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### **SRI LANKA IMMIGRATION WINS AN INTERNATIONAL AWARD FOR BIOMETRIC PROJECT**

Sri Lanka Department of Immigration and Emigration (DIE) recently won the Asia Pacific Smart Card Association (APSCA) 2018 Radiant Pioneer Award for "Incorporation of biometrics to avert issuance of multiple identity for a single person in the passport" at the 5<sup>th</sup> Border Management and Identity Conference (BMIC) held in Bangkok from 11-13 December. The Radiant Pioneer Award recognizes pioneering new uses or applications of smart technology in public sector identity schemes. The solution integrated thousands of photo studios across the country online with the DIE computer system to transmit ICAO compliant digital photos, and introduced capture of ten finger prints for identification before new passport applications are approved, ensuring One Person-One Identity policy.

Sri Lanka Biometric Project was implemented by IOM Sri Lanka with funding support from the Government of Australia.

We congratulate the Department of Immigration and Emigration for this achievement.



Controller General of Department of Immigration and Emigration, Sri Lanka receiving the Radiant Pioneer Award 2018.



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Team behind success: Immigration Controller General with DIE officials, technical consultant, technical service provider – Informatics International, and IOM Program Manager.