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3 Glossar

.NET The .NET Framework is a software development and runtime environment developed by Microsoft for Microsoft Windows.

AML Automation Markup Language is an open standard data format for storing and exchanging plant planning data.

AML DD AML Device Description

AMLX AML Package

CAEX Computer-Aided Engineering Exchange

CLI Command Line Interface

CSP+ Control and Communication System Profile

GUI Graphical User Interface

GSD General-Station-Description

IODD Input/Output Device Description

PN Profinet

ZIP (*zipper*) is an archive file format that supports lossless data compression

4 Introduction

The main usage of the DD2AML-Converter is the conversion of a DD-File with the formats GSD, IODD and CSP+ to an AML file or even an AML Package.

AML is a file format developed as an exchange format with an open standard. For interoperability and an easier exchange, the data is normalized by conversion to AML.

To achieve this conversion there are three different ways:

1. The conversion can be done via a Command Line Interface (CLI).
2. The conversion can be started and the results get via a Graphical User Interface (GUI), especially for those who feel uncomfortable with a CLI.
3. Developers can use the Library - that is the main part of the software - to convert DD-files as well but return the corresponding AML file as a string to work with it in their own projects.

This software will be used in environments where users need to manage engineering data for Profinet devices. The data about Profinet devices can be saved in different xml based files like PN-GSD, IODD or CSP+. These files contain the basic information about what the Profinet device is capable of.

The DD2AML-Converter supports the conversion of syntactically valid GSD, IODD and CSP+ files. The returning AML file uses either the CAEX Version 2.15 or the newer CAEX Version 3.0. All the files referring to the original DD-file are saved within the AML Package (AMLX).

5 Installation

5.1 Software requirements

The software requires the .NET Framework to be installed in Version 4.7 or higher. As a result, a PC with Windows 7 SP 1 or later is also required.

5.2 Installation process

To install the Command Line Interface and the Graphical User Interface, it is sufficient to download the installer available under https://github.com/WAntonia/TINF18C_Team_3_DD2AML-Converter/releases . After downloading it, the users only need to follow the guidance of the installation wizard to install the program.

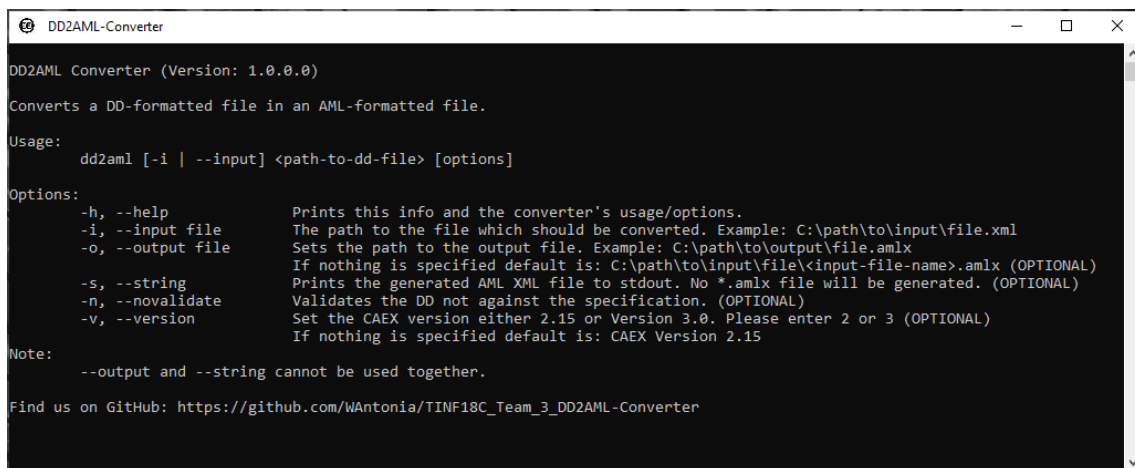
During the installation process, users can select the installation for all users working on the PC or only the current user. It is also possible to select the folder where the software should be installed and if a desktop icon and/or a shortcut into the start menu shall be created.

Users have the possibility to repair or uninstall the program using the installer again.

Please, notice that it is not possible to install only the CLI or the GUI.

The second possibility to get the program, is to download the provided zip file, available under https://github.com/WAntonia/TINF18C_Team_3_DD2AML-Converter/releases as well, and extracting the content into a folder on the local disk. So, no installation is needed necessarily.

6 Command Line Interface



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DD2AML Converter (Version: 1.0.0.0)
Converts a DD-formatted file in an AML-formatted file.

