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The text of this technical report is based on the following documents:

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## INTRODUCTION

Power quality (PQ) measurement methods are defined in IEC 61000-4-30.

Power quality measurement instruments are used to evaluate the quality of electricity (voltage characteristics) supplied by distribution and transmission systems and to evaluate the performance (emission) of equipment.

These instruments provide different types of data for different applications of PQ data:

- Power quality monitoring:
  - Continuity of supply monitoring,
  - Monitoring of different voltage characteristics: Voltage quality (VQ) covers a wide range of voltage disturbances and deviations in voltage magnitude or waveform from the optimum values.
- Power quality compliance reporting:
  - Continuous monitoring and compliance reporting of different voltage characteristics at point of connection.
  - Additional data are helpful for:
    - a) Detailed problem analysis (e.g. waveform or transient records),
    - b) Flexible data evaluation (e.g. grid codes for data post processing).

NOTE See also "Document on Guidelines of Good Practice on the Implementation and Use of Voltage Quality Monitoring Systems for Regulatory Purposes, which has been jointly developed by CEER and the ECRB" (C12-EQS-51-03) and CIGRÉ/CIREN Joint Working Group (JWG) C4.112: "Guidelines for Power quality monitoring – measurement locations, processing and presentation of data".

IEC 61850 provides the services and data modeling for transmission of PQ related data from instruments to substation/SCADA systems.

There is a desire to have a communication mechanism that is compliant to the concept of IEC 61850. This document lays out how this shall be done.

File based transmission of PQ data is based on the following standards:

- IEC 60255-24/IEEE Std. C37.111, *Measuring relays and protection equipment – Part 24: Common format for transient data exchange (COMTRADE) for power systems for fault records*,
- IEEE Std. 1159.3, PQDIF for PQ records (events, measurements, records).

During modelling of PQ applications IEC 61850-7-4 and IEC 61850-7-3 will be reviewed.

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#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61850, which is a technical report, provides a way of exchanging power quality data between instruments whose functions include measuring, recording and possibly monitoring power quality phenomena in power supply systems, and clients using them in a way that is compliant to the concepts of IEC 61850.

The main goal is the interoperability of power quality instruments.

NOTE 1 The measurement of PQ phenomena maybe provided by communication e.g. IEC 61850-9-2 or instrument transformers. Their application is outside of the scope of this document.

NOTE 2 This document does not set any limits for power quality values, but only repeats limits from other sources (e.g. EN 50160, IEC TS 62749) as suitable examples.

NOTE 3 This document provides recommendations for naming conventions for PQ measurements provided by power quality instruments to manifest the usage of Power quality measurement methods and to ensure interoperability.

This document provides

- Guidelines for using of IEC 61850 for power quality domain,
- Name space extensions based on power quality function assessment,
- Profile for using IEC 61850 in the specific context of IEC 61000-4-30.

Specific power quality requirements that cannot be wholly covered with existing Logical Nodes (LN) or Common Data Classes (CDC) (e.g. LN for continuous power quality recorders, LN for RVC, etc.) will be addressed and added in the next editions of IEC 61850-7-3 and IEC 61850-7-4.

NOTE 4 This document references to/is compliance with the future 61850 amendment 2.1, and also bring the needed elements which are mandatory to understand the document; at least the new presence conditions rules, as well as the enumeration models.

The namespace introduced by this document in Clause 7 has the following properties:

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- Namespace release date: 2017-01-17
- Namespace name: "(Tr)IEC61850-90-17:2016"

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The Profile (set of additional rules) for using IEC 61850 in the specific context of IEC 61000-4-30, introduced in this document in Clause 6 is named “Profile\_61000-4-30\_(Tr)IEC61850-90-17:2016”.

## 2 Normative references

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IEC TR 61000-3-6, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 3-6: Limits – Assessment of emission limits for the connection of distorting installations to MV, HV and EHV power systems*

IEC TR 61000-3-7, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 3-7: Limits – Assessment of emission limits for the connection of fluctuating installations to MV, HV and EHV power systems*

IEC TR 61000-3-13, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 3-13: Limits – Assessment of emission limits for the connection of unbalanced installations to MV, HV and EHV power systems*

IEC TR 61000-3-14, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 3-14: Assessment of emission limits for harmonics, interharmonics, voltage fluctuations and unbalance for the connection of disturbing installations to LV power systems*

IEC 61000-4-7:2009, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4-7: Testing and measurement techniques – General guide on harmonics and interharmonics measurements and instrumentation, for power supply systems and equipment connected thereto*

IEC 61000-4-15:2010, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4-15: Testing and measurement techniques – Flickermeter – Functional and design specifications*

IEC 61000-4-30:2015, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4-30: Testing and measurement techniques – Power quality measurement methods*

IEC TS 61850-2, *Communication networks and systems in substations – Part 2: Glossary*

IEC 61850-7-1:2011, *Communication networks and systems for power utility automation – Part 7-1: Basic communication structure – Principles and models*

IEC 61850-7-2:2010, *Communication networks and systems for power utility automation – Part 7-2: Basic information and communication structure – Abstract communication service interface (ACSI)*

IEC 61850-7-4, *Communication networks and systems for power utility automation – Part 7-4: Basic communication structure – Compatible logical node classes and data object classes*

IEC 61850-8-1:2011, *Communication networks and systems for power utility automation – Part 8-1: Specific communication service mapping (SCSM) – Mappings to MMS (ISO 9506-1 and ISO 9506-2) and to ISO/IEC 8802-3*

IEC TR 61850-90-2, *Communication networks and systems for power utility automation – Part 90-2: Using IEC 61850 for the communication between substations and control centres*

IEC 62586-1:2013, *Power quality measurement in power supply systems – Part 1: Power quality instruments (PQI)*

IEC TS 62749:2015, *Assessment of power quality – Characteristics of electricity supplied by public networks*

IEEE Std. 1159.3:2003, *Power Quality Data Interchange Format (PQDIF)*

EN 51060, *Voltage characteristics in public distribution systems*