

PRISE

Civil Rights and Public Acceptance of Security Research and Applications

Objective

The project **PRISE** aims at contributing to a secure future for the European Union consistent with European citizens' civil rights - in particular privacy – and their preferences.

Incentive

In the context of the 7th Framework Programme the European Union is going to expend considerable funding for research on and development of technologies and applications aiming at supporting inner security. These new technologies should not put civil – and in particular privacy – rights in danger, but find a balance between security and personal freedom which complies with the democratic values and the perception of European citizens. In order to support this, **PRISE** will provide criteria and guidelines for privacy enhancing security research and for the application of the developed security solutions. As a supporting activity under the PASR programme the project will assist the European Union in shaping forthcoming security research programmes in accordance with its fundamental values.

Tasks

- developing criteria and guidelines for privacy compliant security research and technology development,
- transforming the results into scenarios that present applications of security technologies and measures that comply with civil rights and privacy to a varying degree,
- testing these scenarios in a set of participatory technology assessment procedures in different European states, allowing for a substantiated indication of public perception and citizens' preferences,
- elaborating the sets of criteria and guidelines with direct involvement of providers of security technologies, private and public users and implementers, institutions and bodies shaping policies and regulation as well as organisations representing potentially and actually conflicting interests,
- disseminating the results to actors relevant for the shaping of technologies and policies.

Results

The guidelines and criteria developed by **PRISE** for security research and the resulting applications are to enable the European Security Industry and its customers to develop and apply products and services in accordance with the European Union's fundamental values and its citizens' preferences. This will increase public acceptance of security measures and thus the European Union's credibility as a community of values. Furthermore, the European Security Industry's competitiveness will be fostered as it will be supported in its efforts to develop products and services especially suitable for the European market and at the same time highlight fundamental law compliance and public acceptance as an advantage in international competition.

PRISE Privacy Enhancing Shaping of Security Research and Technology – A Participatory Approach to Develop Acceptable and Accepted Principles for European Security Industries and Policies

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