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ESCALATOR OR MOVING WALKWAY

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ROLLTREPPE ODER ROLLSTEIG

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ESCALIER ROULANT OU TROTTOIR ROULANT

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: WO2009101148A1] The invention relates to an escalator or rolling walkway with two directions of motion, comprising a step or pallet belt that is redirected in two redirection areas facing away from one another, an apparatus for monitoring the presence of steps (4) or pallets (4') of the step or pallet belt, said apparatus comprising at least one first detector (7, 7') for a detection function in the first direction of motion, and at least one second detector (7'', 7''') for the same detection function in the second direction of motion, wherein the first and second detector (7,7'') are operatively connected to an electronic evaluation and control means (11) to idle the drive system of the escalator or moving walkway when missing steps (4) or pallets (4') are detected within the step (5) or pallet belt (5'), wherein the electronic evaluation and control means compares the signals of the first and second detectors (7, 7'') with the identical detection function for the different directions of motion in order to produce a signal therefrom to idle the escalator/moving walkway. This invention enables redundant monitoring of a missing step function for both directions of motion with only two detectors. (Fig. 1)

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