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## ENTSOG Integrated Data Exchange Profile

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## 61 **1 Introduction**

### 62 **1.1 *Integrated Data Exchange***

63 COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2015/703 of 30 April 2015 establishing a network code on  
64 interoperability and data exchange rules published on 30 April 2015 by the European  
65 Commission (EC) specifies that:

66 *“The following common data exchange solutions shall be used [for] the integrated data*  
67 *exchange:*

68 *(i) protocol: HTTP/S-SOAP;*

69 *(ii) data format: Edig@s-XML, or an equivalent data format ensuring identical degree*  
70 *of interoperability. Entso-g shall publish such an equivalent data format.”*  
71 *[CR2015/703].*

72 For interoperability and consistency, additional guidelines are required to specify how the  
73 identified protocol is to be used. This document is a technical specification that provides such  
74 additional guidelines.

75 This specification provides a technical profiling of the use of Web Services specifications for  
76 Integrated Data Exchange. It does not define, and is independent of, any specific services and  
77 is business content-agnostic.

### 78 **1.2 *Use Cases***

79 A number of different use cases have been identified that can be supported by Integrated  
80 Data Exchange. As these use cases have different requirements, it is not possible to specify a  
81 single profile covering all use cases. For this reason, this technical specification is divided in  
82 multiple parts:

- 83 • Common profiling of Web Services specifications. This profiling applies to all uses of  
84 Web Services for Integrated Data Exchange. This is covered in section 2.
- 85 • Profiling specific to public information services not requiring any user registration or  
86 authentication. This is covered in section 3 (*“Profile A”*).
- 87 • Profiling specific to public information services requiring users to register and  
88 authenticate. This is covered in section 4 (*“Profile B”*).
- 89 • Profiling specific to services provided to specific users and involving the exchange of  
90 private information of those users. This is covered in section 5 (*“Profile C”*).

### 91 **1.3 *Goals***

92 The main goals of this profile are to:

- 93       • Support public, private, anonymous and authenticated access to services.
- 94       • Focus, for public information services, on ease-of-use and, for private information  
95       services, on advanced security.
- 96       • Support exchange of EDIG@S-XML or other XML payloads, for integrated, non-  
97       document-based exchanges.
- 98       • Increase interoperability and consistency and facilitate implementations by selecting  
99       and profiling Web Services standards.
- 100      • Provide security guidance based on state-of-the-art best practices, following  
101      recommendations for “near term” (defined as “at least ten years”) future system use  
102      [ENISA13, ENISA14]
- 103      • Support anonymous service consumers, as defined in [BP20] as:  
104      *A CONSUMER or INSTANCE is deemed "non-addressable" when, for whatever reason,*  
105      *it is either unwilling or unable to provide a network endpoint that is capable of*  
106      *accepting connections. This means that the CONSUMER or INSTANCE cannot service*  
107      *incoming HTTP connections and can only transmit HTTP Request messages and*  
108      *receive HTTP Response messages.*
- 109      "SHALL", "NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in  
110      this document are to be interpreted as described in [RFC2119].

## 111    **2 Common Profiling**

112    This section specifies profiling of Web Services common to all Integrated Data Exchange  
113    types.

### 114    **2.1 Network Layer**

115    Integrated Data Exchange **MUST** use the public Internet [EGCDN] for communication  
116    [CR2015/703]. Each organisation is individually responsible for implementing security  
117    measures to protect access to its IT infrastructure.

118    Web Services products compliant with this profile **MUST** support both IPv4 and IPv6 and  
119    **MUST** be able to connect using either IPv4 or IPv6. To support transition from IPv4 to IPv6,  
120    products **SHOULD** support the “happy eyeballs” requirements defined in [RFC6555].

121    It is **RECOMMENDED** that deployments of Integrated Data Exchange support both IPv4 and  
122    IPv6 for the exchange of data. This allows them to support both communication partners  
123    that are still restricted to using IPv4 and other communication partners that have already  
124    deployed IPv6.

125 Due to IPv4 address exhaustion and the increased roll-out of IPv6, some future deployments  
126 of Integrated Data Exchange MAY be IPv6 only. A future version of this profile will therefore  
127 REQUIRE support for IPv6.

