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CHANGE REQUEST

⌘ **29.198-07 CR 003** ⌘ ev **-** ⌘ Current version: **4.2.0** ⌘

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Proposed change affects: ⌘ (U)SIM ME/UE Radio Access Network Core Network

Title:	⌘ Replacing Out Parameters with Return Types		
Source:	⌘ CN5		
Work item code:	⌘ OSA1	Date:	⌘ 19/07/2001
Category:	⌘ F	Release:	⌘ REL-4
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Reason for change:	⌘ At CN5 and CN it was agreed that Out-parameters should be removed from methods as a means of returning information, to be replaced by Return Types, in line with commonly used programming practice
Summary of change:	⌘ For each method, replace the return parameter TpResult with: 'void' if the method has no out-parameter; or the type of the out-parameter if the method has an out-parameter, and delete the out-parameter from the method.
Consequences if not approved:	⌘ If this particular CR is not agreed, TS 29.198-7 is out of sync. with the other parts of TS 29.198. If the related batch of CRs is not agreed, OSA will have a limited acceptance among the application development community, since it will be more difficult to implement. This presents a risk to the return on investment in development of OSA.

Clauses affected:	⌘ 7, 8, Annex B	
Other specs affected:	⌘ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other core specifications <input type="checkbox"/> Test specifications <input type="checkbox"/> O&M Specifications	⌘ All other parts of TS 29.198 Rel-4
Other comments:	⌘	

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7 The Service Interface Specifications

7.1 Interface Specification Format

This section defines the interfaces, methods and parameters that form a part of the API specification. The Unified Modelling Language (UML) is used to specify the interface classes. The general format of an interface specification is described below.

7.1.1 Interface Class

This shows a UML interface class description of the methods supported by that interface, and the relevant parameters and types. The Service and Framework interfaces for enterprise-based client applications are denoted by classes with name `Ip<name>`. The callback interfaces to the applications are denoted by classes with name `IpApp<name>`. For the interfaces between a Service and the Framework, the Service interfaces are typically denoted by classes with name `IpSvc<name>`, while the Framework interfaces are denoted by classes with name `IpFw<name>`.

7.1.2 Method descriptions

Each method (API method "call") is described. All methods in the API return a value of type `TpResult`, indicating, amongst other things, if the method invocation was successfully executed or not.

Both synchronous and asynchronous methods are used in the API. Asynchronous methods are identified by a 'Req' suffix for a method request, and, if applicable, are served by asynchronous methods identified by either a 'Res' or 'Err' suffix for method results and errors, respectively. To handle responses and reports, the application or service developer must implement the relevant `IpApp<name>` or `IpSvc<name>` interfaces to provide the callback mechanism.

7.1.3 Parameter descriptions

Each method parameter and its possible values are described. Parameters described as "in" represent those that must have a value when the method is called. Those described as "out" are those that contain the return result of the method when the method returns.

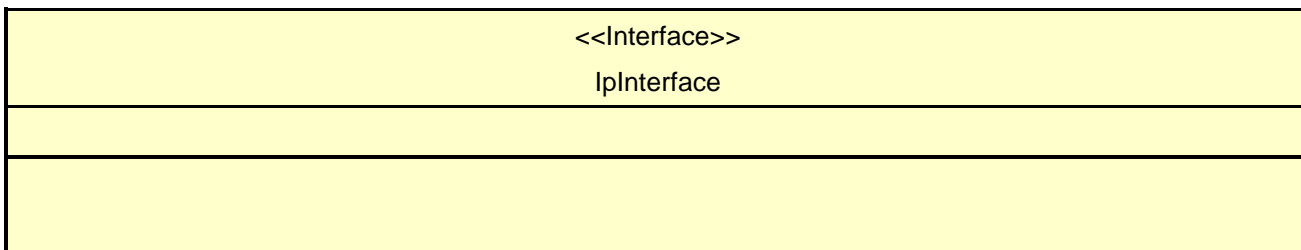
7.1.4 State Model

If relevant, a state model is shown to illustrate the states of the objects that implement the described interface.

7.2 Base Interface

7.2.1 Interface Class IpInterface

All application, framework and service interfaces inherit from the following interface. This API Base Interface does not provide any additional methods.



7.3 Service Interfaces

7.3.1 Overview

The Service Interfaces provide the interfaces into the capabilities of the underlying network - such as call control, user interaction, messaging, mobility and connectivity management.

