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## INTRODUCTION

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IEC TC 57 develops CIM-based data models and protocols for information exchange for use in ERP integration and smart grid applications. In particular IEC 61968-9 deals with meter reading and control message profiles.

IEC TC 13 develops data models and protocols for information exchange for electrical energy measurement, and control equipment incorporating head end systems, end devices and intermediate data concentrator devices. In particular, the IEC 62056 series deals with the DLMS/COSEM data models and protocol suite.

This Technical Specification deals with the mapping between the CIM message profiles (IEC 61968-9) and DLMS/COSEM data models and protocols (IEC 62056).

In the following it is assumed that the mapping between CIM and DLMS/COSEM is performed in the metering HES. In the case where end-to-end security is established between a 3rd party CIM-based system and a DLMS/COSEM server, the mapping is performed in the 3rd party system.

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#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 62056, which is a Technical Specification, describes how in the utility environment an ERP system or a third party system can exchange information with a metering system. In particular, this Technical Specification covers the mapping between information interchange messages of a CIM-based ERP or third party system and a DLMS/COSEM-based metering system.

A typical metering system would comprise a HES and end devices such as meters as well as tariff and load control devices. There may be intermediate devices in the metering system such as NNAPs and LNAPs, as described in the smart metering architecture of IEC 62056-1-0. These intermediate devices are outside of the scope of this Technical Specification.

CIM ReadingType, EndDeviceControlType and EndDeviceEventType codes as specified in IEC 61968-9 are mapped to OBIS codes as specified in IEC 62056-6-1.

In some cases the CIM models and COSEM models are differently structured, in which case it is not possible to provide a one-to-one mapping between the OBIS codes and the CIM data type codes. In these cases the mapping is thus performed between the CIM UML object attributes and the COSEM object attributes (see 4.3.4 UC3).

CIM EndDeviceControlType codes as specified in IEC 61968-9 are mapped to COSEM IC attributes and methods as specified in IEC 62056-6-2.

CIM verbs and nouns as specified in IEC 61968-9 are mapped to DLMS service requests and responses as specified in IEC 62056-5-3.

Only the most commonly used UCs are given in order to illustrate possible applications. Extensions may be considered in future editions.

#### 2 Normative references

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IEC 61968-9:2013, *Application integration at electric utilities – System interfaces for distribution management – Part 9: Interface for meter reading and control*

IEC 61968-100:2013, *Application integration at electric utilities – System interfaces for distribution management – Part 100: Implementation profiles*

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IEC 62056-6-2:2016, *Electricity metering data exchange - The DLMS/COSEM suite - Part 6-2: COSEM interface classes*

### 3 Terms, definitions and abbreviations

#### 3.1 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60050-300, IEC 61968-100, IEC 61968-9, IEC 62056-5-3, IEC 62056-6-1 and IEC 62056-6-2 apply.

#### 3.2 Abbreviations

AMI	Advanced Metering Infrastructure
CIM	Common Information Model
CIS	Customer Information System
COSEM	Companion Specification for Energy Metering
DLMS	Device Language Message Specification
ERP	Enterprise Resource Planning
HES	Head End System
IC	Interface Class
LNAP	Local Network Access Point
NNAP	Neighborhood Network Access Point
OBIS	Object Identification System
QOS	Quality Of Supply
RCD	Remote Connect/Disconnect Switch
TOU	Time Of Use
UC	Use Case

