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International Standard IEC 61850-6 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 57: Power systems management and associated information exchange.

This second edition constitutes a technical revision.

The main changes with respect to the previous edition are as follows:

- functional extensions added based on changes in other Parts, especially Parts 7-2 and 7-3;
- functional extensions concerning the engineering process, especially for configuration data exchange between system configuration tools, added;
- provision of clarifications and corrections. Issues that require clarification are published in a database available at http://tissue.iec61850.com. Arising incompatibilities are listed in 8.2.3.

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This consolidated edition brings two distinct sets of changes:

1) Resolved Interop Issues (covered by the table below) which have already followed the technical issues (Tissues) process as described in IEC 61850-1 and have reached the green “status”.
2) Resolved Editorial Tissues which may have lead to interoperability issues.

The resolutions of these issues which lead to these changes are described in greater detail in the Tissue database hosted at http://tissue.iec61850.com.

The only new features compared to the original IEC 61850-6:2009 are the inclusion of the Process and Line elements supporting other application areas than substations, and necessary enhancements to fully support the amended communication related parts. Apart from this, this consolidated edition strictly respects the scope of the original edition.

Technical issues summary

N°, Subject, Cat, Clause and Paragraph are as they appear on the Tissue database hosted at http://tissue.iec61850.com where all technical issues have been stored from the origin of IEC 61850.

“Subject” defines very briefly the topic under focus.

“Cat” defines whether this has been considered as an Interoperability Issue (IntOp2) or just a need for amending IEC 61850-6:2009.

The Tissues which have been considered are:

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873	Examples for “curvpts”	Ed2	9.3.6	end of paragraph
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N°	Subject	Cat	Clause	Paragraph
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INTRODUCTION

This part of IEC 61850 specifies a description language for the configuration of power utility IEDs. This language is called System Configuration description Language (SCL). It is used to describe IED configurations and communication systems according to IEC 61850-5 and IEC 61850-7-x. It allows the formal description of the relations between the utility automation system and the process (substation, switch yard). At the application level, the switch yard topology itself and the relation of the switch yard structure to the SAS functions (logical nodes) configured on the IEDs can be described.

While this part describes the language to describe the configuration of IEC 61850 systems, other parts of the standard describe how to configure the system and possible restrictions. Therefore implementations claiming conformance to this standard shall take into account constraints from the other normative references. Some references to the other parts have been included for the purpose of clarification but these references are not all inclusive.

NOTE The process description, which is in this standard restricted to switch yards and general process functions, will be enhanced by appropriate add-ons for wind mills, hydro plants and distributed energy resources (DER).

SCL allows the description of an IED configuration to be passed to a communication and application system engineering tool, and to pass back the whole system configuration description to the IED configuration tool in a compatible way. Its main purpose is to allow the interoperable exchange of communication system configuration data between an IED configuration tool and a system configuration tool from different manufacturers.

IEC 61850-8-x and IEC 61850-9-x, which concern the mapping of IEC 61850-7-x to specific communication stacks, may extend these definitions according to their need with additional parts, or simply by restrictions on the way the values of objects have to be used.

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1 Scope

1.1 General

This part of IEC 61850 specifies a file format for describing communication-related IED (Intelligent Electronic Device) configurations and IED parameters, communication system configurations, switch yard (function) structures, and the relations between them. The main purpose of this format is to exchange IED capability descriptions, and SA system descriptions between IED engineering tools and the system engineering tool(s) of different manufacturers in a compatible way.

The defined language is called System Configuration description Language (SCL). The IED and communication system model in SCL is according to IEC 61850-5 and IEC 61850-7-x. SCSM specific extensions or usage rules may be required in the appropriate parts.

The configuration language is based on the Extensible Markup Language (XML) version 1.0 (see XML references in Clause 2).

This standard does not specify individual implementations or products using the language, nor does it constrain the implementation of entities and interfaces within a computer system. This part of the standard does not specify the download format of configuration data to an IED, although it could be used for part of the configuration data.

1.2 Namespace name and version

This new section is mandatory for any IEC 61850 namespace (as defined by IEC 61850-7-1:2011).

The parameters which are identifying this new release of the SCL namespace `xmlns:scl="http://www.iec.ch/61850/2003/SCL"` are:

- Namespace Version: 2007
- Namespace Revision: B
- Namespace Release: 4
- Namespace release date: 2018/01/22

The table below provides an overview of all published versions of this namespace.

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