondents opinions on a tightly defined topic due
16 to respondents' discussion and challenging of each other's views (23). However, it was
17 decided that the topic being researched (privacy and security, and the new security
18 technologies in transport) was too broad to garner useful information from focus groups.
19 There was a risk that while the information collected may be rich, it could also be too
20 nebulous to draw robust conclusions, or identify trends, in the absence of restrictions on the
21 discussion (20). In addition, the ADDPRIV system was, at that time, still in its design stage
22 and so it would not be possible to include any respondents in the focus group who had
23 experience of this technology. It was considered that interviewing relevant personnel in the
24 end user companies during demonstrations of the technology would be a better way to
25 proceed.
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27 Site visits were conducted to the airport and the train management companies' CCTV control
28 rooms. Interviews were carried out with relevant members of the organisation to identify
29 what were the normal operating practices of the organisations, prior to this new technology
30 system being introduced. At the same time, a list of technical questions was sent to the
31 companies involved (SEA and Renfe) to gather information on the technology currently used.
32 The organisations were also asked to identify job roles which could be involved in the
33 management or operation of the ADDPRIV system. The interviewees were provided with an
34 information sheet about the project in either Spanish or Italian and asked to sign an informed
35 consent form (also in Spanish or Italian) (20).

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2 The main standards and documents on which the interview questions were based were the
3 Data Protection Audit Resource of the Irish DPC (24), the Closed Circuit Television (CCTV)
4 Management and Operation Code of practice of the British Standards Institution (25) and the
5 International Standards on the Protection of Personal Data and Privacy - The Madrid
6 Resolution (26). The relevant Data Protection authorities of Italy, Spain and Ireland were
7 members of the working group which developed The Madrid Resolution. The questions used
8 in the interviews focused on several aspects of the operations of the control rooms (20).

9 10 **RESULTS**

11 12 **Feedback from Airport Security Personnel**

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14 The first demonstration of the ADDPRIV system to end users took place in the Linate airport
15 offices in Milan. In attendance at this demonstration were airport police officers, head of the
16 airport police, the security personnel of airport operator and CCTV operators. The
17 demonstration began with the playing of the ADDPRIV video accompanied by an
18 explanation of the system, followed by discussion and interviews. The discussion was
19 recorded in Italian and a summary provided in English. The feedback from the end users was
20 broadly positive. Specific feedback on timing, alerts, the user interface, route reconstruction,
21 event detection, event deletion, operator training and future developments are summarised
22 here.

23 24 *Timing*

25 The purpose many of the end users interviewed saw for ADDPRIV was to aid their
26 intervention in an incident, if one is detected. The speed with which they are able to intervene
27 would be hampered by any delays within the system in relaying the required information to
28 the operator. Police officers interviewed described the timing as crucial and felt that the
29 timing within the system at that time (research stage) was not acceptable. If a person
30 abandons a piece of luggage which contains explosives, the length of time between them
31 leaving the bag and the bomb exploding could be very short. This potentially short window to
32 react to such an event if it were detected would be further reduced if the system is slow to
33 relay the relevant information to the operator.

34 35 *Alerts*

36 Several of the respondents felt that the system would be enhanced by the addition of more
37 noticeable alerts when an event is detected. It was suggested that some sort of visual alert,
38 such as something flashing, might appear on the screen when an event is detected and added to
39 the event list. It was also suggested that an alarm sound would aid in drawing an operator's
40 attention to the detection of an event. In addition to this, some respondents felt that the events
41 could be categorised according to the type of the event and the urgency of the response
42 required, level 1, 2, 3 etc. An abandoned bag would be a priority (it could be a bomb), whereas
43 a counterflow event would be a lower level of alarm. The alerts used could then correspond to
44 the category of the event.

45 46 *User Interface*

1 Apart from the need to enhance the way in which a detected event is communicated to the
2 operator, those respondents who answered questions on the user interface gave positive
3 feedback on it. They felt that the interface was clear and simple to use. One respondent
4 commented that it would be accessible to a broad range of people across different cultures,
5 countries, skills and levels of education.

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7 The police, however, raised the issue that they require surveillance capability for the entire
8 airport. They are not only looking for the events that ADDPRIV would detect if it were
9 implemented, but they would also need to be able to reconstruct routes and dangerous acts,
10 which may be the subject of an investigation. In addition to this, the police could be looking
11 for accomplices to suspicious or dangerous acts. It was deemed necessary that the police
12 should be in a position to observe the whole airport.

13 14 *Route Reconstruction*

15 Several of the respondents mentioned that the route reconstruction element of the ADDPRIV
16 system would be very important and useful. They saw it as an aid for finding a person of
17 interest after an event has been detected. One explained that, once an event has been brought
18 to the attention of an operator, the operator, using the route reconstruction trees, would be able
19 to see where the person involved went and the search can then begin at that place, rather than
20 the security personnel having to search the whole airport.

