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V1.0

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1 Introduction

Technical Specification: Object and Scene Description (MPAI-OSD) – in the following also called MPAI-OSD – has been developed by MPAI – Moving Picture, Audio, and Data Coding by Artificial Intelligence, the international, unaffiliated, non-profit organisation developing standards for Artificial Intelligence (AI)-based data coding with clear Intellectual Property Rights licensing frameworks in compliance with the rigorous MPAI Process [9,10] in pursuit of the following policies:

- 1. Be friendly to the AI context but, to the extent possible, agnostic to the technology AI or Data Processing used in an implementation.
- 2. Be attractive to different industries, end users, and regulators.
- 3. Address three levels of standardisation all exposing standard interfaces with an aggregation level decided by the implementer:
 - 3.1. data types.
 - 3.2. Components called AI Modules (AIM).
 - 3.3. Configurations of AIMs called AI Workflows (AIW).
- 4. Specify the data exchanged by AIMs with as clear a semantic as possible.

As manager of the MPAI Ecosystem specified by Governance of MPAI Ecosystem (MPAI-GME) [1] and ensures that a user can:

- 1. Operate a reference implementation of the Technical Specification, by providing a Reference Software Specification with annexed software.
- 2. Test the conformance of an implementation with the Technical Specification, by providing the Conformance Testing Specification.
- 3. Assess the performance of an implementation of a Technical Specification, by providing the Performance Assessment Specification.
- 4. Get conforming implementations possibly with a performance assessment report from a trusted source through the MPAI Store.

Technical Specification: AI Framework (MPAI-AIF) [2] specifies a standard AI Framework (AIF) that enables dynamic configuration, initialisation, and control of AIWs depicted in Figure 1.



Figure 1 - The AI Framework (MPAI-AIF) V2 Reference Model

MPAI-AIF enabling the secure execution of AI Workflows (AIW) that can be constituted by AI Modules (AIM). Thus, users can have machines whose internal operation they understand to some degree, rather than machines that are just "black boxes" resulting from unknown training with unknown data and component developers can provide components with standard interfaces that can have improved performance compared to other implementations.

An AIW and its AIMs may have 3 interoperability levels:

Level 1 – Implementer-specific and satisfying the MPAI-AIF Standard.

Level 2 – Specified by an MPAI Application Standard.

Level 3 – Specified by an MPAI Application Standard and certified by a Performance Assessor. Users are free to adopt any of the three levels.

AIM can execute data processing or Artificial Intelligence algorithms and can be implemented in hardware, software, or hybrid hardware/software. AI Module can be Composite if they include connected AI Modules.

The MPAI-MMC V2 Technical Specification can be implemented in one of the following modalities:

- 1. As a specific AIW implementing a Use Case, as specified in this document.
- 2. As a specific AIM, as specified in this document.
- 3. As a specific data type, as specified in this document.

However, MPAI does not mandate the choice of modality, which remains the sole decision of the implementer.

In many MPAI Technical Specifications there are data types that refer to Objects and Scenes that can be uni- and multimodal and possibly refer to locations that may be in a physical or virtual space.

MPAI values the consistent use of data types across its Technical Specifications. Therefore, MPAI-OSD has been developed to be the reference point for the consistent use of data types across MPAI standards. When consistency is not possible because different usages are consolidated, such usages are clearly identified, and individual specific usages recorded.

Currently, there are no MPAI-OSD specific Use Cases. Therefore, only the Scope, Reference Models, and I/O Data of relevant Use Cases from other Technical Specifications are reported here. The full Use Case specification can be found in the Technical Specifications owning the Use Cases. All Use Cases are assumed to be implemented according to the MPAI-AIF.

MPAI-OSD will be accompanied by the Reference Software, Conformance Testing, and Performance Assessment Specifications. Conformance Testing specifies methods enabling users to ascertain whether a data type generated by an AIM, an AIM, or an AIW conform with this Technical Specification.

2 Scope

Technical Specification: Object and Scenes Description (MPAI-OSD) specifies Data Formats to enable description and localisation of uni- and multi-modal Objects and Scenes in a Virtual Space for uniform use across MPAI Technical Specifications.

MPAI-OSD has been developed by the Context-based Audio Enhancement (MPAI-CAE), Multimodal Conversation (MPAI-MMC), and Portable Avatar Format (MPAI-PAF) Development Committees, and by the Connected Autonomous Vehicle (CAV) group of the Requirements Standing Committee.

3 Definitions

Terms beginning with a <u>capital</u> letter have the meaning defined in Table 1. Terms beginning with a <u>small</u> letter have the meaning commonly defined for the context in which they are used. For instance, Table 1 defines *Object* and *Scene* but does not define *object* and *scene*.

A dash "-" preceding a Term in Table 1 indicates the following readings according to the font:

- 1. Normal font: the Term in the table without a dash and preceding the one with a dash should be read <u>before</u> that Term. For example, "Avatar" and "- Model" will yield "Avatar Model."
- 2. *Italic* font: the Term in the table without a dash and preceding the one with a dash should be read <u>after</u> that Term. For example, "Avatar" and "- Portable" will yield "Portable Avatar."

Term	Definition		
Audio	Digital representation of an analogue audio signal sampled at a frequency		
	between 8-192 kHz with a number of bits/sample between 8 and 32, and		
	non-linear and linear quantisation. Data with characteristics of Audio may		
	be synthetically produced.		
Avatar	An Object rendered to represent a Human of a Machine in a virtual space.		
- Model	An inanimate Avatar exposing animation interfaces.		
- Portable	A Data Type including Avatar ID, Time, Audio-VisualScene Descriptors,		
	Spatial Attitude, Avatar Model, Body Descriptors, Face Descriptors, Lan-		
	guage Preference, Speech Coding, Speech Data, Text, and Personal Status		
	[5].		
Centre Point	The point of an Object selected to have coordinates $(0,0,0)$.		
Context	Additional information about a communication emitted by an Entity, such		
	as language, culture etc		
Data	Information in digital form.		
- Format	The standard digital representation of Data.		

