

Biometric Consortium 2003 Conference

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Fiona Fraser has been employed in the Australian Public Service for 12 years, project managing a broad range of projects in a variety of agencies. She was engaged by the Australian Customs Service in 2001 to explore possible applications of biometric technology in the passenger-processing environment.

In this role, Ms. Fraser has overseen extensive testing of a range of face recognition systems both in the automated border control application and as a surveillance tool.

Ms. Fraser also directed the development and implementation of the SmartGate system at Sydney Airport and is currently coordinating the evaluation of this system.

Ms. Fraser represents Australian Customs on the International Civil Aviation Organisation's New Technology Working Group (ICAO NTWG) as well as the International Air Transport Association's Simplified Passenger Travel Group. Earlier this year, she was asked to undertake some preliminary work on the issue of privacy and the use of biometric data in Machine Readable Travel Documents (MRTDs) for presentation to ICAO's Technical Advisory Group.

Ms. Fraser holds a B. A (Hons) and B. Soc Stud (Hons) from Sydney University and also holds a Graduate Certificate in Public Sector Management from Griffith University. She worked as a psychiatric social worker for ten years before joining the Australian Public Service.