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HORIZON SCANNING FOR FUTURE THREATS: AN EMERGING TECHNIQUE FOR SECURITY

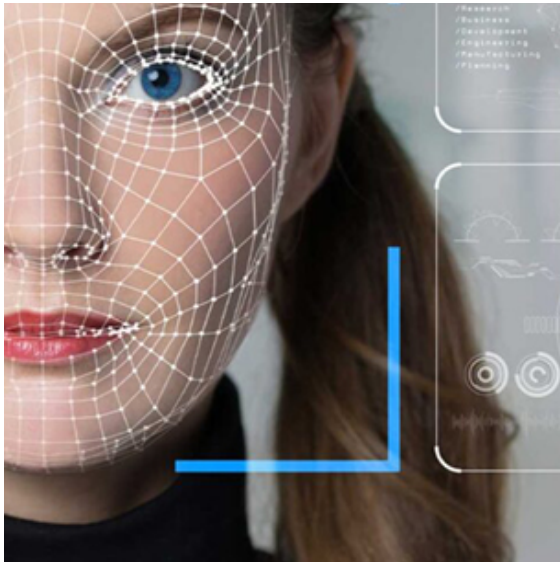
New terror threats emerge each year. And, the techniques and tools that terror groups leverage are evolving constantly. Thus, it is critical for security and safety professionals to constantly evaluate and incorporate new standards and techniques to assess threats and risk related to terror activity.

In a recent webinar hosted by the Security Industry Association (SIA), the group invited presenters from The National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START) to offer their insight on new threats, and new tools for mitigating terrorism.

START, a Department of Homeland Security Emeritus Center of Excellence headquartered at the University of Maryland, supports the research of social scientists at more than 50 academic and research institutions, each of whom is conducting original investigations into fundamental questions about terrorism.

In one presentation, Steve Sin, Ph.D., the director of START's Unconventional Weapons & Technology Division, outlined the details of a technique called horizon scanning — a process that can be used to identify both future opportunities and threats....

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Portland First U.S. City To Ban Facial Recognition For Private Businesses, Security Advocates Say ‘Shortsighted’

The City Council of Portland, Ore. has approved the first-ever ban in the U.S. on the use of facial recognition surveillance in public places by private businesses. The move, hailed by privacy advocates, will prohibit the technology’s use by restaurants, retail stores and other businesses that are open to the general public.

Local government agencies in Portland are also prohibited from using facial recognition systems, following similar moves in San Francisco, Boston and others...

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DHS: All 50 States Are Now Real ID Compliant

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) said this month that all 50 states are now in compliance with issuing REAL ID identification.

The announcement comes more than 15 years after Congress passed the REAL ID Act, said DHS officials. Most states became compliant in the last four years.

“To date, the 50 states have issued more than 105 million REAL ID-compliant driver’s licenses and identification cards, representing 38 percent of all driver’s licenses and identification card holders,” said DHS in a statement...

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