

INTERNATIONAL STANDARD

NORME INTERNATIONALE



**Energy management system application program interface (EMS-API) –
Part 552: CIMXML Model exchange format**

**Interface de programmation d'application pour système de gestion d'énergie
(EMS-API) –
Partie 552: Format d'échange de modèle CIMXML**



THIS PUBLICATION IS COPYRIGHT PROTECTED

Copyright © 2013 IEC, Geneva, Switzerland

All rights reserved. Unless otherwise specified, no part of this publication may be reproduced or utilized in any form or by any means, electronic or mechanical, including photocopying and microfilm, without permission in writing from either IEC or IEC's member National Committee in the country of the requester.

If you have any questions about IEC copyright or have an enquiry about obtaining additional rights to this publication, please contact the address below or your local IEC member National Committee for further information.

Droits de reproduction réservés. Sauf indication contraire, aucune partie de cette publication ne peut être reproduite ni utilisée sous quelque forme que ce soit et par aucun procédé, électronique ou mécanique, y compris la photocopie et les microfilms, sans l'accord écrit de la CEI ou du Comité national de la CEI du pays du demandeur.

Si vous avez des questions sur le copyright de la CEI ou si vous désirez obtenir des droits supplémentaires sur cette publication, utilisez les coordonnées ci-après ou contactez le Comité national de la CEI de votre pays de résidence.

IEC Central Office
3, rue de Varembe
CH-1211 Geneva 20
Switzerland

Tel.: +41 22 919 02 11
Fax: +41 22 919 03 00
info@iec.ch
www.iec.ch

About the IEC

The International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) is the leading global organization that prepares and publishes International Standards for all electrical, electronic and related technologies.

About IEC publications

The technical content of IEC publications is kept under constant review by the IEC. Please make sure that you have the latest edition, a corrigenda or an amendment might have been published.

Useful links:

IEC publications search - www.iec.ch/searchpub

The advanced search enables you to find IEC publications by a variety of criteria (reference number, text, technical committee,...).

It also gives information on projects, replaced and withdrawn publications.

IEC Just Published - webstore.iec.ch/justpublished

Stay up to date on all new IEC publications. Just Published details all new publications released. Available on-line and also once a month by email.

Electropedia - www.electropedia.org

The world's leading online dictionary of electronic and electrical terms containing more than 30 000 terms and definitions in English and French, with equivalent terms in additional languages. Also known as the International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) on-line.

Customer Service Centre - webstore.iec.ch/csc

If you wish to give us your feedback on this publication or need further assistance, please contact the Customer Service Centre: csc@iec.ch.

A propos de la CEI

La Commission Electrotechnique Internationale (CEI) est la première organisation mondiale qui élabore et publie des Normes internationales pour tout ce qui a trait à l'électricité, à l'électronique et aux technologies apparentées.

A propos des publications CEI

Le contenu technique des publications de la CEI est constamment revu. Veuillez vous assurer que vous possédez l'édition la plus récente, un corrigendum ou amendement peut avoir été publié.

Liens utiles:

Recherche de publications CEI - www.iec.ch/searchpub

La recherche avancée vous permet de trouver des publications CEI en utilisant différents critères (numéro de référence, texte, comité d'études,...).

Elle donne aussi des informations sur les projets et les publications remplacées ou retirées.

Just Published CEI - webstore.iec.ch/justpublished

Restez informé sur les nouvelles publications de la CEI. Just Published détaille les nouvelles publications parues. Disponible en ligne et aussi une fois par mois par email.

Electropedia - www.electropedia.org

Le premier dictionnaire en ligne au monde de termes électroniques et électriques. Il contient plus de 30 000 termes et définitions en anglais et en français, ainsi que les termes équivalents dans les langues additionnelles. Egalement appelé Vocabulaire Electrotechnique International (VEI) en ligne.

Service Clients - webstore.iec.ch/csc

Si vous désirez nous donner des commentaires sur cette publication ou si vous avez des questions contactez-nous: csc@iec.ch.

