

Moldova selects Gemalto for its new electronic Passport program

Amsterdam – May 27, 2014 – Gemalto (Euronext NL0000400653 GTO), the world leader in digital security, has won a multi-year contract to supply next-generation [ePassports](#) to the Center for State Information Resources “Registru”* of the Republic of Moldova. Gemalto’s complete ePassport booklet offer to CSIR Registru includes its secure *Sealys* eTravel embedded software and eCovers, as well as advanced visual security features. Gemalto also provides support in integration services, within the existing document issuance process. Introduction of the new generation solution begins in summer 2014. It will replace the previous generation of passports in the Republic of Moldova and enable visa free travel for Moldovan citizens to the European Union.

Gemalto’s ePassport for Moldova stores a digital portrait and two fingerprint scans inside its contactless microprocessor, delivering secure and reliable authentication of the holder’s identity. The new program will also be one of the first in the world to implement Supplemental Access Control (SAC), the latest security mechanism recommended by ICAO and mandated by the EU to protect the access to the data stored in the microprocessor.

Gemalto’s *Sealys* eTravel embedded software is ICAO Common Criteria certified and has been designed to ensure that the Moldovan authorities enjoy industry-leading speeds for reading ePassports, resulting in swifter border crossing. Durable *Sealys* eCovers and inlays will deliver excellent wear resistance over their ten-year life.

“As a major benefit for our citizens, the new document will facilitate access to countries that have deployed ePassport verification infrastructures,” said Serghei Railean, Director General of CSIR Registru. *“We are looking forward to working with Gemalto to provide Moldovan citizens with the latest e-Identity documents for unprecedented levels of security and privacy.”*

“This new contract further strengthens the company’s presence in Moldova,” added Tommi Nordberg, Senior Vice President of Government Programs at Gemalto. *“An early mover in the process of visa liberalization, Moldova needs to handle growing citizen demand for the biometric passport and Gemalto is fully dedicated to supporting the country in meeting this challenge.”*

* Center for State Information Resources “Registru” is part of Moldova’s Ministry of Information Technology and Communication.

About Gemalto

Gemalto (Euronext NL0000400653 GTO) is the world leader in [digital security](#) with 2013 annual revenues of €2.4 billion and more than 12,000 employees operating out of 85 offices and 25 research and software development centers, located in 44 countries.

We are at the heart of the rapidly evolving digital society. Billions of people worldwide increasingly want the freedom to communicate, travel, shop, bank, entertain and work – anytime, everywhere – in ways that are enjoyable and safe. Gemalto delivers on their expanding needs for personal mobile services, payment security, authenticated cloud access, identity and privacy protection, eHealthcare and eGovernment efficiency, convenient ticketing and dependable machine-to-machine (M2M) applications. We develop secure embedded software and secure products which we design and personalize. Our platforms and services manage these products, the confidential data they contain and the trusted end-user services made possible.

Our innovations enable our clients to offer trusted and convenient digital services to billions of individuals. Gemalto thrives with the growing number of people using its solutions to interact with the digital and wireless world.

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