 Table 1 - General MPAI-HMC terms

- Type	An instance of Data with a specific Data Format.			
Descriptor	The Digital Representation of a feature of an Object.			
- Body	A Data Type including the digital representation of the features of the body			
	of a real or digital human.			
- Face	A Data Type including the digital representation of a feature of the face of a			
	real or digital human.			
Digital Represen-	Data corresponding to and representing a physical entity.			
tation				
Environment	A Virtual Space that may be null or may include an Audio-Visual Scene.			
Human	A human being in a real space.			
- Digital	A Digitised or a Virtual Human.			
- Digitised	An Object that has the appearance of a specific human when rendered.			
- Virtual	An Object created by a computer that has a human appearance when ren-			
	dered but is not a Digitised Human.			
Identifier	The label uniquely associated with a human or an Object.			
Instance	An element of a set of entities – Objects, Digital Humans etc. – belonging to			
	some levels in a hierarchical classification (taxonomy).			
- Audio	The instance of an Audio Object.			
- Visual	The instance of a Visual Object.			
Object	A data structure that can be rendered to cause an Experience.			
- Audio	An Object described by Audio Descriptors.			
- Audio-Visual	An Object described by Audio-Visual Descriptors.			
- Body	A digital representation of the body of a Human or a Machine.			
- Descriptor	The digital representation of the feature of an Object.			
- Digital	A Digitised or a Virtual Object.			
- Digitised	The digital representation of a real object.			
- Face	The digital representation of the face of a Human or a Machine.			
- Speech	An Object described by Speech Descriptors.			
- Text	A string of Text.			
- Virtual	An Object not representing an object in the real environment.			
- Visual	An Object described by Visual Descriptors.			
Orientation	The 3 Euler angles of an Object in a Virtual Space.			
Position	The coordinates of a representative point for an object in a Virtual Space			
	with respect to a set of coordinate axes.			
Rendering	The process of instantiating a Virtual Space as a human-perceptible entity.			
Scene	A composition of Objects located according to a Scene Geometry.			
- Audio	A Scene composed of Audio Objects.			
- Digital	A digitised scene or a Virtual Scene			
- Audio-Visual	A Scene composed of Audio Objects, Visual Objects and co-located Audio-			
	Visual Objects.			
- Visual	A Scene composed of Visual Objects.			
Scene Descriptors	The digital representation of a feature of a scene.			
- Audio	A Data Type including the digital representation of the audio features of a			
	digital scene.			
- Audio-Visual	A Data Type combining the Audio or Visual Scene Descriptors.			
- Visual	A Data Type including the digital representation of the visual features of a			
	digital scene.			
Scene Geometry	The digital representation of the Object arrangement of a Scene.			

- Audio	A Data Type describing the Spatial arrangement of the Visual Objects of a
	Scene.
- Audio-Visual	A Data Type describing the Spatial arrangement of the Audio, Visual, and
	Audio-Visual Objects of a Scene.
- Visual	A Data Type describing the Spatial arrangement of the Visual Objects of a
	Scene.
Attitude	
- Spatial	Position and Orientation and their velocities and accelerations of a Human
	and Visual Object in a Virtual Environment.
Virtual Space	A space generated and maintained by a computing platform that can be ren-
	dered.
Speech	Digital representation of analogue speech sampled at a frequency between 8
	kHz and 96 kHz with a number of bits/sample of 8, 16 or 24, and non-linear
	and linear quantisation or compressed. Data with characteristics of Speech
	may be synthetically produced.

4 References

4.1 Normative Reference

- 1. MPAI; Technical Specification: Governance of the MPAI ecosystem (MPAI-GME), V1.1; https://mpai.community/standards/mpai-gme/
- 2. MPAI; Technical Specification: AI Framework (MPAI-AIF) V2.0; <u>https://mpai.commu-nity/standards/mpai-aif/</u>
- 3. MPAI; Technical Specification: Context-based Audio Enhancement (MPAI-CAE) V2.1; https://mpai.community/standards/mpai-cae/
- 4. Technical Specification: Connected Autonomous Vehicles (MPAI-CAV) Architecture V1.0; https://mpai.community/standards/mpai-cav/
- 5. MPAI; Technical Specification: Multimodal Conversation (MPAI-MMC) V2.1; https://mpai.community/standards/mpai-mmc/
- 6. Technical Specification: MPAI Metaverse Model (MPAI-MMM) Architecture V1.1; <u>https://mpai.community/standards/mpai-mmm/</u>
- 7. MPAI; Technical Specification: Portable Avatar Format (MPAI-PAF) V1.1; https://mpai.community/standards/mpai-paf/
- 8. Khronos; Graphics Language Transmission Format (glTF); October 2021; <u>https://regis-try.khronos.org/glTF/specs/2.0/glTF-2.0.html</u>

4.2 Informative References

- 9. MPAI; The MPAI Statutes; N421; <u>https://mpai.community/statutes/</u>
- 10. MPAI; Patent Policy; <u>https://mpai.community/about/the-mpai-patent-policy/</u>
- 11. MPAI; Framework Licence: Object and Scene Description; <u>https://mpai.community/wp-con-tent/uploads/2023/08/N1361-Framework-Licence-Object-and-Scene-Description-MPAI-OSD.pdf</u>

5 Use Cases

Technical Specification: Object and Scene Description (MPAI-OSD) V1 – in the following MPAI-OSD – contributes to enabling Use Cases developed in the context of other MPAI Technical Specifications. Conversation About a Scene (MMC-CAS)

6 Composite AI Modules

Composite AIMs are AI Modules composed of multiple AI Modules. They are used in several MPAI Use Cases. Each Composite AI Module is specified by including the following elements:

1	Functions of the	The functions performed by the Composite AIM.
•	Composite AIM	
2	of the AIW	The Topology of AIMs in the Composite AIM.
3	Input and Output	Input and Output Data of the Composite AIM.
	Data of the AIW	
4	Functions of the	Functions performed by all AIMs of the Composite
	AIMs	AIM.
5	Input and Output	Input and Output Data of the AIMs of Composite AIM.
	Data of the AIMs	
6	Specification of	Links to summary specification on the web of each AIM
	AIMs and JSON	used in the standard and the corresponding JSON
	Metadata	Metadata as specified by MPAI-AIF [7].

6.1 Audio-Visual Scene Description (OSD-AVD)

6.1.1 Functions of Audio-Visual Object Description

The Audio-Visual Scene Description (OSD-AVD) Composite AIM receives two independently developed Audio Scene Descriptors and Visual Scene Descriptors in the same Virtual Space and produces Audio-Visual Scene Descriptors whose co-located Audio Objects and Visual Objects have the same or related identifiers.

6.1.2 Reference Architecture of Audio-Visual Object Description

Figure 2 gives the Reference Model of Audio-Visual Scene Description.



Figure 2 - Reference Model of Audio-Visual Scene Description

6.1.3 Input/output data of Audio-Visual Object Description

Table 2 gives the input/output data of Audio-Visual Scene Description.

Table 2 – I/O data of Audio-Visual Scene Description

Input data	From	Comment
Input Audio	A real environment	The Input Audio and Input Visual are from the

		same scene	
Input Visual A real environment		The Input Audio and Input Visual are from the	
		same scene	
Output data	То	Comments	
Output data Audio-Visual Scene	To Downstream AIM	Comments The co-located Audio and Visual Objects in the	

6.1.4 Functions of Audio-Visual Object Description AI Modules

Table 3 gives functions of the AIMs.

Table 3 - Al	Modules	Audio-	Visual	Scene	D	escription
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AIM	Modules	
Audio Scene Description	Produces the Audio Scene Descriptors (Geometry+Objects).	
Visual Scene Description	Produces the Visual Scene Descriptors (Geometry+Objects).	
Audio-Visual Alignment	Identifies co-located Audio and Visual Objects.	
	Assigns the same or related Identifiers to the co-located Audio	
	and Visual Objects.	
	Updates the Audio-Visual Scene Geometry.	
Audio-Visual Scene Mul-	Multiplexes the new Audio-Visual Scene Geometry and the Au-	
tiplexing	dio and Visual Objects.	

6.1.5 I/O Data of Audio-Visual Object Description AI Modules

Table 4 gives the list of the AIMs with their functions.

