10 Device

10.1 Overview

Figure 83 provides an overview of the complete structure and services of a Device.

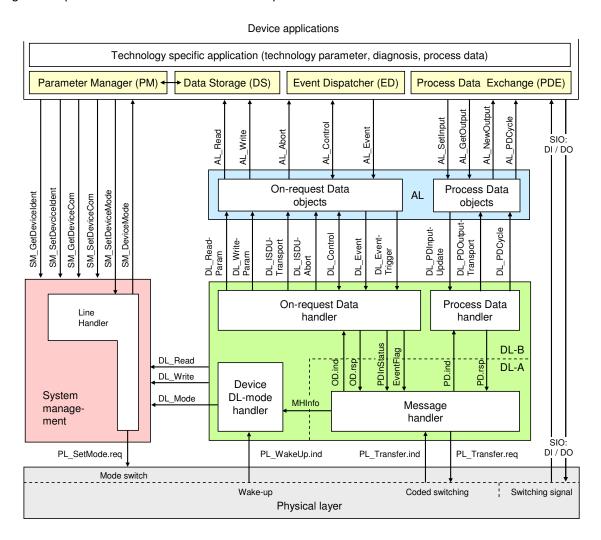


Figure 83 - Structure and services of a Device

The Device applications comprise first the technology specific application consisting of the transducer with its technology parameters, its diagnosis information, and its Process Data. The common Device applications comprise:

- Parameter Manager (PM), dealing with compatibility and correctness checking of complete sets of technology (vendor) specific and common system parameters (see 10.3);
- Data Storage (DS) mechanism, which optionally uploads or downloads parameters to the Master (see 10.4);
- Event Dispatcher (ED), supervising states and conveying diagnosis information such as notifications, warnings, errors, and Device requests as peripheral initiatives (see 10.5);
- Process Data Exchange (PDE) unit, conditioning the data structures for transmission in case of a sensor or preparing the received data structures for signal generation. It also controls the operational states to ensure the validity of Process Data (see 10.2).
- These Device applications provide standard methods/functions and parameters common to all Devices, and Device specific functions and parameters, all specified within Clause 10.