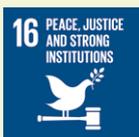


Intellectual property and shared knowledge



Innovation is the driving force behind De La Rue. Over 200 years, we've amassed a huge store of expertise in how to stay ahead of the counterfeiter, whether through physical security or digital solutions. And we're adding to that resource every day – we've committed to doubling our R&D spend by 2020 and have more than 1,000 current patents, with another 500 pending. Our increased investment and focus on R&D means that we're launching more products and services, faster and more regularly. Product development is also accelerated through partnerships and, where appropriate, mergers and acquisitions.

We aim to develop once and use multiple times, deploying a platform-based approach to share technologies across our three segments – which means that all our customers can benefit from De La Rue's innovation. We also share our expertise with customers, regulators and policymakers through international forums such as ICAO¹, WCO², the Global Compact for Migration, through industry affiliations such as the Secure Identity Alliance and through collaborations such as our Joint Charter with the Bank of England. This creates a more secure world for everyone.

¹ ICAO – International Civil Aviation Organisation.

² WCO – World Customs Organisation.