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- Part 1: Overview of biometric systems and biometric profiles
- Part 2: Physical access control for employees at airports
- Part 3: Biometrics-based verification and identification of seafarers

## Introduction

This part of ISO/IEC 24713 is one of a family of International Standards being developed by ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 37 that support interoperability and data interchange among biometrics applications and systems.<sup>1)</sup> This family of standards specifies requirements that solve the complexities of applying biometrics to a wide variety of personal recognition applications, whether such applications operate in an open systems environment or consist of a single, closed system.

Biometric data interchange format standards and biometric interface standards are both necessary to achieve full data interchange and interoperability for biometric recognition in an open systems environment. The ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 37 biometric standards family includes a layered set of standards consisting of biometric data interchange formats and biometric interfaces, as well as biometric profiles that describe the use of these standards in specific application areas.

- The biometric data interchange format standards specify biometric data interchange records for different biometric modalities. Parties that agree in advance to exchange biometric data interchange records as specified in a subset of the ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 37 biometric data interchange format standards should be able to perform biometric recognition with each other's data. Parties should also be able to perform biometric recognition even without advance agreement on the specific biometric data interchange format standards to be used, provided they have built their systems on the layered ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 37 family of biometric standards.
- The biometric interface standards include ISO/IEC 19785, the Common Biometric Exchange Formats Framework (CBEFF) and ISO/IEC 19784, the Biometric Application Programming Interface (BioAPI). These standards support exchange of biometric data within a system or among systems. ISO/IEC 19785 specifies the basic structure of a standardized Biometric Information Record (BIR) which includes the biometric data interchange record with added metadata, such as when it was captured, its expiry date, whether it is encrypted, etc. ISO/IEC 19784 specifies an open system API that supports communications between software applications and underlying biometric technology services. BioAPI also specifies a CBEFF BIR format for the storage and transmission of BioAPI-produced data.

The biometric profile standards facilitate implementations of the base standards (e.g. the ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 37 biometric data interchange format and biometric interface standards, and possibly non-biometric standards) for defined applications. These profile standards define the functions of an application (e.g. physical access control for employees at airports) and then specify use of options in the base standards to ensure biometric interoperability.

<sup>1)</sup> Open systems are built on standards-based, publicly defined data formats, interfaces, and protocols to facilitate data interchange and interoperability with other systems, which may include components of different design or manufacture. A closed system may also be built on publicly defined standards, and may include components of different design or manufacture, but inherently has no requirement for data interchange and interoperability with any other system.