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service (VDS) —**

**Part 1:
General information and use case
definitions**

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Foreword

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Introduction

The connected vehicles are expected to expand and become even more popular in the markets of different countries. A variety of technologies are being developed and discussed for many applications.

Everyone who drives a car collects traffic information to determine the correct driving behaviour and accurately recognize the relevant traffic information and driving conditions without delay. Although the autonomous driving function takes over the driver's operation, there is the same value in a judgment of correct driving behaviour. While many independent autonomous driving cars and intelligent driver assistance functions provide information collected by various sensors, LIDAR and radar, their performance is limited and the inaccuracies increase with ambient conditions such as weather and blind spots.

In addition, the blinkers normally equipped with all vehicles only provide one-way fragmentary information, though. If the vehicle communicates with other neighbouring vehicles or traffic participants and exchanges various information, it will be able to go beyond the limits of its sensor capabilities and blind spots to provide a more accurate assessment of the traffic situation. It will also be possible to negotiate planned driving manoeuvres with neighbouring vehicles and to coordinate the sequence and timing of driving manoeuvres.

This ability to share information between vehicles defined in this document is provided only on a direct communication network between the vehicle and neighbouring traffic participants. It will be accomplished with on-board functionality without investing in a significant communication infrastructure on the road. This will enable vehicles to make more accurate and appropriate driving choices, which will provide a number of benefits such as reducing traffic accidents and congestion with improving traffic efficiency.

An important aspect of this documentation development is focusing on implementation points throughout the vehicle. Typical use cases are collected, from which distinctive aspects of the implementation specification are derived. And beyond simple information exchange, the resulting information is reviewed, evaluated, and then used to generate reliable information that can be applied to critical vehicle controls.

The ISO 23239 series is developed within a unique standard number, so that it will eliminate inconsistencies and redundancies within the documentation. As a result of these tasks, compatibility and interoperability will be confirmed, being added the economy and efficiency of implementation with global consistency. Furthermore, by providing a concrete path from existing simple and partial communication interface to trusted vehicle implementation, it is expected to support a smooth launch of brand-new vehicle application and accelerate the introduction of next generation communication technologies into the future vehicle market.

Road vehicles — Vehicle domain service (VDS) —

Part 1: General information and use case definitions

1 Scope

This document, as the first document in the ISO 23239 series, provides a basic definition of vehicle domain service and supplementary information on detailed concepts, as well as definitions of the typical and supplementary use cases being used to define the specification of applications.

Detailed specifications of communications and applications are provided in other documents in the ISO 23239 series, and they are not provided in this document.

NOTE The remote processes by the tools connected to the on-board diagnosis (OBD) connector in a vehicle, such as repair and maintenance, prognostics, monitoring, configuration and reprogramming of vehicle are out of the scope of this document.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

— IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1 Basis of vehicle domain

3.1.1

vehicle domain

VD

limited group of secure and reliable connections, provided by the *master vehicle* (3.2.2) and established on an existing network service by registering the *domain actor* (3.2.3)

Note 1 to entry: Vehicle domain is only related to network connection between master vehicle and domain actor. Physical or geometrical conditions are not included.

3.1.2

vehicle domain dynamic map

VDDM

dynamic map in the *vehicle domain* (3.1.1) generated by a *master vehicle* (3.2.2)

Note 1 to entry: VDDM consists of static high definition features, dynamic actors and other characteristics.

3.1.3
vehicle-domain service
VDS

group of functions provided by the *master vehicle* (3.2.2) to the *domain actor* (3.2.3) in the *vehicle domain* (3.1.1)

Note 1 to entry: It includes *vehicle domain dynamic map* (3.1.2).

3.1.4
vehicle-domain service account
VDSA

unique identifier of the *domain actor* (3.2.3), certified and issued by the *vehicle domain service operator* (3.3.7)

3.1.5
vehicle-domain service master time
VDS master time

basic time steps for synchronization between the *master vehicle* (3.2.2) and the *domain actor* (3.2.3) generated by the master vehicle

Note 1 to entry: It generates both past and future time steps.