## 128 **2.2 Transport Layer**

129 Integrated Data Exchange MUST use HTTP over TLS, providing confidentiality of all  
130 exchanges. The minimum version of HTTP to use is 1.1. HTTP/2 MAY be used.

131 The Web Application MUST support HTTP compression. Clients MUST support HTTP  
132 compression and MUST signal support for compression by setting the Accept-Encoding HTTP  
133 header.

134 Guidance on the use of Transport Layer Security is published in the ENISA Algorithms, Key  
135 Sizes and Parameters Reports [ENISA13, ENISA14] and in a Mindest-standard of the Federal  
136 Office for Information Security (BSI) in Germany [BSITLS]:

- 137 • TLS server authentication is REQUIRED and MUST use an x.509 certificate meeting  
138 the requirements stated in section 2.7.
- 139 • It MUST be possible to configure the accepted TLS version(s) in the Integrated Data  
140 Exchange server. The ENISA and BSI reports state that TLS 1.0 and TLS 1.1 SHOULD  
141 NOT be used in new applications. Older versions such as SSL 2.0 [RFC6176] and SSL  
142 3.0 MUST NOT be used. Products compliant with this profile SHOULD therefore  
143 support TLS 1.2 [RFC5246].
- 144 • It MUST be possible to configure accepted TLS cipher suites in the Web Application.  
145 IANA publishes a list of TLS cipher suites [TLSSP], only a subset of which the ENISA  
146 Report considers future-proof (see [ENISA13], section 5.1.2). Products MUST support  
147 cipher suites included in this subset. Vendors MUST add support for newer, safer  
148 cipher suites, as and when such suites are published by IANA/IETF.
- 149 • Support for SSL 3.0 and for cipher suites that are not currently considered secure  
150 SHOULD be disabled by default.
- 151 • Perfect Forward Secrecy, which is REQUIRED in [BSITLS], is supported by the  
152 TLS\_ECDHE\_\* and TLS\_DHE\_\* cipher suites, which SHOULD be supported.
- 153 • Publicly known vulnerabilities and attacks against TLS MUST be prevented and  
154 publicly known recommended countermeasures MUST be applied. Organisations  
155 MUST follow web security developments and MUST continually upgrade security  
156 measures as new general vulnerabilities become known.

157 **2.3 Messaging**

158 **2.3.1 Message Exchange Pattern**

159 All integrated data exchanges follow the SOAP Request-Response pattern using the SOAP 1.2  
160 HTTP Binding [S12A], where the request message is posted by the SOAP client to the Web  
161 Service server and the response or fault is returned synchronously on the HTTP back  
162 channel.

163 Asynchronous communication is not supported in this profile.

164 **2.3.2 SOAP Version**

165 All messages MUST be valid SOAP 1.2 messages as specified in [S12s].

166 **2.3.3 Packaging**

167 SOAP messages compliant with this specifications are simple SOAP 1.2 envelopes. This  
168 version of this profile is limited to simple SOAP envelopes.

169 Request, response and fault content MUST be in XML format and MUST be contained as the  
170 single child element of the **Body** of the SOAP 1.2 envelope.

171 Note: the use of MIME wrapping as specified in the SOAP-with-attachments or MTOM [SWA,  
172 S12MTOM] specifications is under consideration for a future version of this profile.

173 The SOAP **Header**, if present, MUST but be empty and therefore MUST NOT include any  
174 headers. This constraint also applies to Web Services Addressing [WSADDR], i.e. there MUST  
175 NOT be any WS-Addressing headers in the SOAP header.

176 For this specification, any business-level headers are considered part of the payload content  
177 and MUST therefore be included in the XML payload content element in the SOAP Body. The  
178 SOAP **Header** MUST NOT include any custom business header elements.

179 **2.3.4 Reliable Messaging**

180 The Web Services Reliable Messaging protocol [WSRM] MUST NOT be used.

181 **2.3.5 Interoperability Options**

182 The use of SOAP MUST conform to the section 3 of OASIS Basic Profile version 2.0 [BP20],  
183 with the exception of section 3.7, as that section is about WS-Addressing, which is not used  
184 in the profile.

