

Physical Security Interoperability Alliance



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PSIA Hosts Happy Hour Featuring PKOC

PKOC over OSDP Demonstrates Expanding Ecosystem

ON WEDNESDAY, April 10, 2024 at 3:30 PM, the Physical Security Interoperability Alliance (PSIA) will host a Happy Hour at **Booth # 22067** (SAFR Scan), highlighting its Public Key Open Credential (PKOC) specification. PKOC is a very exciting initiative, providing a free, interoperable mobile credential, which is likely to usher in a new era in the security market. In addition, PKOC over OSDP, a new specification, will be demonstrated at ISC West.

PSIA has a broad group of vendors which will be showing products relying on the organization's open standards. Johnson Controls will feature twelve companies demonstrating PKOC-enabled products at its stand (**Booth 18033**) during the show. Attendees will be able to download an app from a number of companies and enroll at the JCI stand. This will allow them to use mobile credentials and physical cards to interact with readers and biometric systems featuring PKOC.

David Bunzel, PSIA Executive Director, noted, "There has been considerable interest in PKOC among vendors and end users in the market. Having a standards-based credential which is essentially free, vendor agnostic, and interoperable across multiple devices and systems, will provide significant benefits to the access control market."

PKOC creates truly secure and interoperable identity-based credentials. "PKOC solves a 30-year industry challenge which has plagued our industry with complexity, cost, and security issues." says Jason Ouellette, Chairman of the Board, Physical Security Interoperability Alliance and Director of Engineering and Technology for Johnson Controls Security Products. "Interest in PKOC has accelerated and we are excited as PSIA members to demonstrate this in the context of interoperability across multiple physical access control systems, readers, and biometric devices."

Security industry professionals attending ISC West will be able to find out more about PKOC at the **PSIA Happy Hour** which will be held from:

3:30 to 4:30 PM on April 10 at the SAFR Scan Booth # 22067

[Calendar Link](#)

The PSIA has been active in developing and promoting open specifications that support interoperability in the physical and logical security industries. Industry publication, Security Technology Executive, declares interoperability "The Next Great Phase of Physical Access Control." SecurityInfoWatch.com expounds on the predicted demand for PACS interoperability by saying, "Open protocols, standards and industry-accepted conformant products that focus on unbridled interoperability between manufacturers and vendors will be critical as advanced technology, such as analytics and ancillary devices, enter the realm of physical security and access control."

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Notes to Editors:

●PSIA is a 501(c)6 organization created to define, recommend and promote standards for IP-enabled security devices and systems.

●PSIA was founded in February of 2008 and incorporated in March of 2009.

●The Physical Logical Access Interoperability (PLAI) specification was introduced in 2013.

●The PKOC specification was introduced in 2021

●The twelve industry partners participating in the PSIA Event at ISC West 2024 include:

- Johnson Controls
- Elatec
- RFIdeas
- Alcatraz
- SAFR Scan
- INID
- Kastle Systems
- Last Lock
- Sentry Enterprises
- Taglio
- Secure Element Solutions
- Custom Plastic Card Company

● ISC West is the largest security industry trade show in the U.S. At ISC West, there will be over 30,000 security professionals and more than 1,000 exhibitors and brands, with interests ranging from access control to unmanned vehicles.

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