

Workshop on Machine Readable Passports

ICAO requirements as specified in Doc 9303 dictate that all countries must have Machine Readable Passports (MRPs) by 1 April 2010. Only travel documents that meet ICAO standards will be accepted by border controls, immigrations offices, visa offices, governments, travel agencies and airlines around the world. In short, citizens of a country whose passport is not machine readable by 1 April 2010 will not be able to travel abroad for business, pleasure or any other reason.

To assist governments facing the challenge of altering their passport in the relatively short period between now and 1 April 2010, IDManagement Centre has developed a two-day workshop that provides an excellent basis for a reliable migration and security upgrade of travel documents of a country. The workshop supplies participants with the tools necessary to develop and issue MRPs before the required deadline. The workshop focuses on the implementation of the ICAO requirements for MRPs. For a successful implementation of MRPs it is necessary to know what to do and how to do it.

