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## Introduction

This Standard defines an XML protocol for Phase III of Computer Supported Telecommunications Applications (CSTA). This Standard is part of a Suite of Standards and Technical Reports for Phase III of CSTA. All of the Standards and Technical Reports in the Suite are based on practical experience of Ecma member companies and each one represents a pragmatic and widely-based consensus.

Phase III of CSTA extends the previous Phase I and Phase II Standards in major theme directions as well as numerous details. This incorporates technology based upon the *versit* CTI Encyclopedia (Version 1.0), which was contributed to Ecma by *versit*.

This edition of Phase III XML Protocol for CSTA adds the ability to:

- support non-voice media interactions such as Email, Instant Messaging, and Chat.
- utilize SIP based features supported by underlying protocol layers.
- use CSTA Standards for Voice Browser applications by the addition of three new profiles.

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