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## Introduction

This document was developed in response to a need for consistent terminology, definitions and guidance that elaborates the area of system integration, taking into account the context of use and the proven practices for the development of systems.

ISO/IEC/IEEE 15288 includes an integration process that focuses on physically assembling the implemented system elements composing a system to obtain an “integrated system”. This process interfaces directly to other technical processes and indirectly to activities and tasks of other technical processes, in particular, the processes that define the system requirements, architecture and design.

The purpose of this document is to facilitate the usage of the integration process of the latest revision of ISO/IEC/IEEE 15288 by providing guidance on system integration.

This document describes the integration engineering activities dealing with planning, performing and managing the integration of a system, including the related activities of other technical processes, in particular, verification and validation processes. These are real practices in industry, i.e. the integration of a system is technically engineered and managed as a project (included in the system development project). Although these practices are performed, they were not formalized in a standard or a guide when this document was written.