



**Assertion of Management as to  
its Disclosure of its Business Practices and its Controls  
over its Extended Validation Certification Authority Operations  
as of January 19, 2009**

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IZENPE S.A. (hereafter IZENPE) provides Extended Validation Certification Authority (EV-CA) services through its IZENPE S.A. CA de Certificados SSL EV.

The practices outlining the processes related to accession, supervision and control are described in the IZENPE Declaración de Prácticas de Certificación (Certificate Practice Statement), version 4.3, October 30, 2008 as is published on the website of IZENPE (<http://www.izenpe.com>).

The management of IZENPE is responsible for designing effective controls over its Certification Authorities operations, including:

- CA business practices disclosure in its Certification Practice Statements on the website of IZENPE;
- Service integrity, including key and certificate life cycle management controls.

There are inherent limitations in any controls, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of controls. Accordingly, even effectively designed controls can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to CA operations of IZENPE. Furthermore, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of controls may vary over time. At the moment, Management has not placed its EV CA Services in operation and, therefore, additional changes may be made to the design of the controls before the system is implemented.

The management of IZENPE has assessed the design of controls over the CA operations of IZENPE, which have not yet been placed in operation. Based on that assessment, in Management's opinion, in developing CA services at Vitoria, Spain, as of January 19, 2009, IZENPE has:

- Disclosed its EV Certificate practices and procedures and its commitment to provide EV Certificates in conformity with the CA/Browser Forum Guidelines
- Designed its controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
  - EV Subscriber information is properly collected, authenticated (for the registration activities performed by IZENPE) and verified;
  - The integrity of keys and EV certificates it managed is established and protected throughout their life cycles.



based on the AICPA/CICA [WebTrust for Certification Authorities - Extended Validation Audit Criteria](#), which are based on the CA/Browser Forum guidelines for the issuance and management of extended validation certificates (version 1.1, April 10, 2008), including the following:

## CA Business Practices Disclosure

### Service Integrity

- EV Certificate Content and Profile
- EV Certificate Request Requirements
- Information Verification Requirements
- Certificate Status Checking and Revocation
- Employee and Third Party Issues
- Data and Record Issues

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## **Independent Accountants' Report**

Utrecht, 29 January 2009

### To the Management of IZENPE S.A.:

We have examined the assertion by the management of IZENPE S.A. (hereafter called: IZENPE) that in providing its IZENPE Extended Validation Certification Authority (CA) services in Spain to Spanish public and private organisations as of January 19, 2009 has suitably designed its practices and procedures based on the AICPA/CICA [WebTrust for Certification Authorities - Extended Validation Audit Criteria](#), which are based on the CA/Browser Forum guidelines for the issuance and management of extended validation certificates (version 1.1, April 10, 2008). The management of IZENPE is responsible for its assertion. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on management's assertion based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and accordingly, included:

- Obtaining an understanding of IZENPE EV certificate life cycle management practices and procedures including its relevant controls over the issuance, renewal and revocation of EV certificates;
- Evaluating the suitability of the design of practices and procedures;
- Performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, IZENPE Management's assertion – with respect to the design of the practices and procedures – as of January 19, 2009, is fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the AICPA/CICA [WebTrust for Certification Authorities - Extended Validation Audit Criteria](#), which are based on the CA/Browser Forum guidelines for the issuance and management of extended validation certificates (version 1.1, April 10, 2008).

Management has not placed its Extended Validation Certification Authority (CA) services in operation and, therefore, additional changes may be made to the design of the controls before the System is implemented. We did not perform procedures to determine the operating effectiveness of controls for any period. Accordingly, we express no opinion on the operating effectiveness of any aspects of IZENPE's controls, individually or in the aggregate.

Because of inherent limitations in controls, errors or fraud may occur and not be detected. Furthermore, the projection of any conclusions, based on our findings, to future periods is subject to the risk that (1) changes made to the system or controls, (2) changes in processing requirements, (3) changes required because of the passage of time, or (4) the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may alter the validity of such conclusions.

This report does not include any representation as to the quality of services of IZENPE beyond those covered by the WebTrust for Certification Authorities – WebTrust EV Audit Criteria, nor the suitability of any services of IZENPE for any customer's intended purpose.

On behalf of KPMG Advisory N.V.

Utrecht, 29 January 2009



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