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Introduction

This document specifies a machine applicable, readable and transferable (SMART) data schema for the efficient development, management and reuse of information delivery manual (IDM) specifications based on ISO 29481-1. ISO 29481-1 sets out a methodology for describing the processes and information requirements for a defined purpose within the development or management of an asset. In the absence of a standard data schema for exchanging and sharing the contents of IDMs in an electronic format, IDM specifications have historically been developed as either a static document file or as a data file specified in a proprietary data format. Consequently, their contents cannot be efficiently exchanged, shared and reused. The goal of this document is to define a standard data schema in order to expedite the development and sharing of the IDM specifications to meet the rapidly increasing demand for various building information modelling (BIM) use cases (UCs).

Using extensible markup language (XML), this document specifies a data schema for authoring, exchanging and sharing an IDM specification defined by ISO 29481-1. The data schema is referred to as the idmXML schema definition (idmXSD). idmXSD aims to allow users to electronically store, search, share, exchange and reuse IDM specifications and their contents, including metadata such as authors, dates, languages, revision history and supported project phases, as well as detailed descriptions of each information requirement. In addition, this document specifies the IDM code generation rules based on their key properties.

Use of this document will improve the interoperability of IDM specifications and their contents, providing tight digital links between the components of an IDM specification and to external data definitions such as ISO 16739-1 (industry foundation classes, IFC), ISO 12006-3, ISO 19650-1, ISO 23386, ISO 23387, EN 17412-1 (level of information need) and ISO 21597-1 (information container for linked document delivery), as well as model view definitions (MVDs) of standard data schemas.