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(IEC 61499-4:2013)**

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Table B.1 has been updated for consistency with Table 8 of EN 61499-1:2013.

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NOTE When an international publication has been modified by common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 61499-1	2012	Function blocks - Part 1: Architecture	EN 61499-1	2013
IEC 61499-2	2012	Function blocks - Part 2: Software requirements	EN 61499-2	2013
ISO/IEC Directives Part 2	2011	Rules for the structure and drafting of International Standards	-	-

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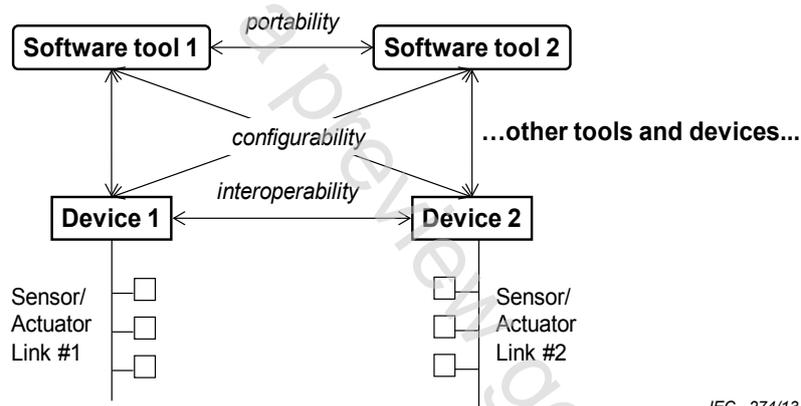
Part 4: Rules for compliance profiles

1 Scope

This part of IEC 61499 defines rules for the development of *compliance profiles*, which specify the features of IEC 61499-1 and 61499-2 to be implemented in order to promote the following *attributes* of IEC 61499-based *systems*, *devices* and *software tools*:

- *interoperability* of *devices* from multiple suppliers;
- *portability* of *software tools* between *software tools* of multiple suppliers; and
- *configurability* of *devices* from multiple vendors by *software tools* of multiple suppliers.

These attributes are illustrated in Figure 1.



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NOTE 1 The sensor/actuator links designated #1 and #2 in Figure 1 may be non-interoperable. However, it is intended that systems complying with a particular profile may show the transfer of *events* and *data* from sensors on one link to actuators on another link using appropriately configured and interconnected *service interface function blocks*.

NOTE 2 Compliance profiles may extend their scope beyond that shown in Figure 1 to include interoperability of sensors and actuators.

NOTE 3 Suppliers of *software tools* ensure that their products conform to the requirements of IEC 61499-2 as well as any specific requirements defined in compliance profiles applicable to their particular software tools.

Figure 1 – Topics addressed by compliance profiles

The specification of provisions for the facilitation of device *interchangeability* is beyond the scope of this part of IEC 61499.

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IEC 61499-1,— *Function blocks – Part 1: Architecture*¹

IEC 61499-2,— *Function blocks – Part 2: Software tool requirements*¹

ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2:2011, *Rules for the structure and drafting of International Standards*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 61499-1 and IEC 61499-2, as well as the following, apply.

NOTE 1 Terms defined in this clause are *italicized* where they appear.

NOTE 2 See also the ISO/AFNOR *Dictionary of computer science*² and the *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary*³ for terms not defined or referenced in this part of IEC 61499.

3.1

comply

comply with a specification

meet all the requirements (of the specification)

3.2

compliance profile

specification *complying* with the rules given in this part of IEC 61499

3.3

configurability

ability (of a functional unit) to be *configured*

EXAMPLE The *configurability* of a *device* can be expressed by the extent to which it *conforms* to the configurability requirements of a *compliance profile*.

3.4

conform

conform to a specification

satisfy some, but not necessarily all, of the requirements (of the specification)

EXAMPLE A *software tool* or a *device* developed to meet some but not necessarily all of the requirements of a compliance profile is said to "conform to" or to be "conformant with" that compliance profile.

3.5

interoperable

able to operate together to perform a specified set of *functions*

EXAMPLE Two *devices* may be considered *interoperable* if they are able to operate together to perform the *functions* specified in a *system configuration*.

3.6

interchangeable

interchangeable with a functional unit

able to be substituted (for the functional unit)

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² See Bibliography.

³ See Bibliography.