#### 3.3 Notation and terminology

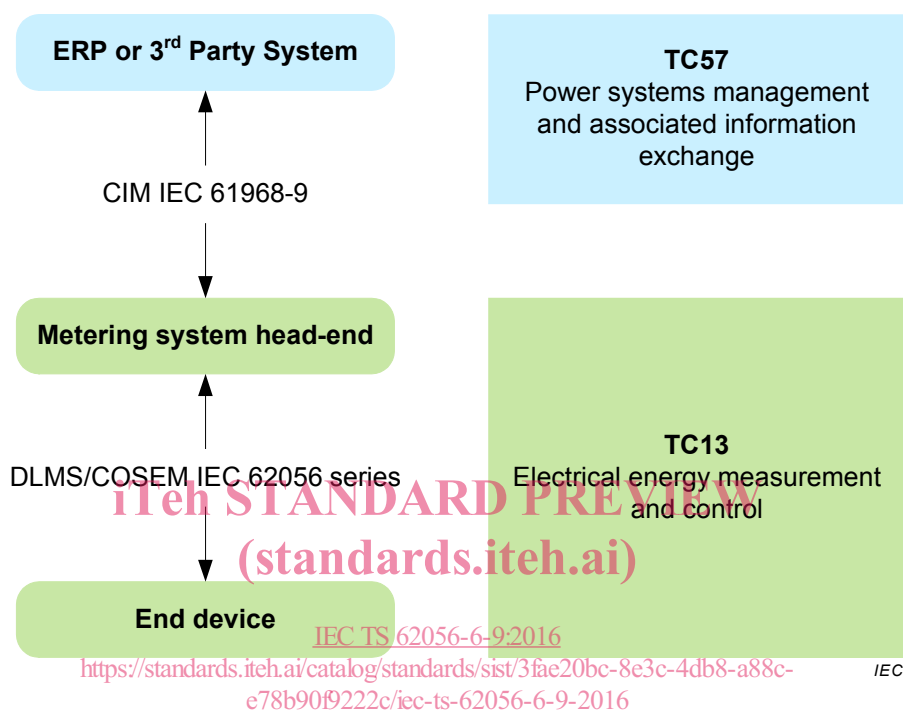
Throughout this Technical Specification the following rules are observed regarding the naming of terms:

- the so-called “camel-notation” is preserved when terms are referenced to the CIM standards as prepared by IEC TC 57;
- similarly, capitalization combined with “under\_score” joining is preserved when terms are referenced to the DLMS/COSEM standards as prepared by IEC TC 13;
- names of use cases start with a verb to indicate that the use case “does” something and is then concatenated in camel notation with descriptive text to indicate what is done;
- the expression DLMS/COSEM is used to emphasize the fact that the COSEM data model specified in IEC 62056-6-2 and the DLMS/COSEM application layer specified in IEC 62056-5-3 are closely linked.

## 4 Reference environment

### 4.1 General reference architecture

Figure 1 shows a generalized architecture for ERP and/or 3rd party systems exchanging information with metering head-end systems using CIM-based IEC 61968-9 message profiles, where metering head-end systems exchange information with end devices using the DLMS/COSEM IEC 62056 data models and protocols.



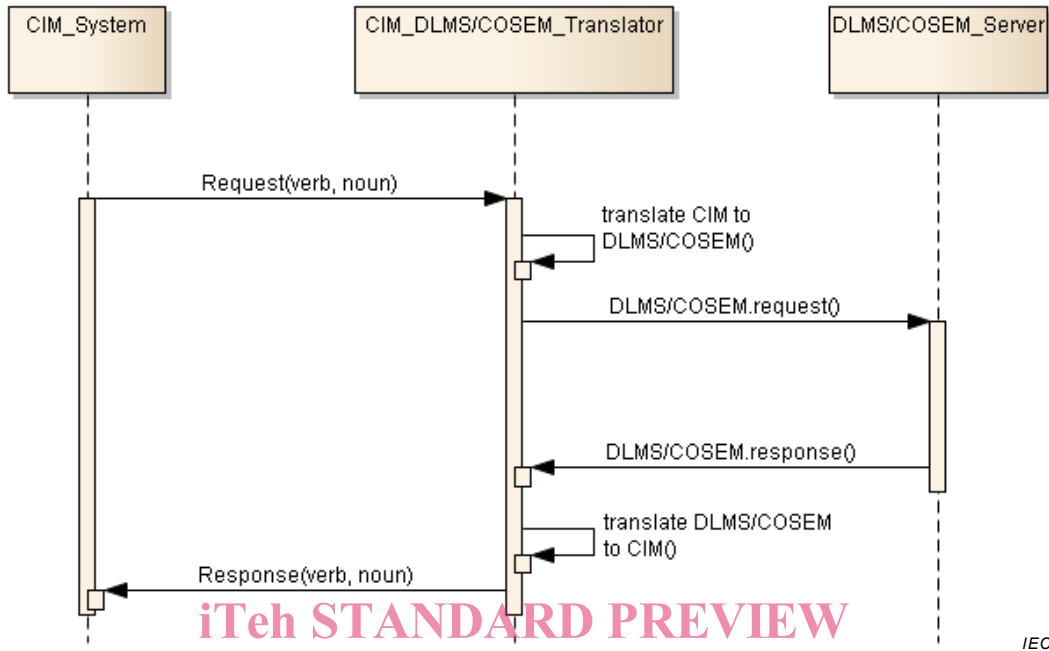
**Figure 1 – General reference architecture**

IEC TC 57 deals with the CIM-based message profiles and TC 13 deals with the DLMS/COSEM data models and protocols. Generally the translation between the two domains takes place at the HES. In the case where end-to-end security is established between a 3<sup>rd</sup> party CIM-based system and a DLMS/COSEM server, the mapping is performed in the 3<sup>rd</sup> party system.

