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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) integration of the new measurement functions of IEC 61000-4-30:2015 (e.g. RVC and current functions);
- b) integration of the new requirements of IEC/TS 61000-6-5:2015, update of definitions of environment G and H, update of applicable EMC performance criteria;
- c) correction of minor mistakes, improvement in specification.

The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

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This document has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

It has the status of a basic EMC publication in accordance with IEC Guide 107.

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## INTRODUCTION

Electricity as delivered to the customers has several characteristics that are variable and that affect its usefulness to the customers.

Power quality instruments on the market have different characteristics. This document provides a common system of references in order to facilitate their selection, comparison and evaluation. This document specifies a classification based on product performance, environment and safety.

It is acknowledged that IEC 61000-4-30 is a basic EMC publication. Detailed guidance on instrument performance, performance verification methods, additional influence quantities and other similar information should, in general, be found in a product standard.

IEC 62586-1 is a product standard that refers to IEC 61000-4-30, IEC 61000-4-7 and IEC 61000-4-15 for measuring methods. IEC 62586-2 specifies functional tests and uncertainty requirements for instruments in the scope of IEC 62586-1.

IEC 62586-1 is therefore complementing basic EMC standards with environmental, safety and performance requirements.

# POWER QUALITY MEASUREMENT IN POWER SUPPLY SYSTEMS –

## Part 1: Power quality instruments (PQI)

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 62586 specifies product and performance requirements for instruments whose functions include measuring, recording and possibly monitoring power quality parameters in power supply systems, and whose measuring methods (class A or class S) are defined in IEC 61000-4-30.

These requirements are applicable in single, dual- (split phase) and 3-phase AC power supply systems at 50 Hz or 60 Hz.

These instruments can be used:

- in the generation, transmission and distribution of electricity, for example inside a power station, substation or a distributed generator connection;
- at the interface point between the installation and the network, e.g. in order to check the compliance of the connection agreement between a network operator and the customer.

NOTE These instruments can also be used for other applications, e.g. inside commercial / industrial installations especially where comparable measurements are needed (i.e. data centres or petrochemical plants).

These instruments are fixed-installed or portable. They are intended to be used both indoors and/or outdoors.

Devices such as digital fault recorders, energy/power meters, protection relays or circuit breakers can include power quality functions of class A or class S defined in IEC 61000-4-30. If such devices are specified according to this document, then this document fully applies and applies in addition to the relevant product standard. This document does not replace the relevant product standard.

This document does not address the user interface or topics unrelated to measurement performance of device.

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IEC 60068-2-2, *Environmental testing – Part 2-2: Tests – Tests B: Dry heat*