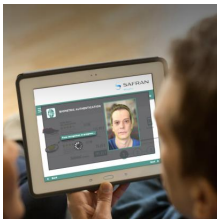


# Morpho delivers GSMA Mobile Connect solution with FIDO certified facial recognition authentication

'Selfie'-based solution adds extra convenience to secure SIM-based online customer authentication.

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Morpho (Safran) today announced that it has integrated its **GSMA Mobile Connect-based solution** with FIDO\* (Fast Identity Online) Alliance certified **biometric authentication** to achieve even greater convenience and control of secure credentials for the end customer and to ensure the required level of assurance for the mobile network operator and its service provider partners.

Morpho has supported the GSMA Mobile Connect initiative since its inception. Mobile Connect solves the issue of having to remember an ever-increasing number of usernames and passwords by providing a single trusted, secure and convenient SIM-based authentication solution. Morpho's GSMA Mobile Connect solution, designed with that in mind, has been commercially available since March 2015.

This classic implementation of Mobile Connect, utilizing PIN entry on the mobile phone – that is “*something I have and something I know*” – is now being further enhanced by utilizing Morpho's new integration of facial recognition capability into Mobile Connect: **biometric verification**, and adding “*something I am*.” Supporting FIDO as part of the Mobile Connect service as specified by the GSMA enables a framework which is able to support different kinds of biometrical authenticators in a very flexible way.

*The smart integration of FIDO Certified selfie checks and a Mobile Connect identity seemed to us to be a logical step, as both FIDO and Mobile Connect address the same challenge: easier, safer online authentication.*

*Anne Bouverot, Chair and CEO of Morpho*

Morpho's FIDO-enabled Mobile Connect solution, incorporating eKYC (electronic Know Your Customer) biometric verification and enrollment, will be demonstrated at the GSMA Mobile World Congress in Barcelona, and will be commercially available in the second half of 2016.

\*FIDO (Fast Identity Online) Alliance, [www.fidoalliance.org](http://www.fidoalliance.org), was formed in July 2012 to address the lack of interoperability among strong authentication technologies, and to remedy the problems users face in creating and remembering multiple usernames and passwords. The FIDO Alliance is changing the nature of authentication with standards for simpler, stronger authentication that reduce a reliance on passwords.

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