Table 4 - AI Modules	of Audio-Visual	Scene Description
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AIM	Receives	Produces	
Audio Scene Description	Input Audio	Audio Objects	
		Audio Scene Geometry	
Visual Scene Description	Input Visual	Visual Objects	
		Visual Scene Geometry	
Audio-Visual Alignment	Audio Scene Geometry	Audio-Visual Scene Geome-	
	Visual Scene Geometry	try	
Audio-Visual Scene Multi-	Audio Objects	Audio-Visual Scene De-	
plexing	Visual Objects	scriptors	
	Audio-Visual Scene Geometry		

6.1.6 Specification of Audio-Visual Object Description AIMs and JSON Metadata

Table 5 – AIM and JSON Metadata

- OSD-AVS	Audio-Visual Scene Description	X
	Andie Come Description	v
- CAE-ASD	Audio Scene Description	$\underline{\mathbf{\Lambda}}$
- CAE-AAT	<u>Audio Analysis Transform</u>	<u>X</u>
- CAE-ASL	Audio Source Localisation	<u>X</u>
- CAE-ASE	Audio Separation and Enhancement	<u>X</u>
- CAE-AST	Audio Synthesis Transform	X
- CAE-AMX	Audio Descriptor Multiplexing	X
- OSD-VSD	Visual Scene Description	<u>X</u>

- OSD-AVA	Audio-Visual Alignment	X
- OSD-AMX	Audio-Visual Scene Multiplexing	X

6.2 Visual Object Identification (OSD-VOI)

6.2.1 Functions of Visual Object Identification

The purpose of the Visual Object Identification (OSD-VOI) AIM is to provide the Identifier of a Visual Object in an Environment containing a plurality of Objects one of which a human indicates by pointing at it with a finger.

6.2.2 Reference Architecture of Visual Object Identification

Figure 3 depicts the AIM implementing the Visual Object Identification AIM.



Figure 3 – Reference Model of the Visual Object Identification AIM

The workflow of Visual Spatial Object Identification unfolds as follows:

- 1. Direction Identification provides the (ϕ, θ) angles obtained by analysing the finger of the human.
- 2. Object Extraction uses the Visual Scene Geometry and the Direction to find the Object intersected by the line identified by (ϕ, θ) passing through the finger. It is assumed that one and only one Object is found.
- 3. Object Instance Identification provides the ID of the Object Instance.

6.2.3 Input/output data of Visual Object Identification

Table 6 gives the input/output data of Visual Object Identification.

Input data From		Comment	
Body Descriptors	Visual Scene Description	There is a human pointing to an object	
Visual Objects	Visual Scene Description	There are many scene objects	
Visual Scene Geom-	Visual Scene Description	Provides description of the scene	
etry			
Output data	То	Comments	
Visual Object In-	Human or another AIM	Human points to one object only	
stance ID			

Table 6 – I/O data of Visual Object Identification

6.2.4 Functions of AI Modules of Visual Object Identification

Table 7 gives the functions of the AIMs.

AIM	Modules			
Visual Direction Identifi-	Produces Anchored Direction with the following features:			
cation	1. The Point belongs to the forefinger of the Entity.			
	2. Azimuth and Elevation of the line enable it to cross the Ob-			
	ject in-tended by the Entity.			
Visual Object Extraction	Singles out the Visual Object indicated by the Entity.			
Visual Instance Identifi-	Produces an Instance ID identifying an element of a set of Visual			
cation	Objects belonging to a level in a taxonomy.			

Table 7 – Functions of Visual Object Identification AI Modules

6.2.5 I/O Data of AI Modules of Visual Object Identification

Table 8 gives the list of the AIMs with their functions.

Table 8 - AI Modules a	of Visual	Object	Identification
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AIM	Receives	Produces	
Visual Direction Identifica-	Visual Scene Geometry	Anchorad Direction	
tion	Body Descriptors	Alleholed Direction	
Visual Object Extraction	Visual Scene Geometry	Target Viewal Object	
	Anchored Direction	Target Visual Object	
Visual Instance Identification	Target Visual Object	Instance Identifier	

6.2.6 Specification of Visual Object Identification AIMs and JSON Metadata

Table 9 – AIM and JSON Metadata

AIM	Name	JSON
OSD-VOI	Visual Object Identification	<u>X</u>
- OSD-VDI	Visual Direction Identification	<u>X</u>
- OSD-VOE	Visual Object Extraction	<u>X</u>
- OSD-VII	Visual Instance Identification	<u>X</u>

7 Data Formats

Table 10 provides the list of Data Formats target of the Call for Technologies.

Table 10 – Data formats

Name of Data Format	Subsection	Use Case
Coordinates, Angles, and Objects	7.1	ARA-ABV
		MMC-CAS
		MMC-HCI
		MPAI-CAV
		MPAI-MMM
Spatial Attitude	7.2	ARA-ABV
		MMC-CAS
		MMC-HCI

		MPAI-CAV
		MPAI-MMM
Audio Scene Geometry	7.3	ARA-ABV
		MMC-HCI
		MPAI-CAV
		MPAI-MMM
Audio Scene Descriptors	7.4	ARA-ABV
		MMC-HCI
		MPAI-CAV
		MPAI-MMM
Visual Scene Geometry	7.6	ARA-ABV
		MMC-CAS
		MMC-HCI
		MPAI-CAV
		MPAI-MMM
		MMC-HCI
Visual Scene Descriptors	7.7	ARA-ABV
		MMC-CAS
		MMC-HCI
		MPAI-CAV
		MPAI-MMM
		MMC-HCI
Audio-Visual Scene Geometry	7.9	ARA-ABV
		MMC-CAS
		MMC-HCI
		MPAI-CAV
		MPAI-MMM
		MMC-HCI
Audio-Visual Scene Descriptors	7.10	ARA-ABV
		MMC-CAS
		MMC-HCI
		MPAI-CAV
		MPAI-MMM
		MMC-HCI

The following Sections specify of the data formats.

7.1 Coordinates, Angles, and Objects

Figure 4 depict the regular way of defining Cartesian. *Figure 5* depicts the Cartesian Coordinates applicable to a visual capture device such as camera or LiDAR placed in an Environment with the (x,y) plane perpendicular and crossing the Device's sensors. The z axis is perpendicular to the (x,y) plane and pointing to the captured scene.



Figure 6, *Figure 7*, and *Figure 8* graphically represent how different applications associate the local (x,y,z) coordinates with the roll, pitch, and yaw rotations.



7.2 Spatial Attitude

Table 11 gives the components of the Spatial Attitude of an Object. The Position of an Object is that of a representative point in the Object.

7.2.1 Syntax

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      "properties": {
        "Standard": {
           "type": "string"
        },
        "Version": {
           "type": "integer"
        },
        "type": "integer"
        }
    }
}
```

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},
"OSAID": {
    "type": "string"
 },
"General": {
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    "conerties": {
    "
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},
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    }
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"OrientAccel": {
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    "minItems": 3,
    "maxItems": 3,
    "items": 4
    "type": "number"
    }
}
```

7.2.2 Semantics

Table 11 provides the semantics of the components of the Spatial Attitude. The following should be noted:

- 1. The first byte is always present.
- 2. Each of the other components is optional.
- 3. Each of Position, Velocity, and Acceleration is provided either in Cartesian (X,Y,Z) or Spherical (r,ϕ,θ) Coordinates.
- 4. The Euler angles are indicated by (α, β, γ) .