Usage:
  dd2aml [-i | --input] <path-to-dd-file> [options]

Options:
  -h, --help            Prints this info and the converter's usage/options.
  -i, --input file       The path to the file which should be converted. Example: C:\path\to\input\file.xml
  -o, --output file      Sets the path to the output file. Example: C:\path\to\output\file.xml
                        If nothing is specified default is: C:\path\to\input\file\input-file-name.xml (OPTIONAL)
  -s, --string           Prints the generated AML XML file to stdout. No *.amlx file will be generated. (OPTIONAL)
  -n, --novalidate       Validates the DD not against the specification. (OPTIONAL)
  -v, --version          Set the CAEX version either 2.15 or Version 3.0. Please enter 2 or 3 (OPTIONAL)
                        If nothing is specified default is: CAEX Version 2.15

Note:
  --output and --string cannot be used together.

Find us on GitHub: https://github.com/WAntonia/TINF18C\_Team\_3\_DD2AML-Converter
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Figure 1 - CLI help text

6.1 Usage

There are two ways how the CLI can output the result of the conversion:

1. The generated AMLX file containing the AML root file, the original DD-file and all the other referred files like pictures of the device.
2. A string containing the content of the AML file.

After the installation of the program is finished, it is possible to call the help using the commands “dd2aml” or “dd2aml –help” in a terminal.

To start the conversion of a DD-file that is one of the listed formats (GSD, IODD or CSP+) to AML the file path must be entered after “dd2aml”.

6.2 Options

There are also a view different parameters that can be set to influence certain factors of the conversion:

Parameter	Description and value range
-i, --input 'file' (required)	The path to the DD-file you want to convert. For example: 'C:\Users\User\Documents\example-IODD1.1.xml'
-o, --output 'file' (optional)	Set the path of the output directory. Default is the input path of the given DD-file. The path must end with the name of the AMLX package, for example: 'C:\Users\User\Documents\example_package.xml'
-s, --string (optional)	Set the output type to a string instead of storing a file.
-n, --novalidate (optional)	Do not validate the input DD-file.
-v, --version (optional)	Decide the AML CAEX Version. Choose either Version 2.15 or Version 3.0. Users need to enter either 2 (for Version 2.15) or 3 (for Version 3.0). The default value is CAEX Version 2.15.

Note: --output and --string can't be used together

6.3 Examples

6.3.1 Conversion to AMLX

Enter the following parameter to get result shown in the picture below:

- i "C:\Users\User\Documents\IODD_Datei\Example-IODD1.1.xml"
- o "C:\DD2AML\IODD_Example.amlx"
- v 3

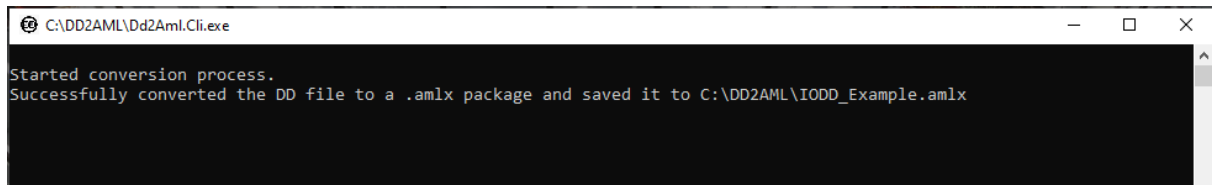


Figure 2 - Conversion to AMLX successful

You will find the package at your requested output path:

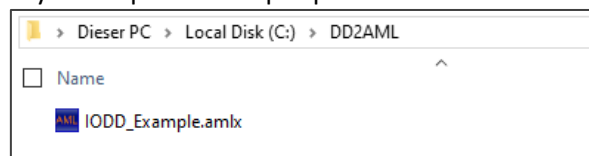


Figure 3 - Generated AMLX output path

6.3.2 Conversion to string

Enter the following parameter to get result shown in the picture below:

