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1 Scope

The present document specifies the Service Information (SI) data which forms a part of DVB bitstreams, in order that the user can be provided with information to assist in selection of services and/or events within the bitstream, and so that the Integrated Receiver Decoder (IRD) can automatically configure itself for the selected service. SI data for automatic configuration is mostly specified within ISO/IEC 13818-1 [18] as Program Specific Information (PSI).

The present document specifies additional data which complements the PSI by providing data to aid automatic tuning of IRDs, and additional information intended for display to the user. The manner of presentation of the information is not specified in the present document, and IRD manufacturers have freedom to choose appropriate presentation methods.

It is expected that Electronic Programme Guides (EPGs) will be a feature of Digital TV transmissions.

The definition of an EPG is outside the scope of the present document (i.e. the SI specification), but the data contained within the SI specified in the present document may be used as the basis for an EPG.

Rules of operation for the implementation of the present document are specified in TR 101 211 [i.2].

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- [2] ETSI EN 300 401: "Radio Broadcasting Systems; Digital Audio Broadcasting (DAB) to mobile, portable and fixed receivers".
- [3] ETSI EN 300 706: "Enhanced Teletext specification".
- [4] ETSI EN 301 192: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); DVB specification for data broadcasting".
- [5] ETSI EN 301 210: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Framing structure, channel coding and modulation for Digital Satellite News Gathering (DSNG) and other contribution applications by satellite".

- [6] ETSI EN 301 775: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Specification for the carriage of Vertical Blanking Information (VBI) data in DVB bitstreams".
- [7] ETSI EN 301 790: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Interaction channel for satellite distribution systems".
- [8] ETSI EN 302 307: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Second generation framing structure, channel coding and modulation systems for Broadcasting, Interactive Services, News Gathering and other broadband satellite applications".
- [9] ETSI TS 101 154: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Specification for the use of Video and Audio Coding in Broadcasting Applications based on the MPEG-2 Transport Stream".
- [10] ETSI TS 102 005: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Specification for the use of Video and Audio Coding in DVB services delivered directly over IP protocols".
- [11] ETSI TS 102 006: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Specification for System Software Update in DVB Systems".
- [12] ETSI TS 102 114: "DTS Coherent Acoustics; Core and Extensions".
- [13] ETSI TS 102 323: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Carriage and signalling of TV-Anytime information in DVB transport streams".
- [14] ETSI TS 102 366: "Digital Audio Compression (AC-3, Enhanced AC-3) Standard".
- [15] ETSI TS 102 812: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Multimedia Home Platform (MHP) Specification 1.1.1".
- [16] ISO/IEC 10646 (2003): "Information technology - Universal Multiple-Octet Coded Character Set (UCS)".
- [17] ISO/IEC 11172-3: "Information technology - Coding of moving pictures and associated audio for digital storage media at up to about 1.5 Mbit/s - Part 3: Audio".
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- [23] ISO/IEC 8859-1: "Information technology - 8-bit single-byte coded graphic character sets - Part 1: Latin alphabet No. 1".
- [24] ISO/IEC 8859-2: "Information technology - 8-bit single-byte coded graphic character sets - Part 2: Latin alphabet No. 2".
- [25] ISO/IEC 8859-3: "Information technology - 8-bit single-byte coded graphic character sets - Part 3: Latin alphabet No. 3".
- [26] ISO/IEC 8859-4: "Information technology - 8-bit single-byte coded graphic character sets - Part 4: Latin alphabet No. 4".
- [27] ISO/IEC 8859-5: "Information technology - 8-bit single-byte coded graphic character sets - Part 5: Latin/Cyrillic alphabet".