HI	EADER	9 Bytes			
٠	Standard	7 Bytes	The string OSD-OSA		
•	Version	1 Byte	Major version		
٠	Subversion	1 Byte	Minor version		
05	SAID	16 Bytes	UUID Identifier of Object Spatial Attitude.		
Ge	eneral				
•	CoordType	bit 0	0: Cartesian, 1: Spherical		
٠	ObjectType	bit 1-2	00: Digital Human		
			01: Generic		
			10 and 11: reserved		
•	Precision	bit 3	0: single precision; 1: double precision		
•	MediaType	bit 4-6	000: Audio; 001: Visual; 010: Haptic; 011: Smell;		
	••		100: RADAR; 101: LiDAR; 110: Ultrasound; 111:		
			reserved		
•	Reserved	bit 6-7	reserved		
•	SpatialAttitudeMask	2 Bytes	3*3 matrix of booleans (by rows)		
	-		Position Velocity Acceleration		
			Cartesian		
			Spherical		
			Orientat.		
Position and Orientation					
٠	CartPosition (X,Y,Z)	12/24 Bytes	Array (in metres)		
•	SpherPosition (r, φ, θ)	12/24 Bytes	Array (in metres and degrees)		

Table 11 – Components of the Spatial Attitude

٠	Orient (α,β,γ)	12/24 Bytes	Array (in degrees)	
Velocity of Position and Orientation				
٠	CartVelocity (X,Y,Z)	12/24 Bytes	Array (in metres)	
٠	SpherVelocity (r, φ, θ)	12/24 Bytes	Array (in metres and degrees)	
٠	OrientVelocity	12/24 Bytes	Array (in degrees)	
	(α,β,γ)			
A	Acceleration of Position and Orientation			
٠	CartAccel (X,Y,Z)	12/24 Bytes	Array (in metres)	
•	SpherAccel (r, φ, θ)	12/24 Bytes	Array (in metres and degrees)	
•	OrientAccel (α, β, γ)	12/24 Bytes	Array (in degrees)	

7.3 Audio Scene Geometry

The Audio Scene Geometry format is specified in [3]. It is reported here for convenience.

7.3.1 Syntax

```
{
         "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-07/schema#",
"title": "Audio Scene Geometry",
"type": "object",
            "properties": {
                         "Header": {
"type": "object",
                                    "properties": {
"Standard": {
"type": "string"
                                              },
"Version": {
    "type": "integer"
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"Subversion": {
    "' "inter"
                                                             "type": "integer"
                                               }
                                  }
                   },
"ASGID": {
"type": "string"
                    "properties": {
"TimeType": {
"type": "boolean"
                                              },
"StartTime": {
    "type": "number"
                                             },
"EndTime": {
    "type": "number"
                                  }
                     },
"AudioObjectCount": {
    "type": "integer"
                      },
"AudioObjectsData": {
    "type": "object",
    "type": {
    "type: {
    "type
                                      "properties": {
                                                   "AudioObjectID": {
"type": "string"
                                                },
"SpatialAttitude": {
    "$ref": "https://schemas.mpai.community/OSD/V1.0/data/SpatialAttitude.json"
                                               }
                                  }
                        }
```

7.3.2 Semantics

Table 12 provides the semantics of the Audio Scene Geometry.

Label	Size	Description	
HEADER	9 Bytes		
Standard	7 Bytes	The string CAE-ASG	
Version	1 Byte	Major version	
Subversion	1 Byte	Minor version	
ASGID	16 Bytes	UUID Identifier of Audio Scene Geometries set.	
Time	17 Bytes	Collects various data expressed with bits	
• TimeType	0 bit	0=Relative: time starts at 0000/00/00T00:00	
		1=Absolute: time starts at 1970/01/01T00:00.	
• Reserved	1-7 bits	reserved	
• StartTime	8 Bytes	Start of current Audio Scene Geometry (in µs).	
• EndTime	8 Bytes	End of current Audio Scene Geometry (in µs).	
AudioObjectCount	1 Byte	Number of Audio Objects in the Audio Scene.	
AudioObjectsData	N1 Bytes	Data associated to each Audio Object.	
 AudioObjectID 	1 Byte	ID of a specific Audio Object in the Audio Scene.	
• Reserved	6-7 bits		
Spatial Attitude	N2 Bytes	Spatial Attitude of each Audio Object.	

Table 12 – Audio Scene Geometry Semantics

7.4 Audio Object

7.4.1 Syntax

```
"ObjectLength": {
    "type": "integer"
    },
    "DataInObject": {
        "$ref": "https://schemas.mpai.community/CAE/V2.1/data/AudioObject.json"
        }
    }
    }
}
```

7.4.2 Semantics

Label	Size	Description
HEADER	9 Bytes	
Standard	7 Bytes	The string CAE-ASD
Version	1 Byte	Major version
Subversion	1 Byte	Minor version
AOBID	16 Bytes	UUID Identifier of the Audio Object.
AudioObjectData	N1 Bytes	Data associated to each Audio Object.
• Reserved	6-7 bits	
AudioObject	N2 Bytes	
 FormatID 	1 Byte	Audio Object Format Identifier
 ObjectLength 	4 Bytes	Number of Bytes in Audio Object
 DataInObject 	N3 Bytes	Data of Audio Object

7.5 Audio Scene Descriptors

The Audio Scene Descriptors format is specified in [3]. It is reported here for convenience.

7.5.1 Syntax

```
{
    "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-07/schema#",
    "title": "Audio Scene Descriptors",
    "type": "object",
    "properties": {
        "type": "object",
        "properties": {
            "type": "string"
        },
        "Version": {
            "type": "integer"
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            "type": "integer"
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```