The reference UCs that follow refer to the architecture shown in Figure 1 where CIM\_System is located in the ERP or 3<sup>rd</sup> party system, CIM\_DLMS/COSEM\_Translator is located in the metering system head-end and DLMS/COSEM\_Server is located in the end device.

**4.2 Reference use cases – Generalized use case**

Figure 2 shows a generic 3-party architecture allowing a sequence of message exchanges between the 3 parties.



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**Figure 2 – Generic use case**

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CIM\_System is any CIM-aware system (generally an enterprise system) that requires exchanging information with an end device (generally a meter) that is able to perform the role of a DLMS/COSEM server.

DLMS/COSEM\_Server is a pseudonym for a DLMS/COSEM server.

CIM\_System has to communicate via a proxy CIM\_DLMS/COSEM\_Translator, which may be any device, equipment or software that is able to perform the role of a DLMS/COSEM client.

A CIM-based request message originates at CIM\_System and is received at CIM\_DLMS/COSEM\_Translator where the translation to a DLMS/COSEM service\_request message takes place. The translated message reaches DLMS/COSEM\_Server where the request is appropriately executed. A DLMS/COSEM response message is returned to CIM\_DLMS/COSEM\_Translator where it is translated into a CIM-based response message and sent back to CIM\_System to complete the sequence.

In the case where end-to-end security is established between a 3rd party CIM-based system and a DLMS/COSEM server, CIM\_DLMS/COSEM\_Translator is located in the 3rd party system.

The constructs “Request(verb,noun)” and “Response(verb,noun)” are defined in IEC 61968-100:2013, Clause 4.

The constructs “DLMS/COSEM.request()” and “DLMS/COSEM.response()” are defined in IEC 62056-5-3:2016, Clause 6.