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- [30] ISO/IEC 8859-8: "Information technology - 8-bit single-byte coded graphic character sets - Part 8: Latin/Hebrew alphabet".
- [31] ISO/IEC 8859-9: "Information technology - 8-bit single-byte coded graphic character sets - Part 9: Latin alphabet No. 5".
- [32] ISO/IEC 8859-10: "Information technology - 8-bit single-byte coded graphic character sets - Part 10: Latin alphabet No. 6".
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- [37] CENELEC EN 50221: "Common interface specification for conditional access and other digital video broadcasting decoder applications".
- [38] IEC 61883 (parts 1 and 4): "Consumer audio/video equipment - Digital interface".
- [39] IEEE 1394.1: "IEEE Standard for High Performance Serial Bus Bridges".
- [40] ISO 8601: "Data elements and interchange formats - Information interchange - Representation of dates and times".
- [41] ISO 3166 (all parts): "Codes for the representation of names of countries and their subdivisions".
- [42] ISO 639-2: "Codes for the representation of names of languages - Part 2: Alpha-3 code".
- [43] ITU-R Recommendation BS.1196-1 (annex 2): "Audio coding for digital terrestrial television broadcasting".

NOTE: Annex 2 contains additional information on the AC-3 audio encoding algorithm and decoding requirements, relevant to the present document. Appendix 1 to annex 2 of this Recommendation should be disregarded as it is not applicable to the present document.

- [44] KSX1001: "Code for Information Interchange (Hangeul and Hanja)", Korean Agency for Technology and Standards, Ref. No. KSX 1001-2004.

NOTE: Available at <http://unicode.org/Public//MAPPINGS/OBSOLETE/EASTASIA/KSC/KSX1001.TXT>.

- [45] ETSI ES 201 812: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Multimedia Home Platform (MHP) Specification 1.0.3".

- [46] ETSI TS 102 825 (parts 1 to 5, 7, 9 and 10): "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Content Protection and Copy Management (DVB-CPCM)".

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- [i.2] ETSI TR 101 211: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Guidelines on implementation and usage of Service Information (SI)".
- [i.3] ETSI TS 102 590: "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Multimedia Home Platform 1.2".
- [i.4] ETSI TR 102 825 (parts 6, 8, 11 to 13): "Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Content Protection and Copy Management (DVB-CPCM)".
- [i.5] ISO/IEC 8859-12 (possible future).

3 Definitions and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the following terms and definitions apply:

AC-3: refers to the coding of audio using the Dolby AC-3 method

NOTE: The Service Information requirements for AC-3 streams carried in DVB systems are described in annex D. The carriage of AC-3 elementary streams as private data within MPEG systems is described in annex C of TS 101 154 [9].

bouquet: collection of services marketed as a single entity

broadcaster (SERVICE Provider): organization which assembles a sequence of events or programmes to be delivered to the viewer based upon a schedule

cell: geographical area that is covered with DVB-T signals delivering one or more particular transport streams throughout the area by means of one or more transmitters

NOTE: The cell may in addition contain repeaters. Two neighbouring cells may be intersecting or fully overlapping. The cell_id that is used to uniquely identify a cell is unique within each original_network_id. For hand-over purposes it is more convenient if the transport streams associated with the cell cover exactly the same area, or only one transport stream per cell is used.

component (ELEMENTARY Stream): one or more entities which together make up an event

EXAMPLE: Video, audio, teletext.

Conditional Access (CA) system: system to control subscriber access to services, programmes and events

EXAMPLE: Videoguard, Eurocrypt.

delivery system: physical medium by which one or more multiplexes are transmitted

EXAMPLE: Satellite system, wide-band coaxial cable, fibre optics, terrestrial channel of one emitting point.

Entitlement Management Messages (EMM): private Conditional Access information which specify the authorization levels or the services of specific decoders

NOTE: They may be addressed to individual decoder or groups of decoders.

event: grouping of elementary broadcast data streams with a defined start and end time belonging to a common service

EXAMPLE: First half of a football match, News Flash, first part of an entertainment show.

forbidden: when used in the clauses defining the coded bit stream, indicates that the value shall never be used

MPEG-2: See ISO/IEC 13818.

