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- *Part 1: Vision, Technologies and Strategy*
- *Part 2: Digital Item Declaration*
- *Part 3: Digital Item Identification*
- *Part 5: Rights Expression Language*
- *Part 6: Rights Data Dictionary*
- *Part 7: Digital Item Adaptation*
- *Part 8: Reference Software*
- *Part 9: File Format*
- *Part 10: Digital Item Processing*
- *Part 11: Evaluation Tools for Persistent Association Technologies*
- *Part 12: Test Bed for MPEG-21 Resource Delivery*
- *Part 16: Binary Format*

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- *Part 4: Intellectual Property Management and Protection Components*
- *Part 15: Event Reporting*

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Introduction

The MPEG-21 File Format is designed to contain a base MPEG-21 XML document with some or all of its ancillary resources, potentially in a single package.

It is forms part of a family of specifications which are box-structured, and is built using tools in from the ISO Base Media File Format, specifically those that provide the unified structural approach to both static meta-data (untimed meta-data) and MPEG-21 integrated document handling.