- i "C:\Users\User\Documents\IODD_Datei\Example-IODD1.1.xml"
- s
- v 3

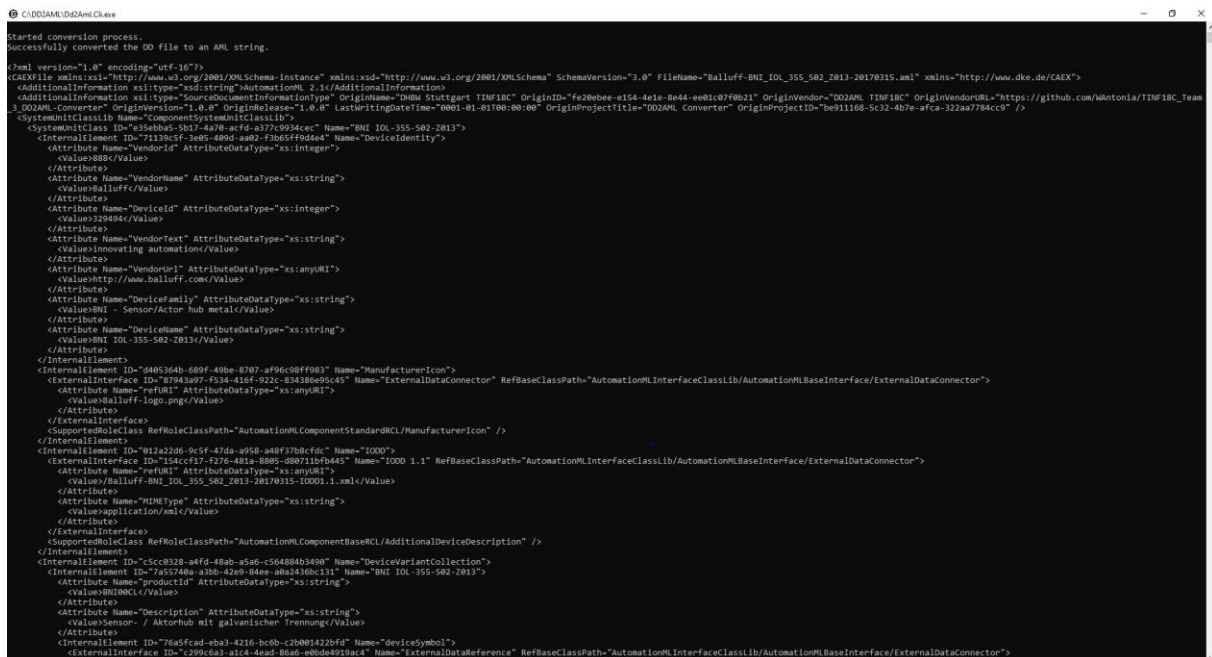


Figure 4 - Conversion to string successful

7 Graphical User Interface

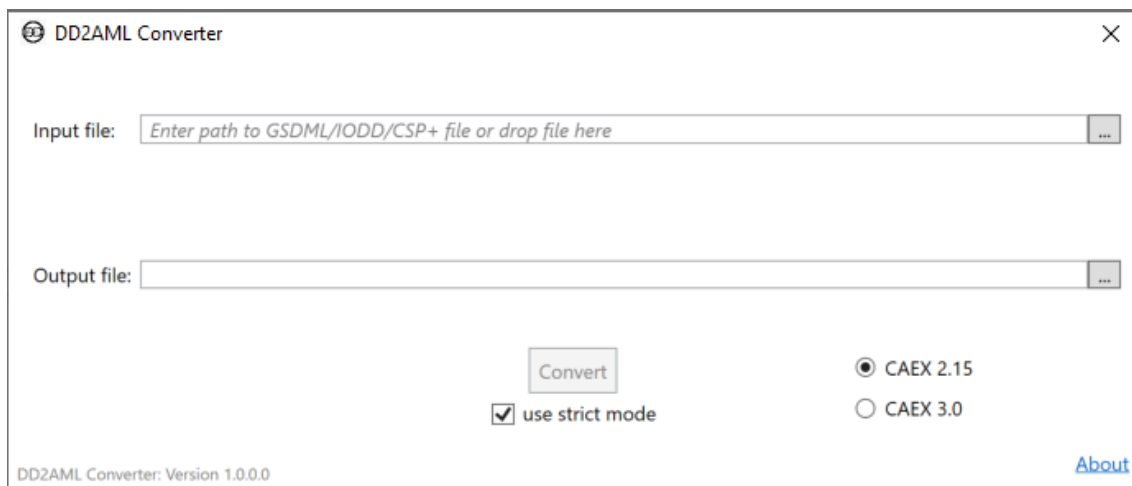


Figure 5 - GUI start window

7.1 General

The graphical user interface is designed especially for users who feel unfamiliar with the command line interface.

The GUI is also used to convert a DD-file to AML. However, it is only possible to generate an AMLX file containing the AML root file, the original DD-file and the other references of the device descriptions like pictures.

