

In Brief: Biometrics more popular with Asian banks

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Biometrics is being used more and more at banks in Asia, a research group found Wednesday.

According to Financial Insights, part of the IDC group, which is a research company that specializes in analyzing the information technology industry, said that automated biometric authentication devices are becoming more prevalent and effective across the banking system in the region.

"It is not really an issue of whether banks are ready for biometrics but an issue of whether biometrics is ready for banks. Numerous banks in Asia have already implemented biometrics for internal security purposes, but problems arise when they try and implement customer-level biometric authentication," said Abhishek Kuman, market analyst of the Asia-Pacific IT benchmarking advisory service at Financial Insights.

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