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Goode Intelligence forecasts over $16.31 billion generated by biometric physical access control systems globally by 2031

London, United Kingdom – 19th January 2026 – Goode Intelligence's (www.goodeintelligence.com) latest research, *Biometric Physical Access Control; Market and Technology Analysis, Adoption Strategies and Forecasts 2026-2031– 1st Edition*, reveals that biometrics for physical access control (BIOPACS) is increasingly a vital part of the physical access control systems (PACS) toolbox. Suppliers and adopters are increasingly adding biometric technology to their physical access control systems to improve security and convenience resulting in a $16 billion plus revenue opportunity by 2031.

Alan Goode, founder and CEO of Goode Intelligence and author of the report, said "The use of biometrics for physical access control is increasing around the world creating solutions that are more secure and friction-less. Biometric technology is either being used to augment existing physical access control systems by becoming a strong second factor, card plus biometric for instance, or as a sole factor – no card or token just you".

Key findings from the report include:

- Biometrics as strong second factor. Predominantly augmenting card-based physical access control systems. The combination of access control card and a biometric enhances security and convenience and helps prevent access cards being used by non-authorised users (stolen or lent).
- Tighter integration with other physical security applications especially when face is the modality used. Modern face biometric PACS can detect and prevent tailgating as the camera can be monitoring this activity.
- Availability of Biometric Physical Access Control Smartcards; fingerprint sensor integrated into smartcard.
- Increasing use of face biometrics, often deployed in specialist hardware at the edge leveraging AI.
- The emergence of palm biometrics as a significant modality for biometric physical access control.
- Merger of physical and logical access control either using a biometric smartcard or with biometric-only.
- Opportunity of biometric corridors replacing physical gates. An opportunity using technology proven in border control to replace the need, and cost, of installing and maintaining physical gates and turnstiles.

- Biometrics becoming the dominant PACS technology in emerging markets in particular APAC and LATAM. In these markets, face is the predominant biometric modality.

Report Highlights

The 215-page report is the most detailed and comprehensive guide to the market for biometric physical access control published to date exploring the adoption of biometric technology for physical access control in major sectors including office, residential, government, healthcare, education, transportation, and technology.

It investigates the current global adoption with market analysis including key drivers and barriers for adoption, regulation and technology standards, interviews with leading stakeholders, technology analysis with review of key biometric technologies and profiles of companies supplying biometric systems for physical access control.

Biometric modalities covered include fingerprint, face, retina, iris, palm, and finger-vein.

It includes regional and global market forecasts for users (segmented by sector and biometric modalities), devices, and revenue for the six-year period from 2026 to 2031.

The report forecasts that:
- $16.31 billion revenue opportunity from biometric physical access control by 2031.
- Over 1.5 billion users for biometric physical access control by 2031.

Biometric Physical Access Control; Market and Technology Analysis, Adoption Strategies and Forecasts 2026-2031– 1st Edition is available to purchase now. Further information can be found at Biometric Physical Access Control Market & Technology Analysis & Forecasts 2026-2031 | Goode Intelligence.

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