

RFID cards form part of a new air travel service concept

MIOTEC SUPPLIES FINNAIR WITH CARDS FOR THE MultiFLYe SERVICE PRODUCT

Miotec supplies Finnair with contactless cards that form part of the Finnair electronic travel service concept. Together with an electronic flight ticket, a contactless card offers a fast and pleasant way of passing through airports.

Finnair is broadening its electronic travel service concept of MultiFLYe contract clients by introducing contactless cards supplied by Miotec. The cards are designed to speed up boarding and will be used on domestic flights. The passenger goes through an automatic eGate with the contactless card in his pocket. The gate identifies the card and transmits the information to the check-in system. The passenger information is updated, the gate opens and the passenger can board the plane.

"MultiFLYe is an electronic service package planned for companies. eGate and Miotec's RFID cards are the perfect combination at airports, says Matti Alanne, Director, Business Solutions, of Finnair.

Miotec's core competence lies in combining card technologies and RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) technology. Miotec will supply the cards and some of the security technology and security features for the project. Miotec's partner, SysOpen Oy, is integrating the gate solution into the background system. The gates are being supplied by Ideos Oy. Earlier this spring, SysOpen eGate solution won the private sector prize in the WITSA Global IT Excellence Awards.

According to Miotec's CEO Timo Friman, the Finnair card project is one of the first solutions in the world that incorporates a genuinely ticketless service. "This is the first volume application using I-Code technology. I-Code has proved to be a practical and cost-efficient technology for projects as extensive as this one."

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Miotec's mission is to develop, market and produce cards and chip related software for secure transactions. Miotec's core competence is in specific smart card technologies and related software: biometrics, PKI, contactless chips, and their combinations. Miotec's turnover for the financial year 2001 amounted to 10.6 million euros (15 months). About 65 per cent of the company's turnover comes from exports. In the beginning of 2002, staff numbered 120. The most important customers are trading companies and businesses with extensive loyalty programmes, banks and credit institutions, unions and operators. For more information, visit www.miotec.fi.

Finnair Oy is the national airline company being one of the first class eCommerce company. The company has created several Internet and other mobile based services. In 2006 the biggest share of the company sales is estimated to become through internet and half of the passengers will be using the internet services from ticket booking to boarding. Finnair is flying to more than 50 international and to 21 national destinations. For more information, visit www.finnair.com.

SysOpen Oy is one of the leading IT service providers in Finland. We focus on integrated e-Business solutions (Integrated e-Solutions) for large and medium-sized companies and public corporations. SysOpen has offices in Helsinki, Tampere, Kuopio, Varkaus, Jyväskylä, London and Birmingham. SysOpen Group's turnover for the financial year 2001 amounted to 30,8 million euros. SysOpen Group employs more than 330 IT professionals. The company has been listed on the NM list of the Helsinki Stock Exchange since September 1999. For more information, visit www.sysopen.fi.