21 22 *Event Detection*

23 The three events chosen for event detection were endorsed by several respondents as being
24 appropriate. Of the three events, abandoned luggage was the one which was considered to
25 have the most priority by security personnel. One respondent felt the counterflow event could
26 be problematic to implement, as people often go in a direction counter to the flow, but it is not
27 a crime.

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29 Another issue raised related to the retention of footage of minors. During the demonstrations
30 an example was viewed whereby a child walking under the flexible barriers triggered the event
31 detection. In such cases as these, if ADDPRIV were fully operational, footage of the child
32 would be related to an event and retained. This concerned some of the respondents as
33 surveillance of children is governed by law.

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35 Another issue noted was that the event detection element of the system would help the
36 operators to detect, and act on, events as they happen, where previously they would only have
37 caught the events after they had happened. This would allow the operators to intervene in an
38 incident. Other respondents felt that the event detection and route reconstruction elements
39 were important. It was commented that someone running from one area to another should be a
40 detectable event; the examples were given of someone running out the exit doors from the
41 terminal, or fleeing having committed a dangerous act.

42 43 *Deletion*

44 The automatic deletion of footage that had been deemed irrelevant to security was raised as an
45 issue by some respondents. As mentioned with regard to the user interface, the police require
46 more footage than that which is associated with an event which may have been detected by
47 ADDPRIV. The concern was that if the footage not related to events is deleted automatically

1 prior to the deadline set out in the law (7 days), then SEA would not be in a position to
2 produce that footage should another authority request it. This pointed to a potential loss of
3 flexibility' for the security department.
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7 *Future Developments*

8 In terms of possible future implementation of ADDPRIV, it was also suggested that a function
9 could be incorporated whereby operators could receive an alert to a handheld device, such as a
10 Smartphone. This would allow them to be alerted to the detection of an event, even if they are
11 not in front of the ADDPRIV interface when it is detected. It was pointed out that this function
12 would be particularly useful in situations where there is only one operator on duty in the
13 control room.
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15 **Feedback from Railway Security Personnel**

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17 The second demonstration of the ADDPRIV system took place in one of Renfe's control
18 centres in Madrid. A presentation of the system was given followed by a live demonstration of
19 the interface. The attendees were given the opportunity to ask questions and give their
20 feedback throughout the presentation and demonstration. After the demonstration was
21 completed, there was further discussion where questions were used to prompt feedback. In
22 attendance at the demonstration were technicians, engineers and CCTV operators. The system
23 was demonstrated in the form in which was set up in Linate Airport. The issues raised in
24 feedback concerned integration, video analysis, one-off events, automatic deletion, timing and
25 logistical issues, as follows:
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27 *Integration*

28 The attendees at the demonstration felt that the ADDPRIV system would complement the
29 existing systems in the control centre. In the course of the subsequent discussions, the
30 importance of ADDPRIV's integration with the existing framework was highlighted. It was
31 suggested that a level of integration between the existing applications and ADDPRIV would
32 reduce the length of time it would take to intervene in an incident, as the operator would know
33 the location of the detected event and they could then check the live video of the camera at this
34 location.
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36 *Video Analysis*

37 A concern raised during the discussions was the practicality of implementing the ADDPRIV
38 system in an organisation such as Renfe in which the existing system is quite distributed. At
39 present, the operators access the video footage for each station remotely and so the
40 implementation of ADDPRIV raises the issue of where the video would be processed. If the
41 processing were to be centralised, it would necessitate all feeds, from all cameras, being
42 transferred from the stations to the control centre. Those involved in the discussion felt that
43 this was not viable, not only was the quantity of footage to be communicated to a control
44 centre a concern, but there would also be new security measures required for the data that
45 would be sent to the control centre. The alternative they considered would be to have the video
46 analysed at the station level. However, this would require the system to be installed in about
47 500 individual stations. Another possible configuration considered was for only the detected

1 events to be sent to the control centre rather than all feeds. However, there would still be the
2 matter of secure communication between the stations and the control centre. The potential loss
3 of the video watermark was also raised as a concern if the footage was to be processed
4 centrally.

5 6 7 *One-off Events*

8 A discussion was prompted on the possibility that a system such as ADDPRIV would be better
9 suited to unusual events (such as football matches) than to the day-to-day running of
10 infrastructure but the attendees did not think that this would be appropriate for the Renfe
11 stations on busy days. The Renfe personnel responded that, were ADDPRIV to be
12 implemented, there would need to be a function which would allow unusual events to be
13 marked for exemption, so that the entirety of the footage for such events or days would be
14 retained.

15 16 *Automatic Deletion*

17 In addition to the comments about retaining footage from one-off events, another concern
18 raised with regard to the automatic deletion of footage was that the judicial system may not
19 necessarily request any footage they require promptly. At present, requests for footage more
20 than 30 days old, cannot be fulfilled due to the 30 day retention period legal requirement in
21 Spain. However, if automatic deletion were to be implemented, then even a request which
22 arrived within the 30 days could potentially relate to deleted footage. In addition to this,
23 problems arise as a request could be received from an international agency relating to a person
24 who is of interest to them because of an incident which occurred elsewhere. Were ADDPRIV
25 to be in use, as no event would have occurred within Renfe's stations in such a scenario, the
26 footage could have been deleted. Ultimately, the attendees decided that as the law currently
27 says 30 days, they will need to keep it for 30 days. It was further commented that when the
28 system is being configured to detect certain events, the events chosen are from the perspective
29 of Renfe and its operators, however, an external authority may have a different requirement or
30 point of view and if the automatic deletion is in place, then only events of relevance to Renfe
31 will have been retained.