NOTE: Systems coding is defined in part 1 [18]. Video coding is defined in part 2 [19]. Audio coding is defined in part 3 [20].

multiplex: stream of all the digital data carrying one or more services within a single physical channel

network: collection of MPEG-2 Transport Stream (TS) multiplexes transmitted on a single delivery system

EXAMPLE: All digital channels on a specific cable system.

n PSK: n-valued Phase Shift Keying (other than quaternary)

original_network_id: unique identifier of a network

programme: concatenation of one or more events under the control of a broadcaster e.g. news show, entertainment show

repeater: equipment which receives and re-transmits a DVB-T signal

NOTE: It can not change the TPS bits and thus the cell_id.

reserved: when used in the clause defining the coded bit stream, indicates that the value may be used in the future for ISO defined extensions

NOTE: Unless otherwise specified within the present document all "reserved" bits is set to "1".

reserved_future_use: when used in the clause defining the coded bit stream, indicates that the value may be used in the future for ETSI defined extensions

NOTE: Unless otherwise specified within the present document all "reserved_future_use" bits is set to "1".

section: syntactic structure used for mapping all service information defined in EN 300 468 into ISO/IEC 13818-1 [18] TS packets

service: sequence of programmes under the control of a broadcaster which can be broadcast as part of a schedule

service_id: unique identifier of a service within a TS

Service Information (SI): digital data describing the delivery system, content and scheduling/timing of broadcast data streams, etc.

NOTE: It includes MPEG-2 PSI together with independently defined extensions.

subcell: geographical area that is part of the cells coverage area and that is covered with DVB-T signals by means of a transposer

NOTE: In conjunction with the cell_id the cell_id_extension is used to uniquely identify a subcell.

sub_table: collection of sections with the same value of table_id and:

- for a NIT: the same table_id_extension (network_id) and version_number;
- for a BAT: the same table_id_extension (bouquet_id) and version_number;
- for a SDT: the same table_id_extension (transport_stream_id), the same original_network_id and version_number;
- for a EIT: the same table_id_extension (service_id), the same transport_stream_id, the same original_network_id and version_number.

NOTE: The table_id_extension field is equivalent to the fourth and fifth byte of a section when the section_syntax_indicator is set to a value of "1".

table: comprised of a number of sub_tables with the same value of table_id

transmitter: equipment, that allows to modulate a baseband transport stream and to broadcast it on one frequency

Transport Stream (TS): data structure defined in ISO/IEC 13818-1 [18]

NOTE: It is the basis of the DVB standards.

transport_stream_id: unique identifier of a TS within an original network

Transposer: type of repeater which receives a DVB-T signal and re-transmits it on a different frequency

The relationships of some of these definitions are illustrated in the service delivery model in figure 1.