185 **2.4 Service Description**

186 **2.4.1 WSDL**

187 Web Services SHOULD be described using Web Services Description Language (WSDL)  
188 version 1.1 [WSDL11]. Schema definitions for requests, responses or faults MUST be  
189 included in, or referenced from, WSDL documents for specific services.

190 As specified in the Network Code, payload content MUST be EDIG@S-XML, or an equivalent  
191 data format defined and published by ENTSOG, ensuring identical degree of interoperability.

192 The schema definitions for payload content are out of scope for this specification. EDIG@S--  
193 XML and other XML payload schemas define standardised business headers. For this  
194 specification, any such business headers are simply part of the SOAP message payload  
195 content and not processed differently from other content.

196 The XML schemas MUST provide the ability to transport binary data in BASE64 encoded form  
197 [RFC4648], if binary content is to be exchanged in the server.

198 A WSDL compliant with this specification MAY define separate WSDL ports for different  
199 services. This allows a service provider to optimise its services by directing messages  
200 targeting specific services to specific endpoints, without requiring any processing of the XML  
201 request content.

202 **2.4.2 Interoperability Options**

203 The use of WSDL MUST conform to section 4 of OASIS Basic Profile version 2.0 [BP20].

204 **2.5 Service Discovery**

205 Use of Universal Description, Discovery, and Integration (UDDI) [UDDI] for service discovery  
206 is NOT REQUIRED.

207 **2.6 Security and Availability**

208 Each organisation is individually responsible for implementing security measures to protect  
209 access to its IT infrastructure. Appropriate security measures are to be undertaken as  
210 required by Article 22 of [CR2015/703]. This includes measures for Disaster Recovery and  
211 Business Continuity. The measures deployed MUST adhere to each organisation's policies  
212 and standards for security.

213 Organisations MUST comply with applicable national and European regulation including the  
214 General Data Protection Regulation and Directive [D2016/680, R2016/679] and the Directive  
215 on Security of Network and Information Systems [D2016/1148].

216 Security options and policies appropriate to specific classes of use cases are further  
217 discussed in section 3

## 218 **2.7 Certificates and Certificate Profile**

### 219 **2.7.1 Certificates and Public Key Infrastructure**

220 In this Usage Profile, X.509 certificates are used to secure both Transport Layer and SOAP  
221 Message communication. Requirements on certificates can be sub-divided into three groups:

- 222 • General requirements;
- 223 • Requirements for Transport Layer Security;
- 224 • Requirements for SOAP Message Security.

225 The following general requirements apply to all certificates:

- 226 • A three year validity period for end entity certificates is RECOMMENDED.
- 227 • Guidance on size for RSA public keys for future system use indicates a key size of  
228 2048 bits [BSIALG] or even 3072 bits [ENISA13, is appropriate. Keys with size less than  
229 2048 bits MUST NOT be used.
- 230 • The signature algorithm used to sign public keys MUST be based on at least the SHA-  
231 256 hashing algorithm.
- 232 • A certificate for use in a production environment MUST be issued by a Certification  
233 Authority (CA).
- 234 • The choice of Certification Authority issuing the certificate is left to implementations  
235 but is subject to review by ENTSOG.
- 236 • The issuing CA SHOULD, at a minimum, meet the Normalised Certificate Policy (NCP)  
237 requirements specified in [EN 319 411-1].

238 The following additional requirements apply for certificates for Transport Layer Security:

- 239 • A TLS server certificate SHOULD comply with the certificate profile defined in [EN 319  
240 412-4]. At a minimum, the CA Browser forum baseline requirements SHOULD be met  
241 [CABFBRCP]. Extended Validation Certificates MAY be used [CABFEVV].
- 242 • If a single TLS server certificate is needed to secure host names on different base  
243 domains, or to host multiple virtual HTTPS servers using a single IP address, it is  
244 RECOMMENDED to use a Multi-Domain (Subject Alternative Name) certificate.  
245 Alternatively, wild card certificates MAY be used.
- 246 • No additional requirements are placed on TLS client certificates.

247 The following additional requirements apply for certificates for SOAP Message Security:

- 248 • Organisations MAY use a certificate issued by EASEE-gas.