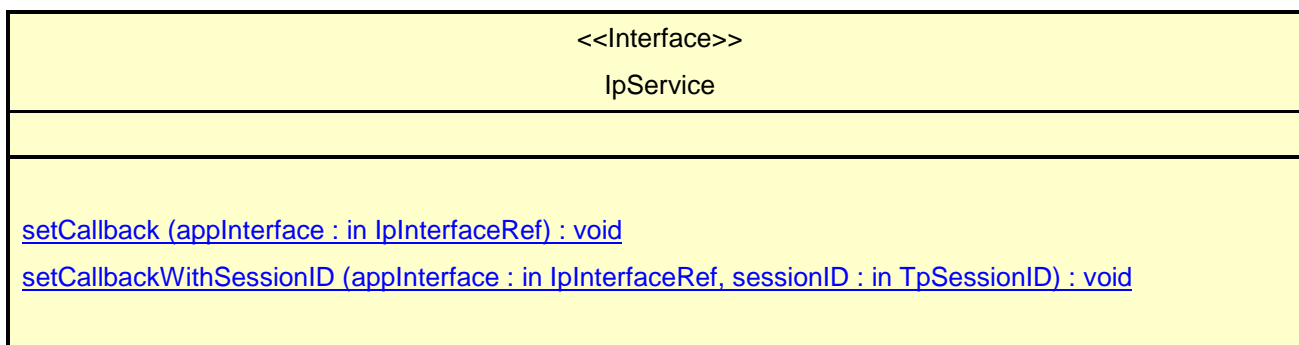
The interfaces that are implemented by the services are denoted as "Service Interface". The corresponding interfaces that must be implemented by the application (e.g. for API callbacks) are denoted as "Application Interface".

7.4 Generic Service Interface

7.4.1 Interface Class IpService

Inherits from: IpInterface

All service interfaces inherit from the following interface.



Method

setCallback()

This method specifies the reference address of the callback interface that a service uses to invoke methods on the application. It is not allowed to invoke this method on an interface that uses SessionID's.

Parameters

appInterface : in IpInterfaceRef

Specifies a reference to the application interface, which is used for callbacks

Raises

TpCommonExceptions

Method

setCallbackWithSessionID()

This method specifies the reference address of the application's callback interface that a service uses for interactions associated with a specific session ID: e.g. a specific call, or call leg. It is not allowed to invoke this method on an interface that does not uses SessionID's.

*Parameters***appInterface : in IpInterfaceRef**

Specifies a reference to the application interface, which is used for callbacks

sessionId : in TpSessionID

Specifies the session for which the service can invoke the application's callback interface.

*Raises***TpCommonExceptions, P_INVALID_SESSION_ID**

8 Terminal Capabilities Interface Classes

The Terminal Capabilities SCF enables the application to retrieve the terminal capabilities of the specified terminal. The Terminal Capabilities service provides a SCF interface that is called IpTerminalCapabilities. There is no need for an application interface, since IpTerminalCapabilities only contains the synchronous method getTerminalCapabilities.

8.1 Interface Class IpTerminalCapabilities

Inherits from: IpInterface.

The Terminal Capabilities SCF interface IpTerminalCapabilities contains the synchronous method getTerminalCapabilities. The application has to provide the terminalIdentity as input to this method. The result indicates whether or not the terminal capabilities are available in the network and, in case they are, it will return the terminal capabilities (see the data definition of TpTerminalCapabilities for more information).

<<Interface>> IpTerminalCapabilities
getTerminalCapabilities (terminalIdentity : in TpString) : TpTerminalCapabilities

*Method***getTerminalCapabilities()**

[This method is used by an application to get the capabilities of a user's terminal. Direction: Application to Network.](#)

[Returns result : Specifies the latest available capabilities of the user's terminal.](#)

[This information, if available, is returned as CC/PP headers as specified in W3C \[1\] and adopted in the WAP UAPProf specification \[2\]. It contains URLs; terminal attributes and values, in RDF format; or a combination of both.](#)

*Parameters***terminalIdentity : in TpString**

Identifies the terminal. It may be a logical address known by the WAP Gateway/PushProxy.

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Returns

[TpTerminalCapabilities](#)

Raises

TpCommonExceptions, P_INVALID_TERMINAL_ID

=====Next changed section=====

Annex B (informative): Differences between this draft and 3GPP TS 29.198 R99

getTerminalCapabilities now throws TpCommonExceptions and individual, identified exceptions

[All methods now return void or the former out parameter.](#)