7.2 Usage

7.2.1 Successful conversion

Please enter the following information:

- Input file: The path where the DD-file is stored that you want to convert to AML. Either use drag and drop to enter the file or write the file path into the text box. You can also use the explorer dialog, clicking on the ... button.
- Output file: The location where the generated AMLX Package will be stored. Enter the location or use the explorer dialog.

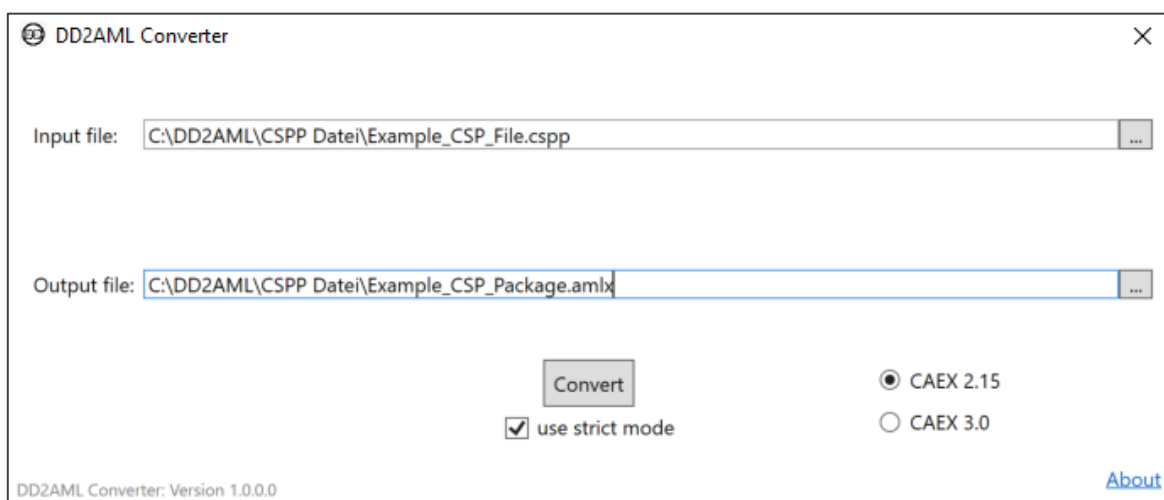


Figure 6 – Conversion with GUI

- After clicking on the Convert button, the conversion will start.

When the conversion has been successful, you will see the following:

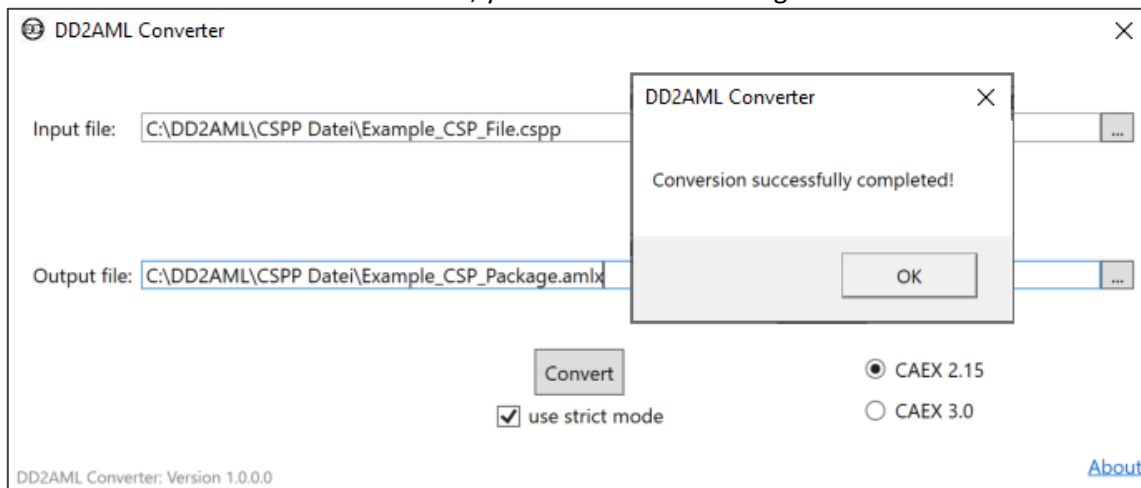


Figure 7 - GUI Conversion successful

Then you will be asked if you want to open the generated AMLX Package in the AML Editor:

