

# Complexity in Border Control gemalto **Implementations**



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## Why this topic?

Every time I assist to an event that has anything to do with Border Control it mainly focuses on eGates and new standards

× Hardly ever we have heard details how complex the development and full implementation of a Border Control system is.

×These projects are really challenging



### Is it really complex?: YES!!!

- Offers for turn key projects made based on limited details available in tender documents.
- × Surprises and changes during design phase
- Many actors involved makes hard to reach agreement in final specs and handle project implementation
- Massive System Integration
- Customized solution. Not 2 systems are the same
- ×Poor existing infrastructure and networking
- ×High resistance to change
- Country and area regulations in terms of data privacy
- Customer management is the key to reduce risk
- ×Lack of knowledge or too much knowledge from customers



#### **Common Problems**

- Infrastructure, facilities and communications
- Special solutions for vicinity traffic
- Coordination with local partners
- Customers expects "turn key"
- X Lack of integration capabilities of external solutions No changes can be done to that specific system
- Tight budgets and not enough room for additional functions without compromising margin
- Misunderstanding the capabilities of certain devices
- × New requirements found during design phase
- Complexity in the decision making process
- × Delays



### **Complex in terms of actors**





### **System Integration Complexity**



#### **How to Succeed?**

- Must have PATIENCE!
- Have control of the system source code and limit external dependencies
- Stick to a proper methodology and agree with end customer
- Record and track all agreements and specific decisions during meetings
- Flexible organization and human resource pool
- Strong and technically capable local partners
- Flexible and modular architectures
- Respect international standards and implementation best practices
- Customer management is a key!
- Involve end user during design, learn from existing processes and find improvements
- Manage resistance to change from the beginning of the project!
- Deliver incrementally on stages as soon as possible



## **New Challenges**

- × N-PKD, SPOC implementations
- Irruption of LDS 2
- × Keep up with advances in document forgeries
- X Dynamic integrations with API
- × Automatic handling of certificates
- Increase of transnational crime
- × Analytics and intelligence







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