

# An insight into biometrics good practices



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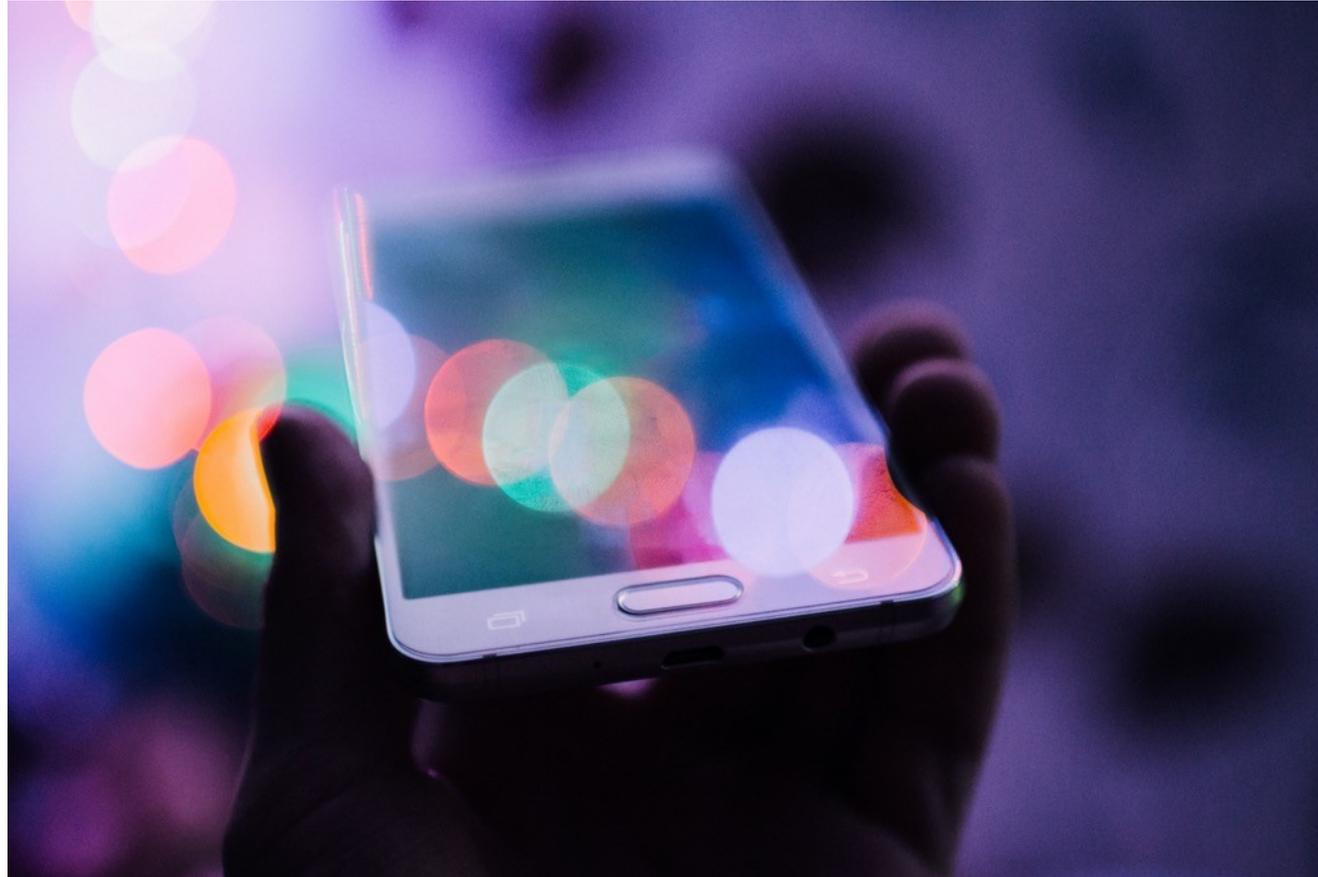
## Policy and standards development takes time