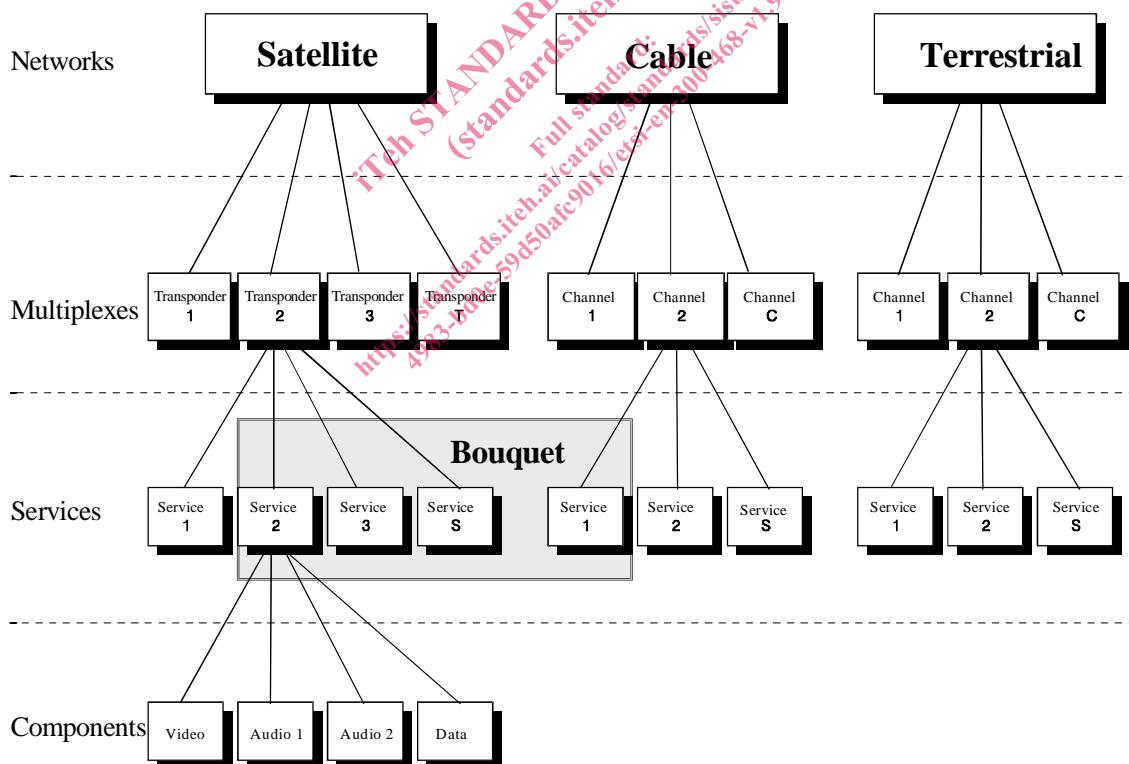


Figure 1: Digital broadcasting, service delivery model

3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the following abbreviations apply:

AAC	Advanced Audio Coding (see TS 101 154 [9])
AC-3	Dolby AC-3 audio coding (ITU-R Recommendation BS.1196-1 [43])
ASCII	American Standard Code for Information Interchange
BAT	Bouquet Association Table
BCD	Binary Coded Decimal
bslbf	bit string, left bit first
CA	Conditional Access
CAT	Conditional Access Table
CLUT	Colour Look-Up Table
CRC	Cyclic Redundancy Check
CSA	Common Scrambling Algorithm
DAB	Digital Audio Broadcasting
DIT	Discontinuity Information Table
DSNG	Digital Satellite News Gathering
DTS	Digital Theater Systems (see TS 102 114 [12])
DVB	Digital Video Broadcasting
DVD	Digital Versatile Disc
EBU	European Broadcasting Union
ECM	Entitlement Control Message
EIT	Event Information Table
EMM	Entitlement Management Message
EPG	Electronic Programme Guide
ES	Elementary Stream
FEC	Forward Error Correction
HD	High Definition (Video)
HE-AAC	High Efficiency AAC
HP	High Priority
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission
INT	IP Notification Table (see EN 301 192 [4])
IP	Internet Protocol
IRD	Integrated Receiver Decoder
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
LP	Low Priority
LSB	Least Significant Bit
MJD	Modified Julian Date
MPE	Multiprotocol Encapsulation
MPEG	Moving Pictures Expert Group
MSB	Most Significant Bit
NBC-BS	Non Backwards Compatible Broadcast Services (DVB-S2)
NDA	Non Disclosure Agreement
NIT	Network Information Table
NVOD	Near Video On Demand
OFDM	Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplex
PAT	Program Association Table
PCM	Pulse-code modulation
PDC	Programme Delivery Control
PID	Packet IDentifier
PIL	Programme Identification Label
PMT	Program Map Table
PSI	Program Specific Information
PSTN	Public Switched Telephone Network
QAM	Quadrature Amplitude Modulation
QPSK	Quaternary Phase Shift Keying
RAR	Resolution Authority Record
RDS	Radio Data System
RNT	RAR Notification Table
rpchof	remainder polynomial coefficients, highest order first