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## PUBLIC TRANSPORT OPERATORS LOOK TO EXPAND REAL-TIME SURVEILLANCE & VIDEO ANALYTICS TO PROTECT USERS & EQUIPMENT

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**An international survey\* among public transport organisations reveals that the majority are interested in adopting real-time surveillance and advanced video analytics to better protect their passengers, equipment and installations. The survey was conducted by UITP, the International Association of Public Transport, and Axis Communications, expert in network video.**

97% of survey respondents have already installed security cameras, indicating that public transport operators are convinced of the value that video surveillance offers their organisations. The vast majority reported that video surveillance systems help increase the actual and perceived security among passengers and staff, as well as minimise, deter and manage various types of crime and vandalism.

The survey also revealed that public transport staff is generally very positive towards the use of video surveillance with more than 83% indicating positive or neutral reactions. Video surveillance in public transport is no longer only a matter of incident evidence, even if the vast majority of respondents find this forensic element the most valuable concrete use. Real-time detection of incidents also scored highly in terms of potential value (72%), indicating this is a trend to come.

The survey also evaluated awareness, present usage and future interest in video analytics. The majority of respondents are aware of a number of analytics applications with current usage already at 10-20%. Future interest of applications such as graffiti behaviour detection is high.

“Ensuring citizens around the world get to school or work safely every day is the number one priority for the public transport industry. Video surveillance is a key tool to support staff and help public transport operators achieve this aim,” said **Alain Flausch**, UITP Secretary General.

“The results show that video surveillance is used for more than just recorded evidence. The real-time possibilities offered by modern IP video systems are increasingly being used to manage incidents as and when they occur,” said **Patrik Anderson**, Director Business Development Transportation, Axis Communications.

“There is also more and more awareness for video analytics and how this can increase safety and security for both passengers and staff.”



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*As part of the UITP World Congress & Exhibition taking place next week in Milan, Patrik Anderson, Director Business Development Transportation, Axis Communication, will be co-speaking with Andrea Soehnchen, Business Development Manager, UITP in an engaging session on the international trends for video surveillance in public transport. The session will be held on Wednesday, June 10 from 10:30-11:00am at the UITP stand, 3D110.*

*\*The survey was conducted by UITP and Axis Communications among public transport organisations to get an understanding of video surveillance in public transport, particularly for security. NB This is based on an interim summary brief according to data as of May 2015 (71 responders). A full and updated report will be available from UITP and Axis in autumn 2015. For the interim summary brief, please attend the above mentioned session at UITP congress in Milan, or download from <http://www.uitp.org/sites/default/files/Video-Surveillance-Public-Transport.pdf> from June 10.*

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