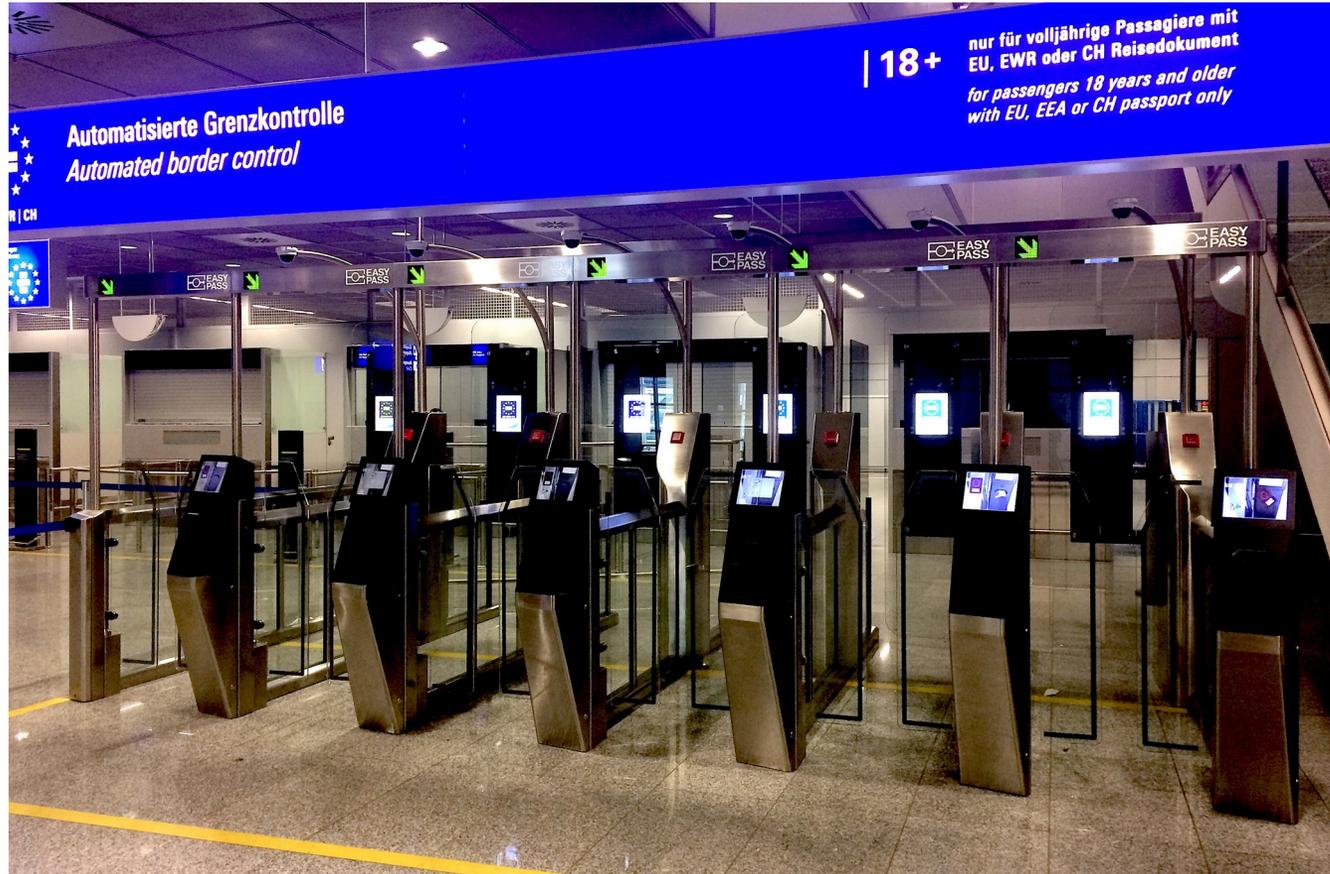
# Contactless is imperative



## Surge in remote onboarding



## Biometric gates provide efficiency and security



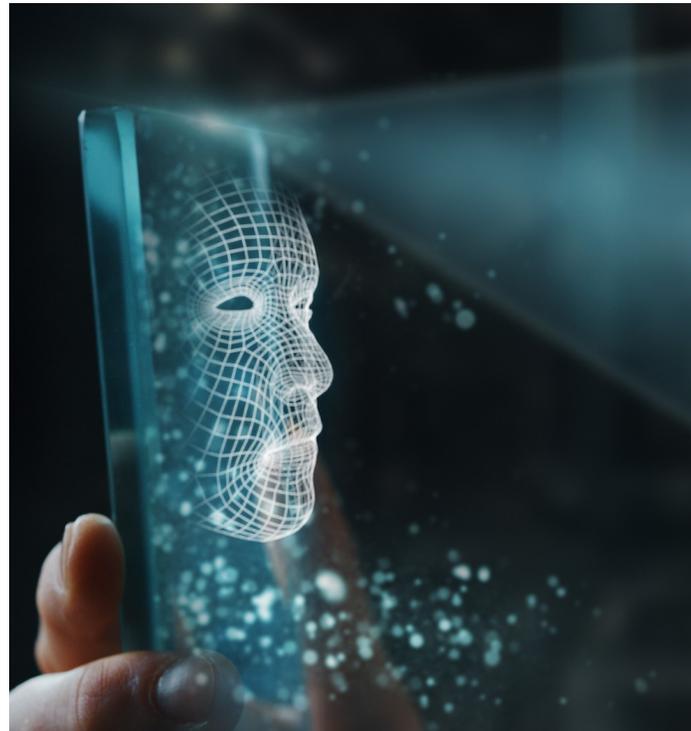
