

# **POLICY MEETING**

## **Smart Borders ?**

### **European and Global Logics of Border Surveillance in the Context of Privacy**

**3 September 2013**

14.00 – 18.45

*CEPS, in cooperation with King's College London and University of Kent*

Conference Room  
Centre for European Policy Studies  
Place du Congrès 1,  
Brussels

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## PRESENTATION AND OBJECTIVES

### Context

In February 2013 the European Commission presented the so-called 'smart borders' legislative package. It is composed by an Entry-Exit System (EES) designed to register third-country nationals entering and leaving the EU territory, and a Registered Traveller Programme (RTP) aimed at speeding up border-crossing for pre-vetted or "bona fide" travellers based on automated identity checks and border-crossing gates.

These have come along an additional proposal which is also currently under negotiations setting up a European Border Surveillance System, EUROSUR, which seeks to improve the situational awareness and reaction capability of the EU Border Agency (Frontex) and the member states to prevent irregular migration and cross-border crime at the EU's external land and maritime borders.

The third SAPIENT policy meeting will examine these EU initiatives in the wider landscape of border surveillance and EU border policy through the looking glass of privacy and data protection challenges. The relevance and lessons learned of other international experiences making use of similar surveillance technologies (such as the US), and the role of democratic accountability (with the increasing role of the European Parliament) will be also at the centre of the debates. The meeting is organised by the Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS) in cooperation with King's College London and the University of Kent (Brussels School of International Studies) in the context of the European International Relations Summer School (EIRSS) on Security, Borders and Mobility that is organized in Brussels (2–15 September 2013).

### The SAPIENT research project

SAPIENT (**S**upporting fundamental rights, **Pr**ivacy and **E**thics in surveillance **T**echnologies) is a 36-month collaborative research project on the state of the art of surveillance studies, emerging smart surveillance technologies, and the adequacy of the existing legal framework that relates to these technologies. This project is co-funded by the European Commission, DG Enterprise under the 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme (FP7). SAPIENT started in March 2011, has developed scenarios to help show the impacts of new surveillance technologies and is constructing a surveillance-related privacy impact assessment (PIA) framework. The project will help policy-makers, technology developers and other stakeholders to better understand how and when smart surveillance should be used and to apply criteria to assure that such systems respect citizens' privacy and other values. This project has eight partners and is led by Fraunhofer ISI.

For more information, please visit SAPIENT's website: [www.sapientproject.eu](http://www.sapientproject.eu)

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**14.00 – 14.15      Registration & Coffee**

**14.15 – 14.30      Welcome panel**

**Sergio Carrera**, Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS), SAPIENT partner  
**Michael Friedewald**, Fraunhofer Institute, Coordinator of the SAPIENT project

**14.30 – 16.30      Panel I: Smart Borders initiatives: European and global logics**

- Chair: **Didier Bigo** (King's College London)

- Speakers:

**John W. Bird** (US Mission to the EU)

**François Crépeau** (UN Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants)

**Jan Mulder** (European Parliament)

- Discussants:

**Ben Hayes** (Statewatch)

**Julien Jeandesboz** (University of Amsterdam)

**Elsbeth Guild** (CEPS & Radboud University Nijmegen)

**30 minutes for Q&A**

**16.30 – 16.45      Coffee break**

**16.45 – 18.45      Panel II: Smart Borders and privacy: problems and solutions?**

- Chair: **Kees Groenendijk** (Radboud University Nijmegen)

- Speakers:

**Krum Garkov** (Director of the eu-LISA agency)

**Peter Hustinx** (EDPS)

**Nils Torvalds** (European Parliament)

**Manuel García Sánchez** (Article 29 Working Party)

- Discussants:

**Gloria González Fuster** (VUB)

**Jorrit J. Rijpma** (Meijers Committee)

**Peter Hobbing** (CEPS)

**30 minutes for Q&A**

**18.45 – 19.45      Reception / Cocktail**

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