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Foreword

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The main changes are as follows:

— certain normative references have been updated;

— editorial and technical revisions have been made to maintain conformance with ISO/IEC 18000-4:2018.

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Part 16:
Crypto suite ECDSA-ECDH security services for air interface communications

1 Scope

This document describes a crypto suite based on elliptic curve cryptography (ECC) for the ISO/IEC 18000 series of standards protocol. In particular, this document specifies the use of elliptic curve Diffie-Hellman (ECDH) key agreement in a secure channel establishment and the use of elliptic curve digital signature algorithm (ECDSA) in an authentication mechanism.

This document specifies a crypto suite for ECDSA-ECDH for air interface for RFID systems. The crypto suite is defined in alignment with existing air interfaces.

This document defines a mutual authentication method and methods of use for the cipher. A Tag and an Interrogator can support one, a subset, or all of the specified options, clearly stating what is supported. Key update is not supported in this document.

ECDSA-ECDH cipher is a high-weight security protocol especially for active RFID system, aiming at meeting those scenarios with high level security requirement.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO/IEC 18000-4:2018, *Information technology — Radio frequency identification for item management — Part 4: Parameters for air interface communications at 2,45 GHz*

ISO/IEC 19762, *Information technology — Automatic identification and data capture (AIDC) techniques — Harmonized vocabulary*

ISO/IEC 29167-1, *Information technology — Automatic identification and data capture techniques — Part 1: Security services for RFID air interfaces*

ISO/IEC 14888-3, *IT Security techniques — Digital signatures with appendix — Part 3: Discrete logarithm based mechanisms*

ISO/IEC 11770-3, *Information security — Key management — Part 3: Mechanisms using asymmetric techniques*

ISO/IEC 9797-3, *Information technology — Security techniques — Message Authentication Codes (MACs) — Part 3: Mechanisms using a universal hash-function*

ISO/IEC 9798-3, *IT Security techniques — Entity authentication — Part 3: Mechanisms using digital signature techniques*

ISO/IEC 18031, *Information technology — Security techniques — Random bit generation*

ISO/IEC 18033-3, *Information technology — Security techniques — Encryption algorithms — Part 3: Block ciphers*

ISO/IEC 11770-6, *Information technology — Security techniques — Key management — Part 6: Key derivation*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO/IEC 19762 and the following apply.

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— ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp

— IEC Electropedia: available at https://www.electropedia.org/

3.1
command
message that interrogator sends to tag with "Message" as parameter

3.2
Message
part of the *command* (3.1) that is defined by the crypto suite

3.3
reply
response that tag returns to the interrogator with "Response" as parameter

3.4
Response
part of the *reply* (stored or sent) (3.3) that is defined by the crypto suite

4 Symbols and abbreviated terms

4.1 Symbols

$xxxx_2$	Binary notation
$xxxx_h$	Hexadecimal notation
||	Concatenation of syntax elements, transmitted in the order written
$()_{abscissa}$	Refers to that element of an ordered pair which is plotted on the horizontal axis of a two-dimensional cartesian coordinate system
•	Point multiply

4.2 Abbreviated terms

CRC	Cyclic redundancy check
CS	Crypto suite
CSI	Cryptographic suite identifier
DSA	Digital signature algorithm