STATUS Report
Standard Onboard Interface Services (SOIS) Electronic Data Sheets

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SOIS – CCSDS activities

- The SOIS WG operates within an area of the CCSDS dedicated to standardizing onboard interfaces

- The SOIS layered architecture and commutation services are used as the basis for the Savoir communication architecture

- Since the last ADCSS the remaining SOIS books related to onboard services have been published (Hurrah)

- The more recent work on the use of Electronic data sheets is also making solid progress
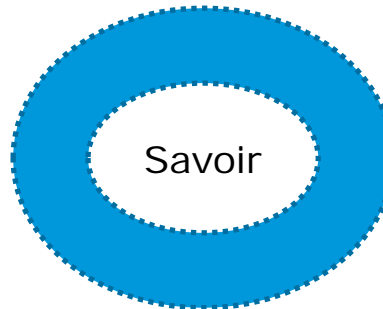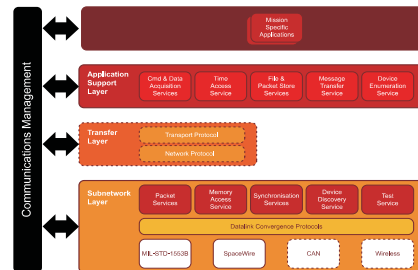
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SOIS – Development process

Architecture

International CCSDS SOIS Working group
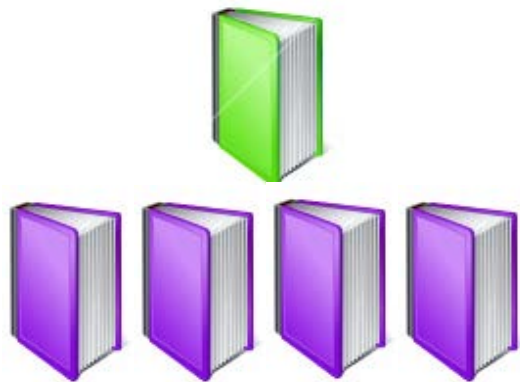
Savoir

CCSDS Recommendations

TRP and GSTP activities
CORDET
SAFI
IMA
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Adopted ESA standards under ECSS

Driving inputs for ECSS Subnet and PUS standards

PUS
CAN
Milbus
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- An electronic data sheet is essentially a translation of a paper ICD into a machine readable format

- Once in electronic format it may used in a number of ways:

  - As an unambiguous and complete specification of the device

  - To directly export to other databases

  - As a source to generate software (drivers, simulators…)

  - As a way of harmonising an interface to similar devices

- There are two main issues to resolve

  - What formats should be used to capture the ICD information

  - How to translate "English" to "Softwareese" and Vice versa

SOIS – EDS Information capture
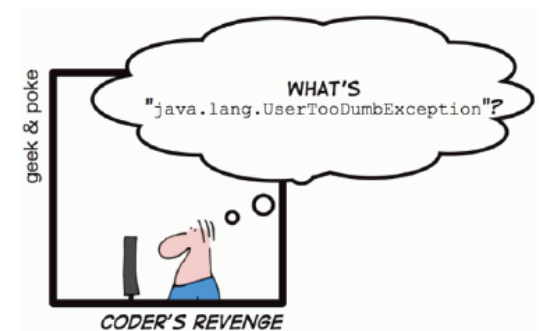
- The CCSDS WG has just released two draft standards:

    - XML Specification for Electronic Data Sheets

    - Specification for Dictionary of Terms for Electronic Data Sheets for Onboard Components

- These are so called " CCSDS RED BOOKS" which must go through two Agency level reviews and interoperability testing before becoming a "BLUE BOOK" standard

- Anyone interested in reviewing these books or participating in further development should contact

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    - Chris Taylor – Area lead chris.taylor@esa.int

- All CCSDS standards are available online at www.ccsds.org

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SOIS – Tool sets

- In Europe two prototype tools sets have been developed
    - By SciSys under TRP (Chris Taylor)
    - Internally by the ESA software Division (Felice Torelli)

- In the USA both GSFC (flight executive) and JSC (S/W defined Radios) FPGA) are developing their own tool-sets

- The capability of the tools vary according to the target
    - SciSys (ICD capture, XML viewer and Auto code to SOIS layers)
    - ESA SW (conversion to "taste" environment)

- Two further contracts are already in the ESA TRP Program

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SOIS – Ongoing

- Deploying Plug and Play (TEC-ED)

  - This activity concentrates on specifying the ICD capture and validation processes

  - Work will be performed in association with Prime/suppliers of equipment (Suppliers may not know XML)

- SpaceWire test-bed (TEC-EC)

  - As part of this activity EDS will be developed for one or more SpaceWire compliant devices

  - Implementation of drivers and end to end testing will be performed and comparison made with auto and hand coded drivers

- *Further activities may be expected as take-up and Avionics standardization improves*

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Thank you for your attention

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