3.1.6
vehicle-domain service system
VDSS

physical structure that consists of the *master vehicle* (3.2.2) (server), neighbouring vehicles (client), other traffic participants (clients), and a wireless network between the server and its clients that provides vehicle domain service

Note 1 to entry: An element in the VDSS is named *primary actor* (3.2.1). Elements outside the *VDS* (3.1.3) are named *secondary actors* (3.3.1).

3.2 Primary actors

3.2.1
primary actor
PA

master vehicle (3.2.2) or one of its clients in the *vehicle domain* (3.1.1)

3.2.2
master vehicle
MV

server of *vehicle domain* (3.1.1)

Note 1 to entry: This means the vehicle in which the server function is implemented.

3.2.3
domain actor
DA

client of a *master vehicle* (3.2.2) in a *vehicle domain* (3.1.1)

Note 1 to entry: They are in general traffic participants, such as vehicles, bikes and walkers around the master vehicle.

3.2.4
domain vehicle
DV

vehicle client of a *master vehicle* (3.2.2) in a *vehicle domain* (3.1.1)

3.2.5**domain participant****DP**

client of a *master vehicle* (3.2.2) except for a vehicle in a *vehicle domain* (3.1.1)

EXAMPLE Walker, bike and other traffic participants with network function.

3.2.6**domain sensor****DS**

client of a *master vehicle* (3.2.2) in a *vehicle domain* (3.1.1) with sensing function

Note 1 to entry: It is the network entity and typically, a vehicle with network and sensing function is often both a *domain vehicle* (3.2.4) and domain sensor at the same time.

Note 2 to entry: The general definition of a domain sensor never excludes the *domain actor* (3.2.3) except vehicle.

3.3 Secondary actors**3.3.1****secondary actor****SA**

logical or functional network entity outside the *vehicle domain* (3.1.1)

3.3.2**smart-city traffic manager****SCTM**

central management server of traffic information in a smart city

3.3.3**smart traffic**

optimized traffic controlled by the *smart city traffic manager* (3.3.2) in a smart city

3.3.4**smart traffic architecture model proposal****STAMP**

model proposal of the multi-layer-like control structure of *smart traffic* (3.3.3)

3.3.5**traffic operator****TO**

lower functional server of the *smart city traffic manager* (3.3.2) that manages traffic control information

3.3.6**traffic monitor****TM**

lower functional server of the *smart city traffic manager* (3.3.2) that monitors traffic status

3.3.7**vehicle domain service operator****VDSO**

service operator who issues the *vehicle-domain service account* (3.1.4)

4 Abbreviated terms

For the purpose of this document, the following abbreviated terms apply:

BUC	business use case
DSRC	dedicated short range communication
IP	internet protocol
LDM	local dynamic map
NTP	network time protocol
STAMP	smart traffic architecture model proposal
SUC	system use case
TCP	transmission control protocol
TLS	transport layer security
UTC	universal time

