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Foreword

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Introduction

The Itf-N interface is built up by a number of Integration Reference Points (IRPs) and a related Name Convention, which realise the functional capabilities over this interface. The basic structure of the IRPs is defined in 3GPP TS 32.101 [1] and 3GPP TS 32.102 [2].

The IRPs support a set of common services. Those features allow to retrieve IRP profile and IRP supported versions. The present document contains the requirements of those common services.

1 Scope

The purpose of the present document is to define a common service supported by all IRPs. The present document is the "Requirements" part. It defines, for the purpose of supporting the common service, the requirements that shall be fulfilled by all IRPs supporting this service.

With this common service supported by all IRPs, an IRPManager shall be able to retrieve the profile of operations and notifications supported by a given IRP which are by an IRPAgent. An IRPManager shall also be able to retrieve the different versions supported by an IRP.

2 References

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- [1] 3GPP TS 32.101: "3G Telecom Management principles and high level requirements".
- [2] 3GPP TS 32.102: "3G Telecom Management Architecture".
- [3] 3GPP TS 32.106-3 (V3.2.0): "Telecommunication Management; Configuration Management; Part 3: Notification Integration Reference Point: CORBA solution set version 1:1".

3 Definitions and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the terms and definitions given in 3GPP TS 32.101 [1] and 3GPP TS 32.102 [2] and the following apply:

IRPAgent: See 3GPP TS 32.102 [2].

IRPManager: See 3GPP TS 32.102 [2].

IRP document version number string: the IRP document version number (sometimes called "IRPVersion") string is used to identify a particular IRP solution set specification

It is derived using the following rule. Take the 3GPP document version number on the front page of the solution set specification, such as "3GPP TS 32.106-3 (V3.2.0)". Discard the leading "3GPP TS". Discard all characters after and including the last period. Eliminate leading and trailing spaces. Reduce multiple consecutive spaces with one space. Express the resultant in a string. Capitalised the string.

EXAMPLE: If the 3GPP document version number is "3GPP TS 32.106-3 V3.2.0 (2000-12)", then the IRP

document version number shall be "32.106 V3.2".

IRP: See 3GPP TS 32.102 [2].

qualifiers: the meaning of qualifiers for operations, parameters and information attributes (whether they are Mandatory(M)/ Conditional(C)/ Optional(O)) defined in the present (Information Service) document is provided in 3GPP TS 32.102 [2]

Moreover, qualifiers of information attributes, when those information attributes are re-used in other IRP ISs, obey to the following rule: Mandatory and Conditional qualifiers of information attributes shall always be the same in other IRPs ISs, Optional qualifiers of information attributes may be set to either Optional or Mandatory in the other IRP ISs

3.2 Abbreviations

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

CM Configuration Management

EM Element Manager

IRP Integration Reference Point

IS Information Service
NE Network Element
NM Network Manager
SS Solution Set

4 Generic IRP functions over Itf-N

The requirements for the generic IRP service over Itf-N are provided in the following subclauses.

4.1 Versions retrieval function

Each IRP supported by an IRPAgent is fully identified by the version number of the corresponding IRP specification. An IRPAgent can simultaneously support several versions of the same IRP. An IRPAgent shall provide over Itf-N a function that is capable of retrieving all the IRPVersion of an IRP currently supported by IRPAgent. An IRPManager shall then be able to decide which IRP version it is going to talk to.

4.2 Profiles retrieval functions

Each IRP supported by an IRPAgent provides a set of operations and notifications. It is possible to define in each IRP Information Service some operations and notification that are optional, which means that the final implementation of those operations and notifications is vendor dependant. Similarly, some parameters of operations and notifications may be defined as optional in the IRP Information Service.

It shall be possible for an IRPManager to retrieve over Itf-N the profile of an IRP of a given version: the profile shall provide information such as name of supported operations and notifications, and the list of supported parameters for each supported operation and notification.

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