



Engineering acc. to IEC 61850

#### Content

# IEC 61850 Engineering Reference to IEC 61850-6

# SCL Engineering process Tools



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#### To provide interoperability

- a formal description of the Substation Automation System with all *communication links* is needed
- all IED capabilities have to be described formally in an unambiguous way
- all communication services applicable have to be described formally in an unambiguous way
- the relationship between the switchgear (*single line*) and the functions of the substation automation system represented by objects (LD, LN, etc.) have to be described **formally** in an unambiguous way



# The formal description is provided by the **Substation Configuration description Language (SCL)**

- based on XML
- defined in part 6 of the standard (IEC 61850-6)
- usable for
  - IED Capability Description (ICD) files
  - System Configuration Description (SCD) file

System functional specification (SSD)

The engineering information is exchangeable between tools, the tools get interoperable !!!bb



#### SCL Introduction

```
<Substation Ref="">
   <VoltageLevel Ref="E1">
      <Bay Ref="Q1">
         <Bfunction Ref="">
            <Device Ref="QA1" Type="CBR">
               <Connection NodeRef="L1"/>
               <LNode Ref="1"
LNClass="CSWI"/>
            </Device>
            <Device Ref="QB1" Type="DIS">
               <Connection NodeRef="L1"/>
               <LNode Ref="2"
LNClass="CSWI"/>
            </Device>
         </Bfunction>
      </Bay>
   </VoltageLevel>
</Substation>
```

Described is a substation with the bay E1Q1, the **Circuit** breaker QA1 and the **Isolator QB1**. both electrical connected in Connection Node L1. The Controller is represented by -LN CSWI controls both switches.



#### SCL Introduction

# **Data structure and SCL**



**Reminder:** 

The SA functions and devices are not standardized

The SA architecture is not standardized

**Data and data exchange is standardized** 

Note:

The engineering tools are not standardized

The engineering process is not standardized

The configuration description is standardized (SCL)



# **Process from Specification to Solution**



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**IED Capability Description file** *Device on the shelf - mandatory* 



System Specification Description file Single line and function allocation



System Configuration Description file Configured system description



**Configuration IED Description file** 

*Configured IED description incl. device specific data beyond IEC 61850* 



# **Project Structures / Engineering Aspects**



Geographic, Location, Placement structure

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**Process** 

Function, Software, Data (Product) structure Devices / Physics, Hardware (Product) structure

Interface to environment or external world



# **SCL Contents – Single Line Diagram**



- Hierarchy Station / Voltage level / Bay / Apparatus
   / apparatus part (Phase) acc. IEC 61346-1
  - Electrical connections between apparatusses
  - Several stations model a power network
  - Focus: Naming hierarchy of substation functions
- Model is compatible with IEC 61970
  - Different data exchange formats (although XML based
  - Data integration needs identical naming
    - WG19: global Identifier, Identification server



# **SCL Contents – Function specification**



# **SCL Contents – IED Capabilities**



# **SCL Contents – IED Configuration**



#### **SCL Contents – Function relation**



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# **SCL Contents – Communication relation**



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#### **SCL Contents illustrated**





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- The IEC 61850 IED data model and SCL language provides....
  - A standardized description of
    - Substation Automation System functionality
    - Communication system logical structure
    - Binding of IEDs and their functions to the switch yard

# ... And thus enables

- Automated configuration of communication and function
- System **performance checking** (performance)



- Import of SCD into IED (-Tool)
- Detail engineering of IED, as necessary
  - Marshalling of inputs / outputs to terminals
  - Eventual additional logics, HMI, texts, ....
  - Marshalling of external (communication-)signals to application inputs
- Loading of configuration onto the IED
- Integration into system communicationwise and fucntionwise





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- Configuration revision information (project specific)
  - Data model revision
  - Communication related configuration: data set / control block revision
- Information is available online and in SCL file
  - Real time services always have revision of data sets in the sent message. The receiver checks this always to assure configuration compatibility.
  - Reporting version information can be read on demand
  - Data model version and IED HW / SW version can be read on demand
  - Comparison with released SCL configuration file can be automated





• IED name stays always as SCL reference



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**Process** 

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#### **Typical features of Device Specific Tools**

- are strong in configuring dedicated device features also beyond IEC 61850
- work with application libraries
- do normally not handle the single line diagram since it is beyond one device
- working on-line with the devices

#### Typical features of System Configuration Tools

- allow top-down Engineering
- support the engineering of systems off-line from the specification
- are strong in reusing solutions and combining solution parts
- provide the administration of other project data like cubicle layouts
- support the creation of comprehensive project documentation



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# Main dependencies between tools



- State of the art tool support
- Automated configuration
- Open interfaces

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Tools

- State of the art device tool support
- Eng./Test/Com. Efficiency
- Common look and feel

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