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Unite & Fight Terrorism

International Seminar & Exposition on Modern
Security Concepts & Equipment to Combat Terrorism -
Public-Private Partnership



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Call for Papers

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The first International conference and Exposition on Modern Security Concepts & Equipment to Combat Terrorism marks the beginning of a Public-Private Partnership, founded upon the principles of cooperation and mutual trust. TechVision provides the much required stage for **education of all End-Users and Customers on latest security threats and emerging solutions, Highlight the importance of Public-Private Partnership, by linking up between various stakeholders in the business of security, viz, manufacturers, OEMs, renowned Security Suppliers, resellers and Security System Integrators (SI).** Together we discuss the role of each stakeholders in the business of security in aiding security, safety and the peace among the everyday lives of people. The conference will welcome high level speakers and experts from around the world that will look at various issues, such as *Join Hands and Fight Terror, Contributing towards a Safe and Secure World, Formula in Fight against Terror, Role of Private Agencies in Combating Modern Terrorism, Solutions to Coastal and Maritime security threats* and will provide state-of-the-art information on various security initiatives in India and beyond.

The war on terrorism will not likely be won solely in the traditional police/military fashion. Our effort is therefore, just an initiative to do something different to secure the world we live and do business with few innovative options provided by the information and technology. However, we must remain more conscious of our limitations in protecting our people and assets rather than our capability. People will evolve more slowly in challenging their boundaries, both mentally and operationally. Are we prepared to respond to things differently as well as security situations that have yet to occur? Is failure a result of not solving the problem or simply because we can't see the problem. Prophets of doom and gloom need not define our future. Our future may be merely different in handling crisis. It is our creativity, commitment and will that needs to be energized. We all can help in challenging old boundaries and setting new frontiers of partnership for Public and Private Partnership based Protection.

Our forum will also provide a major opportunity to meet up and interact with various international security professionals working in the field of modern Physical and Electronic Security, along with the manufacturers, vendors, OEMs, systems integrators, law enforcement officials, various defence agencies, major enterprises and end-user clients who share a common interest, affiliation or/and goals – all under one umbrella.



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Tentative Seminar Programme

0915-0930	Welcome Address	Shri. MGA Ramen, IPS DGP, (Retd)	Chairman, TechVision
0930-0940	Inauguration	Shri AK Antony	Defence Minister of India
0940-1010	Presidential Address	Shri. Kodyeri Balakrishnan	Home Minister of Kerala
1010-1030	Theme Speech	Dr. Shashi Tharoor	Min. of State, External Affairs, India
1030-1050	Theme Speech	Mr. Mullapalli Ramachandran	Min. of State, Home Affairs, India
1050-1110	Guest Speech & Facilitations	Prof. KV Thomas	Min. of State, Agriculture, India
1110-1130	Keynote Address	Shri. Hormis Tharakan, IPS	Former DG RAW
1130-1150	Theme Paper Presentation	Maj Gen Ashok Hukku, YSM	Vice Chairman, TechVision
1150-1210	Theme Speech	Shri. Jacob Punnose, IPS	DGP, Kerala Police
1210-1330	Theme Paper		
1330-1400	Sponsor Papers	By Various Sponsors	
1400-1500	Lunch		
1500-1730	Continuation of Discussions & Professional Interactions		

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TechVision seminar welcomes high quality contributions from a variety of stakeholders ranging from terror/security experts, frontline security product manufacturers, system integrators, Defence, Law enforcement, other government official dealing with terror or security, major Public and Private ventures and enterprises and from personnel directly affected by terrorism in the past, across the world for all sessions. Below, you will find a short description, indicating its scope and expectations.

Can the Terror Threats be Dealt with Traditional Tools?

The 26/11 Mumbai attacks changed the way we think and deal with terrorism. For almost over sixty hours, the financial capital of India, witnessed a series of terrorist attacks, multiple hostage crises, mindless killings, fierce gun battles, and in the end, a disrupted life. The terrorists struck major targets including luxury hotels and a Jewish Centre frequented by Westerners and elite Indians, to be holed up later inside these buildings with innocent civilians as hostages. Prior to this, on that fateful Wednesday evening, they had targeted at least seven more places, and went on a killing spree.

There is an urgent need for defining which type of information the government can share with private stakeholders. This will enable them to play an important role in preventing terror attacks, and not just help in managing the crisis left behind by the perpetrators. For this purpose, it is essential to promote a common ground and strive to bridge the two sectors which, after all, have different priorities before them.



What is the best Secure Environment?

Are you satisfied with the existing security protection offered by locks, guards and the CCTV systems, installed at your premises? This compelling question has been asked a lot recently and it seems the overwhelming answer is, in many cases, No. The fact is that every physical security controls can have technical weaknesses, often times ones that can be easily exploited. Heightening the risk is the fact that physical security controls also generally suffer due to poor security awareness and the human element is often the weakest link in security. How frequent you undertake the Risk Management of your establishment and revisit the existing policies?