249 • The type of certificate MUST be certificates for organisations, for which proof of  
250 identity is required.

251 • The issued certificate SHOULD comply with the certificate profile defined in [EN 319  
252 412-3].

253 A sample certificate profile is provided in section 2.7.2. For certificates used for Message  
254 Layer Security it follows the EASEE-gas convention of including the party EIC code as  
255 recommended value for the Common Name. Alternatively, the EIC code MAY be used as the  
256 Subject SerialNumber or as the Subject OrganisationIdentifier.

257 Organisations MAY also use Certificate Revocation Lists (CRL) or the Online Certificate Status  
258 Protocol (OCSP). Individual companies should assess the potential impact on the availability  
259 of the Integrated Date Exchange service when using such mechanisms, as their use may  
260 cause a certificate to be revoked automatically and messages to be rejected.

## 261 2.7.2 Certificate Profile

262 This section defines a profile for X.509 certificates to secure Integrated Data Exchange. This  
263 profile is consistent with the EASEE-gas certificate profile. For specific requirements, see  
264 [ENISA13, , EN 319 411-1 , EN 319 412-3, EN 319 412-4] and [TS119312].

### 265 2.7.2.1 Key Size

Entity	Algorithm	Keylength
Root-CA	RSA	Dependent on maximum lifetime of certificate: For 3 years: minimum of 2048 bits For 6 years: minimum of 3072 bits For 10 years: minimum of 4096 bits
Sub-CA	RSA	
End-Entities	RSA	Minimum of 2048 bits, assuming a maximum lifetime of 3 years for end entity certificates.

### 266 2.7.2.2 Key Algorithm

Entity	Signing Algorithm	O.I.D.
Root-CA	sha256WithRSAEncryption	1.2.840.113549.1.1.11
Sub-CA	sha256WithRSAEncryption	1.2.840.113549.1.1.11
End-Entities	sha256WithRSAEncryption	1.2.840.113549.1.1.11

### 267 2.7.2.3 Naming

268 The following example uses the ENTSOG name as CA. This is only provided as an illustration.  
269 ENTSOG does not currently intend to become a Certification Authority.

Entiteit	Example Value	Comments
Root-CA	C=BE	ISO country code (ISO 3166)
	O=ENTSOG	Name of the Organisation
	CN=ENTSOG CA	Name of the CA
Sub-CA	C=	ISO country code (ISO 3166)
	O=	Name of the Organisation
	OU=	Name of the organisational unit
	CN=	Name of the sub-CA

270 **2.7.2.4 Certificate Body**

Certificate Component	Example Value	Presence	Comments
Certificate		M	
TBSertificate		M	
Version	v3	M	X.509 version 3 is required.
serialNumber	Unique number	M	A unique CA generated number
Signature		M	The calculated signature (for instance the sha2 value encrypted with RSA key with length 4096)
validity.notBefore	Date	M	The start date of the certificate
validity.notAfter	Date	M	The end date of the certificate, at most 3 years after the start date (for end-entities).
issuer.countryName	BE	M	The country code of the country where the CA resides (ISO 3166)
issuer.organisationName	ENTSOG	M	Example, if ENTSOG is the CA
issuer.commonName	ENTSOG CA	M	Example, if ENTSOG is the CA
subject.countryName	BE	M	ISO country code (ISO 3166)
subject.organisationName	Fluxys	M	Name of member organisation
subject.organisationUnit			Not applicable
subject.serialNumber	Unique number		A unique CA generated number. May be used to encode the EIC code, as alternative to using the Common Name.
subject.commonName	EIC code*	M	Preferably the EIC code, following EASEE-gas convention, but some CAs do not support using the EIC in certificate fields.
subject.organizationIdentifier	EIC code*		Recommended in [EN 319 412-3]. May be used to encode the

				EIC code, as alternative to using the Common Name.
	subjectPublicKeyInfo.Algorithm	RsaEncryption	M	The encryption algorithm, at least RSA.
	subjectPublicKeyInfo.SubjectPublicKey			The public key of the subject.
	Extensions		M	
	signatureAlgorithm	sha2WithRSAEncryption	M	At least SHA-2 is required. SHA-1 is not allowed.
	signatureValue	Signature of ENTSOG CA	M	The digital signature value.

