

Solution for accelerating border crossing at Eurotunnel in the frame of the Brexit



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Eurotunnel: economic footprint of the Channel Tunnel in the EU



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More than **21 million** passengers, on all services, have travelled through the Channel Tunnel, which amount to a **daily** average of **57,000** passengers

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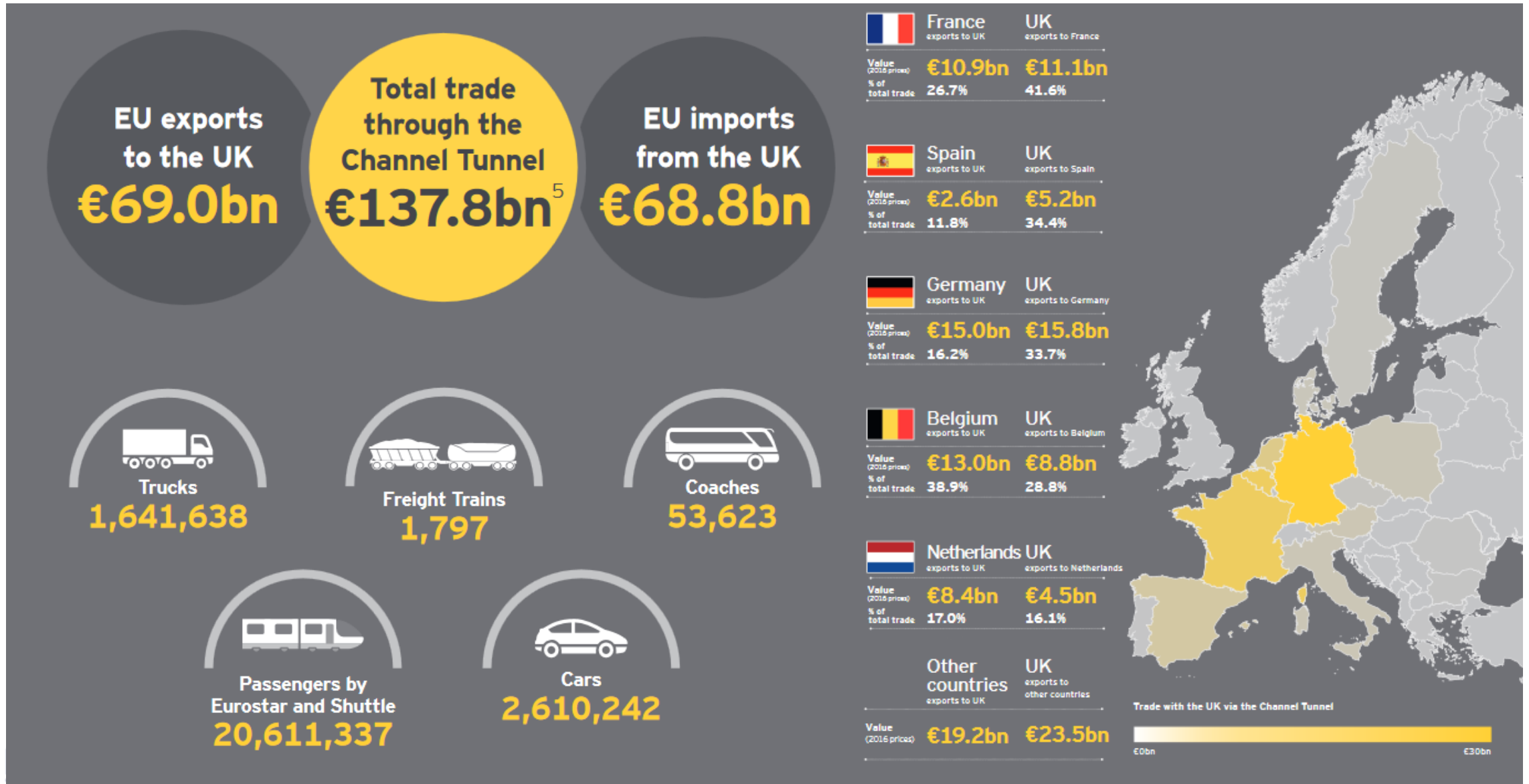
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The rail Shuttle transport system of Eurotunnel carries more than **2.6 million** cars and coaches and **1.7 million** trucks every year

