

Italian Casino Enhances Coverage Of Gaming Areas With High-Definition Video System



The Casino de la Vallée has selected March Networks VideoSphere solution to meet the demanding surveillance requirements of its popular gaming venue in Saint-Vincent, Valle D'Aosta, Italy. Equipped with more than 380 VideoSphere IP cameras, Video Management System (VMS) software and an integrated control room application, VideoSphere delivers powerful live monitoring and archiving capabilities for asset protection, dispute resolution and security.

The casino, which operates 400 slot machines, 96 gaming tables, a restaurant and a 220-room hotel, has upgraded to the fully-digital video system to enhance its surveillance coverage of all gaming areas, counting rooms, entries/exits and other public spaces. Control room staff use integrated site maps and pre-set camera tours provided through the

VideoSphere software to monitor activities in real-time and quickly search and analyse recorded video when necessary to respond to specific incidents. Security staff may also request archived video footage to address customer disputes more effectively.

"We are extremely impressed with the VideoSphere solution," said Gualtiero Giovanardi, Director of Integrated Security Services at Casino de la Vallée. "The outstanding quality of the high-definition video images and the advanced software functionality will significantly enhance our ability to manage and resolve potential security breaches across our property."

The solution provides the casino with high-quality video at frame rates of up to 30 fps. High-definition MegaPX



720p cameras capture crystal clear images with vivid color, as well as associated audio, while MicroDome PTZ cameras with optical zoom enable detailed surveillance. Both cameras feature H.264 video compression and Power over Ethernet operation, significantly reducing bandwidth and storage requirements and simplifying installation. The cameras and system servers also provide exceptional reliability through high-capacity internal camera storage, RAID 5 server configuration, and redundant storage for protection from network outages.

"In a casino environment, where a slight-of-hand can occur in a second, every video frame is critical and system reliability is of paramount importance," said Paolo Magalini with Mega Italia, the March Networks' certified solution provider working with Casino de la Vallée. "March Networks' distributed IP video solution delivers the reliability required by our customer, and the scalability necessary for future expansion or enhancements, including support for advanced analytics."

"March Networks continues to expand its position as a leader in the delivery of high-definition IP video management solutions that meet the demanding performance requirements of customers in a number of commercial and industrial applications," said Peter Strom, President and CEO, March Networks. "We are pleased to add Casino de la Vallée to the growing list of customers who are standardising on the VideoSphere platform." *SST*

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