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a) added Subclauses 6.5 and 6.6 and other text throughout to include PubSub introduction;
b) added new transports and encodings to existing overview sections;
c) removed WS-SecureConversation example since this mapping has been deprecated;

d) improved the definition of Certificate.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 62541 presents the concepts and overview of the OPC Unified Architecture (OPC UA). Reading this document is helpful to understand the remaining parts of this multi-part document set. Each of the other parts of IEC 62451 is briefly explained along with a suggested reading order.

2 Normative references

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IEC TR 62541-2, *OPC unified architecture – Part 2: Security Model*

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