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## Foreword

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## Introduction

The unrestricted access to internet-based information demanded by the information society has led to an exponential growth of both internet traffic and the volume of stored/retrieved data. Data centres are housing and supporting the information technology and network telecommunications equipment for data processing, data storage and data transport. They are required both by network operators (delivering those services to customer premises) and by enterprises within those customer premises.

Data centres need to provide modular, scalable and flexible facilities and infrastructures to easily accommodate the rapidly changing requirements of the market. In addition, energy consumption of data centres has become critical both from an environmental point of view (reduction of carbon footprint) and with respect to economical considerations (cost of energy) for the data centre operator.

The implementation of data centres varies in terms of:

- a) purpose (enterprise, co-location, co-hosting, or network operator facilities);
- b) security level;
- c) physical size;
- d) accommodation (mobile, temporary and permanent constructions).

The needs of data centres also vary in terms of availability of service, the provision of security and the objectives for energy efficiency. These needs and objectives influence the design of data centres in terms of building construction, power distribution, environmental control and physical security. Effective management and operational information is required to monitor achievement of the defined needs and objectives.

The ISO/IEC TS 22237 series specifies requirements and recommendations to support the various parties involved in the design, planning, procurement, integration, installation, operation and maintenance of facilities and infrastructures within data centres. These parties include:

- 1) owners, facility managers, ICT managers, project managers, main contractors;
- 2) architects, consultants, building designers and builders, system and installation designers;
- 3) facility and infrastructure integrators, suppliers of equipment;
- 4) installers, maintainers.

At the time of publication of this document, the ISO/IEC TS 22237 series will comprise the following documents:

ISO/IEC TS 22237-1, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 1: General concepts*;

ISO/IEC TS 22237-2, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 2: Building construction*;

ISO/IEC TS 22237-3, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 3: Power distribution*;

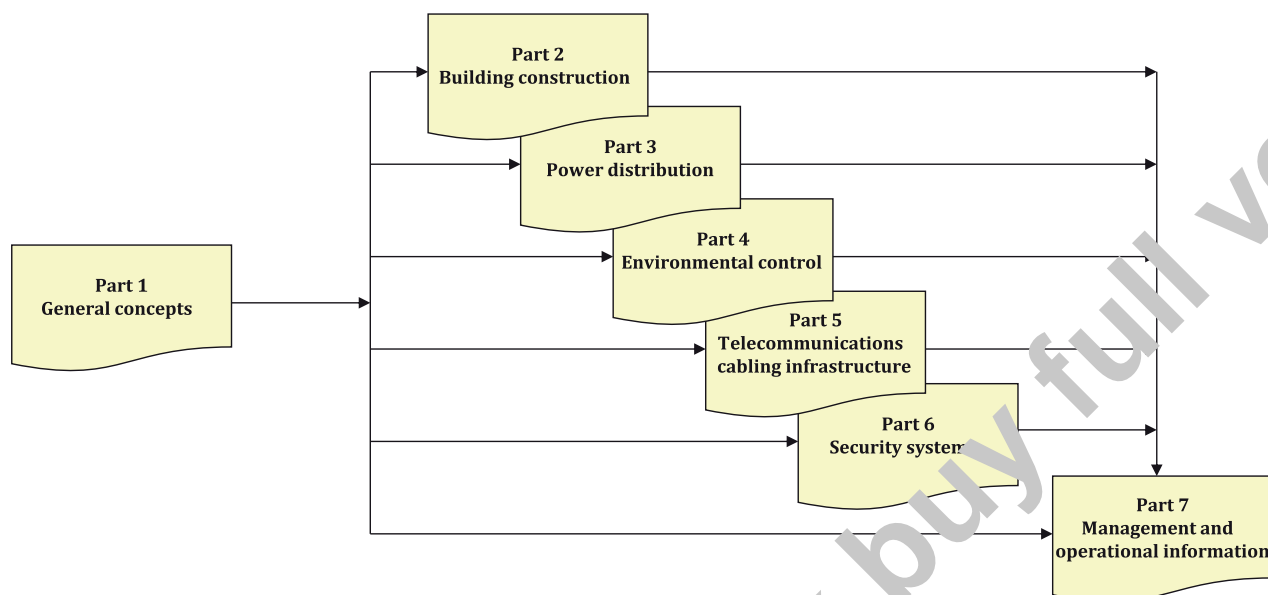
ISO/IEC TS 22237-4, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 4: Environmental control*;

