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## Foreword

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## Introduction

“Communications Access for Land Mobile” (CALM) is the acronym used to refer to ISO TC204 WG16 work items. This acronym is used in the titles of the set of International Standards on communication for “Intelligent Transport Systems” (ITS). These International Standards focus on specifying open interfaces with regard to the functionalities required for all relevant layers and entities of the ITS station reference architecture specified in this International Standard. Note that these International Standards may also specify implementation details in situations where such specifications are deemed essential to interoperability of interface protocols.

The set of CALM International Standards is designed to allow interoperable instantiations of ITS stations which are based on the concept of abstracting applications and services from the underlying communication layers of the ITS station. This abstraction and the functionalities and services that can be easily implemented make the ITS station architecture described herein also well-suited to the development and deployment of ITS applications and services that share information amongst each other to improve the safety, sustainability and efficiency of transport systems.

The set of CALM International Standards include specifications for

- ITS station management,
- ITS communications security,
- ITS station facilities layer protocols,
- ITS station networking and transport layer protocols,
- communication interfaces (CIs) designed specifically for ITS applications and services such as those designed specifically for safety of life and property,
- interfacing existing access technologies into ITS stations,
- distributed implementations of ITS stations, and
- interfacing ITS stations to existing communication networks and communicating with nodes thereon.

This International Standard describes the common architectural framework around which ITS stations are instantiated and provides references to relevant International Standards, including access technology support standards, various networking and transport protocol standards, facilities standards, and ITS station management and security standards. It also describes the general architecture of peer-to-peer communications over various communication networks between ITS communication nodes. These nodes may be ITS stations as described in this International Standard or any other reachable nodes.

The set of CALM International Standards is complemented by ITS communication International Standards from other International Standards development organizations which together form the basis for implementation of ITS communications networks around the world.