Eurotunnel: a part of the «just-in-time» production sequence



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Eurotunnel: supports routes both across Europe (East-West, North-south)

Road traffic routes used on the European Mainland side:

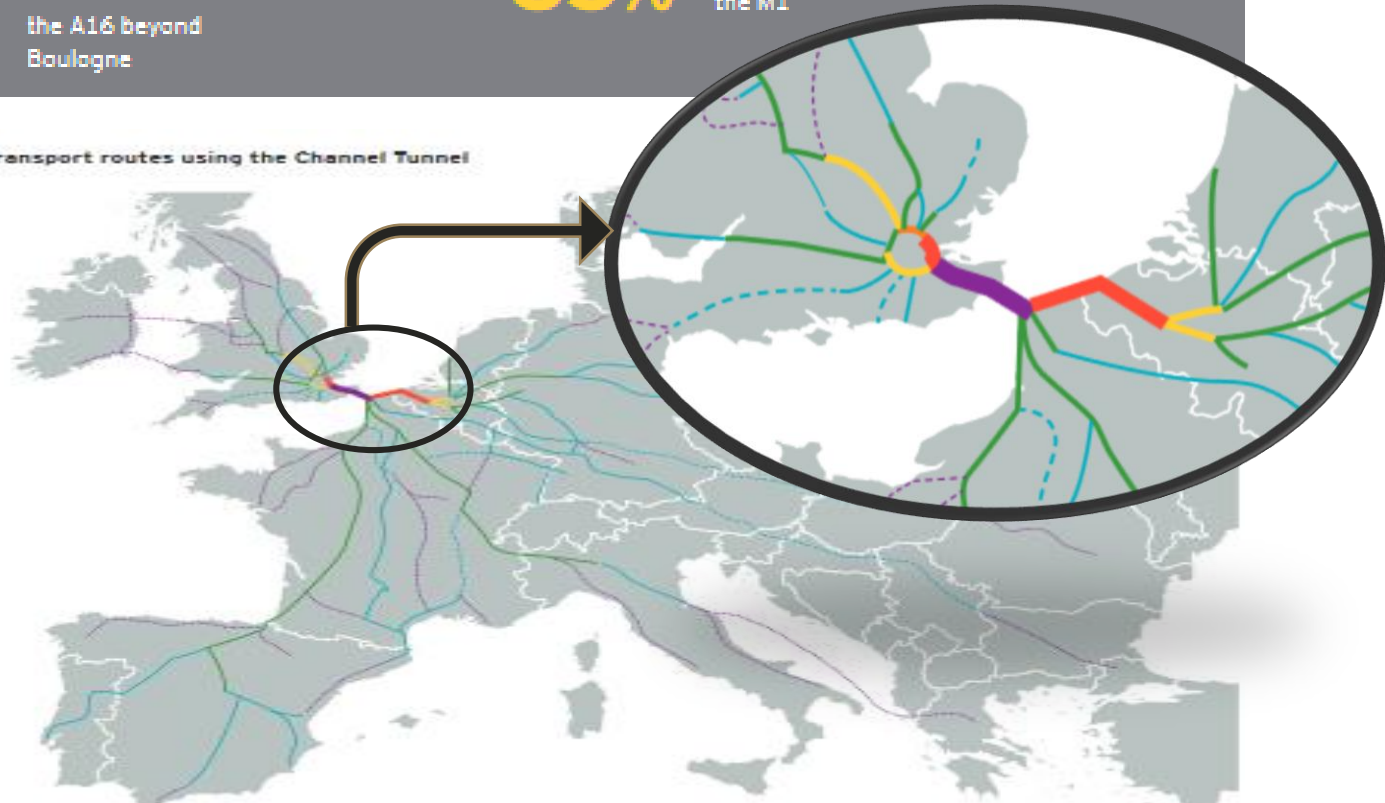
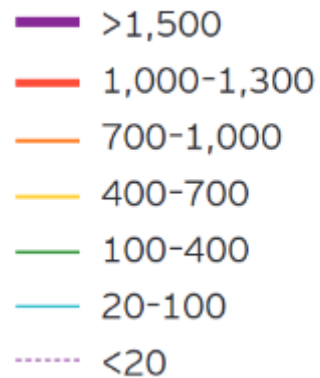
52%	of Channel Tunnel traffic uses the E40 via Ghent
20%	uses the A26
10%	the A25, Dunkirk-Lille
11%	the A16 beyond Boulogne

