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	Sommario/riassunto	In today's digital infrastructure we have to interact with an increasing number of systems, both in the physical and virtual world. Identity management (IdM) -- the process of identifying an individual and controlling access to resources based on their associated privileges -- is becoming progressively complex. This has brought the spotlight on the importance of effective and efficient means of ascertaining an individual's identity. Biometric technologies like fingerprint recognition, face recognition, iris recognition etc. have a long history of use in law enforcement applications and are now