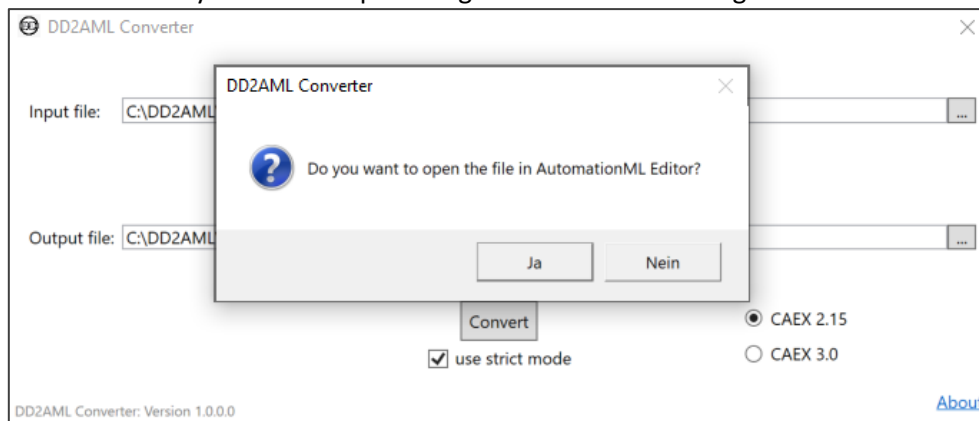


Figure 8 - Open in AML Editor

There you can have a look at the generated AMLX package.

7.2.2 Example for unsuccessful conversion

When the given DD-file is incorrect regarding the syntax of its format, you will receive an error message containing the error in the given DD-file:

