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MorphoTrust® E-CAT to Expedite Passenger Screening at All Major U.S. Airports

Automated Credential Authentication Improves Convenience and Security

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The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) has awarded [MorphoTrust USA](#) (Safran) a contract to provide Credential Authentication Technology (E-CAT) for U.S. airports. The \$85 million contract ceiling covers seven years and will allow TSA travel document checkers to scan passenger credentials at the checkpoint versus the current visual inspection.

MorphoTrust E-CAT automatically checks multiple security features embedded in a passenger's identification document to ensure it has not been altered or is counterfeit. Once the E-CAT is connected to TSA's network, this information will simultaneously be verified against the passenger boarding information from Secure Flight, TSA's watchlist matching system.

MorphoTrust has provided identity solutions and services to the TSA for more than eight years. The company is the prime contractor for TSA's Universal Enrollment Services (UES) and TSA Pre✓™. UES has successfully consolidated the Transportation Worker Identity Credential (TWIC) and Hazardous Materials Endorsement Threat Assessment Program into a single service with convenient enrollment locations nationwide. Approximately 300 of the 1,100 [IdentoGO® Centers](#) by MorphoTrust provide enrollment services for UES, which includes live scan fingerprinting and the secure transmission of data to TSA. MorphoTrust is also a TSA-approved provider of Designated Aviation Channeling services, which supports the screening of airport employees.

"MorphoTrust E-CAT is the culmination of many years of work to address airport security requirements following the 9/11 tragedy, while simplifying travel for American citizens," MorphoTrust CEO Bob Eckel said. "It is also just the beginning of our vision for what's possible in air travel, creating a future in which passengers can move easily and securely from the curb to the gate without boarding passes or security lines."

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About MorphoTrust® USA

MorphoTrust USA (Safran) is "The Identity Company," providing market-leading solutions and services to state and federal agencies as well as businesses that simplify, protect and secure the lives of Americans. The company's offerings help ensure individuals are who they claim to be through the use of document authentication, data verification and biometric identification (face, fingerprints, iris and skin). Forty-two of 50 states use MorphoTrust solutions to produce 80% of the U.S. driver licenses and IDs – the documents citizens rely on to exercise their civil rights, gain access to benefits and services, and ensure trusted transactions while reducing fraud and enhancing national security. Other programs include U.S. passports and passport cards, as well as solutions for border management, public safety, banking and travel. MorphoTrust serves consumers through a nationwide network of 1100 IdentoGO® Centers, delivering fingerprinting and other identity-related services to over 3 million customers annually.

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