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# 1 Introduction and overview

This protocol specification details the OMG® DDS® data types, QoS policies, sequences and semantics of the AUTOSAR Protocol for Service Discovery over DDS.

AUTOSAR platforms employ, among others, the Service-Oriented Architecture (SOA) communications paradigm. In SOA systems, *Service Interfaces* cohesively grouping *Elements* of various kinds are provided, required or both as *Service Instances* by *Applications*.

In this context, OMG® DDS®, as enabled by the Classic Platform Dds Basic Software Module and the Adaptive Platform DDS Network Binding, can be used to advertise and discover *Service Instances*.

## 1.1 Protocol purpose and objectives

This protocol defines how the OMG® DDS® middleware standard can be employed to advertise and discover *Service Instances*.

## 1.2 Applicability of the protocol

This protocol applies to DDS *Service Instance* advertisement and discovery in:

- The AUTOSAR Classic Platform
- The AUTOSAR Adaptive Platform
- Non-AUTOSAR platforms targeting AUTOSAR interoperability

### 1.2.1 Constraints and assumptions

The following constraints and assumptions apply to the present document:

- The OMG® DDS® family of standards already define wire protocols, data type description formats, QoS policies and APIs
- Conversely, in this document "protocols" are described in terms of OMG® DDS® API interactions, QoS policies configuration and data type definitions involved in *Service Interface* advertisement and discovery processes

### 1.2.2 Limitations

Not applicable.

## 1.3 Dependencies

### 1.3.1 Dependencies to other protocol layers

The protocols described in this document rely, indirectly, upon the following OMG® DDS® protocol standards:

- DDS Wire Interoperability protocol (DDSI-RTPS) defined in [1]
- DDS-XTYPES Minimal Programming Interface and Network Interoperability Profiles defined in [2]

### 1.3.2 Dependencies to other standards and norms

The protocols described in this document target the following OMG® DDS® standards and profiles:

- DDS Minimum Profile defined in [3]
- DDS Wire Interoperability protocol (DDSI-RTPS) defined in [1]
- DDS-XTYPES Minimal Programming Interface and Network Interoperability Profiles defined in [2]

### 1.3.3 Dependencies to the Application Layer

Not applicable.

## 2 Use Cases

<b><i>ID</i></b>	<b><i>Name</i></b>	<b><i>Description</i></b>
<b>UC_001</b>	Provide a Service	An Application offers, and publishes samples of, an Instance of a Service Interface to other Applications in the network.
<b>UC_002</b>	Require a Service	An Application attempts discovery of an Instance of a Service Interface, possibly offered by other Applications in the network.
<b>UC_003</b>	Consume a Service	An Application binds against a discovered Instance of a Service Interface, offered by other Applications in the network.
<b>UC_004</b>	Flexible communication paths	A developer wants to design his applications without knowing who will receive the data or who is sending the desired data. Dynamic Service Discovery enables dynamic creation of communication paths during run-time.

## **3 Related documentation**

### **3.1 Input documents & related standards and norms**

- [1] DDS Interoperability Wire Protocol, Version 2.2  
<http://www.omg.org/spec/DDSI-RTPS/2.2>
- [2] Extensible and Dynamic Topic Types for DDS, Version 1.2  
<https://www.omg.org/spec/DDS-XTypes/1.2>
- [3] Data Distribution Service (DDS), Version 1.4  
<http://www.omg.org/spec/DDS/1.4>
- [4] ISO/IEC C++ 2003 Language DDS PSM, Version 1.0  
<https://www.omg.org/spec/DDS-PSM-Cxx/1.0>
- [5] Interface Definition Language (IDL), Version 4.2  
<https://www.omg.org/spec/IDL/4.2>

### **3.2 Related specification**

Not applicable.



## 4 Protocol Requirements

Implementation of this protocol requires an OMG® DDS® middleware implementation supporting:

- DDS Minimum Profile defined in [3]
- DDS Wire Interoperability protocol (DDSI-RTPS) defined in [1]
- DDS-XTYPES Minimal Programming Interface and Network Interoperability Profiles defined in [2]

### 4.1 Requirements Traceability

Requirement	Description	Satisfied by
[FO_RS_Dds_00001]	DDS Compliance	[FO_PRS_DDSSD_00101] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00102] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00103] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00105] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00106] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00108] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00109] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00111] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00201] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00202] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00203] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00205] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00206] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00208]
[FO_RS_Dds_00005]	DDS Quality of Service	[FO_PRS_DDSSD_00101] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00102] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00103] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00105] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00106] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00108] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00109] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00111] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00202] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00205]
[FO_RS_Dds_00007]	Type Definition	[FO_PRS_DDSSD_00202]
[FO_RS_Dds_00008]	Customization	[FO_PRS_DDSSD_00102] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00103] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00105] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00106] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00108] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00109] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00111] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00201] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00202] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00203] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00205] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00206] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00208]
[FO_RS_Dds_00015]	Publish	[FO_PRS_DDSSD_00201] [FO_PRS_DDSSD_00202]





