INTERPOL

NAME OF PASSENGER

VESSEL **PORT** **CABIN**

NAME OF PASSENGER

OUTBOUND

INBOUND

BOARDING TIME

DATE
NOV 2017

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Identity screening for safer travel

Through **I-Checkit**, accredited private sector partners can draw on **INTERPOL**'s policing capabilities, helping to detect identity fraud and building a stronger security infrastructure for the travel industry.

THE VALUE OF IDENTITY DOCUMENTS

The fraudulent use of identity and travel documents presents a threat to the security of countries and their citizens, the economy and global trade, as it facilitates a wide range of crimes.

Fake or altered passports have become key elements in the arsenal of terrorists and other criminals seeking to conceal their identities to move across borders, transfer funds and carry out their illicit activities.

With this in mind, there is a clear need for law enforcement, governments and businesses to know whether their citizens and customers are who they claim to be.

PROTECTING THE MARITIME TRAVEL INDUSTRY

Global travel figures indicate that the maritime industry transports approximately 2.1 billion passengers annually.

Unprecedented growth in passenger travel has highlighted the importance of cross-sector cooperation, as both national authorities and the private sector strive to protect the security of their people, interests and operations.

With sea-border security procedures lacking systematic identity checks on passengers, these types of borders remain vulnerable to exploitation by transnational criminal networks.

I-Checkit closes security gaps and encourages cooperation between the public and private sectors by facilitating information exchange to help detect identity fraud, and stop criminals from using stolen or lost travel documents.

Passengers with criminal intentions pose the greatest threat to operations. However, travelers 'innocently' attempting to use documents previously reported stolen or lost also represent a risk to the travel industry, as they are equally responsible for causing delays and incurring repatriation costs.
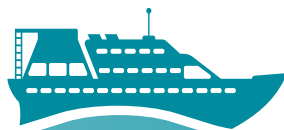
PARTNERING WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR

Prior to I-Checkit, only law enforcement officials could query travel documents of individuals travelling internationally against INTERPOL's Stolen and Lost Travel Documents database.

I-Checkit allows trusted partners to submit travel documents for screening – as early as check-in – against INTERPOL's Stolen and Lost Travel Document (SLTD) database. For the travel sector specifically, this screening takes place **before passengers arrive at the seaport, airport, or land border**.

Now, and only through I-Checkit, accredited private sector partners can benefit from three of INTERPOL's key capabilities to assist them in protecting their operations.

SLTD DATABASE

INTERPOL's SLTD database holds information on more than 78 million travel documents reported stolen or lost by 184 countries. This database enables INTERPOL National Central Bureaus (NCBs) and other authorized entities, such as immigration and border control officers, to check the validity of a suspect travel document in seconds.

Development is currently underway to extend screening to include INTERPOL Red Notices, or alerts for internationally wanted persons.
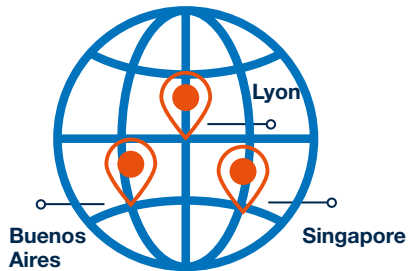
INTERPOL'S GLOBAL NETWORK

Each of our 192 member countries maintains an NCB, staffed by national law enforcement officers. The NCB forms the link with INTERPOL's global network, enabling member countries to work together on cross-border investigations.

INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS CENTRE

The Command and Coordination Centre (CCC) is the operations room at INTERPOL and the first point of contact for a member country seeking INTERPOL's immediate intervention to support international police action.

Based in three strategic locations, the CCC operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year and provides a rapid and integrated reaction to alerts generated by I-Checkit, linking police from around the world for effective follow-up.

Lyon

Buenos Aires

Singapore

SLTD FIGURES

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Records in 2007
13,921,191

Records as of November 2017
78,084,494

Searches performed as of November 2017
2,360,567,464

Number of hits
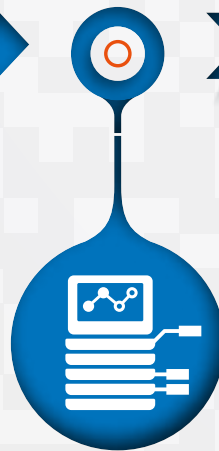as of November 2017
212,887

HOW DOES I-CHECKIT WORK?

