Arun Ross featured at NATO Advanced Research Workshop on Identity and Security

A professor of computer science and engineering at Michigan State University discussed the impact of biometric technology on personal privacy at the NATO Advanced Research Workshop on Identity and Security in Lausanne, Switzerland, in July.

Arun Ross was an invited speaker among the international experts in policing, border security, cybersecurity, counter-terrorism, asylum policy and identity management.

Ross presented ways in which the technology could be enhanced to impart privacy to biometric data such as face, fingerprint and iris images. He also discussed the ethics of collecting and sharing biometric data across organizations.

The workshop was conducted as part of the NATO Science for Peace and Security Programme. It was organized by the Home Office of the United Kingdom and hosted by the University of Lausanne's School of Criminal Justice.

Experts from Switzerland, Israel, U.S., UK, Malta, Morocco, Italy, Germany, France, Greece, Estonia, Belgium, Albania, Ukraine, Netherlands, and Spain attended the event. The delegates also discussed ways to reliably determine the identity of an individual in the wake of the recent migrant crisis.