```
"EndTime": {
    "type": "number"
    }
},
''AudioObjectCount": {
    "type": "integer"
},
''AudioObjectsData": {
    "type": "object".
    "type": "string"
    },
    "SamplingAte": {
        "type": "number"
    },
    "SamplingType": {
        "type": "number"
    },
    "SpatialAttitude": {
        "SpatialAttitude": {
        "type": "object",
        "properties": {
        "type": "object",
        "type": "object",
        "type": "number"
    },
    "SatialAttitude": {
        "type": "number"
    },
        "SatialAttitude": {
        "type": "number"
    },
        "SpatialAttitude": {
        "type": "object",
        "type": "object",
        "type": "object",
        "type": "object",
        "type": "integer"
        },
        "doioObjectLength": {
             "type": "integer"
        },
        "DataInObject": {
             "$ref": "https://schemas.mpai.community/CAE/V2.1/data/AudioObject.json"
        }
    }
    }
}
```

7.5.2 Semantics

}

Table 13 provides the semantics of Audio Scene Descriptors.

Label	Size	Description
HEADER	9 Bytes	
Standard	7 Bytes	The string CAE-ASD
Version	1 Byte	Major version
Subversion	1 Byte	Minor
ASDID	16 Bytes	UUID Identifier of Audio Scene Descriptors set.
Time	17 Bytes	Collects various data expressed with bits
• TimeType	0 bit	0=Relative: time starts at 0000/00/00T00:00
		1=Absolute: time starts at 1970/01/01T00:00.
• Reserved	1-7 bits	reserved
• StartTime	8 Bytes	Start of current Audio Scene Descriptors (in µs).
• EndTime	8 Bytes	End of current Audio Scene Descriptors (in µs).
AudioObjectCount	1 Byte	Number of Audio Objects in the Audio Scene.
AudioObjectsData	N1 Bytes	Data associated to each Audio Object.
AudioObjectID	1 Byte	ID of a specific Audio Object in the Audio Scene.

Table 13 – Audio Scene Descriptors Semantics

•	SamplingRate	0-3 bits	0:8, 1:16, 2:24, 3:32, 4:44.1, 5:48, 6: 64, 7: 96, 8:
			192 (all kHz)
•	SampleType	4-5 bits	0:16, 1:24, 2:32, 3:64 (all bits/sample)
•	Reserved	6-7 bits	
•	Spatial Attitude	N2 Bytes	According to MPAI-OSD V1
•	AudioObject	N3 Bytes	
	• FormatID	1 Byte	Audio Object Format Identifier
	 ObjectLength 	4 Bytes	Number of Bytes in Audio Object
	 DataInObject 	N4 Bytes	Data of Audio Object

7.6 Visual Scene Geometry

7.6.1 Syntax

```
"$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-07/schema#",
"title": "Visual Scene Geometry",
"type": "object",
"properties": {
    "type": "object",
    "properties": {
        "Standard": {
            "type": "string"
        }.
      {
                                                             },
"Version": {
    "type": "integer"
                                                              },
"Subversion": {
    "type": "integer"
                                                 }
                               },
"VSGID": {
"type": "string"
                                "properties": {
"TimeType": {
"type": "boolean"
                                                             },
"StartTime": {
    "type": "number"
                                                            },
"EndTime": {
    "type": "number"
                                              }
                                },
"VisualObjectCount": {
    "type": "integer"
                                },
"VisualObjectsData": {
    "type": "object",
    "properties": {
        "VisualObjectID": 4
        "Utype: 4

                                                                 "VisualObjectID": {
"type": "string"
                                                               "$ref": "https://schemas.mpai.community/OSD/V1.0/data/SpatialAttitude.json"
}
}
}
                                                              }
```

7.6.2 Semantics

Table 14 provides the semantics of Visual Scene Geometry.

Label	Size	Description
HEADER	9 Bytes	
Standard	7 Bytes	The string OSD-VSD
Version	1 Byte	Major version
Subversion	1 Byte	Minor
VSGID	16 Bytes	UUID Identifier of the total set of Visual Scene Ge- ometries (uuid).
Time	17 Bytes	Collects various data expressed with bits
• TimeType	0 bit	0=Relative: time starts at 0000/00/00T00:00 1=Absolute: time starts at 1970/01/01T00:00.
Reserved	1-7 bits	reserved
• StartTime	8 Bytes	Start time of current Visual Scene Descriptors (in microseconds).
• EndTime	8 Bytes	End time of current Visual Scene Descriptors (in microseconds).
VisualObjectCount	1 Byte	Number of Visual Objects in Visual Scene.
VisualObjectsData	N1 Bytes	Data associated to each Visual Object.
VisualObjectID	1 Byte	ID of a specific Visual Object in a Visual Scene.
Reserved	1 Byte	
SpatialAttitude	N2 Bytes	Spatial Attitude of each Object

Table 14 – Visual Scene Geometry Semantics

7.7 Visual Object

7.7.1 Syntax

7.7.2 Semantics

Label	Size	Description
HEADER	9 Bytes	
• Standard	7 Bytes	The string CAE-ASD
Version	1 Byte	Major version
Subversion	1 Byte	Minor version
VOBID	16 Bytes	UUID Identifier of the Visual Object.
VisualObjectData	N1 Bytes	Data associated to each Visual Object.
VisualObject	N2 Bytes	
 FormatID 	1 Byte	Audio Object Format Identifier
 ObjectLength 	4 Bytes	Number of Bytes in Audio Object
 DataInObject 	N3 Bytes	Data of Audio Object

7.8 Visual Scene Descriptors

7.8.1 Syntax

```
{
  "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-07/schema#",
  "title": "Visual Scene Descriptors",
  "type": "object",
  "type": "object",
  "type": "object",
  "type": "string"
  },
  "Version": {
    "type": "integer"
  },
  "Subversion": {
    "type": "number"
  }
  }
  },
  "VSDID": {
    "type": "object",
    "type": "object",
    "type": "string"
  },
  "Time": {
    "type": "object",
    "properties": {
    "type": "string"
  },
  "StantTime": {
    "type": "number"
  },
    "StartTime": {
    "type": "number"
  },
  }
}
```

```
},
"VisualObjectsData": {
    "type": "object",
    "properties": {
        "type": "string"
      },
        "SpatialAttitude": {
            "Sref": "https://schemas.mpai.community/OSD/V1.0/data/SpatialAttitude.json"
      },
        "type": "object",
        "properties": {
            "type": "integer"
      },
        "ObjectLength": {
            "type": "integer"
      },
        "DobjectLength": {
            "type": "integer"
      },
        "Dobject": {
            "type": "integer"
      },
        "Sref": "https://schemas.mpai.community/OSD/V1.0/data/VisualObject.json"
      }
    }
}
```

7.8.2 Semantics

}

Table 15 provides the semantics of Visual Scene Descriptors.

	Label	Size	Description
H	EADER	9 Bytes	•
•	Standard	7 Bytes	The string OSD-VSD
•	Version	1 Byte	Major version
•	Subversion	1 Byte	Minor
VS	SDID	16 Bytes	UUID Identifier of the total set of Visual Scene De- scriptors (uuid).
Ti	me	17 Bytes	Collects various data expressed with bits
٠	TimeType	0 bit	0=Relative: time starts at 0000/00/00T00:00
			1=Absolute: time starts at 1970/01/01T00:00.
٠	Reserved	1-7 bits	reserved
•	StartTime	8 Bytes	Start time of current Visual Scene Descriptors (in mi-
			croseconds).
•	EndTime	8 Bytes	End time of current Visual Scene Descriptors (in microseconds).
Vi	sualObjectCount	1 Byte	Number of Visual Objects in Visual Scene.
Vi	sualObjectsData	N1 Bytes	Data associated to each Visual Object.
٠	VisualObjectID	1 Byte	ID of a specific Visual Object in a Visual Scene.
•	Reserved	1 Byte	
•	SpatialAttitude	N2 Bytes	According to MPAI-OSD V1
•	VisualObject	N3 Bytes	
	• FormatID	1 Byte	Visual Object Format Identifier
	• Length	4 Bytes	Number of Bytes in Visual Object
	• DataInObject	N4 Bytes	Data of Visual Object

Table 15 – Visual Scene Descriptors Semantics

7.9 Audio-Visual Scene Geometry

7.9.1 Syntax