5 Conventions

5.1 Documents overview on OSI based services.

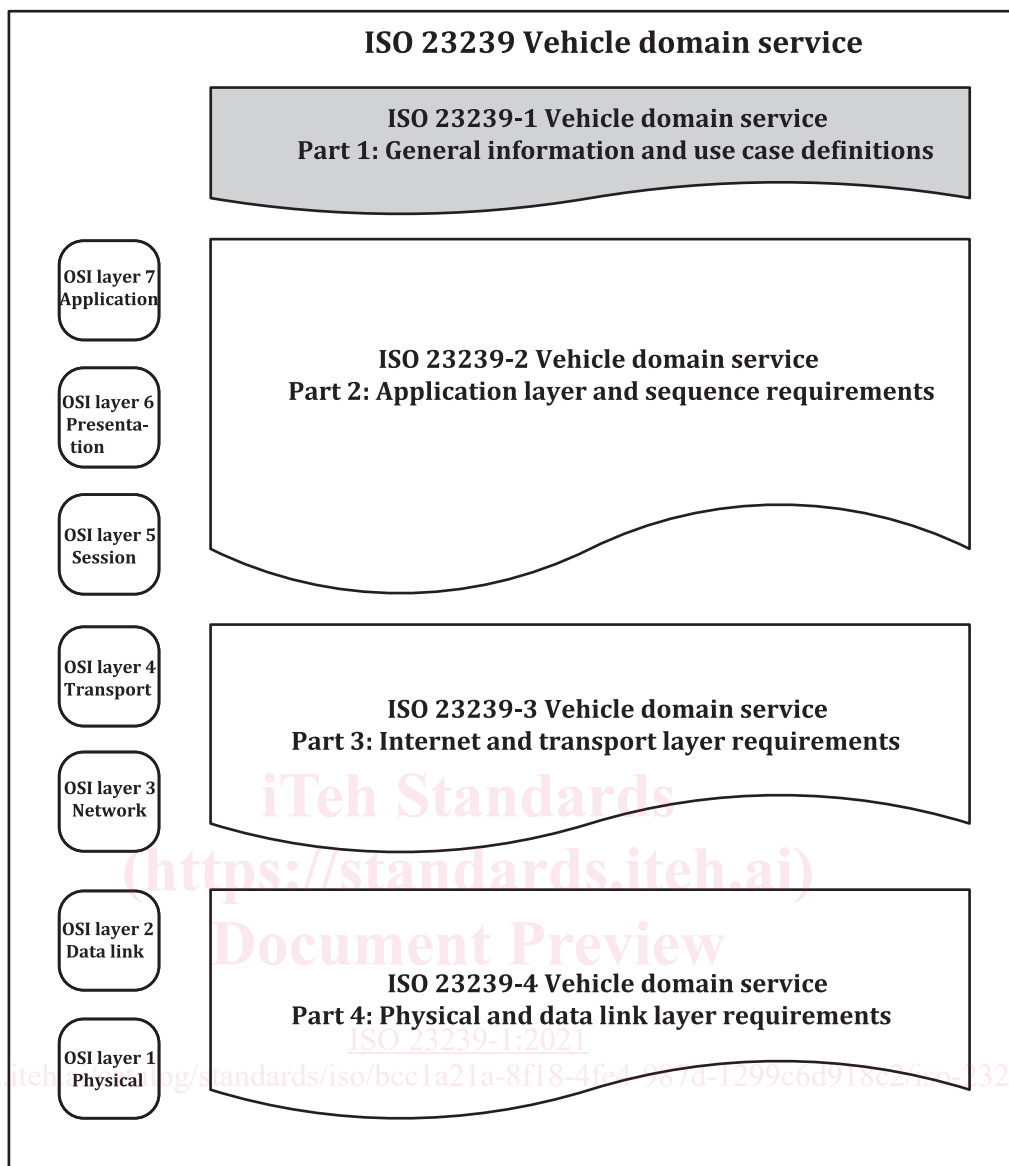
[Figure 1](#) shows the organization and coverage of each of the documents in the ISO 23239 series on the OSI layered architecture.

The definition of OSI layer model is defined in ISO/IEC 7498-1.

As indicated by the bold framed shapes, this document defines general information and use case definitions. This is the base document, as the other documents in the ISO 23239 series are detailed and separated specific documents according to the OSI layered architecture.

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Key

Coverages

- description coverage of this document
- description coverages of other parts of ISO 23239 series

Figure 1 — Documents overview of vehicle domain service

The upper layers are not fit for proper TCP/IP communication.

5.2 General policy structure

This document provides the policies for specifications as general information. The list of the policies consists of recommendation, permission, possibility and capability. Additional statements are attached in order to provide better understandings. All policies are expressed in a unified format.

This document applies a policy structure, i.e. a unique number identifies each individual policy included in this document. It will improve the readability with easier policy tracking. The following modified recommended format will be applied:

'VDS''Y' - 'xxx' — policy name

[
policy text
]

where

- 'VDS' represents the ISO 23239 series,
- 'Y' represents the specific part of the ISO 23239 series,
- 'xxx' represents the individual policy number,
- 'policy name' represents the name of policy,
- 'policy text' defines the provisions of policy and
- '[' and ']' defines the starting and ending points of policy.