ISO/IEC TS 22237-5, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 5: Telecommunications cabling infrastructure*;

ISO/IEC TS 22237-6, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 6: Security systems*;

ISO/IEC TS 22237-7, *Information technology — Data centre facilities and infrastructures — Part 7: Management and operational information*;

The inter-relationship of the specifications within the ISO/IEC TS 22237 series is shown in [Figure 1](#).



**Figure 1 — Schematic relationship between the ISO/IEC TS 22237 series of documents**

ISO/IEC TS 22237-2 to ISO/IEC TS 22237-6 specify requirements and recommendations for particular facilities and infrastructures to support the relevant classification for “availability”, “physical security” and “energy efficiency enablement” selected from ISO/IEC TS 22237-1.

This document addresses the operational and management information (in accordance with the requirements of ISO/IEC TS 22237-1). A data centre’s primary function typically is to house large quantities of computer and telecommunications hardware which affects the construction, operation, and physical security. Most of the data centres may impose special security requirements. Therefore, the planning of a data centre by the designer and the various engineering disciplines that will assist in the planning and implementation of the design of the data centre, i.e. electrical, mechanical, security, etc. shall be carried out in cooperation with the IT and telecommunications personnel, network professionals, the facilities manager, the IT end users, and any other personnel involved.

This document is intended for use by and collaboration between facility managers, ICT managers, and main contractors.

The ISO/IEC TS 22237 series does not address the selection of information technology and network telecommunications equipment, software and associated configuration issues.

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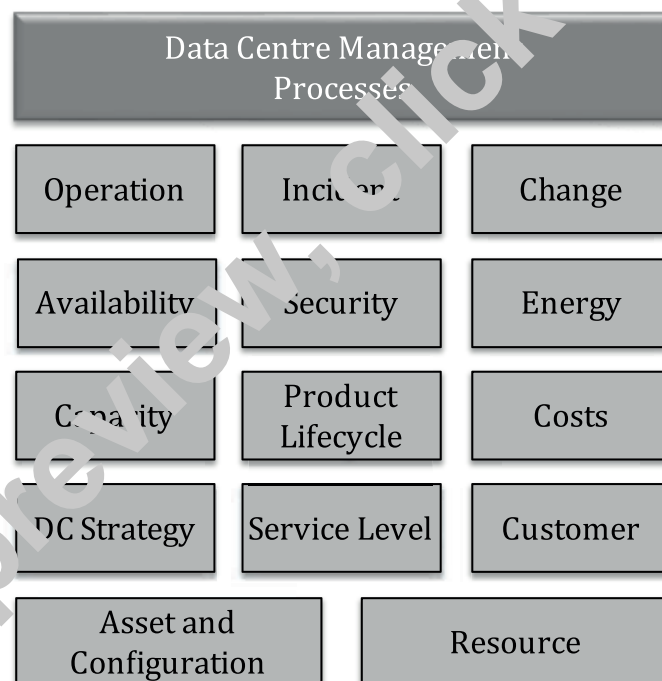
## Part 7: Management and operational information

### 1 Scope

This document specifies processes for the management and operation of data centres. The primary focus of this document is the operational processes necessary to deliver the expected level of resilience, availability, risk management, risk mitigation, capacity planning, security and energy efficiency.

The secondary focus is on management processes to align the actual and future demands of users. [Figure 2](#) shows an overview of related processes.

The transition from planning and building to operation of a data centre is considered as part of the acceptance test process in [Clause 6](#).



**Figure 2 — Data centre management processes overview**

NOTE 1 Only processes specific for data centres are in the scope of this document. Business processes like people management, financial management, etc. are out of scope.

NOTE 2 Specific skill sets are required of those working in and operating a data centre.