



FLYSEC - Optimizing time-to-FLY and enhancing airport SECURITY Project Overview

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FLYSEC Project Executive Summary

FLYSEC is an ambitious Research and Innovation project that aims to develop and demonstrate an innovative, integrated, end-to-end airport security process for passengers, airports and airlines. FLYSEC's primary goal is to enable a guided and streamlined procedure from the landside to airside and into the boarding gates, while offering an operationally validated innovative concept for end-to-end aviation security. The project will gather excellence and expertise from Industry, SMEs, Research and Academia including stakeholders and end-users such as major airport operators.

FLYSEC ambition is based on a well-structured work plan that includes:

- Innovative processes facilitating *risk-based screening*
- Deployment and integration of *new technologies* and repurposing existing solutions towards a *risk-based security paradigm shift*
- Improvement of passenger facilitation and customer service, bringing *security as a real service* in the airport of tomorrow
- Achieving *measurable throughput improvement* and a whole new level of Quality of Service.

On the technical side, FLYSEC achieves its ambitious goals by integrating new technologies on video surveillance, intelligent remote image processing and biometrics combined with big data analysis, open-source intelligence and crowdsourcing. Repurposing existing technologies is also one of FLYSEC's objectives, such as mobile application technologies for improved passenger experience and positive boarding applications (i.e. services to facilitate boarding and landside/airside way finding) as well as RFID for carry-on luggage tracking and quick unattended luggage handling.

FLYSEC aims to implement a seamless risk-based security process combining the aforementioned technologies with behavioural analysis and innovative cognitive algorithms. A key aspect in the design of FLYSEC risk-based security is applying ethical-by-design patterns, maximizing the efficiency of security controls through passenger differentiation ranging from "unknown" to "trusted", while remaining ethical and fair in the process. Policy, regulatory and standardization aspects will also be examined in the context of FLYSEC innovative security concept.

FLYSEC involves technologies from different Technology Readiness Levels (TRL), including in-project prototype development, as well as adaptation and extension of more mature solutions or re-purposing of commercial products. FLYSEC will validate the operational value of the provided solution through pilot test in real operational environment.