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#### 272 2.7.2.5 Extensions for Signing, Encryption and TLS End Entities

Extension Name	Ref RFC 5280	Sign end entity	Encrypt end entity	TLS Client / Server end entity	Comments
AuthorityKeyIdentifier	4.2.1.1	M	M	M	
keyIdentifier		X	x	X	
authorityCertIssuer		M	M	M	
authorityCertSerialNumber		M	M	M	
SubjectKeyIdentifier	4.2.1.2	M	M	M	
subjectKeyIdentifier		M	M	M	
KeyUsage	4.2.1.3	MC	MC	MC	
<i>digitalSignature</i>		M	x	M	
nonRepudiation		M*	x	X	* Recommended; Some CAs do not support this for organisations and limit this extension to qualified certificates for natural persons.
<i>keyEncipherment</i>		X	M	M	In WS-Security the certificate is used to encrypt a symmetric encryption key; it is not used directly to encrypt message data.
<i>dataEncipherment</i>		X	x	X	

Extension Name	Ref RFC 5280	Sign end entity	Encrypt end entity	TLS Client / Server end entity	Comments
keyAgreement		X	x	x	
keyCertSign		X	x	X	Only for CA root and sub-CA certificates.
cRLSign		X	x	X	Only for CA CRL publishing.
encipherOnly		X	x	X	
decipherOnly		X	x	X	
CertificatePolicies	4.2.1.4	X	x	X	
PolicyMappings	4.2.1.5	X	x	X	
SubjectAltName	4.2.1.6	X	x	X	
otherName					TRUE if applicable.
otherName.type-id					OID = 1.3.6.1.4.1.311.20.2.3 Preferably the subjectserialnumber followed by ENTSOG serialnumber
IssuerAltName	4.2.1.7	X	x	X	
SubjectDirectoryAttributes	4.2.1.8	X	x	X	
BasicConstraints	4.2.1.9	M	M	M	
CA		False	False	False	Only TRUE in case of a CA root or sub-CA certificate.
PathLenConstraint		X	x	X	
NameConstraints	4.2.1.10	X	x	X	
AuthorityInfoAccess		M	M	M	The URL of the OCSP responder.
PolicyConstraints	4.2.1.11	X	x	X	
ExtKeyUsage	4.2.1.12	X	x	M	See next table.
CRLDistributionPoints	4.2.1.13	X	x	X	The URL of the CRL.
InhibitAnyPolicy	4.2.1.14	X	x	X	
FreshestCRL	4.2.1.15	X	x	X	
privateInternetExtensions	4.2.2	X	x	X	

273 **2.7.2.6 Extended Key Usage**

Extended Usage OID	Key	Ref RFC 5280	TLS Server / Client / end entity
id-kp-clientAuth		4.2.1.12	M
id-kp-serverAuth		4.2.1.12	M

274 **2.7.2.7 Certificate Lifetime**

Entity	Maximum Period	Start Refresh
Root-CA	15 years	2 years before
Sub-CA	10 years	1 year before
End Entities	3 years	6 months before

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276 **3 Profile A: Anonymous Access to Public Information**

277 **3.1 Introduction**

278 This section describes profile A, which supports anonymous access to public information and  
 279 profiles Web Services for use with it. Transmission System Operators are required  
 280 [CR2011/1227] to provide certain types of information to the general public. By using  
 281 Integrated Data Exchange to allow parties to request this information, the requested  
 282 information can be provided in a structured format and can support access to the  
 283 information from applications or using other automated mechanisms.

284 Transmission System Operators MAY offer these information services on a “fair use policy”  
 285 basis, and MAY implement mechanisms to block service abuse.

286 **3.2 Network Layer**

287 Unlike profile C, no IP address-based protection measures (such as whitelisting of IP  
 288 addresses or IP address ranges used with communication partner) specific to the Integrated  
 289 Data Exchange are required.

290 **3.3 Transport Layer**

291 While version 1.2 is the RECOMMENDED version for TLS, TLS 1.1 MAY be used if TLS 1.2 is  
 292 not supported by the client, the security risk is deemed acceptable for the information  
 293 exchanged and industry recommendations are implemented [TLS1.1-NIST].

