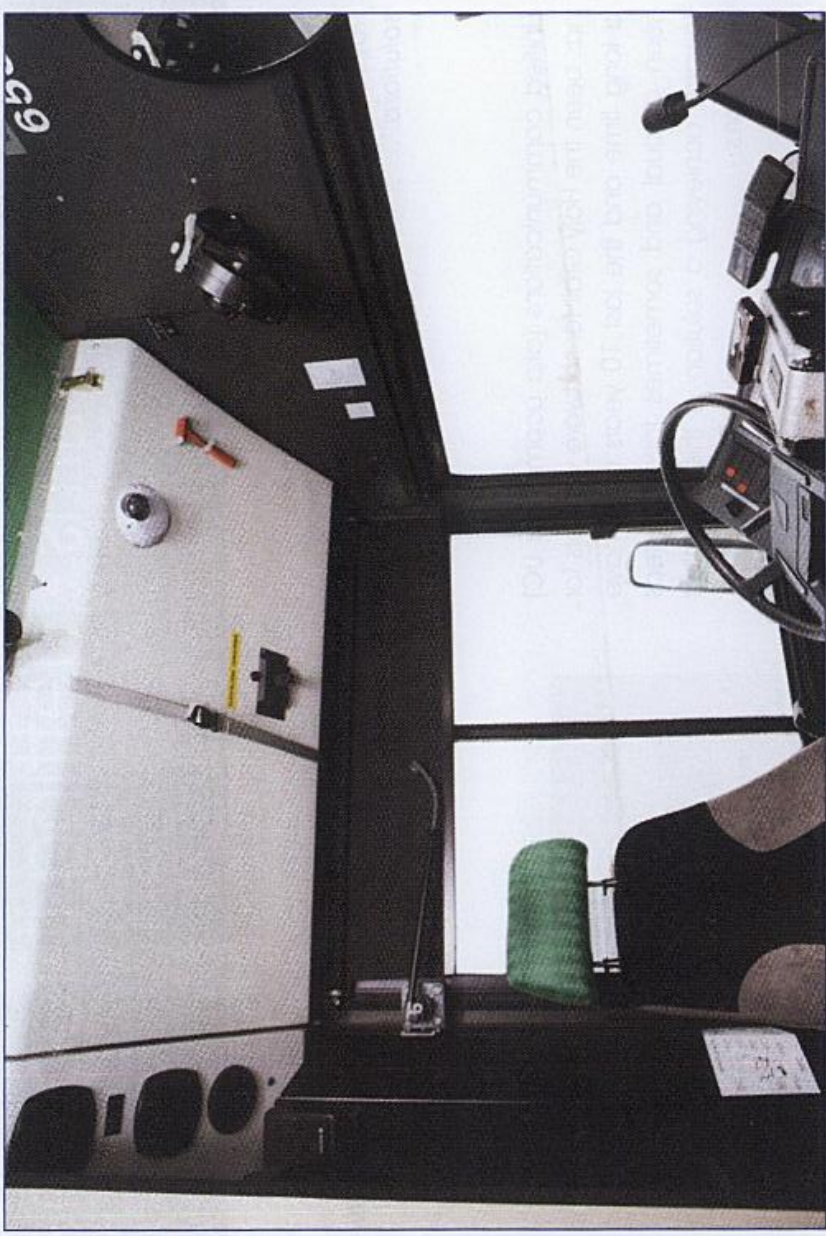


Public transport to meet the challenges of 2010



With the heavy influx of foreign visitors expected in South Africa in 2010, passenger safety is top of the agenda. In many countries, particularly in Europe, surveillance cameras have been successfully deployed in trains, buses and airplanes as a safety feature. Not only do surveillance cameras deter unruly behaviour by their mere presence, they are great monitoring tools and provide useful footage for prosecution should an incident occur.

"In the past surveillance cameras were limited in their application to the public transport setting because of their closed circuit nature – however the introduction of IP cameras has created many new opportunities for enhanced features", said Roy Alves, country manager, Axis Communications.

"Among its many features, network cameras have the ability to relay images to remote locations. This means that operators can view what is happening in a train or bus or any other setting as it happens, enabling them to take swift action whenever necessary."

Because they are not hidden, cameras in public spaces are vulnerable to vandalism. To overcome this problem, a technology has been introduced in network cameras that alerts operators whenever the camera is tampered with. The tampering alarm alerts the operator the instant the camera's normal operation is

interfered with, whether it has been blinded with spray or redirected from its target area.

"Unlike the game, which ends after 90 minutes, security solutions implemented for the 2010 Soccer World Cup need to be sustainable beyond the duration of the tournament."

Axis 209FD is a fixed dome network camera designed for discreet indoor video surveillance. The non-invasive design makes it ideal for

installation in vehicles. The flat, compact design offers flexible video surveillance solutions for environments where space is limited. Quick and easy to install, equipped with power over Ethernet support, the camera uses the Ethernet cable for both power and video, simplifying installation.

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