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RISE has held a number of public events over the course of its first year of work, including a meeting in New Delhi (September 2009), an International Conference in Hong Kong (January 2010), and two high-level workshops in Brussels (November 2009, and March 2010). To stay apprised of events and publications emanating from RISE activities, the RISE consortium has also added a bi-annual newsletter publication to its planned public awareness activities. The newsletter provides a summary of activities with links to documents and presentations that may be valuable to readers interested in key policy issues around security and ethics. To receive a copy of the newsletter on an ongoing basis, interested parties are invited to register on the RISE website (www.riseproject.eu).

The next RISE event is a Workshop on 'Ethical and Policy Implications of Global Mobility and Security' to be held on 23-24 September, 2010 in Brussels. This event will be organised by RISE partner, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki – for more information about this event, or for a formal invitation to join this invitation-only workshop, contact Niovi Pavlidou, niovi@auth.gr.

About Global Security Intelligence

Global Security Intelligence performs integrative research for secure and autonomous living, taking a holistic approach to understanding how current and emerging technologies impact individuals, organisations, and governments. We work within both the public and the private sector, providing much needed services in dealing with the technical (all biometrics and complementary technologies, such as smart cards, surveillance technologies, RFID, etc.), operational, economic, cultural, and ethical challenges common to security initiatives. Beyond this, however, we also seek to aid our clients in developing internal organizational knowledge, empowering those tasked with development of security policy and deployment of related systems through strategy development and leadership training.

About the RISE Project

The RISE (Rising pan-European and International Awareness of Biometrics and Security Ethics) project is a 36-month Coordination and Support Action (CSA) funded under FP7, SP-4 Capacities, Grant agreement number: 230389, which aims to promote pan-European and international awareness on ethical aspects of biometrics and security technologies. RISE's framing point is the new political landscape created by the Treaty of Lisbon of the European Union. The EU is now on the verge of a multifaceted reform of its decision-making rules for security which may have deep ethical and political implications. RISE will address these issues.

The RISE consortium includes the project coordinator, the Centre for Science, Society and Citizenship (IT) and project partners, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (GR), Biometric Research Centre (People's Republic of China), Center for Policy on Emerging Technologies (US), Cesagen (UK), Global Security Intelligence (US), European Biometric Forum (IR), NASSCOM - DSCI (INDIA), the University of Tartu (EE), and the National ChengChi University of Taiwan.



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