## 294 **4 Profile B: Authenticated Access to Public Information**

### 295 **4.1 Introduction**

296 This section describes profile B, which supports authenticated access to public information  
297 and profiles Web Services for use with it. This profile is very similar to profile A, except for its  
298 registration and authentication requirements. Service Consumers are assumed to have  
299 registered to the Service Provider and obtained a username and password allowing their  
300 Web Service clients to authenticate themselves to the Web Service server.

301 The mechanism for such registration and for the management and distribution of usernames  
302 and passwords is out of scope for this document.

303 The information requested and provided in the Web Service **MUST** be public information.

### 304 **4.2 Network Layer**

305 The Network Layer profiling specified in section 3.2 for profile A also applies to this profile B.

### 306 **4.3 Transport Layer**

307 While version 1.2 is the RECOMMENDED version for TLS, TLS 1.1 **MAY** be used if TLS 1.2 is  
308 not supported by the client, the security risk is deemed acceptable for the information  
309 exchanged and industry recommendations are implemented [TLS1.1-NIST].

### 310 **4.4 Messaging**

#### 311 **4.4.1 WS-Security**

312 In this version of this profile, Profile B SOAP request messages **MUST** be secured using WS-  
313 Security [WSSSMS], using a Username Token [WSSUNT]. This token authenticates the  
314 requester using a username and password and authorises its access to the Web Service. The  
315 use of WS-Security in Profile B is limited to authentication.

316 Note: a potential requirement has been identified to support, as an alternative, the use of  
317 SAML tokens for authentication. This requirement is currently under consideration. A future  
318 version of this profile may add a requirement to secure SOAP messages using the Web  
319 Services Security SAML Token Profile [WSSSAML].

#### 320 **4.4.2 Interoperability Options**

321 Use of WS-Security **MUST** conform to the OASIS Basic Security Profile [BSP11], section 12 of  
322 which covers the Username token.

## 323 **5 Profile C: Authenticated Access to Private Information**

### 324 **5.1 Introduction**

325 This section describes profile C, which supports authenticated access to private information  
326 and profiles Web Services for use with it. The information requested and provided in the  
327 Web Service is assumed to be private, potentially commercially sensitive, information. For  
328 this reason additional message layer security measures are taken, in addition to the use of  
329 transport layer security.

### 330 **5.2 Network Layer**

331 Commission Regulation 2015/703 states that the Internet shall be used to exchange data  
332 [CR2015/703]. When using the public Internet, each organisation is individually responsible  
333 to implement security measures to protect access to its IT infrastructure.

334 Organisations SHOULD use firewalls to restrict incoming or outgoing message flows to  
335 specific IP addresses, or address ranges. This prevents unauthorised hosts from connecting  
336 to the Web Services server. Organisations therefore:

- 337 • MUST use static IP addresses (or IP address ranges) for inbound and outbound  
338 SOAP/HTTPS connections.
- 339 • MUST communicate all IP addresses (or IP address ranges) used for outgoing and  
340 incoming connections to their communication partners, also covering addresses of  
341 any passive nodes in active-passive clusters. Note that the address of the HTTPS  
342 server endpoint MAY differ from the address (or addresses) used for outbound  
343 connections.
- 344 • MUST notify their communication partners about any IP address changes sufficiently  
345 in advance to allow firewall and other configuration changes to be applied.

### 346 **5.3 Transport Layer**

347 Organisations MUST secure the transport layer. The minimum REQUIRED TLS version is 1.2.

### 348 **5.4 Messaging**

#### 349 **5.4.1 WS-Security**

350 Profile C SOAP request, response and fault messages MUST be secured using WS-Security  
351 [WSSMS], using the X.509 Certificate Token Profile [WSSX509], protecting the message  
352 using signing and encryption.

353 Service Providers and Consumers MUST exchange X.509 signing and encryption certificates  
354 prior to using the service. The mechanism for sharing certificates is out of scope for this  
355 specification.

356 Messaging is secured using WS-Security:

- 357 • Web Services Security SOAP Message Security [WSSSMS].
- 358 • Web Services Security X.509 Certificate Token Profile [WSSX509].