# Identity and health credentials



## Know your implementation - recent releases



Should we ban facial recognition viewpoint paper



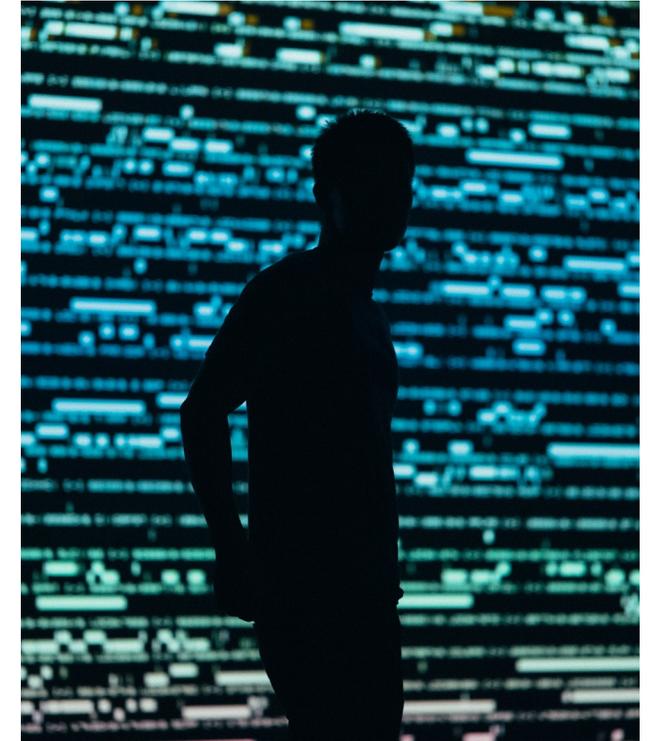
Digital onboarding and biometrics guiding paper