Requirement	Description	Satisfied by
[FO_RS_Dds_00016]	Subscribe	[FO_PRS_DDSSD_00201]

**Table 4.1: Requirements Tracing**

## 5 Definition of terms and acronyms

### 5.1 Acronyms and abbreviations

Abbreviation / Acronym:	Description:
OMG	Object Management Group
QoS	Quality of Service
DDSI	Data Distribution Service Interoperability
RTPS	Real-Time Publish-Subscribe
XTYPES	eXtensible Types

**Table 5.1: Acronyms and abbreviations used in the scope of this Document**

### 5.2 Definition of terms

Terms:	Description:
Entity	The base class for all other DDS Entities.
DomainParticipant	Represents the participation of the application on a communication plane that isolates applications running on the same set of physical computers from each other.
Topic	Represents the most basic description of the data to be published and subscribed.
Publisher	Provides the actual dissemination of publications.
DataWriter	Provides the application functionality to set the value of the data to be published under a given Topic.
Subscriber	Provides the actual reception of the data resulting from its subscriptions.
DataReader	Provides the application with (1) functionality to declare the data it wishes to receive (i.e., make a subscription) and (2) to access the data received by the attached Subscriber.
QoS Profile	Grouping of QoS Policy values applicable to one or more DDS Entities.

**Table 5.2: Definition of terms in the scope of this Document**

## 6 Protocol Specification

### 6.1 Introduction

In AUTOSAR, two distinct Service Discovery Protocols are configured by `<DDSServiceInstanceDiscoveryType>`, and specified in the following sections:

- The `DomainParticipant` QoS -based discovery protocol that leverages the `USER_DATA` QoS policy of DDS `DomainParticipant` Entities, assigning a purpose-specific format string to it as described in 6.7 below. This approach is fast and nimble, since no additional DDS Entities beyond Domain Participants need to be created to exercise discovery of `Service Instances`.
- The `Topic` -based discovery protocol that employs a purpose-specific `Topic` of a well-defined type to distribute `Service Instance` announcements in a publish-subscribe, instance-based fashion, as described in 6.8 below. This protocol, although more resource-demanding (DDS Entities down to a single `DataWriter` need to be created for advertising, same for a `DataReader` in discovery), enhances interoperability and enables advanced DDS features such as persistence, routing and durability.

In the scope of these protocols three distinct Resource Identification Mechanisms are configured by `<DDSServiceInstanceResourceIdentifierType>`, defining how `Service Interfaces` and their individual `Instances` (the "Resources") are uniquely instantiated and addressable with a particular DDS Domain:

- The Partition -based mechanism, where DDS `Publisher` and `Subscriber` Entity `PARTITION` QoS policy is leveraged to isolate each `Service Instance` and their consumers into a uniquely named DDS Partition. De-facto choice in:
  - `DomainParticipant` QoS -based discovery protocol.

But also available in:

- `Topic` -based discovery protocol.
- The `Topic Prefix` -based mechanism, where unique `Service Instance Identifiers` are included in all the DDS `Topic` names conforming the `Service Interface`. Available in:
  - `Topic` -based discovery protocol.
- The Instance -based mechanism, where in-band (i.e. included in AUTOSAR DDS Data Types) unique `Service Instance Identifier Fields` are used to uniquely identify different `Service Instances`. Available in:
  - `Topic` -based discovery protocol.

## 6.2 Message format

Message format is defined by the OMG® DDSI-RTPS standard ([1]).

## 6.3 Message types

Message types are defined by the OMG® DDSI-RTPS standard ([1]).

## 6.4 Services / Commands

Not applicable.

## 6.5 Sequences (lower layer)

Sequences are defined by the OMG® DDS® standard ([3]).

## 6.6 Error messages

Error messages are defined by the OMG® DDSI-RTPS standard ([1]).

## 6.7 Service Discovery via Domain Participant USER\_DATA QoS policy

### 6.7.1 Service Instance Advertising

To advertise a `Service Instance`, the following operations have to be performed:

- [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00101] Assigning a DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity to a `Service Instance`.
- [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00102] Adding the `Service Interface Identifier`, `Service Instance Identifier`, and `Service Interface Contract Versions` to the DDS `DomainParticipant`'s `USER_DATA` QoS policy.