EXAMPLE

VDS1 - 000 — The form of general policy

[
This sentence should give the example form of the general policy defined in this document.
]

6 General information for vehicle domain service

6.1 General

The vehicle domain is the area that consists of road vehicles in which the applications are implemented. The applications provide integrated information services used in the vehicle. The provided information is generated from various source information, acquired by the communication, concerned with the area around the vehicle such as traffic condition and so on. The source information is acquired directly or indirectly by communication with neighbouring vehicles and other traffic participants (bikes, bicycles and walkers) without any support by the road sided infrastructure.

This clause gives the basic definitions of vehicle domain services.

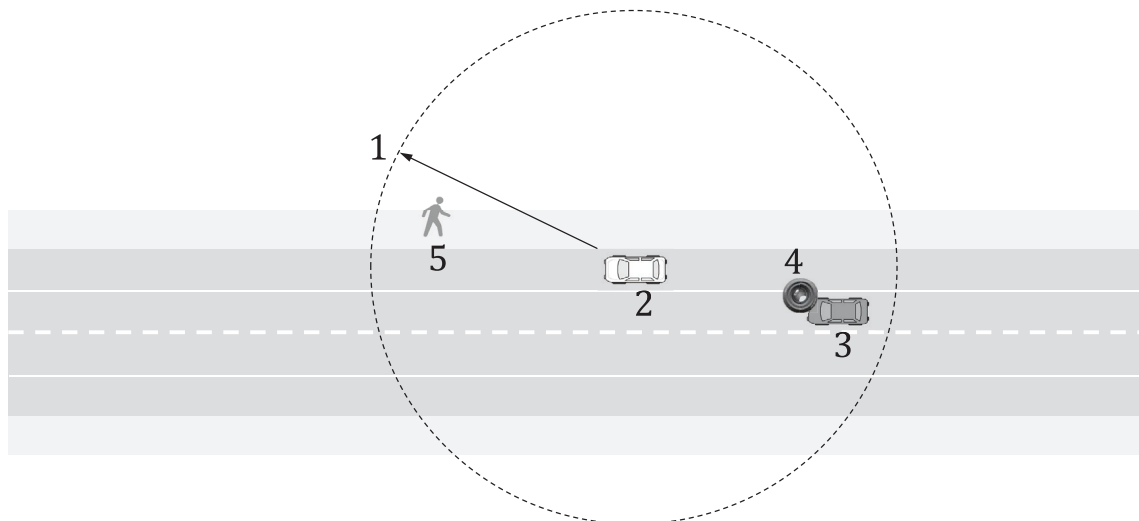
6.2 Vehicle domain service

The master vehicle generates a vehicle-domain network. Surrounding participants, such as vehicles, bikes and walkers, join that network as domain actors. Various types of sensors equipped with participants could also join it as additional actors. The master vehicle provides vehicle domain services to the actors participating in its domain service network.

VDS1 - 001 — Vehicle domain service

[
If a vehicle is the master vehicle of the vehicle domain, it should provide vehicle domain services to the domain actors.
]

[Figure 2](#) shows a basic vehicle domain service. The master vehicle communicates with domain actors, such as domain vehicles, sensors and participants. The master vehicle provides vehicle domain services and domain actors respond to them.



Key

- 1 vehicle domain
- 2 master vehicle
- 3 domain vehicle
- 4 domain sensor
- 5 domain participant

Figure 2 — Basic vehicle domain service

The minimum structure of the vehicle domain service consists of one master vehicle and one domain actor. The field in which the vehicle domain is located includes everywhere the vehicle goes, such as traffic roads, public parking areas and private garages.

VDS implementation depends on the original equipment manufacturer's (OEM) decision. Activation of implemented VDS function depends on user's or owner's decision, local regulation or other rules before driving.

6.3 Vehicle domain dynamic map service

The most typical service of VDS is the vehicle domain dynamic map service. The VDDM is the beginning, original and most important service of VDS. It is applied to the vehicle driving with no restriction of location, i.e. on the road, street, freeway, public parking area and private road.

