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Part 1: Architecture

Part 2: Software tool requirements

Part 3: Tutorial information

Part 4: Rules for compliance profiles

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FUNCTION BLOCKS –

Part 4: Rules for compliance profiles

1 Scope

This part of IEC 61499 defines rules for the development of *compliance profiles* which specify the features of IEC 61499-1 and 61499-2 to be implemented in order to promote the following *attributes* of IEC 61499-based *systems, devices* and *software tools*:

- *interoperability* of *devices* from multiple suppliers;
- *portability* of *software* between *software tools* of multiple suppliers; and
- *configurability* of devices from multiple vendors by software tools of multiple suppliers.

These attributes are illustrated in Figure 1.

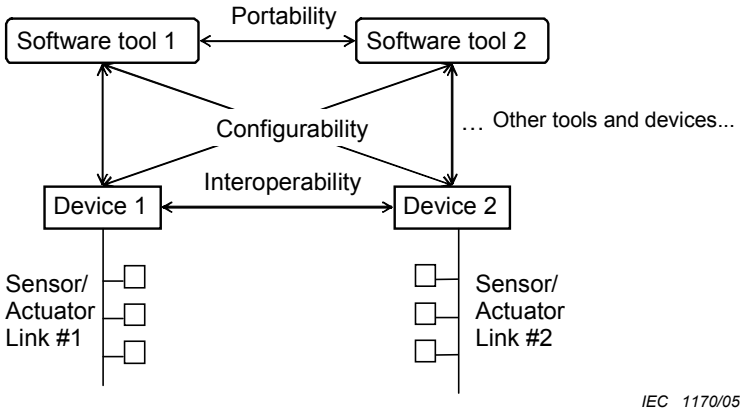

Figure 1 – Topics addressed by compliance profiles

NOTE 1 The sensor/actuator links designated #1 and #2 in Figure 1 may be non-interoperable. However, it is intended that systems complying with a particular profile may show the transfer of *events* and *data* from sensors on one link to actuators on another link using appropriately configured and interconnected *service interface function blocks*.

NOTE 2 Compliance profiles may extend their scope beyond that shown in Figure 1 to include interoperability of sensors and actuators.

NOTE 3 Suppliers of *software tools* should assure that their products conform to the requirements of IEC 61499-2 as well as any specific requirements defined in compliance profiles applicable to their particular software tools.

The specification of provisions for the facilitation of device *interchangeability* is beyond the scope of this standard.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 61499-1, *Function blocks – Part 1: Architecture*

IEC 61499-2, *Function blocks – Part 2: Software tools requirements*

ISO/IEC Directives, *Part 2: Rules for the structure and drafting of International Standards*