

## Minister of the Interior Liese Prokop opens Global Security Forum in Vienna on July 6th

**142 high-profile delegates gathered in Vienna as the global summit on the holistic approach to security opened its doors for the first time, in the presence of the Austrian Minister of the Interior.**

*Milan, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2006* - With the endorsement of the Austrian Federal Minister of the Interior and the European Commission, Wise Media's Global Security Forum made its highly anticipated debut on July 6th and 7th in Vienna, welcoming an array of world-class panelists to discuss the new security threats our world faces and the technologies that can help protect our society's most valuable assets: people, property and know-how.

The audience comprised of government representatives, high caliber corporate and public security officers, and industry experts from around the globe. Liese Prokop, Austrian Federal Minister of the Interior, opened the event by presenting the new Austrian electronic passport and discussing the double paradigm shift that Austria, as well as other nations, are now facing: the transition to digitalized documents and the move from the decentralized to the centralized issuance of passports. The two-day conference program also included presentations from the Austrian Federal Ministry of the Interior, the French Ministry of the Interior, as well as the German Ministry of the Interior and the European Commission, various port authorities and Privacy Officers advising governments and corporate organizations with discussions focusing on technology shifts in the border control and corporate access control fields.

The valuable discussions that took place in Vienna will be taken up again at the Global Security Forum conference at the ID WORLD International Congress, the annual world summit on automatic identification, in Milan on November 28-30, 2006.



**From left to right:  
Austrian Minister of the Interior Liese Prokop with Sophie B. de la Giroday, President of Wise Media, and Josef Plank, Minister of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Development of Lower Austria, at the first Global Security in Vienna in July**

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The Global Security Forum is the first summit on the holistic approach to security. It discusses the issues related to the policies, practices and technologies that need to be deployed to protect our society's most valuable assets: people, property and know-how. The Global Security Forum2006 - organized by Wise Media - endorsed by the European Commission and the Austrian Federal Minister of the Interior, Ms. Liese Prokop.

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#### About ID WORLD Events

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