INTERNATIONAL STANDARD

NORME INTERNATIONALE



**Energy management system application program interface (EMS-API) –
Part 552: CIMXML Model exchange format**

**Interface de programmation d'application pour système de gestion d'énergie
(EMS-API) –
Partie 552: Format d'échange de modèle CIMXML**

INTERNATIONAL
ELECTROTECHNICAL
COMMISSION

COMMISSION
ELECTROTECHNIQUE
INTERNATIONALE

PRICE CODE
CODE PRIX

ICS 33.200

ISBN 978-2-8322-1180-9

**Warning! Make sure that you obtained this publication from an authorized distributor.
Attention! Veuillez vous assurer que vous avez obtenu cette publication via un distributeur agréé.**

CONTENTS

FOREWORD.....	3
INTRODUCTION.....	5
1 Scope.....	6
2 Normative references.....	6
3 Terms and definitions.....	7
4 Model exchange header.....	9
4.1 General.....	9
4.2 CIMXML documents and headers.....	9
4.3 Model and header data description.....	10
4.4 Work flow.....	12
5 Object identification.....	13
5.1 URIs as identifiers.....	13
5.2 About rdf:ID and rdf:about.....	14
5.3 CIMXML element identification.....	14
6 CIMXML format rules and conventions.....	15
6.1 General.....	15
6.2 Simplified RDF syntax.....	16
6.2.1 General.....	16
6.2.2 Notation.....	16
6.2.3 Syntax definition.....	16
6.2.4 Syntax extension for difference model.....	21
6.3 CIMXML format style guide.....	26
6.4 Representing new, deleted and changed objects as CIMXML elements.....	27
6.5 CIM RDF schema generation with CIM profile.....	27
6.6 CIM extensions.....	28
6.7 RDF simplified syntax design rationale.....	28
Bibliography.....	30
Figure 1 – Model with header.....	10
Figure 2 – Example work flow events.....	12
Figure 3 – Example work flow events with more dependencies.....	13
Figure 4 – CIMXML-based power system model exchange mechanism.....	15
Figure 5 – Relations between UML, profile and CIMXML tools.....	28
Table 1 – Header attributes.....	11

INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION

ENERGY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM APPLICATION PROGRAM INTERFACE (EMS-API) –

Part 552: CIMXML Model exchange format

FOREWORD

- 1) The International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) is a worldwide organization for standardization comprising all national electrotechnical committees (IEC National Committees). The object of IEC is to promote international co-operation on all questions concerning standardization in the electrical and electronic fields. To this end and in addition to other activities, IEC publishes International Standards, Technical Specifications, Technical Reports, Publicly Available Specifications (PAS) and Guides (hereafter referred to as "IEC Publication(s)"). Their preparation is entrusted to technical committees; any IEC National Committee interested in the subject dealt with may participate in this preparatory work. International, governmental and non-governmental organizations liaising with the IEC also participate in this preparation. IEC collaborates closely with the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) in accordance with conditions determined by agreement between the two organizations.
- 2) The formal decisions or agreements of IEC on technical matters express, as nearly as possible, an international consensus of opinion on the relevant subjects since each technical committee has representation from all interested IEC National Committees.
- 3) IEC Publications have the form of recommendations for international use and are accepted by IEC National Committees in that sense. While all reasonable efforts are made to ensure that the technical content of IEC Publications is accurate, IEC cannot be held responsible for the way in which they are used or for any misinterpretation by any end user.
- 4) In order to promote international uniformity, IEC National Committees undertake to apply IEC Publications transparently to the maximum extent possible in their national and regional publications. Any divergence between any IEC Publication and the corresponding national or regional publication shall be clearly indicated in the latter.
- 5) IEC itself does not provide any attestation of conformity. Independent certification bodies provide conformity assessment services and, in some areas, access to IEC marks of conformity. IEC is not responsible for any services carried out by independent certification bodies.
- 6) All users should ensure that they have the latest edition of this publication.
- 7) No liability shall attach to IEC or its directors, employees, servants or agents including individual experts and members of its technical committees and IEC National Committees for any personal injury, property damage or other damage of any nature whatsoever, whether direct or indirect, or for costs (including legal fees) and expenses arising out of the publication, use of, or reliance upon, this IEC Publication or any other IEC Publications.
- 8) Attention is drawn to the Normative references cited in this publication. Use of the referenced publications is indispensable for the correct application of this publication.
- 9) Attention is drawn to the possibility that some of the elements of this IEC Publication may be the subject of patent rights. IEC shall not be held responsible for identifying any or all such patent rights.

International Standard IEC 61970-552 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 57: Power systems management and associated information exchange.

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

FDIS	Report on voting
57/1386/FDIS	57/1402/RVD

Full information on the voting for the approval of this standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

A list of all parts in the IEC 61970 series, published under the general title *Energy management system application program interface (EMS-API)*, can be found on the IEC website.

