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Foreword

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- *Part 1: Introduction, numbering and versions (TPEG1-INV)*
- *Part 2: Syntax, Semantics and Framing Structure (SSF)*
- *Part 3: Service and network information (TPEG1-SNI)*
- *Part 4: Road Traffic Message (RTM) application*
- *Part 5: Public Transport Information (PTI) application*

- *Part 6: Location referencing applications*
- *Part 7: Parking Information (TPEG-PKI)¹⁾*
- *Part 8: Congestion and travel-time application (TPEC1-CTT)²⁾*
- *Part 9: Traffic event compact (TPEG1-TEC)³⁾*
- *Part 10: Conditional access information (TPEG1-CAI)⁴⁾*
- *Part 11: Location Referencing Container (TPEG1-LRC)*

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Introduction

TPEG technology uses a byte-oriented data stream format, which may be carried on almost any digital bearer with an appropriate adaptation layer. TPEG messages are delivered from service providers to end-users and used to transfer information from the database of a service provider to an end-user's equipment.

The brief history of TPEG technology development dates back to the European Broadcasting Union (EBU) Broadcast Management Committee establishing the B/TPEG project group in autumn 1997 with the mandate to develop, as soon as possible, a new protocol for broadcasting traffic and travel-related information in the multimedia environment. TPEG technology, its applications and service features are designed to enable travel-related messages to be coded, decoded, filtered and understood by humans (visually and/or audibly in the user's language) and by agent systems.

One year later in December 1998, the B/TPEG group produced its first EBU specifications. Two documents were released. Part 2 (TPEG-SSF, which became ISO/TS 18234-2) described the Syntax, Semantics and Framing structure, which is used for all TPEG applications. Part 4 (TPEG-RTM, which became ISO/TS 18234-4) described the first application, for Road Traffic Messages.

Subsequently, CEN/TC 278/WG 4, in conjunction with ISO/TC 204/WG 10, established a project group comprising the members of B/TPEG and they have continued the work concurrently since March 1999. Since then two further parts were developed to make the initial complete set of four parts, enabling the implementation of a consistent service. Part 3 (TPEG-SNI, ISO/TS 18234-3) describes the Service and Network Information Application, which should be used by all service implementations to ensure appropriate referencing from one service source to another. Part 1 (TPEG-INV, ISO/TS 18234-1), completes the series, by describing the other parts and their relationship; it also contains the application IDs used within the other parts. Additionally, Part 5, the Public Transport Information Application (TPEG-PTI, ISO/TS 18234-5), was developed.

A major step forward was to develop the so-called TPEG-LOC location referencing method, which enabled both map-based TPEG-decoders and non-map-based ones to deliver either map-based location referencing or human readable text information. The original issue of ISO/TS 18234-6 described the TPEG-LOC application in detail and was used in association with the other parts of ISO/TS 18234 series to provide location referencing.

This update to the first edition of ISO/TS 18234-3 provides additional specifications for the Service and Network Information Application.

During the development of the TPEG technology a number of versions have been documented and various trials implemented using various versions of the specifications. At the time of the publication of this Technical Specification, the original parts are fully inter-workable and no specific dependencies exist.

This Technical Specification has the technical version number TPEG-SNI/3.2/001.

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Part 3: Service and network information (TPEG1-SNI)

1 Scope

This Technical Specification establishes the method of delivering service and network information within a TPEG service. The TPEG-SNI application is designed to allow the efficient and language independent delivery of information about the availability of the same service on another bearer channel or similar service data from another service provider, directly from service provider to end-users.

The term “application” is used in TPEG specifications to describe specific applications which are at the highest layer of the ISO/OSI protocol stack (ISO/IEC 7498-1). Each TPEG application (e.g. TPEG-RTM) is assigned a unique number that is called the Application IDentification (AID). An AID is defined whenever a new application is developed. The AID is used within the TPEG-Service and Network Information Application (this document) to indicate how to process TPEG content and allows routing of data to an appropriate application decoder.

AID = 0000 is assigned to the TPEG-SNI application described in this Technical Specification.

A number of tables of information are described, which provide comprehensive options for describing services, their timing, content, geographical coverage, etc. In all TPEG streams it is mandatory to deliver to so-called GST. Additionally, it is possible to signal linkage of content between different bearers and services.

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/TS 18234-1, *Traffic and Travel Information (TTI) — TTI via Transport Protocol Expert Group (TPEG) data-streams — Part 1: Introduction, numbering and versions*

ISO/TS 18234-2:2006, *Traffic and Travel Information (TTI) — TTI via Transport Protocol Expert Group (TPEG) data-streams — Part 2: Syntax, Semantics and Framing Structure (SSF)*

EN 300 401, *Radio broadcasting systems; Digital Audio Broadcasting (DAB) to mobile, portable and fixed receivers*

RFC 1738, *Uniform Resource Locators (URL)* ⁵⁾

5) RFC 1738 can be found at <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc1738.txt>.