359 The X.509 Certificate Token Profile supports signing and encryption of SOAP messages. This  
360 profile REQUIRES the use of X.509 tokens for message signing and encryption.

361 WS-Security message signing is based on the W3C XML Signature recommendation. The  
362 following algorithms MUST be used:

- 363 • As message digest algorithm, <http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmlenc#sha256>.
- 364 • As signature algorithm, <http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmldsig-more#rsa-sha256>.
- 365 • As encryption algorithm, <http://www.w3.org/2009/xmlenc11#aes128-gcm>.

366 In WS-Security, there are three mechanisms to reference a security token (see section 3.2 in  
367 [WSSX509]). For interoperability, products SHOULD therefore implement all three options.  
368 Note that as *BinarySecurityToken* is the most widely implemented option for security token  
369 references in WS-Security-based products, products SHOULD implement this option.

370 Key Transport algorithms are public key encryption algorithms especially specified for  
371 encrypting and decrypting keys, such as symmetric keys used for encryption of message  
372 content. The following algorithm MUST be used:

- 373 • For encryption method algorithm, <http://www.w3.org/2009/xmlenc11#rsa-oaep>.  
374 This is the algorithm used as value for the *Algorithm* attribute of  
375 *xenc:EncryptionMethod* on *xenc:EncryptedKey*.
- 376 • As mask generation function, <http://www.w3.org/2009/xmlenc11#mgf1sha256>. This  
377 is the algorithm used as value for the *Algorithm* attribute of *xenc:MGF* in  
378 *xenc:EncryptionMethod*.
- 379 • As digest generation function, <http://www.w3.org/2001/04/xmlenc#sha256>. This is  
380 the algorithm used as value for the *Algorithm* attribute on *ds:DigestMethod* in  
381 *xenc:EncryptionMethod*.

## 382 5.4.2 Interoperability Options

383 Use of WS-Security MUST conform to the OASIS Basic Security Profile [BSP11], section 9 of  
384 which covers XML Signature, section 10 of which covers XML Encryption and section 13 of  
385 which covers the X.509 token profile.

386 **6 Revision History**

Revision	Date	Editor	Changes Made
v0r1	2016-03-18	PvdE	First Draft for discussion
V0r2	2016-06-08	PvdE	Feedback from April and May Workshops processed.
V0r3	2016-06-22	PvdE	Feedback from June ICT KG WG processed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fixed some bibliographic references.</li> <li>• ENTSOG approval for any non-EDIG@S XML.</li> <li>• Editorial.</li> </ul>
V0r4	2016-09-05	ITC KG, PvdE	Feedback from August ICT KG WG. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comments by reviewers, resolution by the ITC KG members.</li> <li>• Faults</li> <li>• Business content (incl. headers) versus technical content</li> <li>• Mention potential use of attachments for the future.</li> <li>• Mention potential use of SAML for Profile B for the future.</li> <li>• Suggest using different WSDL ports for different services to optimize routing.</li> <li>• Misc. Editorial.</li> <li>• In 3.2, remove reference to AS4 profile.</li> </ul>
Rev_0.5	2016.09.20	ITC KG	Feedback from September ITC KG meeting.
Rev_0.6	2016.10.05	PvdE	Review comments from Andrew McManus processed.

			<p>Review comments from JD processed.</p> <p>Some more comments from ITC KG processed.</p> <p>Added IETF RFC reference for BASE64.</p>
Rev_0.7	2016.12.23	ITC KG, PvdE	<p>Comments from ONTRAS, GTS.</p> <p>TLS and networking aligned with other profiles.</p> <p>HTTP compression recommended for large data sets.</p> <p>Included the certificate, certificate profile, WS-Security sections from the AS4 profile to make this document self-contained.</p>
Rev_0.8	2017.02.07	JM	<p>Accepted all tracked changes following ITC KG Meeting on 24 January 2017</p>
Rev_0.9	2017.12.24	PvdE	<p>Fixed copy-paste errors from AS4 profile.</p> <p>Explicitly stated that Profile B only uses WS-Security for authentication.</p>
Rev_0	2017-03-28	JM	<p>Created Rev_0 with final corrections for publication</p>

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