State of Biometrics Report podcast

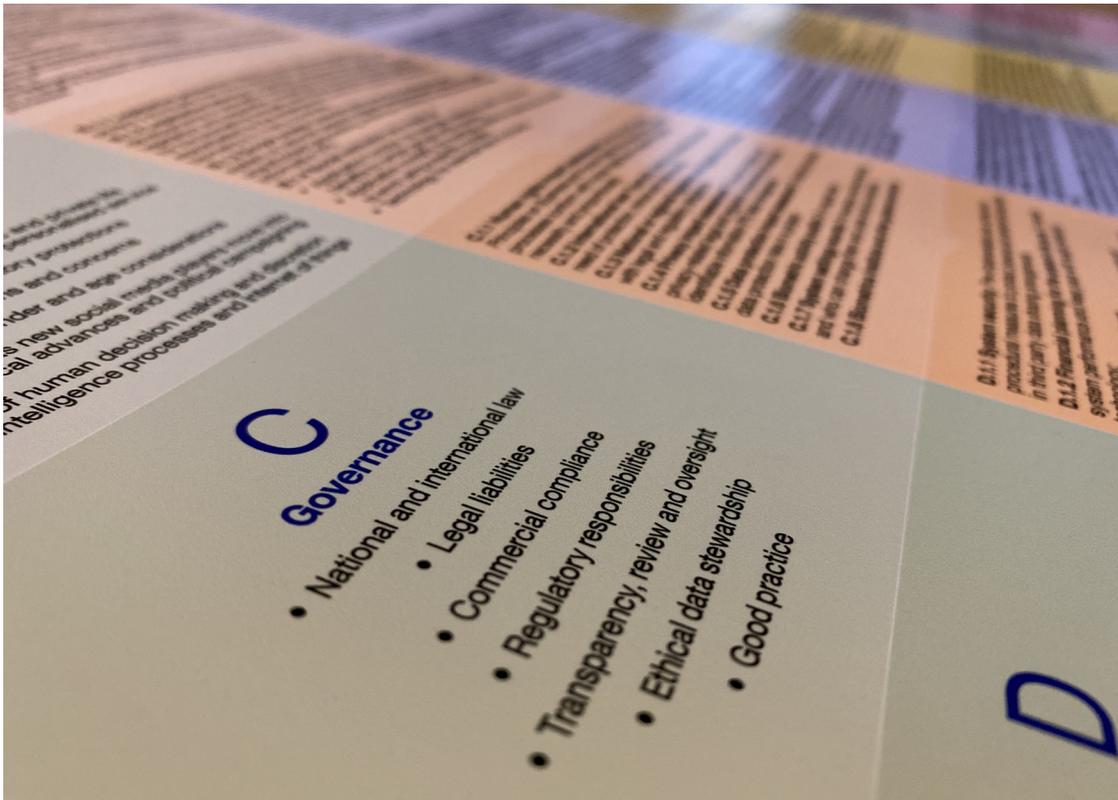
## The Three Laws of Biometrics

- 1. POLICY** – comes first: Any use of biometrics is proportionate, with basic human rights, ethics and privacy at its heart.
- 2. PROCESS** – follows policy: Safeguards are in place to ensure decisions are rigorously reviewed, operations are fair and operators are accountable.
- 3. TECHNOLOGY** – guided by policy and process: Know your algorithm, biometric system, data quality and operating environment and mitigate vulnerabilities, limitations and risks.



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# Biometrics Institute Good Practice Framework



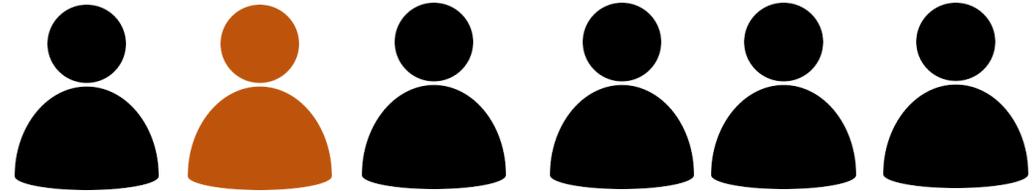
A first-of-its-kind tool which provides a structured pathway through the factors that may influence or constrain a biometric application

