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427 1 Scope

428 This part specifies how OPC Unified Architecture (OPC UA) *Clients* and *Servers* interact with
429 *DiscoveryServers* when used in different scenarios. It specifies the requirements for the
430 *LocalDiscoveryServer*, *LocalDiscoveryServer-ME* and *GlobalDiscoveryServer*. It also defines
431 information models for *Certificate* management, *KeyCredential* management and
432 *AuthorizationServices*.

433 2 Normative references

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438 IEC 62541-1, OPC Unified Architecture - Part 1: Overview and Concepts

439 IEC 62541-2, OPC Unified Architecture - Part 2: Security Model

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450 Auto-IP, Dynamic Configuration of IPv4 Link-Local Addresses

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452 DNS-Name, Domain Names – Implementation and Specification

453 <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc1035.txt>

454 DHCP, Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol

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