PASSENGER RESERVATION AND/OR CHECK-IN

INTERPOL'S STOLEN AND LOST TRAVEL DOCUMENTS DATABASE

HIT NOTIFICATION

PASSENGER DATA IS SCREENED:
Document number
Document type
Issuing country

IF PASSENGER DATA MATCHES A RECORD IN THE SLTD

Screening can take place at any time prior to departure, in line with carrier needs

Some carriers may prefer the live screening process to occur at booking, while others may require passenger data to be screened several times prior to departure (one week before, the day before and at check-in, for example). INTERPOL works closely with its partners to determine the best process, ensuring it is tailored to operational requirements.

OUR EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THAT FAKE OR STOLEN DOCUMENT HOLDERS CAN BE DETECTED AND INTERCEPTED WITHOUT DELAYING DEPARTURES.

PASSENGER DATA AND FULL ITINERARY ARE TRANSMITTED

CARRIER'S SECURITY TEAM

INVOLVED INTERPOL NCBS

INTERPOL CCC

FOLLOW-UP ON A POSITIVE HIT TYPICALLY INVOLVES A SECONDARY, PHYSICAL INSPECTION OF THE TRAVEL DOCUMENT PRIOR TO BOARDING.

BENEFITS

A partnership with INTERPOL, the world's largest police organization, strengthens existing security protocols, protects operations and reassures customers.

When passengers attempting to travel on invalid identity documents are intercepted before they board, cruise lines, ferry operators and law enforcement authorities benefit.

For maritime operators specifically, I-Checkit may bring:

- Increased security of ferry and cruise operations;
- Optimized embarkment, as disruptions by undocumented or illegal travellers are limited;
- A mitigation of risks associated in repatriation costs and immigration fines;
- A complement to insurance policies in order to reduce premiums;
- Increased brand trust and loyalty.

HOW TO CONNECT?

INTERPOL's dedicated I-Checkit team works with carriers to ensure seamless implementation.

Using web-based services and integrated with existing IT systems, **implementing I-Checkit does not require additional equipment**, minimizing technology costs.

FOUR STAGES OF IMPLEMENTATION

1. **PREPARATION PHASE**
→ administrative procedures
→ mobilization of adequate resources
→ endorsement from impacted stakeholders

2. **THREE-MONTH TRIAL**
→ solution is tested in the real environment

3. **TRIAL REVIEW**

4. **FULL ROLL-OUT**

LEGAL FRAMEWORK

The I-Checkit service is subject to a comprehensive legal framework which rests on:

- ❯ INTERPOL's Constitution;
- ❯ INTERPOL's Rules on the Processing of Data;
- ❯ INTERPOL's Financial Regulations;
- ❯ National and international law;
- ❯ Specific agreements with private companies;
- ❯ International standards for data protection.

KEEPING DATA SECURE

Extensive testing has proven I-Checkit to be as secure as INTERPOL's global police communications system, I-24/7. Private sector partners cannot search or modify information held in the SLTD database, likewise, INTERPOL does not have access to the accredited partner's databases.

A SUSTAINABLE FINANCIAL MODEL

As a not-for-profit organization, INTERPOL aims to provide policing capabilities that benefit the international community. I-Checkit is therefore based on a cost recovery model.

Private entities are charged an annual subscription fee which covers:

- Enhancements of INTERPOL's secure databases;
- Improved data quality and alert response;
- Capacity building and professional network development;
- Intelligence reporting to police, government and industry;
- Operational and material support to highly impacted NCBs.
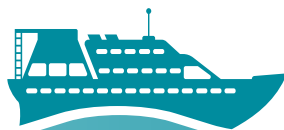
I-CHECKIT FOR AIRLINES

I-Checkit has been used by the airline sector since June 2014. It has demonstrated its value, helping carriers limit risks posed by passengers travelling on stolen or lost travel documents.

I-CHECKIT IN NUMBERS

Average processing time per screening
30 milliseconds

Records screened in 2016
35.8 million

Hit / screening ratio
1:33,800

I-CHECKIT IN NUMBERS

184
participating countries

3 hits per day

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