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## Foreword

This Technical Report (TR) has been produced by ETSI Technical Committee Powerline Telecommunications (PLT).

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# 1 Scope

The present document concentrates on recommendations for power line communication for smart meters and home automation using IP based transports along with DLMS/COSEM data models.

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- [i.1] CENELEC EN 50065-1: "Signalling on low-voltage electrical installations in the frequency range 3 kHz to 148,5 kHz - Part 1: General requirements, frequency bands and electromagnetic disturbances".
- [i.2] Recommendation ITU-T G.9972: "Coexistence mechanism for wireline home networking transceivers".
- [i.3] IEC 62056-47: "Electricity metering - Data exchange for meter reading, tariff and load control - Part 47: COSEM transport layers for IPv4 networks".
- [i.4] IEEE 802.15.4<sup>TM</sup>: "IEEE Standard for Information technology-- Local and metropolitan area networks-- Specific requirements-- Part 15.4: Wireless Medium Access Control (MAC) and Physical Layer (PHY) Specifications for Low Rate Wireless Personal Area Networks (WPANs)".
- [i.5] Recommendation ITU-T G.993.2: "VDSL2 :Very High Speed Digital Subscriber Line transceivers 2".
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