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A new data exchange format based on existing standards

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Abstract

This prostep ivip / VDA White Paper has been devised by the FDX Working Group. The document presents a new standardized machine-readable data format for the exchange of functional data between OEMs and suppliers. Functional data refers to characteristic values, characteristic curves and characteristic fields for different parts and components. They are usually determined by physically or virtually created measurements.

The new standard enables parties to exchange their functional data in a highly structured way. The main goals of the standard are

- Harmonization of exchange of functional data between OEMs and suppliers.
- Improved quality and availability of functional data for CAE/simulation purposes
- Elimination of discrepancies in functional data between ordered and delivered data
- Reduction of misinterpretation of data during exchange and lifecycle
- More extensive automation in data generation, exchange, and processing

The FDX format is based on proven industry standards such as ASAM ODS, the corresponding data exchange format ATEX and the open-source Eclipse openMDM® application model.

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