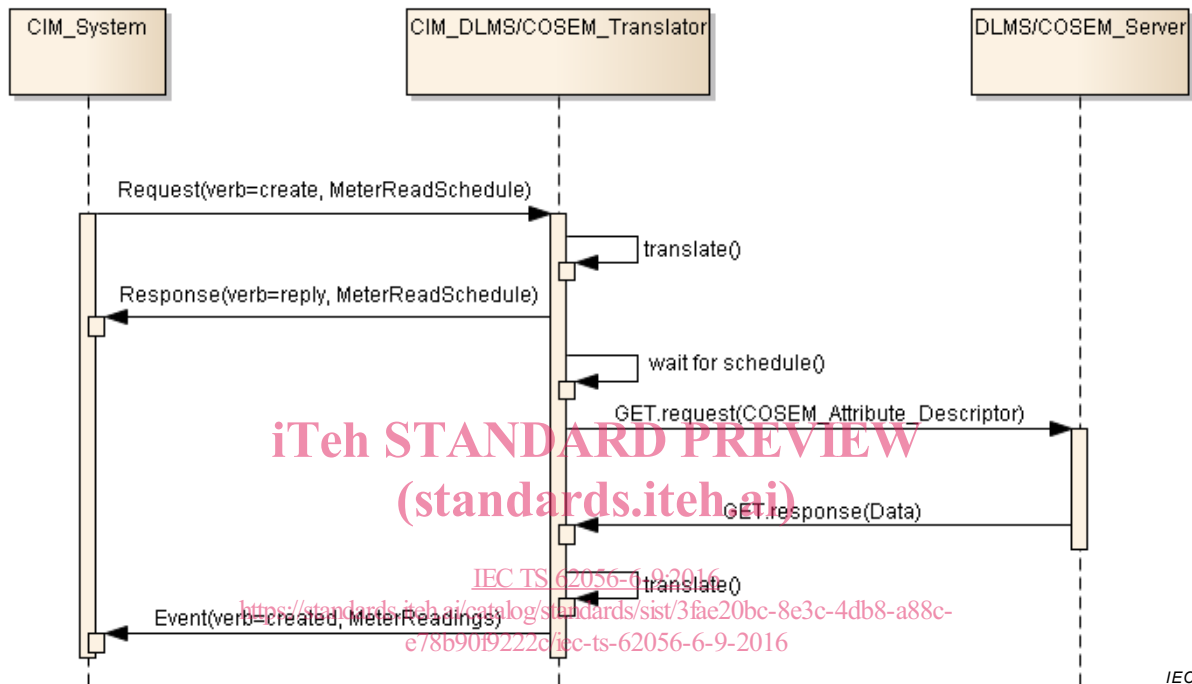
### 4.3 Use case examples

#### 4.3.1 General

The following UCs serve as examples to illustrate the mapping of the messages. The set of UCs is by no means exhaustive.

#### 4.3.2 UC1: ReadMeterOnSchedule

Figure 3 shows a sequence of message exchanges for UC1.



**Figure 3 – UC1: ReadMeterOnSchedule**

The CIS requests meter readings scheduled according to a time table. The CIS compiles the schedule and sends it to the AMI HES where the schedule is loaded. The HES may then acknowledge that the request has been appropriately loaded and is ready for execution. Once the schedule is activated, the HES obtains meter readings as scheduled from the meters specified and publishes the readings to the CIS. This continues until the schedule is inactivated or a new schedule is loaded.

Alternatively it is also possible to load the schedule directly into the meter and then utilize the DLMS/COSEM push mechanism that uses the DataNotification service instead of the GET.request / GET.response services.

In both cases the CIM message constructs with verbs and nouns remain the same as given in Figure 3.

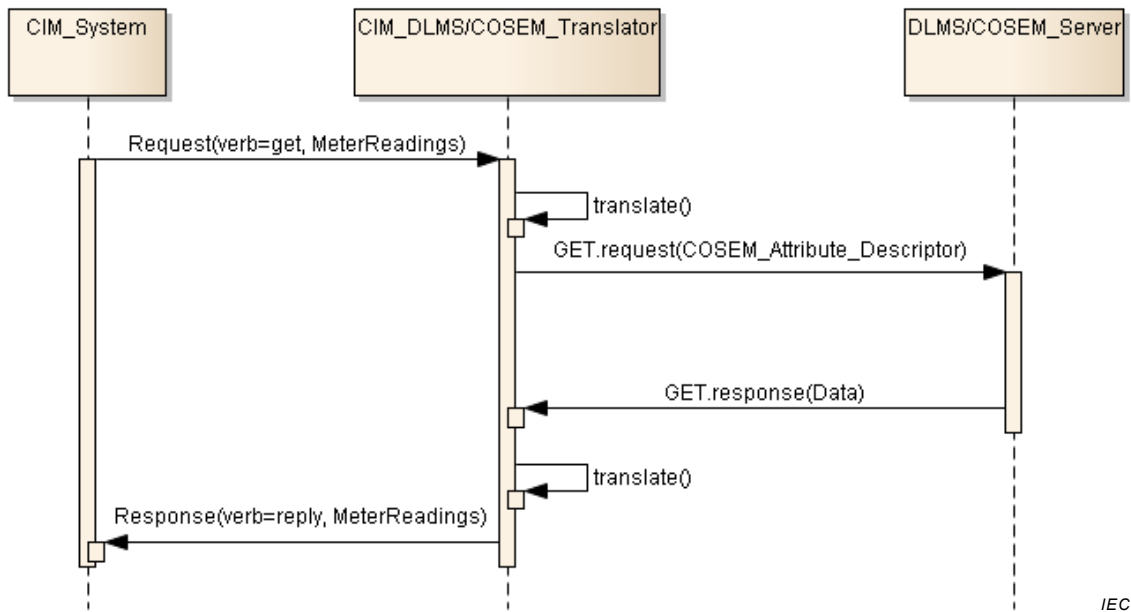
The CIM message nouns MeterReadingSchedule and MeterReadings are used in this UC.

See IEC 61968-9:2013, 5.3 for detailed message constructs of MeterReadingSchedule and MeterReadings.

See 5.5 for OBIS code mapping to ReadingType code.

### 4.3.3 UC2: ReadMeterOnDemand

Figure 4 shows a sequence of message exchanges for UC2.