Calculate the Rol of Security Investment (*Weighing the Costs vs. Benefits*)

Employment of manpower is the costliest element in security. In many cases, modern physical security gadgets coupled with revised operating practices and programs can significantly improve the bottom line of any security environment. *By providing a safer environment, you may actually notice an increase in the number of customers and repeat customers who come to your property as well as a decrease in employee turnover. It is an established fact that customers and employees are attracted to environments where they feel safe.* Security measures should actually be viewed as an investment in any organisation, not merely as an expense. There may also be a corresponding reduction in other areas such as internal theft, armed robbery, criminal damage, liability costs and insurance premiums. In addition to that, you may even realize a much more productive use of budgeted employee hours, as our employee training programs can 'build-in' a significant level of security expertise, which could alleviate the need for expensive external security personnel. Because most people cannot see how additional security can directly generate income, it is often necessary to justify Risk Management in financial terms.

Whose Job is it to Fight Terror?

The traditional laws that were made to handle crimes are no longer effective against the terrorists. Similarly, we can no longer assume that the traditional SOPs can effectively handle, control and respond to terror threats and incidents. Is the Police machinery alone responsible for the bomb blasts occurring in public places? Technology has eliminated the distances that once clearly separated Public and Private. To combat the multi-layered, polymorphous terrorist threat, we must work together to build trusted Public - Private social networks by including all the key elements in governments, businesses, private citizens, organizations, and multilateral institutions. The law must unambiguously state that the individual organisations and the individuals are equally responsible for ensuring their protection. *The police is not responsible for a burglary at your house for your mistake of sleeping with your doors wide opened. Also today, the insurance tribunals have realised that the insurance companies are not responsible for the accidental deaths occurring due to the absence of seat belts and helmets.* It must become the basic duty of every citizen to aid the police and the investigative agencies in providing the much required deterrence and the evidence.

Public-Private Participation (PPP) - New Formula in Fight against Terror

The Mumbai attack on 26/11 not only changed the way we think but from an organizational perspective how we are to function in the future. These terrorist attacks have highlighted the need for heightened vigilance and coordinated response to new age asymmetric warfare being waged against the nation. It would be a recipe to disaster, if we continue to handle issues of terrorism with the traditional tools of law, policies and tactics that apply to criminal activities. Therefore, Law Enforcement procedures will at some point, transform itself to meet the terrorist threat in ways that are not yet on our respective police screens, regarding training, surveillance, investigative techniques, disaster prevention and response. And most importantly developing collaborative relationships various Public and Private entities. As a responsible citizen, each and every one of us has to play more responsible role in contributing towards the security of the nation.



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To meet the modern-day security challenges, we need a new proactive and more systematic approach with the wider participation of general public. There is a need to reinforce the mission of the enforcement and investigative agencies charged with roles in defeating terrorism. The essential point in this Strategy is that every organisation, establishment and enterprise must contribute towards closely in on every security menaces and fighting terrorism. Amongst other things, this cooperation entails participation by private on terms which are an offer they cannot refuse. These efforts must codify, clarify and unify the wide ranging of counter-terrorism activities such as investigations, forensics, apprehension, prosecution of terrorists, enhancing response capabilities more effectively.

Role of Private Security in Combating Terrorism

In combating terrorism why is the role of the private security sector so important? It is because; terrorism is not a Law & Order problem. Our mindset must be changed to understand that is a undeclared War staged by few stateless actors. Hence, police cannot be alone in ensuring the safety and security of general public. It is impossible to always remain in high state of vigil by the police community and they are neither is prepared nor trained or equipped to combat an invisible enemy, who can strike at their will, whose stated objective is disruption, destruction and mass death.

In this threat scenario, safety and security of private establishments, major organisations, enterprises, which also include hotels, malls, shops, educational institutions, religious worship places etc are, in fact, no longer viewed simply as the exclusive role of government. One can make the argument as to whether government is the primary provider of protection given the research that a host of non-governmental groups have assumed responsibility for their own protection.

Solutions to Coastal and Maritime security threats

Maritime and Coastal Security is critical for both regional states and the nation's economy. Given the importance of ensuring safe passage of cargo, the need for Navies and coastguards to co-operate to combat pirates, illegal drug trafficking and smugglers has never been more acute. The 26/11 attacks proved that terrorists can use virtually any vehicle and route to strike. Maritime Domain Awareness and Coastal surveillance is therefore becoming more and more crucial. Further, concerns over piracy and illegal trafficking of weapons, drugs and other security threats are on the rise. Concrete solutions need to be evolved to secure the vital national interests including its borders, EEZ, coastal waters, ports or other waterways.

How to Submit your Papers?

The deadline for submissions is 18 July 2009; abstracts should not be longer than two pages. Submissions will be reviewed by our Selection Committee and you will be notified of the outcome by 22 Jul 09. You can either submit the paper with its abstract and *a resume or curriculum vitae (cv) of its author(s)* on the attached format on our email seminar@techvisionsc.com.

For more information, Contact: Brig. BU Kumar, Tel: +91 +91-999-509-8367, or on his email: buk@techvisionsc.com. You are also advised to visit <http://www.techvisionsc.com> for more details on seminar & Expo.



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Title of Paper: _____

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- Paper and its abstracts must be prepared in English
- The Paper or its abstracts must not have prior extensive coverage or circulation, such as presentation in previous/upcoming conferences and/or publications
- Papers on detailed theory and specific products or company presentations are outside the scope of the event and may not be accepted
- Papers will be selected on the basis of content and applicability
- Abstracts must reach TechVision by email seminar@techvisionsc.com by **18 Jul 2009**
- Author(s) will be responsible for his/her travel and accommodation costs.



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Abstract



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