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**Title:** CRs TS 26.234 on Introduction of Enhanced aacPlus and / or Extended AMR-WB into PSS service (Release 6)

**Document for:** Discussion / Decision

**Agenda Item:** 7.4.3

At SA#24 the way forward for the selection of audio codecs was formulated in [TD SP-040481](#). TSG SA WG4 was tasked to draft two change requests to the PSS protocol and codecs specification (TS 26.234), one change request for each of the codecs AMR WB+ and enhanced aacPlus to include them for use as PSS codec. SA4 has prepared also a third CR (in case SA#25 Plenary decides that both codecs are to be included in TS 26.234 for use as PSS codecs). The following CRs are therefore presented to TSG SA #25 for Discussion / Decision.

Spec	CR	Rev	Phase	Subject	Cat	Vers	WG	Meeting	S4 doc
26.234	072	1	Rel-6	Introduction of Enhanced aacPlus into PSS service	C	6.0.0	S4	TSG-SA WG4#32	S4-040579
26.234	073	1	Rel-6	Introduction of Extended AMR-WB into PSS service	C	6.0.0	S4	TSG-SA WG4#32	S4-040580
26.234	074	1	Rel-6	Introduction of Extended AMR-WB and Enhanced aacPlus into PSS service	C	6.0.0	S4	TSG-SA WG4#32	S4-040581

## CHANGE REQUEST

⌘ **26.234 CR 072** ⌘ rev **1** ⌘ Current version: **6.0.0** ⌘

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<b>Reason for change:</b>	⌘ Codec enhancements for Rel-6 PSS service		
<b>Summary of change:</b>	⌘ Enhanced aacPlus codec is introduced into the audio media type as a recommended codec		
<b>Consequences if not approved:</b>	⌘ No audio codec enhancement for Rel.6 PSS service		

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## 3.2 Abbreviations

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GIF	Graphics Interchange Format
HTML	Hyper Text Markup Language
ITU-T	International Telecommunications Union – Telecommunications
JFIF	JPEG File Interchange Format
MIDI	Musical Instrument Digital Interface
MIME	Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions
MMS	Multimedia Messaging Service
PNG	Portable Networks Graphics
PSS	Packet-switched Streaming Service
QCIF	Quarter Common Intermediate Format
RDF	Resource Description Framework
RTCP	RTP Control Protocol
RTP	Real-time Transport Protocol
RTSP	Real-Time Streaming Protocol
<a href="#">SBR</a>	<a href="#">Spectral Band Replication</a>
SDP	Session Description Protocol
SMIL	Synchronised Multimedia Integration Language
SP-MIDI	Scalable Polyphony MIDI
SVG	Scalable Vector Graphics
UAProf	User Agent Profile
UCS-2	Universal Character Set (the two octet form)
UTF-8	Unicode Transformation Format (the 8-bit form)
W3C	WWW Consortium
WML	Wireless Markup Language
XHTML	eXtensible Hyper Text Markup Language
XMF	eXtensible Music Format
XML	eXtensible Markup Language

## 5.4 MIME media types

For continuous media (speech, audio and video) the following MIME media types shall be used:

- AMR narrow-band speech codec (see clause 7.2) MIME media type as defined in [11];
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- H.263 [22] video codec (see clause 7.4) MIME media type as defined in clause 4.2.7 of [62].

MIME media types for JPEG, GIF, PNG, SP-MIDI, Mobile DLS, Mobile XMF, SVG, timed text and XHTML can be used both in the "Content-type" field in HTTP and in the "type" attribute in SMIL 2.0. The following MIME media types shall be used for these media:

- JPEG (see clause 7.5) MIME media type as defined in [15];
- GIF (see clause 7.6) MIME media type as defined in [15];
- PNG (see sub clause 7.6) MIME media type as defined in [38];
- SP-MIDI (see sub clause 7.3A) MIME media type as defined in clause C.2 in Annex C of the present document;
- DLS MIME media type to represent Mobile DLS (see sub clause 7.3A) as defined in clause C.4 in Annex C of the present document;
- Mobile XMF (see sub clause 7.3A) MIME media type as defined in clause C.3 in Annex C of the present document;
- SVG (see sub clause 7.7) MIME media type as defined in [42];
- XHTML (see clause 7.8) MIME media type as defined in [16];
- Timed text (see subclause 7.9) MIME media type as defined in [50].

MIME media type used for SMIL files shall be according to [31] and for SDP files according to [6].

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- [Enhanced aacPlus and MPEG-4 AAC audio codecs](#) (see clause 7.3) RTP payload format according to RFC 3016 [13]. [The MIME parameter “rate” shall either be set to the default value of 90000 or to the sampling rate signalled in the AudioSpecificConfig carried in the “config” SDP parameter;](#)
- MPEG-4 video codec (see clause 7.4) RTP payload format according to RFC 3016 [13];
- H.263 video codec (see clause 7.4) RTP payload format according to RFC 2429 [14].