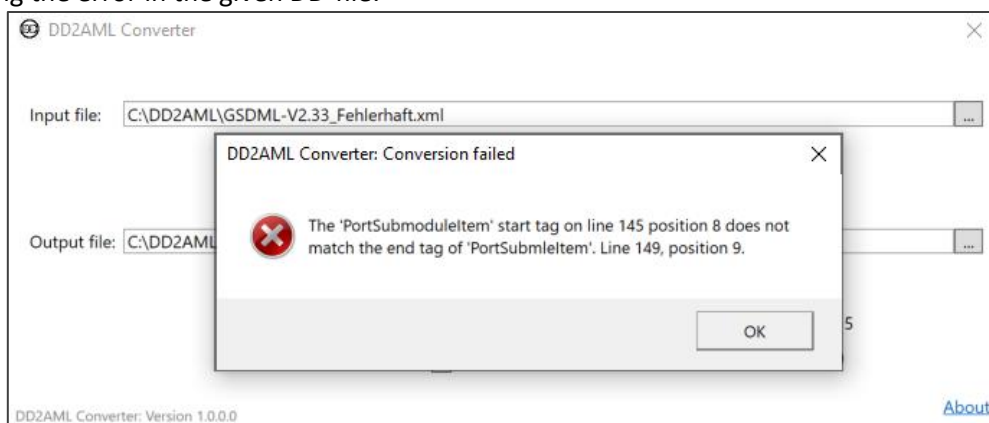


Figure 9 - Conversion with flawed DD-file

7.3 Copyright

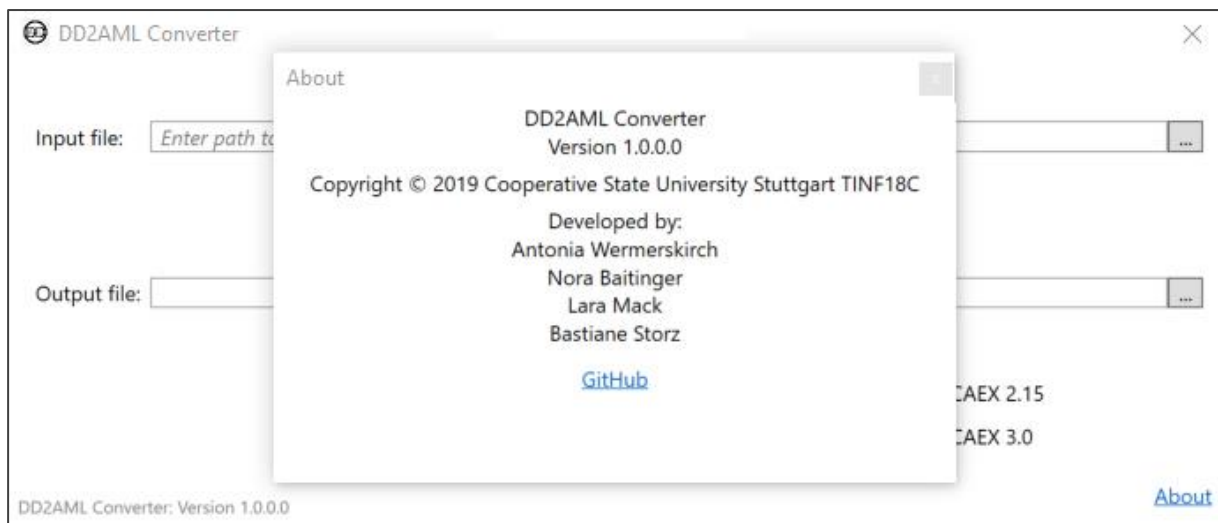


Figure 10 - Copyright GUI

8 Log files

The software provides the user with information about the status of the program and the conversion process. Therefore, the software creates log files for every conversion with the CLI and the GUI. The files are stored under the following file path: 'C:\Users\\${User}\AppData\Local\DD2AML\Logs'.

Users can access the log files very easily by entering '%LOCALAPPDATA%' in the navigation bar of the Windows Explorer. Users will see a list of folders and need to search for 'DD2AML'. If the folder does not exist, the program hasn't been used yet and no logs have been created.

Log files are stored for every execution of the CLI or the GUI. The file names contain the timestamp of the execution and the messages include information about the log level and which logger (GUI or CLI) generated it.

8.1 Storage location

GUI

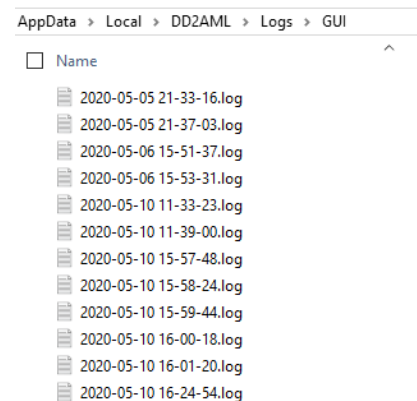


Figure 12 - GUI logs storage location

CLI

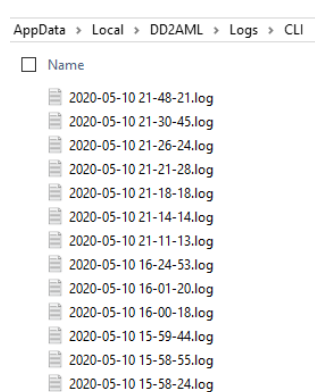


Figure 11 - CLI logs storage location

8.2 Log Files

8.2.1 Successful conversion

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665 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property SystemUnitClassType.Attribute.
666 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.
667 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.Value.
668 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.
669 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.Value.
670 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.Value.
671 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property SystemUnitClassType.Attribute.
672 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.
673 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.Value.
674 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.
675 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.Value.
676 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.Value.
677 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property SystemUnitClassType.Attribute.
678 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.
679 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.Value.
680 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.
681 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.Value.
682 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property Attribute.Value.
683 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property SystemUnitClassType.InternalElement.
684 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translate sub property InternalElement.
685 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Translated successfully DeviceIdentity to CAEXFile.SystemUnitClass.
686 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|The Handle function ended for these heads. AML: SystemUnitFamilyType DD-File: DeviceIdentity
687 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|The Handle function ended for these heads. AML: CAEXFileSystemUnitClassLib DD-File: ProfileBody
688 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|The Handle function ended for these heads. AML: CAEXFile DD-File: IODevice
689 2020-05-10 21:26:25.2976|INFO|cli_logger|Successfully ended the Handle function.
690 2020-05-10 21:26:25.5646|INFO|cli_logger|Successfully saved .amlx package IOOD_Example.amlx to C:\DD2AML\IOOD_Example.amlx.
691
```

Figure 13 - Log file successful conversion

8.2.2 Conversion with flawed DD-file

```
1 2020-05-10 22:31:28.7511|INFO|gui_logger|Open file "C:\DD2AML\GSDML-V2.33_Fehlerhaft.xml"
2 2020-05-10 22:31:29.8279|INFO|gui_logger|Start conversion of file "C:\DD2AML\GSDML-V2.33_Fehlerhaft.xml"
3 2020-05-10 22:31:29.8289|INFO|gui_logger|Conversion to file started.
4 2020-05-10 22:31:29.8679|ERROR|gui_logger|The 'PortSubmoduleItem' start tag on line 145 position 8 does not match the end tag of 'PortSubmleItem'. Line 149, position 9.
5
```

Figure 14 - Log file unsuccessful conversion