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# Foreword

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# Introduction

The present document is part of a TS-family covering the 3rd Generation Partnership Project Technical Specification Group Services and System Aspects, Telecommunication management; Configuration Management (CM); as identified below:

**28.701: "Core Network (CN) Network Resource Model (NRM) Integration Reference Point (IRP); Requirements".**

28.702: "Core Network (CN) Network Resource Model (NRM) Integration Reference Point (IRP); Information Service (IS)".

28.703: "Core Network CN) Network Resource Model (NRM)Integration Reference Point (IRP); Solution Set (SS) definitions".

Configuration Management (CM), in general, provides the operator with the ability to assure correct and effective operation of the 3GPP network as it evolves. CM actions have the objective to control and monitor the actual configuration on the Network Elements (NEs) and Network Resources (NRs), and they may be initiated by the operator or by functions in the Operations Systems (OSs) or NEs.

CM actions may be requested as part of an implementation programme (e.g. additions and deletions), as part of an optimisation programme (e.g. modifications), and to maintain the overall Quality of Service (QoS). The CM actions are initiated either as single actions on single NEs of the 3GPP network, or as part of a complex procedure involving actions on many resources/objects in one or several NEs.

# 1 Scope

The present document defines, in addition to the requirements defined in [1], [2] and [3], the requirements for the present IRP: Core Network Network Resource Model IRP.

# 2 References

The following documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of the present document.

- References are either specific (identified by date of publication, edition number, version number, etc.) or non‑specific.

- For a specific reference, subsequent revisions do not apply.

- For a non-specific reference, the latest version applies. In the case of a reference to a 3GPP document (including a GSM document), a non-specific reference implicitly refers to the latest version of that document *in the same Release as the present document*.

[1] 3GPP TS 32.101: "Telecommunication management; Principles and high level requirements".

[2] 3GPP TS 32.102: "Telecommunication management; Architecture".

[3] 3GPP TS 32.600: "Telecommunication management; Configuration Management (CM); Concept and high-level requirements".

[4] 3GPP TS 32.602: "Telecommunication management; Configuration Management (CM); Basic Configuration Management Integration Reference Point (IRP): Information Service (IS)".

[5] 3GPP TS 28.704: " Telecommunication management; IP Multimedia Subsystem (IMS) Network Resource Model (NRM) Integration Reference Point (IRP); Requirements".

[6] 3GPP TS 32.150: "Telecommunication management; Integration Reference Point (IRP) Concept and definitions".

[7] 3GPP TS 28.620: "Telecommunication management; Fixed Mobile Convergence (FMC) Federated Network Information Model (FNIM) Umbrella Information Model (UIM)".

[8] 3GPP TS 28.622: "Telecommunication management; Generic Network Resource Model (NRM) Integration Reference Point (IRP); Information Service".

# 3 Definitions and abbreviations

## 3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the following terms and definitions apply.

**Data:** is any information or set of information required to give software or equipment or combinations thereof a specific state of functionality.

**Element Manager (EM):** provides a package of end-user functions for management of a set of closely related types of Network Elements (NEs). These functions can be divided into two main categories:

*- Element Management Functions* for management of NEs on an individual basis. These are basically the same functions as supported by the corresponding local terminals.

*- Sub-Network Management Functions* that are related to a network model for a set of NEs constituting a clearly defined sub-network, which may include relations between the NEs. This model enables additional functions on the sub-network level (typically in the areas of network topology presentation, alarm correlation, service impact analysis and circuit provisioning).

**Information Object Class (IOC):** See definition in TS 28.622 [8].

**Integration Reference Point (IRP):** See 3GPP TS 32.150 [6].

**Information Service (IS):** See 3GPP TS 32.150 [6].

**Solution Set (SS):** See 3GPP TS 32.150 [6].

**IRP Solution Set:** See 3GPP TS 32.101 [1].

**Managed Object (MO):** an abstract entity, which may be accessed through an open interface between two or more systems, and representing a Network Resource (NR) for the purpose of management. The Managed Object (MO) is an instance of a Managed Object Class (MOC) as defined in a Management Information Model (MIM). The MIM does not define how the MO or NR is implemented; only what can be seen in the interface.

**Managed Object Class (MOC):** a description of all the common characteristics for a number of MOs, such as their attributes, operations, notifications and behaviour.

**Management Information Model (MIM)**: also referred to as NRM – see the definition below. There is a slight difference between the meaning of MIM and NRM – the term MIM is generic and can be used to denote any type of management model, while NRM denotes the model of the actual managed telecommunications Network Resources (NRs).

**Network Element (NE):** is a discrete telecommunications entity, which can be, managed over a specific interface e.g. the RNC.

**Network Manager (NM)**: provides a package of end-user functions with the responsibility for the management of a network, mainly as supported by the EM(s) but it may also involve direct access to the NEs. All communication with the network is based on open and well-standardised interfaces supporting management of multi-vendor and multi-technology NEs.

**Network Resource (NR):** is a component of a NE, which can be identified as a discrete separate entity and is in an object oriented environment for the purpose of management represented by an abstract entity called Managed Object (MO).

**Network Resource Model (NRM)**: See definition in TS 28.622 [8].

**Object Management Group (OMG):** see http://www.omg.org.

**Operations System (OS):** indicates a generic management system, independent of its location level within the management hierarchy.

## 3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the following abbreviations apply:

CM Configuration Management

CN Core Network

EM Element Manager

FM Fault Management

GSM Global System for Mobile communication

IMS IP Multimedia Subsystem

IOC Information Object Class

IRP Integration Reference Point

IS Information Service (see [1])

MIB Management Information Base

MIM Management Information Model

MOC Managed Object Class

MOI Managed Object Instance

NE Network Element

NM Network Manager

NR Network Resource

NRM Network Resource Model

OMG Object Management Group

OS Operations System

PM Performance Management

TM Telecom Management

UML Unified Modelling Language (OMG)

# 4 Requirements

The following general and high-level requirements apply for the present IRP:

a) IRP-related requirements in 3GPP TS 32.101 [1].

b) IRP-related requirements in 3GPP TS 32.102 [2].

c) IRP-related requirements in 3GPP TS 32.600 [3].

In addition to the above, the following more specific requirements apply:

1) The Network Resource Model defined by this IRP shall contain CN specific IOCs and related definitions, supporting Core Network entities in the current 3GPP Release, except for the IMS parts of CN (for the IMS parts, refer to the IMS NRM IRP Requirements in 3GPP TS 28.704 [5]).

2) The Network Resource Model defined by this IRP shall provide support for enabling consistency between UTRAN/GERAN and CN parameters, e.g. by defining relevant attributes.

The NRM defined by this IRP:

a) Shall support communications for telecommunication network management purposes, including management of converged networks.

b) Is a member of the Federated Network Information Model (FNIM) [5] and its information is derived from FNIM Umbrella Information Model (UIM) [7].

Annex A (informative):  
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