

CCTV/surveillance

The power of convergence

Convergence of voice, video and data networks are a growing reality, yet organisations still struggle to fully leverage the benefits of this architecture, especially with regard to CCTV and surveillance systems.

A particular challenge is accessing key components that are designed to exploit the technological advantages converged systems offer, and integrating with legacy solutions. The new partnership between KSS, a converged network integrator focusing on integrated data, voice and video solutions, and ADI International, a leading distributor of security systems, promises to resolve these issues.

Says Andre Maree, managing director at KSS, "ADI's range of Axis Communications IP cameras and Milestone software, an IP video surveillance management tool, is ideal for

converged environments. Milestone acts as the core of the surveillance system, connecting all standard video and computer hardware for an optimal, integrated solution, while the Axis IP cameras bring greater intelligence, remote access capabilities and the ability to function even when there is a power failure.

"This combination of benefits allows us to introduce a flexible and scalable solution to this burgeoning market – a solution that will not only reduce the workload associated with traditional analogue systems but introduce greater intelligence and broader functionality

to enhance security in office, retail, manufacturing and mining environments."

Explains Graham Goldridge, IP product manager of ADI national for Sub-Saharan Africa, "IP systems have many advantages. With old VCR systems (analogue), surveillance staff would have to change tapes frequently, and over time, the VCR heads got dirty and distorted the images. With an IP solution, digital search and retrieval functions are much faster and the images are clearer, making it easier to review the recordings.

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