## Privacy Guidelines update



- The revised *Privacy Guidelines* released at the beginning of May
- Two new principles have been added

## What does this mean in practice?



Scenario:

1 : 1 automated face verification e-gates -> adding watch list capability to search the faces 1:n

# What does this mean in practice?

Scope, key considerations and control measures	Fundamental processes			
	1 Strategic planning: System procurement and development	2 Data acquisition and enrolment	3 Data processing	4 System outputs
<p><b>A</b></p> <p><b>Biometric systems: Capability, planning and design</b></p> <p>The use of human physiological or behavioural biometric characteristics for the purposes of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Individual verification (one-to-one)</li> <li>Individual identification (one-to-many)</li> <li>Categorisation such as age, gender, race</li> <li>Activity, sentiment, mood and intent interpretation</li> </ul>	<p><b>A.1.1 Concept of operation and business case:</b> Intended purpose(s), rationale or legal mandate for using biometrics, demand profile, risk assessments, legal constraints and financial forecasting for a new, replacement or expanded system</p> <p><b>A.1.2 Meaningful stakeholder consultation:</b> Informing and seeking the views of future data subjects and other relevant stakeholders</p> <p><b>A.1.3 Functionality:</b> Single or multiple purpose, age appropriate and supported by viable biometric technology</p> <p><b>A.1.4 Modality:</b> Type(s), mono or multi-modal</p> <p><b>A.1.5 Data ownership, distribution and retention:</b> Centralised model (identity data possessed and controlled by service provider) or decentralised, self-sovereign model (identity data possessed and controlled by individual)</p> <p><b>A.1.6 Network connectivity (if applicable):</b> Availability, scalability and accuracy requirements</p> <p><b>A.1.7 System procurement and extensibility:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Obtaining all components and functionality from one vendor/system integrator or</li> <li>Disaggregating the main components and services individually</li> </ol>	<p><b>A.2.1 Acquisition method:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Over/covert</li> <li>Self-capture</li> <li>Contact</li> <li>Non-contact - proximal/remote</li> <li>Online data capture</li> <li>Physical - for example a printed facial image</li> </ul> <p><b>A.2.2 Database enrolment criteria (if applicable):</b> Capacity, processing speed and conversion/migration to other systems for example</p> <p><b>A.2.3 Legal basis for data capture and data subject's consent:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explicit and informed with opt in/opt out choice</li> <li>Implicit or conditional</li> <li>No consent sought/non-cooperative operation</li> </ul> <p><b>A.2.4 Defined period of consent</b></p> <p><b>A.2.5 Data quality method:</b> Evaluating the design and performance of the acquisition device/method</p> <p><b>A.2.6 Human interface design:</b></p>	<p><b>A.3.1 Data management:</b> Feature extraction and template creation with original image retained and used if required, security, ownership, accuracy, volumes and throughputs, retention and deletion</p> <p><b>A.3.2 Data quality:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Optimal</li> <li>Sub-optimal</li> </ol> <p><b>A.3.3 One-to-one (1:1) comparison:</b> Verification</p> <p><b>A.3.4 One-to-many (1:n) comparisons:</b> Identification - positive and negative, closed-set and open-set databases/watchlists</p> <p><b>A.3.5 Operating parameters:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Real-time or deferred processing</li> <li>Fully automated or with human intervention</li> </ol> <p><b>A.3.6 Network scope (if applicable):</b> International, national or local connectivity</p> <p><b>A.3.7 Data exchange:</b> Use of templates/hashes/values preferable for the transmission of images</p> <p><b>A.3.8 Network management:</b> Formal agreements and collective operating standards, data ownership/curation, sharing and search</p>	<p><b>A.4.1 Performance parameters:</b> For example, error and throughput rates, failure to enrol, exception handling volumes, human intervention proficiency and competence</p> <p><b>A.4.2 Performance reviews:</b> Regular assessments of system threshold settings to ensure optimum results</p> <p><b>A.4.3 Accuracy and precision - automated outputs:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Physical applications</li> <li>Digital/virtual applications</li> </ol> <p><b>A.4.4 Accuracy and precision - outputs evaluated by human operators:</b> Use case dependent ranging from indicative opinion to related evidential standard outputs</p> <p><b>A.4.5 Operator training and relative competence:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1:1 comparison by a trained/untrained operator</li> <li>1:n presumptive screening by a trained/untrained operator</li> <li>1:1 or 1:n comparisons by a trained and accredited operator/forensic scientist working within an ISO quality management system including those qualified as an expert witness, who meet the required judicial standards and criteria</li> </ol> <p><b>A.4.6 Operator objectivity and impartiality:</b></p>

