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The main changes are as follows:

- application of the ISO/IEC 19788-1:2024 framework, namely the use of the term "property" (P) is used instead of "data element specification" (DES) which becomes deprecated;
- new domain and property attributes, such as Label and Canonical Identifier, are introduced.

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This document uses the property specification model and framework provided in ISO/IEC 19788-1:2024 to describe the properties of Dublin Core ISO 15836-1:2017 *Core elements*^[1] and ISO 15836-2:2019 *Properties and classes*^[2] so that they can be used with other properties of ISO/IEC 19788 series, addressing specific user communities' needs for extensions, modularization or refinement.