Road traffic routes used on the UK side:

54%	of traffic travels on the M25 via the Dartford tunnel/bridge
15%	of northbound traffic uses the M25 via Heathrow
35%	of vehicles that travel via the Tunnel use the M1

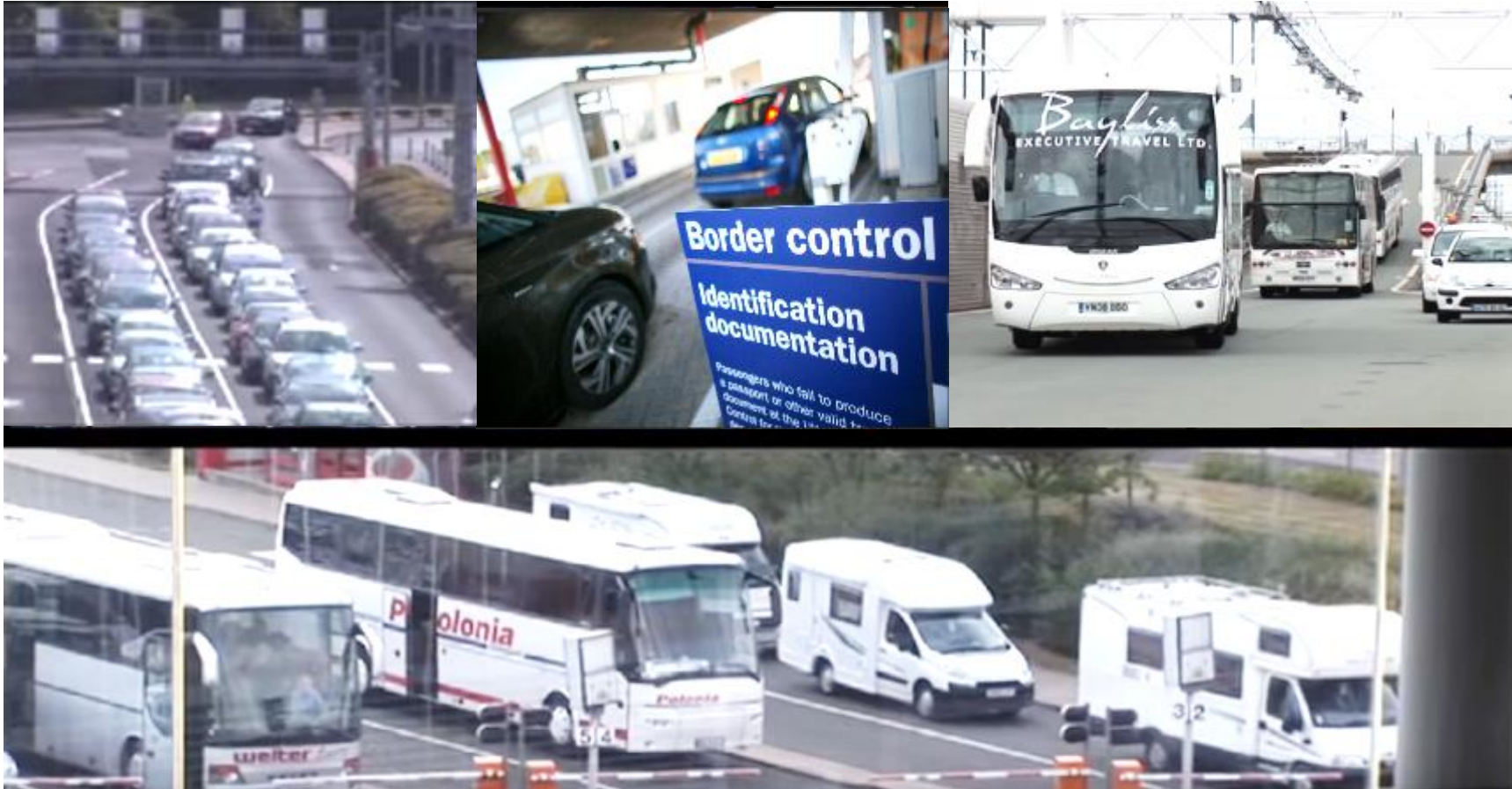
Figure 3: Main road transport routes using the Channel Tunnel
Source: JMU Consult

