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This part of IEC 62541 defines the *PubSub* communication model. It defines an OPC UA publish subscribe pattern which complements the client server pattern defined by the *Services* in IEC 62541-4. See IEC 62541-1 for an overview of the two models and their distinct uses.

*PubSub* allows the distribution of data and events from an OPC UA information source to interested observers inside a device network as well as in IT and analytics cloud systems.

This document consists of

- a general introduction of the *PubSub* concepts,
- a definition of the *PubSub* configuration parameters,
- mapping of *PubSub* concepts and configuration parameters to messages and transport protocols,
- and a *PubSub* configuration model.

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