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Zanasi & Partners participates in BODEGA field studies at Rome Fiumicino airport

On June 21st - 22nd 2016, Zanasi & Partners (Z&P) took part in a field study carried out at Rome Fiumicino airport as part of the BODEGA project.

BODEGA (Proactive Enhancement of Human Performance in Border Control) is a three-year research effort funded by the European Commission under the Horizon 2020 programme. Its aim is to investigate the psychological factors affecting human behaviour of both travellers and border control operators during control operations at the frontiers.

The two-day event at Fiumicino airport was organised by Agenzia delle Dogane e dei Monopoli (ADM) and saw Z&P working together with researchers from Thales (FR) and the University of Namur (BE) as well as with representatives of Polizia di Frontiera.

The research team visited the airport's customs and border control area and conducted several interviews with custom officers and border control personnel. Special attention was devoted by the researchers to the functioning of the Automated Border Control and video-surveillance systems in place at the airport.

The field study represented a valuable opportunity for the BODEGA consortium to gather first-hand information about the customs and border control activities carried out at one of the largest airports in Europe. Furthermore, it allowed the research team to gain a better understanding of the role played by two key stakeholders in the European border management process: Agenzia delle Dogane e dei Monopoli and Polizia di Frontiera.

Close cooperation between all parties involved has been key to the event's success and generated a strong interest for further cooperation in the following steps of BODEGA.

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