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Foreword

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This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition (ISO/IEC 9594-10:2005), which has been technically revised.

ISO/IEC 9594 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Information technology — Open Systems Interconnection — The Directory*:

— *Part 1: Overview of concepts, models and services*

— *Part 2: Models*

— *Part 3: Abstract service definition*

— *Part 4: Procedures for distributed operation*

— *Part 5: Protocol specifications*

— *Part 6: Selected attribute types*

— *Part 7: Selected object classes*

— *Part 8: Public-key and attribute certificate frameworks*

— *Part 9: Replication*

— *Part 10: Use of systems management for administration of the Directory*

Introduction

This Recommendation | International Standard, together with other Recommendations | International Standards, has been produced to facilitate the interconnection of information processing systems to provide Directory services. A set of such systems, together with the Directory information that they hold, can be viewed as an integrated whole, called the *Directory*. The information held by the Directory, collectively known as the Directory Information Base (DIB), is typically used to facilitate communication between, with or about objects such as application entities, people, terminals and distribution lists.

The Directory plays a significant role in Open Systems Interconnection, whose aim is to allow, with a minimum of technical agreement outside of the interconnection standards themselves, the interconnection of information processing systems:

– from different manufacturers;
– under different managements;
– of different levels of complexity; and
– of different ages.

The purpose of Directory management is to assure that needed, accurate Directory information is available to users as scheduled with the expected response time, integrity, security and level of consistency. Furthermore, systems management may be accomplished with the minimum burden on processing time and memory on platforms and the communications system.

The Directory may support open systems applications such as message handling systems, File Transfer, Access and Management (FTAM) systems, and transaction processing systems. Therefore, the Directory system may be manageable from an integrated system management platform.

This Recommendation | International Standard provides the foundation frameworks upon which industry profiles can be defined by other standards groups and industry forums. Many of the features defined as optional in these frameworks may be mandated for use in certain environments through profiles. This sixth edition technically revises and enhances, but does not replace, the fifth edition of this Recommendation | International Standard. Implementations may still claim conformance to the fifth edition. However, at some point, the fifth edition will not be supported (i.e., reported defects will no longer be resolved). It is recommended that implementations conform to this sixth edition as soon as possible.

Annex A, which is an integral part of this Recommendation | International Standard, defines the managed objects used for Directory System Agent administration.

Annex B, which is not an integral part of this Recommendation | International Standard, lists the amendments and defect reports that have been incorporated to form this edition of this Recommendation | International Standard.

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Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – The Directory: Use of systems management for administration of the Directory

SECTION 1 – GENERAL

1 Scope

This Recommendation | International Standard describes the requirements for Directory management, and analyses these requirements to identify those that may be realized by OSI Systems Management services (and protocols), those that are realized by Directory services (and protocols), and those that are realized by local means.

Based on the requirements, this Directory Specification defines a model for Directory management that encompasses all of the requirements.

Management of the Directory is divided into four major segments:

a) management of the DIT Domain: Management of Directory information;

b) management of the operation of a single DSA within a DMD;

c) management of the operation of a single DUA within a DMD; and

d) management of the Directory Management Domain (DMD): Integrated management of the functional components of the Directory.

This Recommendation | International Standard covers items a), b) and c). Item d), Management of the Directory Management Domain, is for further study.

Based on the model, this Recommendation | International Standard describes the detailed OSI Systems Management Managed Objects used to manage Directory System Agents (DSAs) and Directory User Agents (DUAs) within a Directory Domain, and describes the detailed OSI Systems Management Managed Objects used to manage the interfaces to DUAs and DSAs in other domains as shown in Figure 1.

