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## Foreword

ISO (the International Organization for Standardization) and IEC (the International Electrotechnical Commission) form the specialized system for worldwide standardization. National bodies that are members of ISO or IEC participate in the development of International Standards through technical committees established by the respective organization to deal with particular fields of technical activity. ISO and IEC technical committees collaborate in fields of mutual interest. Other international organizations, governmental and non-governmental, in liaison with ISO and IEC, also take part in the work. In the field of information technology, ISO and IEC have established a joint technical committee, ISO/IEC JTC 1.

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ISO/IEC 23000-4 was prepared by Joint Technical Committee ISO/IEC JTC 1, *Information technology*, Subcommittee SC 29, *Coding of audio, picture, multimedia and hypermedia information*.

ISO/IEC 23000 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Information technology — Multimedia application format (MPEG-A)*:

- *Part 1: Purpose for multimedia application formats*
- *Part 2: MPEG music player application format*
- *Part 3: MPEG photo player application format*
- *Part 4: Musical slide show application format*

## Introduction

ISO/IEC 23000 (also known as “MPEG-A”) is an MPEG standard that supports a fast track to standardization by selecting readily tested and verified tools taken from the MPEG body of standards and combining them to form a MAF (Multimedia Application Format). If a needed piece of technology is not provided within the MPEG, then additional technologies originating from other organizations can be included by reference in order to facilitate the envisioned application format.

The existing music player application format (ISO/IEC 23000-2) was designed as a format for enhanced MP3 players. It contains MP3 audio data, MPEG-7 metadata and an optional JPEG still image for cover art. The photo player application format (ISO/IEC 23000-3) is a format for digital photo library applications. It contains JPEG still images and associated MPEG-7 metadata.

The Musical slide show application format (ISO/IEC 23000-4) is a richer multimedia format that builds on top of the music player and the photo player application format. This format supports the use of MP3 audio data along with multiple JPEG images in the form of a slide show presentation, and it is designed to render timed text data for annotations or lyrics. The format also features animation effects for image transitions and synchronization of media data.



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## Part 4: Musical slide show application format

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO/IEC 23000 specifies a file format for multimedia applications that feature MP3 audio playback and image slide show presentation. This part of ISO/IEC 23000 also defines other technical features such as timed text (e.g. song lyrics) and animation (image transition effect).

### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 14496-3:2005, *Information technology – Coding of audio-visual objects – Part 3: Audio*

ISO/IEC 14496-12:2005, *Information technology – Coding of audio-visual objects – Part 12: ISO base media file format*

ISO/IEC 14496-14:2003, *Information technology – Coding of audio-visual objects – Part 14: MP4 file format*

ISO/IEC 14496-20:2006, *Information technology – Coding of audio-visual objects – Part 20: Lightweight Application Scene Representation (LASeR) and Simple Aggregation Format (SAF)*

ISO/IEC 15938-2, *Information technology – Multimedia content description interface – Part 2: Description definition language*

ISO/IEC 15938-5:2003, *Information technology – Multimedia content description interface – Part 5: Multimedia description schemes*

ISO/IEC 15938-10, *Information technology – Multimedia content description interface – Part 10: Schema definition*

ISO/IEC 21000-17, *Information technology – Multimedia framework (MPEG-21) – Part 17: Fragment identification of MPEG resources*

3GPP TS 26.245, Transparent end-to-end Packet switched Streaming Service (PSS); Timed text format. Version 6.1.0, 2005-01-06

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.