NOTE: The payload format RFC 3016 for [enhanced aacPlus and MPEG-4 AAC](#) specify that the audio streams shall be formatted by the LATM (Low-overhead MPEG-4 Audio Transport Multiplex) tool [21]. It should be noted that the references for the LATM format in the RFC 3016 [13] point to an older version of the LATM format than included in [21]. In [21] a corrigendum to the LATM tool is included. This corrigendum includes changes to the LATM format making implementations using the corrigendum incompatible with implementations not using it. To avoid future interoperability problems, implementations of PSS client and servers supporting [enhanced aacPlus and/or AAC](#) shall follow the changes to the LATM format included in [21]. [It should be noted further that the enhanced aacPlus signalling mode “backwards compatible explicit signalling” \(as defined in \[75\]\) can not be used with LATM.](#)

### 7.3 Audio

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~~When a server offers an AAC-LC or AAC-LTP stream with the specified restrictions, it shall include the “profile-level-id” and “object” MIME parameters in the SDP “a=fmtp” line. The following values shall be used:~~

<del>Object Type</del>	<del>profile-level-id</del>	<del>object</del>
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[If audio is supported, then the Enhanced aacPlus \[72, 73, 74\] decoder should be supported.](#)

[Specifically, based on the audio codec selection test results the codec is strong for the scenarios marked with orange colour in the table below:](#)

<a href="#">Content type</a>	<a href="#">Music</a>	<a href="#">Speech over Music</a>	<a href="#">Speech between Music</a>	<a href="#">Speech</a>
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[The Enhanced aacPlus decoder is also able to decode MPEG-4 AAC-LC content](#)

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- AMR narrow-band speech codec (see clause 7.2) RTP payload format according to [11]. A PSS client is not required to support multi-channel sessions;
- AMR wideband speech codec (see clause 7.2) RTP payload format according to [11]. A PSS client is not required to support multi-channel sessions;
- ~~MPEG-4 AAC audio codec (see clause 7.3) RTP payload format according to RFC 3016 [13];~~
- Extended AMR-WB codec (see clause 7.3) RTP payload format according to [75];
- Enhanced aacPlus and MPEG-4 AAC codec (see clause 7.3) RTP payload format according to [13];
- MPEG-4 video codec (see clause 7.4) RTP payload format according to RFC 3016 [13];
- H.263 video codec (see clause 7.4) RTP payload format according to RFC 2429 [14].

NOTE: The payload format RFC 3016 for enhanced aacPlus and MPEG-4 AAC specify that the audio streams shall be formatted by the LATM (Low-overhead MPEG-4 Audio Transport Multiplex) tool [21]. It should be noted that the references for the LATM format in the RFC 3016 [13] point to an older version of the LATM format than included in [21]. In [21] a corrigendum to the LATM tool is included. This corrigendum includes changes to the LATM format making implementations using the corrigendum incompatible with implementations not using it. To avoid future interoperability problems, implementations of PSS client and servers supporting enhanced aacPlus and/or AAC shall follow the changes to the LATM format included in [21]. It should be noted further that the enhanced aacPlus signalling mode “backwards compatible explicit signalling” (as defined in [79]) can not be used with LATM.

### 7.3 Audio

~~If audio is supported, MPEG-4 AAC Low Complexity (AAC-LC) object type decoder [21] should be supported. The maximum sampling rate to be supported by the decoder is 48 kHz. The channel configurations to be supported are mono (1/0) and stereo (2/0). In addition, the MPEG-4 AAC Long Term Prediction (AAC-LTP) object type decoder may be supported.~~

~~When a server offers an AAC-LC or AAC-LTP stream with the specified restrictions, it shall include the “profile-level-id” and “object” MIME parameters in the SDP “a=fmtp” line. The following values shall be used:~~

<del>Object Type</del>	<del>profile-level-id</del>	<del>object</del>
<del>AAC-LC</del>	<del>15</del>	<del>2</del>
<del>AAC-LTP</del>	<del>15</del>	<del>4</del>

If audio is supported, then one or both of the following two audio decoders should be supported:

- Enhanced aacPlus [76] [77] [78]
- Extended AMR-WB [72] [73] [74]

Specifically, based on the audio codec selection test results Extended AMR-WB is strong for the scenarios marked with blue, Enhanced aacPlus is strong for the scenarios marked with orange, and both are strong for the scenarios marked with green colour in the table below:

<u>Content type</u> <u>Bit rate</u>	<u>Music</u>	<u>Speech over Music</u>	<u>Speech between Music</u>	<u>Speech</u>
<u>14 kbps mono</u>				
<u>18 kbps stereo</u>				
<u>24 kbps stereo</u>				
<u>24 kbps mono</u>				
<u>32 kbps stereo</u>				
<u>48 kbps stereo</u>				

Enhanced aacPlus decoder is also able to decode AAC-LC content.

Extended AMR-WB decoder is also able to decode AMR-WB content.

In addition, MPEG-4 AAC Low Complexity (AAC-LC) and MPEG-4 AAC Long Term Prediction (AAC-LTP) object type decoders [21] may be supported. The maximum sampling rate to be supported by the decoder is 48 kHz. The channel configurations to be supported are mono (1/0) and stereo (2/0).

When a server offers an AAC-LC or AAC-LTP stream with the specified restrictions, it shall include the “profile-level-id” and “object” MIME parameters in the SDP “a=fmtp” line. The following values shall be used:

<u>Object Type</u>	<u>profile-level-id</u>	<u>object</u>
<u>AAC-LC</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>AAC-LTP</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>4</u>