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In this report, annex A is normative and annexes B and C are informative.

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Introduction

In order to organize the field of harmonization of Railway Applications a series of survey groups considered the requirements of the railway industries of the CENELEC countries to assess the needs of suppliers and operators in respect of public procurement requirements.

These surveys led to the identification of a positive need for a range of Harmonization Documents (HD) which could become European Standards (EN).

Survey group 1 recommended, inter alia, the provision of a standard or standards to address the subject of Railway Systems.

Working group 5 determined that the field of application should be Guided Transport Systems (GTS). This Report has been produced in parallel with subgroup 5B which is responsible for Reliability, Availability, Maintainability and Safety (RAMS).

The harmonized approach is intended to facilitate the procurement of a complete Guided Transport System (GTS) and other parts.

This Report is to enable a harmonized approach to the procurement process for a GTS so that specifications for response to tenders (proposals) and following a contract specification the development and implementation stages (validation) can be carried out in a uniform manner. It can equally apply to its elements and subelements.

A GTS like any technical system includes three factors: man, machine and procedure in a given environment. This Report covers the general aspects.

1 Scope

This Report gives guidance on a system structure so that a harmonized approach for decomposing a Guided Transport System (GTS) into its elements and subelements can be achieved.

It defines the main elements, their attributes and describes the contents of the attributes and also of the elements.

A numbering convention is recommended for indexing of the GTS specification and attributes.

It is not applicable to any other aspects of GTS specification such as feasibility studies or project management activities or the fields of finance, programme, terms and conditions and other contractual matters.

Lifts, escalators and travelators as well as systems dependent on aerial cableways for support are not included as Guided Transport Systems.

2 Normative references

This Report incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of these publications apply to this Report only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

EN 1764*	Railway applications - Fire safety protection of railway vehicles
ENV 50121	Railway applications - Electromagnetic compatibility
EN 50122-2	Railway applications - Fixed installations Part 2: Protective provisions against the effects of stray currents caused by d.c. traction systems
EN 50125*	Railway applications - Environmental conditions for equipment
EN 50126*	Railway applications - The specification and demonstration of dependability - Reliability, Availability, Maintainability and Safety (RAMS)
EN 60721-3-5	Classification of environmental conditions Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities - Ground vehicle installations (IEC 60721-3-5)
IEC 60050(191)	International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) Chapter 191: Dependability and quality of services
IEC 60050(811)	Chapter 811: Electric traction

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3 Definitions

For the purposes of this Report, the definitions given in IEC 60050(191) and IEC 60050 (811) apply together with the following:

3.1 Guided Transport System (GTS): A land-based system for transporting passengers and/or goods between defined locations and which has a fixed means of guidance on a dedicated path.

NOTE 1: GTS also includes trolleybus systems where the dedicated path is limited only by the power supply collection.

NOTE 2: Figures 1, 2 and 3 illustrate this definition.

3.2 system: A complex whole, a set of interrelated elements designed to carry out some purpose or function in a given environment.

3.3 system of interest: The system under consideration within a system hierarchy.

3.4 elements: The subsystems derived from the initial decomposition of a system of interest.

NOTE: Figure 1 illustrates the elements of a GTS.

3.5 GTS boundaries: Limits within which passenger/freight, public utility supplies, power supply and environment are the responsibilities of the GTS operations in respect of achieving its prime objectives.

NOTE: Figure 2 illustrates the GTS boundaries.

3.6 attributes: Characteristics, features, properties, qualities or constraints which impact on and influence the design and configuration of a system and its elements which can be measured or verified.

3.7 functional requirements: The fundamental actions or operations that the system of interest has to carry out to fulfil its prime objectives.

3.8 technical description: Describes a specific configuration which achieves the defined objectives.

3.9 environment: The surrounding objects, region, or circumstances which may influence the behaviour of the system and/or may be influenced by the system.

3.10 environmental conditions: Conditions which are brought about by virtue of the environment.

3.11 maintenance: The combination of all technical and administrative actions, including supervisory actions, intended to retain a product in, or to restore it to, a state in which it can perform a required function.

3.12 test and validation: Means of confirming that a system fulfils the needs and requirements as defined.

3.13 external interface: A boundary where a system interacts with any other or where a system interacts with its environment.

3.14 regulations: Rules and/or constraints placed upon a system by an external authority.

3.15 performance: A measure of the ability of a system to achieve the specified objectives.

3.16 track infrastructure: Track and related structures including all aspects of civil engineering which affect the GTS elements.

NOTE 1: Track infrastructure includes, for example, bridges and tunnels together with cant, curvature and gradient as well as track components.

NOTE 2: See also note 2 of 5.3.1.

4 System requirements

4.1 System concept

System requirements are usually determined from general transport feasibility studies and lead to the characteristics of the GTS. These requirements do not need to be defined in terms of attributes of the system structure given in clause 5 as they do not themselves have elements. They may take the form of introductory matter to the specification giving broad system requirements.

System requirements should be established and documented.

4.2 Systematic scope

The general scope of a GTS is shown in figure 3 and is not limited to particular technology. For the purpose of this Report the expression high-speed should be understood in the same terms as the European Directive on this subject. 'People movers' are considered to include any low capacity system with limited journey times (distance) and are usually fully automatic, such schemes are often located in airports, but not exclusively.

4.3 System functions

The purpose of a GTS is to transport people and freight from one place to another safely, rapidly, regularly, on time and comfortably as follows:

- passengers and goods are transported by guided vehicles;
- provide access for passengers and goods into and out of vehicles;
- supply to passengers and staff traffic information.

Means are required for the operation of the GTS:

- a power supply for the provision of tractive effort and also for other subsystems;
- logistics;
- communications;
- human resources;
- etc.