```
{
   "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-07/schema#",
"title": "Audio-Visual Scene Geometry",
"type": "object",
   "properties": {
      "Header": {
"type": "object",
          "properties": {

"Standard": {
                "type": "string"
            },
"Version": {
"type": "integer"
            },
"Subversion": {
    "type": "integer"
         }
     },
"AVGID": {
"type": "string"
     "properties": {
"TimeType": {
"type": "boolean"
            },
"StartTime": {
    "type": "number"
            },
"EndTime": {
    "type": "number"
         }
     },
"AVObjectCount": {
"type": "integer"
      },
"AVObjectsData": {
    "type": "object",
    "types:: {
          "properties": {
    "AVObjectID": {
                "type": "string"
            },
"SpatialAttitude": {
    "$ref": "https://schemas.mpai.community/OSD/V1.0/data/SpatialAttitude.json"
         }
      }
   }
}
```

7.9.2 Semantics

Table 16 provides the semantics of the Audio-Visual Scene Geometry.

Label	Size	Description
HEADER	9 Bytes	
Standard	7 Bytes	The string OSD-AVG
Version	1 Byte	Major version
Subversion	1 Byte	Minor

Table 16 – Audio-Visual Scene Geometry

AVGID	16 Bytes	UUID Identifier of the total set of Audio-Visual
		Scene Geometries.
Time	17 Bytes	Collects various data expressed with bits
• TimeType	0 bit	0=Relative: time starts at 0000/00/00T00:00
		1=Absolute: time starts at 1970/01/01T00:00.
• Reserved	1-7 bits	reserved
• StartTime	8 Bytes	Start time of current Audio-Visual Scene Descriptors
		(in microseconds).
• EndTime	8 Bytes	End time of current Audio-Visual Scene Descriptors
		(in microseconds).
AVObjectCount	1 Byte	Number of Objects in Scene.
AVObjectData	N1 Bytes	Data associated to each Object.
AVObjectID	1 Byte	ID of a specific Object in the Scene.
SpatialAttitude	N2 Bytes	

7.10 Audio-Visual Object

7.10.1 Syntax

```
{
                      "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-07/schema#",
"title": "AudioVisualObject",
"type": "object",
"properties": {
    "Header": {
        "type": "object",
        "roperties": {
        "type": "object",
        "properties": {
        "type": "object",
        "properties": {
        "type": "object",
        "type: "object",

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"Standard": {
"type": "string"
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"Version": {
    "type": "integer"
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"Subversion": {
    "type": "integer"
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                                            },
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"AudioObjectsData": {
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                                                                                 "properties": {
                                                                                                       "AudioObject": {

"type": "object",

"properties": {

"FormatID": {

"type": "integer"
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"ObjectLength": {
    "type": "integer"
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"DataInObject": {
    "$ref": "https://schemas.mpai.community/CAE/V2.1/data/AudioObject.json"
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                                                                                                   },
"VisualObject": {
    "type": "object",
    "constries": {
    "constries": {

                                                                                                                                    "properties": {

"FormatID": {

"type": "integer"
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"ObjectLength": {
    "type": "integer"
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```
},
    "DataInObject": {
    "Sref": "https://schemas.mpai.community/OSD/V1.0/data/VisualObject.json"
    }
    }
}
```

7.10.2 Semantics

Label	Size	Description
HEADER	9 Bytes	
Standard	7 Bytes	The string OSD-AVO
Version	1 Byte	Major version
Subversion	1 Byte	Minor version
AVOID	16 Bytes	UUID Identifier of the Audio-Visual Object.
AVObjectData	N1 Bytes	Data associated to each Audio-Visual Object.
 AudioObject 	N2 Bytes	
 FormatID 	1 Byte	Audio Object Format Identifier
 ObjectLength 	4 Bytes	Number of Bytes in Audio Object
 DataInObject 	N3 Bytes	Data of Audio Object
 VisualObject 	N4 Bytes	
 FormatID 	1 Byte	Visual Object Format Identifier
• Length	4 Bytes	Number of Bytes in Visual Object
 DataInObject 	N5 Bytes	Data of Visual Object

7.11 Audio-Visual Scene Descriptors

7.11.1 Syntax