In thousands of units



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The Channel Tunnel is also a convenient and rapid route for tourism and migration over Europe



Around 21 million passengers travelled through the Channel Tunnel last year, amounting to around 57,000 everyday.

Of this 10,3 million travelled on the Eurostar to cross the Channel.

For these reasons the Channel tunnel will continue to play an integral role in the trade and cultural relationship between the UK and Europe, even within a post-brexit world





First challenge: optimize border control flow for the 54 000 coaches, crossing the Channel each year



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The Challenge

While the outcome of Brexit remains very much uncertain, deal or no deal, there are some pointers as to how the Channel could look if the UK leaves the bloc without a deal.

English Channel has also massive implications for Ireland as well. 80 percent of Ireland's road freight to the rest of the EU goes through Britain and on to continental Europe from there, via the Channel. After Brexit, Irish still using this route could potentially have to cross the border 4 times. Keeping that in mind, this really is Brexit's other border.

Regarding coaches, they are around **150 everyday** taking the Channel (with exception of pick points).
So roughly **6 000 travelers a day**.

Delays for each coach is not an option, and checking around 40 people by bus, could be long without process automation (eGate),



Simulated impact of queues at Dover dues to custom checks

The research, led by Dr Ke Han, found the current vehicle check time is about two minutes, which can lead to queues of almost 10 miles during peak times, between 16:00 and 19:00.

Queues on the M20 and A20 between Maidstone and Dover would reach 29.3 miles if checks took an average of four minutes, they found.

Post-Brexit Dover border checks could cause huge queues

Estimated length of peak time M20/A20 traffic queue in 2018, by length of customs check*

02:00

2 minute check
(current average)



9.7 miles

03:00

3 minute check



19.8 miles

04:00

4 minute check



39.6 miles



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* A queue is defined by the source as a road segment with an average travel speed below 10 km/h.

Source: Imperial College London

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Objectives

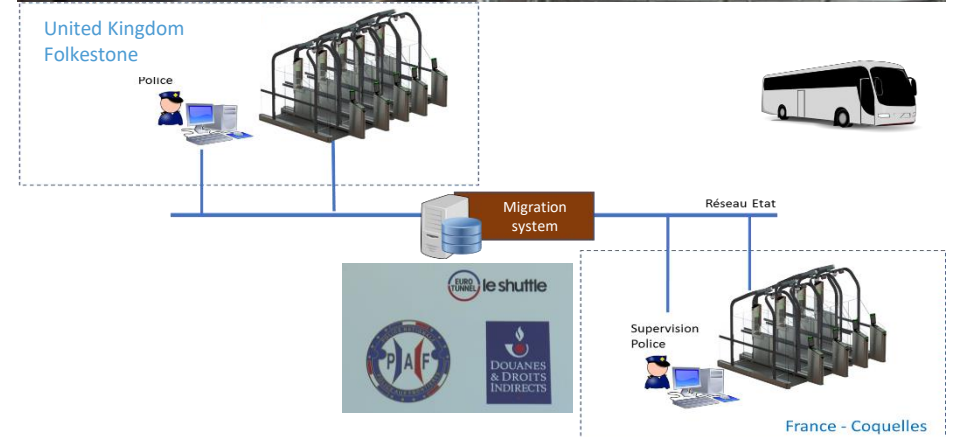
- Aiming for frictionless border with Europe after Brexit
- Enhance process automation (eGate) for Coaches and pedestrians to increase fluidity
- Biometrics capabilities to improve **rapidity** and **security**
- New facilities and services to offer better comfort and **seamless experience** to the traveler
- Regardless of the direction of travel, all border control checks are completed **before boarding the shuttle**. Therefore, on arrival, the coach can proceed directly from the shuttle and onto the autoroute or motorway network without further delay.