The committee has decided that the contents of this publication will remain unchanged until the stability date indicated on the IEC web site under "<http://webstore.iec.ch>" in the data related to the specific publication. At this date, the publication will be

- reconfirmed,
- withdrawn,
- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

IMPORTANT – The 'colour inside' logo on the cover page of this publication indicates that it contains colours which are considered to be useful for the correct understanding of its contents. Users should therefore print this document using a colour printer.

INTRODUCTION

This International standard is part of the IEC 61970 series that define an Application Program Interface (API) for an Energy Management System (EMS).

IEC 61970-301 specifies a Common Information Model (CIM): a logical view of the physical aspects of an electric utility operations. The CIM is described using the Unified Modelling Language (UML), a language used to specify, visualize, and document systems in an object-oriented manner. UML is an analysis and design language; it is not a programming language. In order for software programs to use the CIM, it must be transformed into a schema form that supports a programmable interface.

IEC 61970-501 describes the translation of the CIM in UML form into a machine readable format as expressed in the Extensible Markup Language (XML) representation of that schema using the Resource Description Framework (RDF) Schema specification language.

IEC 61970-552 specifies how the CIM RDF schema specified in IEC 61970-501 is used to exchange power system models using XML (referred to as CIMXML) defined in the 61970-45x series of profile standards, such as the CIM Transmission Network Model Exchange Profile described in IEC 61970-452.

ENERGY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM APPLICATION PROGRAM INTERFACE (EMS-API) –

Part 552: CIMXML Model exchange format

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a Component Interface Specification (CIS) for Energy Management Systems Application Program Interfaces. This part specifies the format and rules for exchanging modelling information based upon the CIM. It uses the CIM RDF Schema presented in IEC 61970-501 as the meta-model framework for constructing XML documents of power system modelling information. The style of these documents is called CIMXML format.

Model exchange by file transfer serves many useful purposes. Profile documents such as IEC 61970-452 and other profiles in the 61970-45x series of standards explain the requirements and use cases that set the context for this work. Though the format can be used for general CIM-based information exchange, specific profiles (or subsets) of the CIM are identified in order to address particular exchange requirements. The initial requirement driving the solidification of this specification is the exchange of transmission network modelling information for power system security coordination.

This standard supports a mechanism for software from independent suppliers to produce and consume CIM described modelling information based on a common format. The proposed solution:

- is both machine readable and human readable, although primarily intended for programmatic access,
- can be accessed using any tool that supports the Document Object Model (DOM) and other standard XML application program interfaces,
- is self-describing,
- takes advantage of current World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) recommendations.

This document is the Level 2 Component Interface Specification document that describes in narrative terms (with text and examples based on the CIM) the detailed definition of the CIMXML format.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60050 series, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary*

IEC 61968-11, *Application integration at electric utilities – System interfaces for distribution management – Part 11: Common information model (CIM) extensions for distribution*

IEC/TS 61970-2, *Energy management system application program interface (EMS-API) – Part 2: Glossary*

IEC 61970-301, *Energy management system application program interface (EMS-API) – Part 301: Common information model (CIM) base*

IEC 61970-501, *Energy management system application program interface (EMS-API) – Part 501: Common Information Model Resource Description Framework (CIM RDF) schema*

W3C: RDF/XML Syntax Specification

W3C: Extensible Markup Language (XML) 1.0

W3C: XSL Transformations (XSLT)

W3C: Document Object Model (DOM)

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this International Standard, the terms and definitions contained in IEC 60050 (for general glossary) and IEC 61970-2 (for EMS-API glossary definitions), as well as the following apply.

3.1

Application Program Interface API

set of public functions provided by an executable application component for use by other executable application components

3.2

Common Information Model CIM

abstract model that represents all the major objects in an electric utility enterprise typically contained in an EMS information model

Note 1 to entry: By providing a standard way of representing power system resources as object classes and attributes, along with their relationships, the CIM facilitates the integration of EMS applications developed independently by different vendors, between entire EMS systems developed independently, or between an EMS system and other systems concerned with different aspects of power system operations, such as generation or distribution management.

3.3

CIMXML

serialisation format for exchange of XML data as defined in this document

3.4

Document Object Model DOM

platform- and language-neutral interface defined by the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) that allows programs and scripts to dynamically access and exchange the content, structure and style of documents

3.5

Document Type Definition DTD

standard for describing the vocabulary and syntax associated with an XML document

Note 1 to entry: XML Schema and RDF are other forms that can be used.

3.6

Energy Management System EMS

computer system comprising a software platform providing basic support services and a set of applications providing the functionality needed for the effective operation of electrical