```
{
    "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-07/schema#",
    "title": "Audio-Visual Scene Descriptors",
    "type": "object",
    "properties": {
        "type": "object",
        "properties": {
            "type": "string"
        },
        "Version": {
            "type": "integer"
        },
            "Subversion": {
            "type": "integer"
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    }
    ,
    "XVSID": {
        "type": "string"
      },
      "Time": {
            "type": "string"
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            "Time": {
            "type": "boject",
            "properties": {
                "type": "integer"
            },
            "Subversion": {
                "type": "integer"
            },
            "Supersion": {
                "type": "string"
            },
            "Time": {
                "type": "boject",
            "type": "boolean"
        },
        "type": "boolean"
        },
        "type": "number"
        *
}
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},
"EndTime": {
    "type": "number"
                       }
             },
"AVObjectCount": {
    "integer"
                         "type": "integer"
          },
"AVObjectsData": {
    "type": "object",
    "properties": {
        "AVObjectID": {
        "type": "string
        "type: "string
                                                 "type": "string"
                                  },
"SamplingRate": {
"type": "number"
                                   },
"SamplingType": {
    "type": "number"
                                     },
"SpatialAttitude": {
    "$ref": "https://schemas.mpai.community/OSD/V1.0/data/SpatialAttitude.json"
                                  },
"AVObject": {
    "type": "object",
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"FormatID": {
"type": "integer"
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"ObjectLength": {
    "type": "integer"
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"DataInAObject": {
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                                                                         "$ref": "https://schemas.mpai.community/CAE/V2.1/data/AudioObject.json"
                                                           "$ref": "https://schemas.mpai.community/OSD/V1.0/data/VisualObject.json"
     }
}
}
                                                           }
}
```

7.11.2 Semantics

}

Table 17 provides the semantics of the Audio-Visual Scene Descriptors.

Label	Size	Description
HEADER	9 Bytes	
Standard	7 Bytes	The string OSD-AVS
Version	1 Byte	Major version
Subversion	1 Byte	Minor
AVDID	16 Bytes	UUID Identifier of the total set of Audio-Visual
	-	Scene Descriptors.
Time	17 Bytes	Collects various data expressed with bits
• TimeType	0 bit	0=Relative: time starts at 0000/00/00T00:00
• •		1=Absolute: time starts at 1970/01/01T00:00.
• Reserved	1-7 bits	reserved
• StartTime	8 Bytes	Start time of current Audio-Visual Scene Descriptors
		(in microseconds).

Table 17 – Audio-Visual Scene Descriptors

• EndTime	8 Bytes	End time of current Audio-Visual Scene Descriptors
		(in microseconds).
AVObjectCount	1 Byte	Number of Objects in Scene.
AVObjectData	N1 Bytes	Data associated to each Object.
AVObjectID	1 Byte	ID of a specific Object in the Scene.
SamplingRate	0-3 bits	0: 8kHz, 1: 16kHz, 2: 24kHz, 3: 32kHz, 4: 44.1kHz,
		5: 48kHz, 6: 64kHz, 7: 96kHz, 8: 192kHz
• SampleType	4-5 bits	0:16bit, 1:24bit, 2:32bit, 3:64bit)
• Reserved	6-7 bits	
SpatialAttitude	N2 Bytes	According to MPAI-OSD V1
AudioObject	N3 Bytes	
• FormatID	1 Byte	Audio Object Format Identifier
• Length	4 Bytes	Number of Bytes in Audio Object
 DataInObject 	N4 Bytes	Data of Audio Object
VisualObject	N5 Bytes	
• FormatID	1 Byte	Visual Object Format Identifier
• Length	4 Bytes	Number of Bytes in Audio Object
• DataInObject	N6 Bytes	Data of Visual Object

Annex 1 - MPAI Basics

1 General

In recent years, Artificial Intelligence (AI) and related technologies have been introduced in a broad range of applications affecting the life of millions of people and are expected to do so much more in the future. As digital media standards have positively influenced industry and billions of people, so AI-based data coding standards are expected to have a similar positive impact. In addition, some AI technologies may carry inherent risks, e.g., in terms of bias toward some classes of users making the need for standardisation more important and urgent than ever.

The above considerations have prompted the establishment of the international, unaffiliated, notfor-profit Moving Picture, Audio and Data Coding by Artificial Intelligence (MPAI) organisation with the mission to develop *AI-enabled data coding standards* to enable the development of AIbased products, applications, and services.

As a rule, MPAI standards include four documents: Technical Specification, Reference Software Specifications, Conformance Testing Specifications, and Performance Assessment Specifications. The last – and new in standardisation – type of Specification includes standard operating procedures that enable users of MPAI Implementations to make informed decision about their applicability based on the notion of Performance, defined as a set of attributes characterising a reliable and trustworthy implementation.

2 Governance of the MPAI Ecosystem

Technical Specification: Governance of the MPAI Ecosystem lays down the foundations of the MPAI Ecosystem. MPAI develops and maintains the following documents the following technical documents:

- 1. Technical Specification.
- 2. Reference Software Specification.
- 3. Conformance Testing.
- 4. Performance Assessment.
- 5. Technical Report

An MPAI Standard is a collection of a variable number of the 5 document types.

Figure 9 depicts the operation of the MPAI ecosystem generated by MPAI Standards.



Figure 9 – The MPAI ecosystem operation

Table 18 identifies the following roles in the MPAI Ecosystem:

MPAI	Publishes Standards.
	Establishes the not-for-profit MPAI Store.
	Appoints Performance Assessors.
Implementers	Submit Implementations to Performance Assessors.
Performance	Inform Implementation submitters and the MPAI Store if Implementation Per-
Assessors	formance is acceptable.
Implementers	Submit Implementations to the MPAI Store.
MPAI Store	Assign unique ImplementerIDs (IID) to Implementers in its capacity as Imple-
	menterID Registration Authority (IIDRA) ¹ .
	Verifies security and Tests Implementation Conformance.
Users	Download Implementations and report their experience to MPAI.

Table 18 - Roles in the MPAI Ecosystem

3 AI Framework

In general, MPAI Application Standards are defined as aggregations – called AI Workflows (AIW) – of processing elements – called AI Modules (AIM) – executed in an AI Framework (AIF). MPAI defines Interoperability as the ability to replace an AIW or an AIM Implementation with a functionally equivalent Implementation.

Figure 10 depicts the MPAI-AIF Reference Model under which Implementations of MPAI Application Standards and user-defined MPAI-AIF Conforming applications operate [2].



Figure 10 – The AI Framework (AIF) Reference Model

MPAI Application Standards normatively specify the Syntax and Semantics of the input and output data and the Function of the AIW and the AIMs, and the Connections between and among the AIMs of an AIW.

An AIW is defined by its Function and input/output Data and by its AIM topology. Likewise, an AIM is defined by its Function and input/output Data. MPAI standard are silent on the technology

¹ At the time of publication of this Technical Report, the MPAI Store was assigned as the IIDRA.

used to implement the AIM which may be based on AI or data processing, and implemented in software, hardware or hybrid software and hardware technologies.

MPAI also defines 3 Interoperability Levels of an AIF that executes an AIW. Table 19 gives the characteristics of an AIW and its AIMs of a given Level:

Level	AIW	AIMs
1	An implementation of a use case	Implementations able to call the MPAI-
		AIF APIs.
2	An Implementation of an MPAI Use Case	Implementations of the MPAI Use Case
3	An Implementation of an MPAI Use Case	Implementations of the MPAI Use Case
	certified by a Performance Assessor	certified by Performance Assessors

Table 19 - MPAI Interoperability Levels

4 Audio Scene Description

The ability to describe (i.e., digitally represent) an audio-visual scene is a key requirement of several Use Cases. *Technical Specification: Context-based Audio Enhancement (MPAI-CAE) V2.1* [7] that includes the specification of Audio Scene Descriptors produced by the Composite Audio Scene Description AI Module (AIM) and depicted in Figure 16.



Figure 11 - The Audio Scene Description Composite AIM

5 Avatar-Based Videoconference

Technical Report: Avatar-Based Videoconference (MPAI-ARA) specifies AIWs and AIMs of a Use Case where geographically distributed humans hold a videoconference represented by their avatars having their visual appearance and uttering their real voice (Figure 12).



Figure 12 – Avatar-Based Videoconference end-to-end diagram

Figure 13 contains the reference architectures of the four AW Workflows constituting the Avatar-Based Videoconference: Client (Transmission side), Server, Virtual Secretary, and Client (Receiving side).



Figure 13 - The AIWs of Avatar-Based Videoconference

6 Connected Autonomous Vehicles

MPAI defines a Connected Autonomous Vehicle (CAV), as a physical system that:

