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INTRODUCTION

Most of the current IEC standards on industrial measurement transmitters are rather old and were developed having in mind devices based on analogue technologies. Today's digital industrial and process measurement transmitters are quite different from those analogue transmitters: they include more functions and newer interfaces, both towards the computing section (mostly digital) and towards the measuring section (mostly mechanical). Even if some standards dealing with digital transmitters already exist, they are not sufficient, since some aspects of the performance are not covered by appropriate test methods.

In addition, the existing IEC test standards for industrial and process measurement transmitters are spread over many documents, so that for manufacturers and users it was difficult, impractical and time-consuming to identify and select all the standards to be applied to a device measuring a specific process quantity (pressure, temperature, level, flow, etc.).

To help the manufacturers and users, it was decided to review, complete and reorganize the existing IEC standards on the industrial and process measurement transmitters and to create a more suitable, effective and comprehensive standard series that provides, in a systematic way, all the needed specifications and tests for the different industrial and process measurement transmitters.

To solve the issues mentioned above and to provide an added value for the stakeholders, the new standard series on industrial and process measurement transmitters covers the following main aspects:

- applicable normative references;
- specific terms and definitions;
- typical configurations and architectures for the various types of industrial and measurement transmitters;
- hardware and software aspects;
- interfaces (to the process, to the operator, to the other measurement and control devices);
- physical, mechanical and electrical requirements and relevant tests; clear definition of the test categories: type tests, acceptance tests and routine tests;
- performances (their specification, tests and verification);
- environmental protection, hazardous areas application, functional safety, etc.;
- structure of the technical documentation.

To cover in a systematic way all the topics to be addressed, the standard series is organized in several parts. At the time of publication of this document IEC 62828 consists of the following parts:

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