



World Summit on the information society Position paper

The World Summit on the information society- December 2003 Geneva- will lead to a general declaration on ICT as well as a concrete action plan with targeted objectives.

Eurosmart believes that:

There is a need for security
data protection
Interoperability
Acces for all

The smart card is a unique, portable, personal object that easily combines secure identification and authentication functions for both the physical and the digital worlds. Smart cards are well perceived by citizens, offering convenience, security, and crucial personal information privacy management features.

Smart card based identification solutions meet and often exceed the requirements of a wide range of policies and legal mandates.

The European smart card technology leads its industry worldwide,

In chapter 22, Eurosmart recommend to modify the chapter c/ as follow:

"Support the development of security schemes based on personal trusted devices (such as smart cards or secure tokens), that balance security measures with the individual rights to privacy"

Or to add:

f) Favor use of personal trusted devices (such as smart cards or secure tokens)that will allow each citizen to securely perform transactions, access and control personal data while ensuring individual rights to privacy.

EUROSMART is the Brussels based international association representing the Smart Card Industry for multi-sector applications worldwide. Through its activities, Eurosmart actively support the development of the smart card business and act as a catalyst and forum for the smart card stakeholders.

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