32 33 *Timing*

34 As the control centre deals with footage from so many cameras, a concern was expressed that
35 it may not be possible to review all of the events which would be detected in 24 hours. It was
36 concluded that it would require a dedicated member of staff just to review the event list in
37 order to keep up to date, and this would be true regardless of how many hours or days of
38 events were displayed on the interface. This posed the further problem of whether the operator
39 responsible should review the events in the order that they appear on the event list, or should
40 they skip older events when a new one appears on the screen.

41 42 *Logistical Issues*

43 While the deletion element of the technology has been identified as an issue for Renfe with
44 regard to possible implementation of the system, the attendees at the demonstration saw a use
45 in the route reconstruction element as a tool for aiding the investigation of incidents after the
46 event. According to the attendees, the route reconstruction element of the ADDPRIV system
47 would allow them to reduce the number of hours of footage they needed to view in order to

1 find footage relevant to an event. They pointed out that too many false alarms in a system's
2 video analysis functions would result in their being disabled. However, even reviewing the
3 video in a subsequent investigation, it is still necessary to view the video in real time to find
4 what you are looking for. They see the benefit of ADDPRIV as having the ability to search by
5 events, thus reducing the amount of footage to be reviewed.
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7 In considering what applications there could be for ADDPRIV on railways, the attendees
8 suggested it would be useful for dealing with aggressive behaviour of people in the stations
9 and with incidents such as a person falling. The intrusion event was considered as possibly
10 having an application when trains are parked overnight. Vandalism of train carriages is a
11 concern, and they are expensive to repair. People crossing the rails was also been mentioned
12 and on further discussion the point was made that some trains also trespass on the tracks, and
13 more frequently than people. As such, this would need to be allowed for in the ADDPRIV
14 system to avoid having trains causing false alarms.
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16 **DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS**

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18 Overall, the response to the concepts and solutions proposed by the ADDPRIV project to
19 those who would be using the system in the consortium's end user organisations, Renfe and
20 SEA were generally positive. The participants from both organisations saw different potential
21 for the application of the route reconstruction and event detection components to their work.
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23 The lengths of the footage retention periods at present are in accordance with national laws
24 and can be as high as 180+days in some countries. Concern was expressed by both the end
25 user organisations as they are required to hold on to all footage for a set length of time and
26 they could be subject to a request for that footage by another authority. The organisation may
27 not necessarily be told why that footage is required by the other authority. Where a video
28 segment for a certain time period is requested as opposed to requesting footage for a specific
29 event, if ADDPRIV had not detected an event on the relevant camera at the right time that
30 footage would not have been retained. Alternatively, even if an event was detected, if it was
31 reviewed by an operator and they had not deemed the footage to be relevant, the footage
32 would be deleted once the time threshold (currently 24 hours) had been reached. If non-tagged
33 video has been discarded then it will be impossible to build a case against the perpetrators or
34 perhaps determine what methods, and supporting personnel which were involved in a
35 criminal/terrorist event. Given that both the transport organisations can be subject to requests
36 from external authorities e.g. Interpol, research could be conducted into the legal requirements
37 around Europe for such systems and potentially developing a Europe wide legal framework
38 for the operation of these systems, so that all countries in Europe are subject to the same
39 standards, and companies that wish to innovate their security systems, to enhance privacy
40 protection, are provided with clear guidelines as to what is and is not permissible.

41 At present, it is the case in both end user organisations that only specific employees have the
42 authority to review recorded footage (as opposed to the live camera feeds), authorise the
43 extraction of the footage or carry out the extraction of that footage. The operators themselves
44 are not entitled to review the recorded footage. If the police make a request for footage from
45 the archive, then a specific employee from the control centre will review it with them. Copies
46 can be made for the police. If ADDPRIV were to be implemented, it would put the operators

1 in the position of reviewing video associated with the trigger events. In the case of both end
2 users, this could result in non-manager level employees reviewing recorded footage, where,
3 previously, they would have been working solely with live footage. In addition to this, there
4 would be the responsibility of deciding which events are relevant to security, and which are
5 not. The ADDPRIV system would introduce several new aspects into the tasks of operators,
6 for which new training would need to be developed if the system were to be implemented in
7 its current format.

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9 The route reconstruction component of the ADDPRIV system was interesting to the
10 representatives from both organisations. Possible uses put forward were using it to improve
11 responses to events, in helping to find the individuals of interest and using it to reduce the
12 amount of video to be watched in real-time when conducting an investigation subsequent to an
13 event. The intrusion event was considered as possibly having an application when people cross
14 the rails or to reduce vandalism of train carriages when parked overnight.

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