ABC Gates for coaches

Process

- Border control checks are completed before boarding the shuttle
- Coaches have dedicated lanes and dedicated border force booth
- Passengers are requested to leave the coaches for identity verification through ABC Gates or manual checks for complex situation
- After ID and luggage check, travelers return to coaches
- Coaches can proceed directly from the shuttle and onto the autoroute or motorway network without further delay



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Fast ABC Gates for coaches

Efficient

- Proven technology
- Fast, robust, efficient
- Easily adopted by travelers

Multi-Biometric matching

- Face recognition
(easily upgradable for Fingerprint and Iris)
- Ready for next generation passenger processing and seamless border

Connected with border control systems

- Supervised by local border force
- Connection with state member database
.... and European IT systems & services



Benefits

- First European land border with process automation: ABC Gates
- Channel Tunnel passenger volume similar to an airport with a size of 11M PAX/year
- Eurotunnel site area : 660 hectares (equivalent to Paris-Charles de Gaulle airport)
- Eurotunnel is the largest employer in the Haut de France region
- Improves service to passengers in the context of enhanced checks (Brexit)
- Reduce delays and queues thanks to IN Groupe patented biometric technology and ABC gate co-designed by IN Groupe & Gunnebo
- Quick project deployment and high quality maintenance (IN Groupe strongly involved in governments border projects)



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Futures challenges ... trucks and vehicles (car, bikes, ...)



New implementations to come for Trucks



.... And for cars, bikes, pedestrians

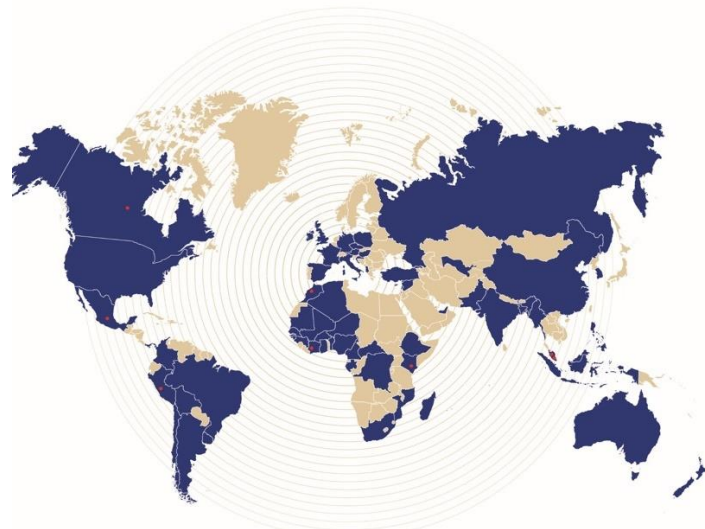


.... Next Borders?

- Poland-Belarus?
- Romania-Moldavia?
- Romania-Ukraine?
- Slovakia-Ukraine?
- Hungary-Ukraine?
- Lithuania-Belarus?
- Latvia-Belarus?
- Latvia-Russia?
- Estonia-Russia?
- Finland-Russia?
- French Ports?



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- Services



2017

Full mastery of the entire value chain:
Incorporation of Thales group's identity and biometric technologies

2014

Skills are expanded:
Acquisition of the SPS company's secure electronic component activity

2006

Change in expertise:
Design and personalisation of secure state documents (introduction of 1st personalised electronic passport)



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