The master vehicle collects relevant information from all of domain actors. The domain sensors report acquired information about silent traffic participants and conditions instead of them. The master vehicle generates dynamic map information within the vehicle domain. The master vehicle provides VDDM-based services to the domain actors.

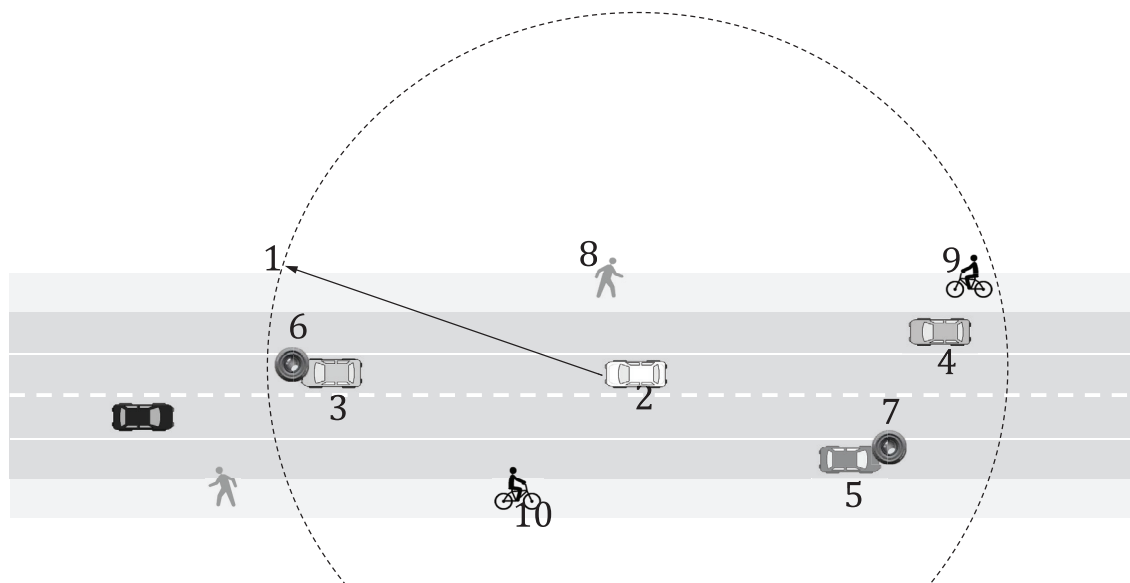
VDS1 - 002 — Vehicle domain dynamic map service

[

The master vehicle should provide vehicle domain dynamic map services to the domain actors.

]

[Figure 3](#) shows a typical vehicle domain dynamic map service. The master vehicle communicates with the domain actors, such as domain vehicles, sensors and participants. The master vehicle provides vehicle domain dynamic map services and the domain actors respond to them.

**Key**

- 1 vehicle domain
- 2 master vehicle
- 3 domain vehicle 1
- 4 domain vehicle 2
- 5 domain vehicle 3
- 6 domain sensor 1
- 7 domain sensor 2
- 8 domain participant 1
- 9 domain participant 2
- 10 domain participant 3

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Figure 3 — Typical vehicle domain dynamic map service

6.4 Variations of vehicle domain services

6.4.1 Basic functions of vehicle domain service

The basic functions of VDS are collecting and processing traffic and driving information. Generated information services are used to get better recognition of traffic situations and improve decision of driving behaviour.

These kinds of generated information provided in a virtual map format consist of information about dynamic actors, such as vehicles and participants, and static high definition road features. This is defined as a vehicle domain dynamic map.

To perform various functions, VDS has multiple services.

Below are the typical services of VDS.

- Vehicle domain registration: the master vehicle calls the domain actors to participate in its domain. A domain actor will respond to the master vehicle and exchange credentials. If mutual identification processes are successfully completed, a secure connection shared by the master vehicle and the domain actor is generated.
- Traffic explorer: the master vehicle collects traffic information by communicating with the domain actors. The traffic information collected is the synchronized position and other information of the