

# GSMP TDS/TDT 2.0 Mission Specific Working Group (MSWG) WR – 21-319

**Update for**  
10 January 2022

## Milestone deliverables



<p><b>Completed last 30 days</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BRAD was approved in eBallot</li> <li>Team has been working on the technical assumptions in order to understand what to update in the 2.0 standard</li> </ul>	<p><b>Next steps</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work to finalise the technical assumptions</li> <li>Begin solution document</li> </ul>	<p><b>Risks and Issues</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Potential IP claim by solution provider</li> <li>Working with GS1 Legal on how to address</li> </ul>
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<p><b>Project Description</b> TDS/TDT 2.0 MSWG and EPC UHF Gen2 v3 MSWG will work in parallel to develop technical revisions to modernise GS1's EPC "suite" of standards, with focus on increased native interoperability and ease of use.</p> <p><b>Deliverable/Objective</b> The TDS/TDS 2.0 MSWG will produce the following deliverables: 1. Tag Data Standard (TDS) 2.0 2. Tag Data Translation (TDT) standard 2.0 Additionally, the following deployment materials will be created within GS1 to accompany the publication of TDS 2.0 and TDT 2.0: • Re-launch of the EPC TDS/TDT landing page (currently separate TDS &amp; TDT pages) at gs1.org • High-level, 2-page "talking points" flyer for the MO and business communities • High-level, 4-page overview for the RFID solution provider community</p>	<p><b>Company participation</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Actual roster</th> <th>Required roster</th> <th>Minimum votes</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Industry Users</td> <td>7</td> <td>2</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>MOs</td> <td>16</td> <td>4</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Solution Providers</td> <td>14</td> <td>2</td> <td>2</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Actual roster	Required roster	Minimum votes	Industry Users	7	2	2	MOs	16	4	2	Solution Providers	14	2	2	<p><b>Stakeholders</b></p> <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td>OGSM</td> <td>Yes</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sponsor</td> <td>Robert Beideman</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SDL</td> <td>Greg Rowe</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CE/Sol Liaison</td> <td>Tim Marsh, Steven Keddie</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SME</td> <td>Craig Alan Repec</td> </tr> <tr> <td>AG Liaison</td> <td>Mark Harrison</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Chairs</td> <td>Jeanne Duckett – Avery Dennison Mark Harrison – Milecastle Media Limited</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	OGSM	Yes	Sponsor	Robert Beideman	SDL	Greg Rowe	CE/Sol Liaison	Tim Marsh, Steven Keddie	SME	Craig Alan Repec	AG Liaison	Mark Harrison	Chairs	Jeanne Duckett – Avery Dennison Mark Harrison – Milecastle Media Limited
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### What business challenges are being solved

The current complexity of Electronic Product Code (EPC) encodings and EPC/RFID data capture procedures is increasingly leading new EPC/RFID users across all sectors to turn to non-standardised encodings. This complexity and the growing development of proprietary systems limit both interoperability and scalability of deployed solutions, raise substantial hurdles to traceability and end-to-end visibility, and make users susceptible to vendor lock-in, all of which increases cost and friction.

The TDS/TDT 2.0 MSWG prioritised scope comprises the simplification of EPC binary encodings in TDS and TDT, at high level:

- One new binary EPC scheme (and corresponding encoding/decoding algorithms) will be created for each of the existing (TDS 1.13) EPC schemes that are based on GS1 identifiers;
- Each new EPC scheme will be assigned a new EPC header value; all existing (TDS 1.13) EPC schemes remain valid and retain their existing EPC header values.
- "EPC + AIDC data" support will be provided for encoding of AI-based "AIDC data" in EPC/UII memory, appended following the EPC

### Project deliverables status (completed documents are hyperlinked)

Standards	Publication Date	Collateral	Publication Date
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EPC Tag Data Standard (TDS) 2.0</li> <li>• EPC Tag Data Translation (TDT) standard 2.0</li> </ul>	Q2 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current plans include:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social media announcement</li> <li>• Re-launch of the TDS/TDT landing page</li> <li>• Publish a brief "quick start" (&lt;4 page) guide to TDS 2.0-compliant encoding</li> <li>• Update "Ken's Tools" in support of TDS/TDT 2.0:                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AIDC Translator Library</li> <li>• RFIDcoder</li> <li>• EPC Encoder/Decoder suite</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	June 2022

#### Legend

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