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Introduction

Palm crease biometric technologies have existed for many years. Additionally, new technologies employing palm crease images obtained from hands are emerging or under continuous improvement as a result of new, state-of-the-art imaging devices for mobile applications or web services.

Currently however, palm crease biometric image information is being exchanged between the equipment and devices from different vendors without standardized format is the problem. This is due in part to the lack of standardized formats for information exchange that would ensure interoperability among the various vendors.

The purpose of this document is to define a standard for the exchange of human palm crease biometric image information. The standard defines specific attributes, a data record format for storing and transmitting palm crease biometric images and certain attributes, a sample record, and conformance criteria.

This document is intended for applications requiring the exchange of raw or processed palm crease biometric images. It is intended for applications not limited by the amount of storage required. It is a compromise or a trade-off between storage and quality and can be resolved by standardized format. It enables various algorithms to identify or verify the palm crease biometric image data transferred from other image sources. Currently, available palm crease biometric technologies that may utilize this document for image exchange are technologies that use palm for mobile applications for identify verification or web services.

The use of captured source images can provide interoperability among and between vendors relying on various different recognition or verification algorithms. Accordingly, data from the captured palm crease biometric image offers the developer more freedom in choosing or combining a comparison subsystem

In this document, [Annex A](#) contains the conformance testing methodology and [Annex B](#) contains the XML schema. [Annex C](#) contains the XML sample program.

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1 Scope

This document specifies an image interchange format for biometric person identification or verification technologies that utilize human palm crease biometric images and can be used for the exchange and comparison of palm crease image data. It specifies a data record interchange format for storing, recording, and transmitting palm crease biometric information from palm crease imaging. It defines the contents, format, and units of measurement for the image exchange. The format consists of mandatory and optional items, including scanning parameters, compressed or uncompressed image specifications and vendor-specific information. Information compiled and formatted in accordance with this document can be recorded on machine-readable media or may be transmitted by data communication facilities.

2 Normative reference

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO/IEC 10918 (all parts), *Information technology — Digital compression and coding of continuous-tone still images: JPEG File Interchange Format (JFIF)*

ISO/IEC 15444 (all parts), *Information technology — JPEG 2000 image coding system: Core coding system*

ISO/IEC 14495 (all parts), *Information technology — Lossless and near-lossless compression of continuous-tone still images: Extensions*

ISO/IEC 19785-1, *Information technology — Common Biometric Exchange Formats Framework — Part 1: Data element specification*

ISO/IEC 19794-1:2011, *Information technology — Biometric data interchange formats — Part 1: Framework*

ISO/IEC 19794-1:2011/Amd 1:2013, *Conformance testing methodology*

ISO/IEC 19794-1:2011/Amd 2:2015, *Framework for XML encoding*

*XML Schema Definition, W3C Recommendation, 2 May 2001*¹⁾

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO/IEC 19794-1 and the following apply.

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

1) <http://www.w3.org/XML/Schema>