

VIVOTEK's Cameras Perfect Security at South Africa's National Gambling Board

Background

The National Gambling Board (NGB) is subject to strict security requirements, as it is the agency within the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) responsible for the oversight of matters related to casinos, gambling, betting and wagering in South Africa. In order to achieve compliance with the DTI's standards and requirements, the NGB approached the SBD Group, an existing partner of the NGB, to install a turnkey security solution in the NGB's new offices. SBD, provided with the specifications for the project, proposed a complete solution that included access control, a biometric system, and comprehensive audio-visual facilities including video conferencing in the NSB's main boardroom. The foundation of this comprehensive system lies in the video cameras. SBD turned to Miro, VIVOTEK's official distributor in South Africa, for the cameras as well as the switches and software required to run the installation. Viewing the clarity of the cameras' video, the sustainability of the solution and the good service provided, the NGB opted for VIVOTEK and Miro.

Solution

For this project, VIVOTEK's fixed dome, speed dome, fisheye and bullet style network cameras—including the FD8162, SD8362E, FE8172V, and IP8362—were adopted. VIVOTEK's range of cameras have been recognised for their excellent picture clarity, delivering extremely clear and detailed images, making them perfect for an environment like the NGB offices. Ideal for locations and situations requiring accurate identification, VIVOTEK's cameras support tamper detection, which detects data loss from camera tampering in real time. When the camera is blocked, redirected, or spray-painted, security staff will be alerted immediately in accordance with the camera settings.

Implementation of the entire project required two months, with very few installation issues. Where there were a few teething problems with the software, Miro helped resolve them within days. The software, VAST, provides a powerful hierarchical system for an unlimited number of stations and cameras with full functionality for a diverse range of applications.

Achievement

SBD's Adrian Kriel said, "We proposed VIVOTEK's range of cameras to the client because of the quality of the products. We installed a full range of cameras – from the fisheyes to the domes, and everything in between – as well as the switches and VAST software to run the system. In addition, Miro's assistance on this project was exceptional because we were given a very short turnaround time. We had a week to get all of the products in, and somehow they managed to make it happen. In a complex installation like this, it is essential that everything functions perfectly. The products and service helped ensure that."