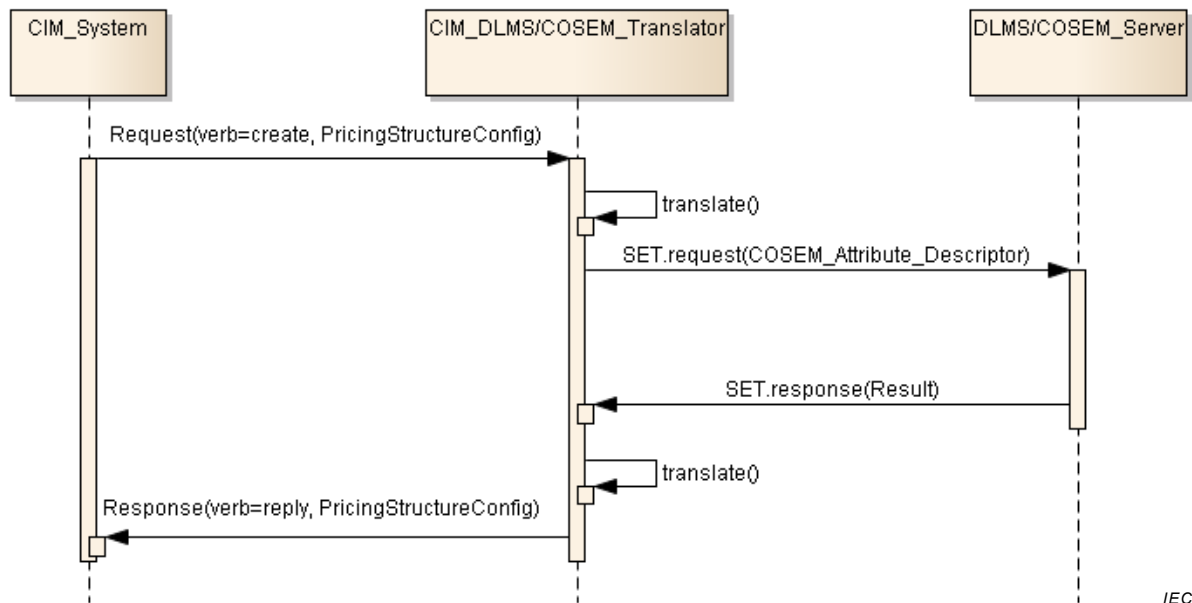
**Figure 4 – UC2: ReadMeterOnDemand**  
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A utility customer contacts the supplier in order to check that the current meter reading on his bill corresponds to the actual reading. Similarly, a customer switches to a new supplier and the old supplier requests a meter reading in order to send the closing bill. The CIS sends a request message to the AMI/HES requesting a real-time reading from the particular meter. The HES connects with the meter and obtains a real-time reading, which is returned to the CIS for further evaluation of the customer query.

The CIM message noun MeterReadings is used in this example (the detailed message construct of MeterReadings can be found in IEC 61968-9:2013, 5.3). The mapping of the OBIS code to the ReadingType code is described in 5.5.

#### 4.3.4 UC3: ConfigureTariffRemotely

Figure 5 shows a sequence of message exchanges for UC3.



**Figure 5 – UC3: ConfigureTariffRemotely**  
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A customer changes its supply contact. As a consequence, the tariffication parameters in the meter shall be changed. The CIS sends the new tariff information to the AMI HES using the appropriate CIM message. The translator extracts the relevant tariff information, assembles the corresponding DLMS/COSEM message and sends it to the DLMS/COSEM server (meter). The meter configures the new tariff structure. An appropriate DLMS/COSEM response is returned from the meter to the HES which is then translated into a CIM message and passed back to the CIS as a response to the original request.

The CIM message noun PricingStructureConfig is used in this example (see IEC 61968-9:2013, 5.10.2.11 and 5.10.3.14 for the detailed message construct of PricingStructureConfig).

Due to the fact that the tariffication models in CIM and in DLMS/COSEM are differently structured, it is not possible to provide a one-to-one mapping of the OBIS codes to the CIM data type codes. An example of a tariffication scheme realized by means of COSEM objects is shown in Clause A.1. Those attributes of the COSEM objects which can be mapped to the CIM UML attributes of the PricingStructureConfig message profile are given in 5.8. The management of those attributes that cannot be mapped in this way is outside the scope of this Technical Specification.