## Good Practice Framework

**A.1.1** Concept of operations and business case & **A.2.3** legal basis for data capture & **A.1.2.** Meaningful stakeholder consultation  
**A.1.4** Modality & **A.4.3** accuracy & **B.4.2** system bias

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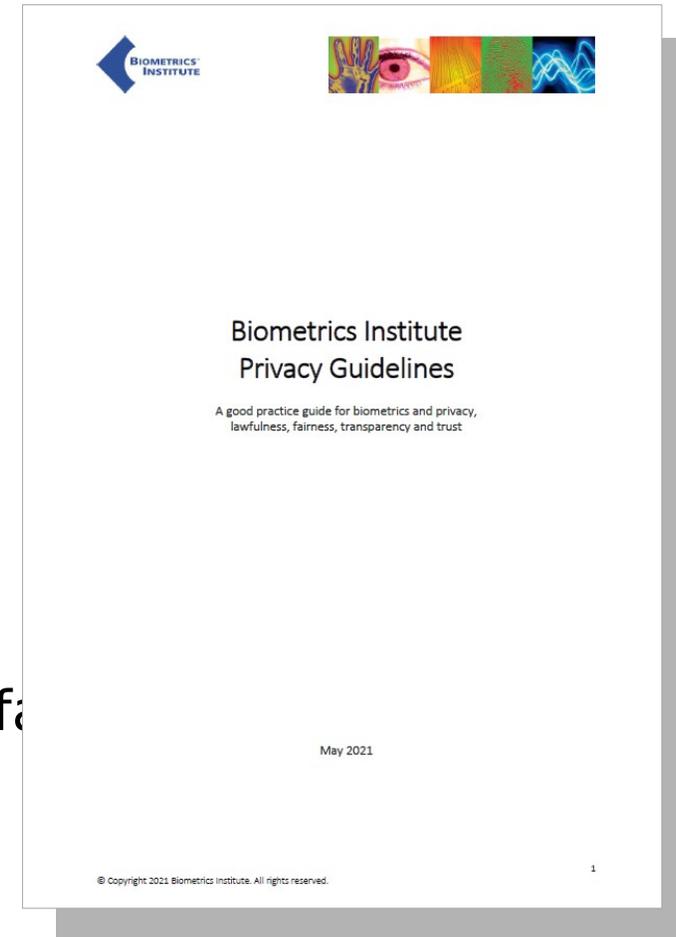
## Privacy Guidelines

Mistakes occur - expert human intervention needed

Principle 8: Non-discrimination

Principle 6: Fair handling of complaints and enquiries

Principle 6: Truth and accuracy in business and legal affairs



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## Upcoming events

- **2 June 2021:** Member Meeting - Updates from Australia and New Zealand, online
- **29 June 2021:** Member Meeting - Updates from the US, online
- **6, 13, 20 & 26 October 2021:** Biometrics Institute Congress, London, online
- **17 November 2021:** Showcase Australia, Canberra
- **On demand:** Biometrics Vulnerabilities Workshop - How robust is your system?
- **On demand:** Global Good Practice Series: Biometrics and surveillance