- 1. Converses with humans by understanding their utterances, e.g., a request to be taken to a destination.
- 2. Acquires information with a variety of sensors on the physical environment where it is located or traverses like the one depicted in *Figure 14*.
- 3. Plans a Route enabling the CAV to reach the requested destination.
- 4. Autonomously reaches the destination by:
- 4.1. Moving in the physical environment.
- 4.2. Building Digital Representations of the Environment.
- 4.3. Exchanging elements of such Representations with other CAVs and CAV-aware entities.
- 4.4. Making decisions about how to execute the Route.
- 4.5. Acting on the CAV motion actuation to implement the decisions.



MPAI believes in the capability of standards to accelerate the creation of a global competitive CAV market and has published Technical Specification: Connected Autonomous Vehicle (MPAI-CAV) – Architecture that includes (see *Figure 15*):

- 1. A CAV Reference Model broken down into four Subsystems.
- 2. The Functions of each Subsystem.
- 3. The Data exchanged between Subsystems.
- 4. A breakdown of each Subsystem in Components (see Figure 16) of which the following is specified:
- 4.1. The Functions of the Components.
- 4.2. The Data exchanged between Components.
- 4.3. The Topology of Components and their Connections.
- 5. Functional Requirements of the Data exchanged (under development).
- 6. Standard technologies for the Data exchanged (in the future).



Figure 16 - The MPAI-CAV Subsystems with their Components (left-right & top bottom: Human-Cav Interaction, Environment Sensing Subsystem, Autonomous Motion Subsystem, and Motion Actuation Subsystem)

Subsystems are implemented as AI Workflows and Components as AI Modules according to Technical Specification: AI Framework (MPAI-AIF) [4].

Annex 2 - MPAI-wide terms and definitions

The Terms used in this standard whose first letter is capital and are not already included in Table 1 are defined in Table 20.

Term	Definition		
Access	Static or slowly changing data that are required by an application such as		
	domain knowledge data, data models, etc.		
AI Framework	The environment where AIWs are executed.		
(AIF)			
AI Modules (AIM)	A data processing element receiving AIM-specific Inputs and producing		
	AIM-specific Outputs according to according to its Function. An AIM		
	may be an aggregation of AIMs.		
AI Workflow	A structured aggregation of AIMs implementing a Use Case receiving		
(AIW)	AIW-specific inputs and producing AIW-specific outputs according to		
	the AIW Function.		
Application Stand-	An MPAI Standard designed to enable a particular application domain.		
ard			
Channel	A connection between an output port of an AIM and an input port of an		
	AIM. The term "connection" is also used as synonymous.		
Communication	The infrastructure that implements message passing between AIMs		
Composite AIM	An AIM aggregating more than one AIM.		
Component	One of the 7 AIF elements: Access, Communication, Controller, Internal		
	Storage, Global Storage, Store, and User Agent		
Conformance	The attribute of an Implementation of being a correct technical Implem-		
	entation of a Technical Specification.		
Conformance Tester	An entity Testing the Conformance of an Implementation.		
Conformance Test-	The normative document specifying the Means to Test the Conformance		
ing	of an Implementation.		
Conformance Test-	Procedures, tools, data sets and/or data set characteristics to Test the		
ing Means	Conformance of an Implementation.		
Connection	A channel connecting an output port of an AIM and an input port of an		
	AIM.		
Controller	A Component that manages and controls the AIMs in the AIF, so that		
	they execute in the correct order and at the time when they are needed		
Data Format	The standard digital representation of data.		
Data Semantics	The meaning of data.		
Ecosystem	The ensemble of actors making it possible for a User to execute an ap-		
	plication composed of an AIF, one or more AIWs, each with one or more		
	AIMs potentially sourced from independent implementers.		
Explainability	The ability to trace the output of an Implementation back to the inputs		
	that have produced it.		
Fairness	The attribute of an Implementation whose extent of applicability can be		
	assessed by making the training set and/or network open to testing for		
	bias and unanticipated results.		
Function	The operations effected by an AIW or an AIM on input data.		

Table 20 - MPAI-wide Terms

Global Storage	A Component to store data shared by AIMs.		
Internal Storage	A Component to store data of the individual AIMs.		
Identifier	A name that uniquely identifies an Implementation.		
Implementation	1. An embodiment of the MPAI-AIF Technical Specification, or		
1	2. An AIW or AIM of a particular Level (1-2-3) conforming with a Use		
	Case of an MPAI Application Standard.		
Implementer	A legal entity implementing MPAI Technical Specifications		
ImplementerID	A unique name assigned by the ImplementerID Registration Authority		
(IID)	to an Implementer.		
ImplementerID	The entity appointed by MPAI to assign ImplementerID's to Implement-		
Registration Au-	ers.		
thority (IIDRA)			
Interoperability	The ability to functionally replace an AIM with another AIW having the		
	same Interoperability Level		
Interoperability	The attribute of an AIW and its AIMs to be executable in an AIF Imple-		
Level	mentation and to:		
	1. Be proprietary (Level 1)		
	2. Pass the Conformance Testing (Level 2) of an Application Standard		
	3. Pass the Performance Testing (Level 3) of an Application Standard.		
Knowledge Base	Structured and/or unstructured information made accessible to AIMs via		
	MPAI-specified interfaces		
Message	A sequence of Records transported by Communication through Chan-		
	nels.		
Normativity	The set of attributes of a technology or a set of technologies specified by		
_	the applicable parts of an MPAI standard.		
Performance	The attribute of an Implementation of being Reliable, Robust, Fair and		
	Replicable.		
Performance As-	The normative document specifying the Means to Assess the Grade of		
sessment	Performance of an Implementation.		
Performance As-	Procedures, tools, data sets and/or data set characteristics to Assess the		
sessment Means	Performance of an Implementation.		
Performance Asses-	An entity Assessing the Performance of an Implementation.		
sor			
Profile	A particular subset of the technologies used in MPAI-AIF or an AIW of		
	an Application Standard and, where applicable, the classes, other subsets,		
	options and parameters relevant to that subset.		
Record	A data structure with a specified structure		
Reference Model	The AIMs and theirs Connections in an AIW.		
Reference Software	A technically correct software implementation of a Technical Specifica-		
	tion containing source code, or source and compiled code.		
Reliability	The attribute of an Implementation that performs as specified by the Ap-		
	plication Standard, profile and version the Implementation refers to, e.g.,		
	within the application scope, stated limitations, and for the period of time		
	specified by the Implementer.		
Replicability	The attribute of an Implementation whose Performance, as Assessed by		
	a Performance Assessor, can be replicated, within an agreed level, by		
	another Performance Assessor.		
Robustness	The attribute of an Implementation that copes with data outside of the		
	stated application scope with an estimated degree of confidence.		

Scope	The domain of applicability of an MPAI Application Standard		
Service Provider	An entrepreneur who offers an Implementation as a service (e.g., a rec-		
	ommendation service) to Users.		
Standard	The ensemble of Technical Specification, Reference Software, Confor-		
	mance Testing and Performance Assessment of an MPAI application		
	Standard.		
Technical Specifica-	(Framework) the normative specification of the AIF.		
tion	(Application) the normative specification of the set of AIWs belonging		
	to an application domain along with the AIMs required to Implement the		
	AIWs that includes:		
	1. The formats of the Input/Output data of the AIWs implementing the		
	AIWs.		
	2. The Connections of the AIMs of the AIW.		
	3. The formats of the Input/Output data of the AIMs belonging to the		
	AIW.		
Testing Laboratory	A laboratory accredited to Assess the Grade of Performance of Imple-		
	mentations.		
Time Base	The protocol specifying how Components can access timing information		
Topology	The set of AIM Connections of an AIW.		
Use Case	A particular instance of the Application domain target of an Application		
	Standard.		
User	A user of an Implementation.		
User Agent	The Component interfacing the user with an AIF through the Controller		
Version	A revision or extension of a Standard or of one of its elements.		

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Annex 4 - Patent declarations (Informative)

Technical Specification: Object and Scene Description (MPAI-OSD) V1 has been developed according to the process outlined in the MPAI Statutes [9] and the MPAI Patent Policy [10], and following the prescriptions of *Framework Licence: Object and Scene Description (MPAI-OSD)* [11].

Table 21 will report the list of entities who will agree to licence their standard essential patents reading on *Technical Specification: Object and Scene Description (MPAI-OSD) V1* according to [11].:

Table 21 - Companies having submitted a patent declaration on (MPAI-OSD)

Entity	Name	Email address

The declarations will be published when patent declarations will be received in response to requests for declarations.