Physical Security Interoperability Alliance Newsletter

PSIA Wraps up Exciting 2018
Celebrates 10 years

The **Physical Security Interoperability Alliance** (PSIA) celebrated its 10 year anniversary in 2018. We are proud of our role as the first open standards organization in the physical security industry and continue to show leadership in this area. We have seen strong momentum with our Physical Logicial Access Interoperability (PLAI) initiative during the year, which is both exciting for the industry and gratifying to our members. We have a diverse Board which represents the leading PACS, access control, and biometrics vendors; and integrators and large enterprise customers. This allows us to address technical challenges and market needs.

We have accomplished some significant milestones this year including:

- **PLAI agent**- We introduced a PLAI agent which can be used to support multiple PACS and biometric systems with implemented PLAI adapters.
- **Test Tools**-We updated the PLAI test tools and have these available for all vendors who wish to have compliant products.
- **Web Site**-We did a major refresh of our web site (www.psialliance.org), providing more resources and information relating to our efforts in access control and identity management.
- **Commercial Implementations**-We are engaged with a number of Fortune Global 500 enterprise customers on pilot tests of PLAI, staging for full implementations.
- **Technical Development**-We have had multiple technical summits supporting PLAI, biometrics, temporary access management, and raw bits, all complementing and enhancing the PLAI specification.

We expect PLAI to see further development in the market in 2019. Two of the leading security integration companies, **Convergint** and **Tech Systems**, are actively working with the PSIA to develop resources to assure PLAI will be an important consideration which will be specified by enterprise customers.

The PSIA will have an exciting demo at ISC West 2019, at which time there will be at least four major PACS vendors and three biometric vendors, with PLAI implementations, able to participate. Mark your calendars- **Thursday, April 11, 2019- 10AM**. We will begin taking registrations next month!

We appreciate the efforts of our group to support open standards and believe that the security industry and its customers will benefit from PLAI and related activities. We invite you to join us in this important effort!

Best wishes to you in the holiday season!

David Bunzel
Executive Director
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The PSIA is planning to demonstrate PLAI at ISC West 2019 on April 11, 2019 at 10:00 AM.

 "The physical security industry is recognizing PLAI as an important feature to have, supporting enterprise security ecosystems," noted David Bunzel, Executive Director of the PSIA. "With four of the leading PACS vendors and three of the leading biometric vendors having PLAI compliant devices at this time, the demo will be significantly expanded from what we showed at ISC West 2018."

In addition, the PSIA will be announcing some large enterprise customers who have active programs to test and evaluate PLAI and plans to integrate it into their companies. If you are interested in joining this meeting, please click on this link and we will keep you updated on details for this event.

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