

**TOPIC B:
WHAT IS THE POTENTIAL FOR COOPERATION TO DEVELOP REGIONAL
TECHNICAL CAPACITY BUILDING STRATEGIES?**

ACTION	SUGGESTED DISCUSSION
Identify the systems currently used by countries	What systems are countries using to: - issue proof of identity documents? - detect and record fraudulent identities and documents? - record and verify true, authenticated identities?
Discuss how effective/reliable the systems are	Are the information source(s) reliable - including the security of 'source documents' (e.g. birth certificate) used as proof of identity? Methods and frequency of database information updates and data cleansing What measures are in place to ensure that database information is secure - how effective are these?
Identify the risks of not cooperating to develop regional technical capacity building strategies	Criminals and opportunists will look for ineffective proof of identity and border security measures - the region is only as strong as its weakest points - easier movement of people aligned to terrorist organisations through the region - increased illegal migration through the region. Incompatible systems - problems at shared borders or with particular groups of travellers (e.g. frequent business travellers)
Identify the advantages of developing regional technical capacity building strategies	Would assist in the detection of organised crime, terrorism and illegal migration. Benefits for all countries in the region as identity fraud is linked to trans-national crime Stronger safeguards and security for documents and at borders would deter identity fraudsters Consistency of safeguards and security would facilitate movement of genuine travellers, enhance ability to provide training/other technical assistance within the region Using the same or similar technical systems will enhance system integration and potential for information sharing between countries

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Identify cooperative technical capacity building strategies that have already been initiated	<p>Bilateral travel arrangements between Malaysia/Brunei & Japan/South Korea.</p> <p>PIDC - border control training program</p> <p>APEC - business travel card scheme</p> <p>Australia sharing its document fraud identification system, EDISON, with other countries in the region (Thailand & Indonesia).</p> <p>Australia providing document examination training, document examination laboratory and visa and passport issuing system (etc)</p> <p>US Government sharing FBI database with the Philippines Government.</p>
Identify the potential for the development of regional capacity building strategies	<p>Sharing technology and systems with other countries to develop better document issuing and verification processes</p> <p>Establishing bilateral and multilateral travel arrangements (such as those currently existing between Malaysia/Brunei & Japan/South Korea) to facilitate genuine travellers</p> <p>Information sharing on suspect documents between governments in the region</p> <p>Development of regional alert lists</p> <p>Development of advance passenger processing strategies</p>
SUMMARISE AND REPORT	<p>What systems countries are currently using</p> <p>Why countries should cooperate to develop technical capacity building strategies</p> <p>The potential for the development of technical capacity building strategies</p> <p>What to do next</p>