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In this newsletter, we want to provide you with information about identity solutions from Siemens – news, interesting information, success stories and innovations.

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Sincerely,

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#### Latest News

##### Major new IAM project at swissgrid



##### Winner of the European Identity Award 2009 as "Best IAM/GRC Project for B2B"

The Swiss power utility [swissgrid](#) is using Identity and Access Management (IAM) with the products DirX Directory, DirX Identity and DirX Access as part of a comprehensive security concept. It includes strong authentication with the aid of Siemens smart cards, single sign-on, a public key infrastructure, secure data transfer, identity federation for secure collaboration with partners and support for compliance with the legal requirements a Swiss utility must fulfill. swissgrid is a Swiss grid operator and is responsible for the safety and quality of the country's power supply under the Swiss Electricity Supply Act .

The European Identity Award in the category "Best IAM/GRC Project for B2B" (GRC: Governance, Risk & Compliance) was bestowed on this project at the [European Identity Conference](#) (EIC), which was held in Munich from May 5 to 8, 2009. The EIC is organized by the German analysts Kuppinger Cole and is regarded as the most important IAM event in Europe.



## New analysts' report



### Product Report: Siemens DirX Access 8.1 (2009)

The analysts at Kuppinger Cole have published a new report. Here is an excerpt:

Siemens DirX Access' version 8.1 is a technically accomplished solution with a flexible and modular architecture concept. Siemens DirX Access 8.1 covers all standard requirements for solutions in this segment and in addition offers even more features for web services security and application integration options – especially for federation support. The product is thus one of the leading solutions in the marketplace.



### Announcement: DirX Audit V2.0



#### Central analysis of identity-based audit data

Yet another component of the DirX Product Suite will be released at the end of June 2009: DirX Audit V 2.0. It is already in successful use in several pilot installations.

With its DirX Audit, Siemens offers a platform for the central compilation and analysis of audit logs from different sources. DirX Audit collects the logs and transforms them into a uniform format. During this transformation, additional information such as unique user identities or details on the audit source can be added. The audit logs are stored centrally both in this uniform format and in the original one. Auditors can use the audit logs to analyze and evaluate the audit logs quickly and easily, as well as to generate reports. DirX Audit also makes it possible to generate statistical reports and edit them.

DirX Audit thus helps enterprises to meet growing demands for security and lower costs through central identity auditing.



### Establishment of the German Information Card Foundation

Information Card  
Foundation



#### Secure authentication in the Web

The German " **Information Card Foundation DACH Initiative** " was launched in Munich on May 5, 2009, just before the start of the European Identity Conference. Siemens was among the founding members and is thus once more one of the pioneers in developing new IAM technologies.

Information Card is an open standard for secure authentication in the Web, where the issue of security is difficult to get a handle on and has been replaced by trust. Users are deluged by a mass of login names and passwords. Information Card replaces this traditional login process by an innovative technology that enables worldwide access. You can find out more [here](#) .

The German Information Card Foundation maintains close contacts with the international organization of the same name.



## Science Express



### En route to tomorrow's world

Organized by the Max Planck Society and supported by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research, the Science Express will travel to 60 German cities by the end of the year: a 300 meter train with 12 cars full of future solutions.

Siemens is one of the main sponsors and is represented onboard with many exhibits, including an identity solution in car 11. It shows how it will be possible in the future to handle banking transactions securely with the aid of biometric identification. Customers are authorized for a transaction by means of their fingerprint or hand vein pattern. Another method on exhibit is 3D face scanning. Visitors are e-mailed the result of the scan as a souvenir.

You can find the train's tour schedule [here](#) .

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