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110 1 Introduction

111 The DSS signing and verifying protocols are defined in [DSSCore]. As defined in that document,
112 these protocols have a fair degree of flexibility and extensibility. This document profiles the core
113 to support creation and validation of a "seal" created by a given Entity or Organization on
114 electronic data.

115 The seal is a form of electronic signature which:

- 116 a) protects the integrity of the document,
- 117 b) includes the time at which the seal was applied proving that the data existed at the given
118 time,
- 119 c) includes the identity of the entity requesting the seal,
- 120 d) may include a statement of intent for applying the seal.

121 This profile includes a few options that require further profiling for implementing interoperable
122 systems.

123 1.1 Terminology

124 The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD",
125 "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this specification are to be
126 interpreted as described in IETF RFC 2119 [RFC 2119]. These keywords are capitalized when
127 used to unambiguously specify requirements over protocol features and behavior that affect the
128 interoperability and security of implementations. When these words are not capitalized, they are
129 meant in their natural-language sense.

130 This specification uses the following typographical conventions in text: <ns : Element>,
131 Attribute, Datatype, OtherCode.

132 1.2 Namespaces

133 Conventional XML namespace prefixes are used in this document:

- 134 • The prefix dss : (or no prefix) stands for the DSS core namespace [Core-XSD].
- 135 • The prefix ds : stands for the W3C XML Signature namespace [XMLSig].
- 136 • The prefix xades: stands for the ETSI XML Advanced Electronic Signature namespace
137 [XAdES]

138 Applications MAY use different namespace prefixes, and MAY use whatever namespace
139 defaulting/scoping conventions they desire, as long as they are compliant with the Namespaces
140 in XML specification [XML-ns].

141 1.3 Normative References

142 [Core-XSD]	S. Drees et al. <i>DSS Schema</i> . OASIS, February, 2007
143 [DSSCore]	S. Drees et al. <i>Digital Signature Service Core Protocols and Elements</i> . OASIS, February, 2007
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161 **2 Profile Features**

162 **2.1 Identifier**

163 **urn:oasis:names:tc:dss:1.0:profiles:eseal**

164 **2.2 Scope**

165 This document profiles the DSS signing and verifying protocols defined in [DSSCore] and profiles
166 the XML signature format for entity seals created by a given Entity or Organization on electronic
167 data.

168 **2.3 Relationship To Other Profiles**

169 This document profiles the DSS signing and verifying protocols defined in [DSSCore].

170 **2.4 Signature Object**

171 This profile supports the creation and verification of [XMLSig] signatures as defined in section 5.

172 **2.5 Transport Binding**

173 This profile is transported using the HTTP POST Transport Binding defined in [DSSCore].

174 **2.6 Security Binding**

175 **2.6.1 Security Requirements**

176 This profile MUST use security bindings that:

- 177
 - Authenticates the requester to the DSS server
 - Authenticates the DSS server to the DSS client
 - Protects the integrity of a request, response and the association of response to the request.
 - Optionally, protects the confidentiality of a request and response

182 The following is recommended to meet these requirements..

183 **2.6.2 TLS X.509 Mutual Authentication**

184 This profile is secured using the TLS X.509 Mutual Authentication Binding defined in [DSSCore].

185 **3 Profile of Signing Protocol**

186 **3.1 Element <SignRequest>**

187 **3.1.1 Element <OptionalInputs>**

188 The optional inputs from [DSSCore]:

- 189 • <dss:ClaimedIdentity> MUST be supported by the DSS server. This MAY be sent
190 by the client to provide the claimed identity of the requester. If present the <Name>
191 element of <dss:ClaimedIdentity> MUST be authenticated by the Security Binding.
192 • <dss:SignedProperties> MAY be supported by the DSS server. If present this
193 MAY be used by the client to request the CommitmentTypeIndication property. The
194 CommitmentTypeIndication property is requested using the identifier and value as
195 defined in [DSS-XAdES].

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197 **3.1.2 Element <InputDocuments>**

198 At least one of the following types of InputDocuments from [DSSCore]:

- 199 • <dss:DocumentHash>
200 • <dss:TransformedData>

201 MUST be supported by the DSS server. The DSS client may use either form.

202 If the client uses an element that is not supported by the server, the server SHOULD return
203 ResultMinor set to indicate NotSupported and ResultMessage set to text providing further
204 details.

205 **3.2 Element <SignResponse>**

206 **3.2.1 Element <Result>**

207 This profile defines no additional <ResultMinor> codes.

208 **3.2.2 Element <OptionalOutputs>**

209 This profile requires no optional options.

210 **3.2.3 Element <SignatureObject>**

211 If successful, the server MUST return a <ds:Signature> with the signature properties as defined in
212 section 5.

213 **4 Profile of Verifying Protocol**

214 **4.1 Element <VerifyRequest>**

215 **4.1.1 Element <OptionalInputs>**

216 This profile places no specific requirements on the optional inputs.

217 **4.1.2 Element <SignatureObject>**

218 The server MUST support <ds:Signature>.

219 **4.1.3 Element <InputDocuments>**

220 The at least one of the input document element from [DSSCore]:

- 221 • <dss:DocumentHash>
222 • <dss:TransformedData>

223 MUST be supported by the DSS server. The DSS client may use either form. Other elements
224 MAY be supported.

225 **4.2 Element <VerifyResponse>**

226 **4.2.1 Element <Result>**

227 This profile defines no additional <ResultMinor> codes.

228 **4.2.2 Element <OptionalOutputs>**

229 This profile places no specific requirements on the optional outputs.

230 5 Profile of ESeal Signatures

- 231 The signature form used by the profile is an XML Signature as defined in [XMLSig].
- 232 The XML signature MUST contain the element <xades:SignedProperties> within the
- 233 element <xades:QualifyingProperties> as defined in [XAdES] within the <ds:object>
- 234 element of the XML signature.
- 235 The following property must be present within the <xades:SignedProperties> element:
- 236 • <xades:SigningTime>
- 237 In addition, the following may be present:
- 238 • <xades:CommitmentTypeIndication>
- 239 The following property must be present within a <ds:SignatureProperty> element:
- 240 • <dss:RequesterIdentity>
- 241 The digest value of the <ds:SignatureProperty> and the <xades:SignedProperties>
- 242 elements shall be included in the signature references.

243 **6 Server Processing Rules**

244 **6.1 Sign**

245 In addition to the processing rules define in **[Core-XSD]** the server MUST:

- 246 a) ensure that the requester is authorized to request an ESeal,
247 b) authenticate that requester is as identified in <dss:RequesterIdentity> and, if
248 present, <dss:ClaimedIdentity>

249 **6.2 Verify**

250 In addition to the processing rules define in **[Core-XSD]** the server MUST:

- 251 a) ensure that the properties required in section 5 are present.

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