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University of Wales Institute Cardiff

Project:

Design, install and service

Client:

University of Wales Institute, Cardiff

Value:

£120,000

Overview:

The University of Wales Institute, Cardiff, is one of Wales' leading academic institutions with more than 10,000 students from over 130 countries. The university is made up of five campuses at various locations around the city, one of which provides residential accommodation.

Providing a secure and safe environment for its students, teaching staff and other visitors is a priority for the university, as is protection of its facilities and equipment which represent a formidable capital investment.

The university felt that its existing CCTV system needed upgrading to provide an improved level of security, so appointed CDS for advice on the way forward.

Project description:

The existing system employed by the client was based on analogue technology, which was unable to match the time, cost and convenience benefits afforded by more modern digital systems, and no scope for expansion or advanced connectivity.

CDS recommended moving to an IP-based network to allow for complete flexibility and enable ongoing upgrading and expansion of the system, as well as introduce network recording. CDS upgraded the university's 90 cameras from analogue, which allowed each camera to be operated and monitored from all campus control rooms and desks.

In order to keep installation and transmission costs to a minimum, CDS utilised UWIC's own existing IT network. The enhanced system provides 24hr monitoring across all five campuses and includes the National Indoor Athletics Centre and the Regional Tennis Centre.