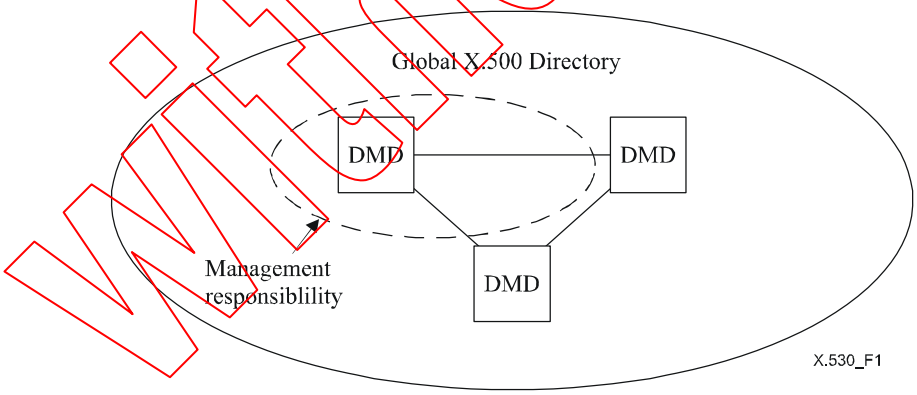

Figure 1 – Scope of Directory management

2 Normative references

The following Recommendations and International Standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this Recommendation | International Standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All Recommendations and Standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this Recommendation | International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent edition of the Recommendations and Standards listed below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards. The Telecommunication Standardization Bureau of the ITU maintains a list of currently valid ITU-T Recommendations.

2.1 Identical Recommendations | International Standards

- ITU-T Recommendation X.200 (1994) | ISO/IEC 7498-1:1994, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Basic Reference Model: The basic model.*
- ITU-T Recommendation X.500 (2008) | ISO/IEC 9594-1:2008, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – The Directory: Overview of concepts, models and services.*
- ITU-T Recommendation X.501 (2008) | ISO/IEC 9594-2:2008, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – The Directory: Models.*
- ITU-T Recommendation X.509 (2008) | ISO/IEC 9594-8:2008, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – The Directory: Public-key and attribute certificate frameworks.*
- ITU-T Recommendation X.511 (2008) | ISO/IEC 9594-3:2008, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – The Directory: Abstract service definition.*
- ITU-T Recommendation X.518 (2008) | ISO/IEC 9594-4:2008, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – The Directory: Procedures for distributed operation.*
- ITU-T Recommendation X.519 (2008) | ISO/IEC 9594-5:2008, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – The Directory: Protocol specifications.*
- ITU-T Recommendation X.520 (2008) | ISO/IEC 9594-6:2008, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – The Directory: Selected attribute types.*
- ITU-T Recommendation X.521 (2008) | ISO/IEC 9594-7:2008, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – The Directory: Selected object classes.*
- ITU-T Recommendation X.525 (2008) | ISO/IEC 9594-9:2008, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – The Directory: Replication.*
- ITU-T Recommendation X.701 (1997) | ISO/IEC 10040:1998, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Systems management overview.*
- ITU-T Recommendation X.710 (1997) | ISO/IEC 9595:1998, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Common Management Information service.*
- ITU-T Recommendation X.711 (1997) | ISO/IEC 9596-1:1998, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Common Management Information Protocol: Specification.*
- CCITT Recommendation X.720 (1992) | ISO/IEC 10165-1:1993, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Structure of management information: Management information model.*
- CCITT Recommendation X.721 (1992) | ISO/IEC 10165-2:1992, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Structure of management information: Definition of management information.*
- CCITT Recommendation X.722 (1992) | ISO/IEC 10165-4:1992, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Structure of management information: Guidelines for the definition of managed objects.*
- ITU-T Recommendation X.723 (1993) | ISO/IEC 10165-5:1994, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Structure of management information: Generic management information.*

2.2 Paired Recommendations | International Standards equivalent in technical content

- CCITT Recommendation X.700 (1992), *Management framework for Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) for CCITT applications.*

  ISO/IEC 7498-4:1989, *Information processing systems – Open Systems Interconnection – Basic Reference Model – Part 4: Management framework.*