#### [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00101] Assigning a DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity to a `Service Instance`

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[One or more `Service Instances` enter a particular DDS Domain, as configured by `<DDSServiceInstanceDomainID>`, through DDS `DomainParticipant` Entities. Different `Service Instances` in the same address space and DDS Domain may share the same DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity, as long as they use the same DDS `QoS Profile`, as configured by `<DDSServiceInstanceQoSProfile>`.

Before creating a new DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity, existing DDS `DomainParticipant` Entities in the current process that match the configuration criteria specified above shall be looked up. If the search is successful, the DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity found shall be assigned to the `Service Instance`<sup>1</sup>; otherwise, a new DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity shall be created according to the desired configuration and assigned to the `Service Instance`.

Once a suitable DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity has either been created for, or assigned to, the `Service Instance`, one DDS `Publisher` Entity and one DDS `Subscriber` Entity to enclose all DDS `DataWriter` and `DataReader` Entities associated with the `Service Instance` shall be created. If the Partition-based Resource Identification Mechanism is employed (see this chapter's Introduction above), the `PARTITION` QoS of both the newly created DDS `Publisher` and `Subscriber` Entities shall contain the following partition name:

```
ara.com://services/<svcId>_<svcInId>
```

Where:

`<svcId>` is the value of `<DDSServiceInterfaceID>` for the `Service Interface`.

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<sup>1</sup>These rules ensure the creation of only one `DomainParticipant` for a given Domain and `QoS Profile`.

**<svcInId>** is the stringified value of **<DDSServiceInstanceID>** for the Service Instance.

DDS **Publisher** and **Subscriber** Entities may be reused across different elements of Discovery and Service Instances; therefore, they shall not be removed until the enclosing DDS **DomainParticipant** Entity being prepared for release.]

### **[FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00102] Adding Service Interface Identifier, Service Instance Identifier, and Service Interface Contract Versions to the DDS DomainParticipant's USER\_DATA QoS Policy**

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[Service advertisement shall configure the USER\_DATA QoS Policy of the DDS **DomainParticipant** Entity associated with the Service Instance to propagate Service Interface Identifiers, Service Instance Identifiers, and Service Interface Contract Versions, using the native DDS discovery mechanisms defined in [1].

The USER\_DATA QoS Policy inserts a user-defined value into the DDS **DomainParticipant** Entity's Participant Announcement messages. This information shall be used by proxies and native DDS applications to identify a DDS **DomainParticipant** as an "AUTOSAR DDS DomainParticipant" that hosts one or more Service Instances.

Service Interface Identifiers, Service Instance Identifiers, and Service Interface Contract Versions shall be encoded in the USER\_DATA QoS Policy in string format according to the following pattern:

```
ara.com://services/<svcId>_<svcInId>-<svcMajVersion>.<svcMinVersion>  
[&<svcId>_<svcInId>-<svcMajVersion>.<svcMinVersion>]*
```

Where:

**<svcId>** is the value of **<DDSServiceInterfaceID>** for the Service Interface.

**<svcInId>** is the stringified value of **<DDSServiceInstanceID>** for the Service Instance.

**<svcMajVersion>** is the stringified value of **<DDSInterfaceMajorVersion>** for the Service Interface.

**<svcMinVersion>** is the stringified value of **<DDSInterfaceMinorVersion>** for the Service Interface.

Because a DDS **DomainParticipant** Entity may host one or more Service Instances (as noted in [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00101] above), the syntax specified above allows appending one or more **<svcId>\_<svcInId>-<svcMajVersion>.<svcMinVersion>** tuples to the USER\_DATA QoS Policy value:

- If `USER_DATA QoS` policy value is empty, it shall be set to `"ara.com://services/<svcId>_<svcInId>-<svcMajVersion>.<svcMinVersion>"`.
- Otherwise, if `USER_DATA QoS` value is not empty, the `Service Interface`, `Instance Identifiers` and `Contract Versions` shall be appended to the current value preceded by an ampersand symbol (i.e., `"&<svcId>_<svcInId>-<svcMajVersion>.<svcMinVersion>"`).

]

**[FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00103] Stopping advertisement of a Service Instance***Status:* DRAFT*Upstream requirements:* [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00001](#), [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00005](#), [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00008](#)

[When instructed to stop advertising a `Service Instance`, the following operations shall be performed:

- Remove the appropriate `Service Interface`, `Service Instance Identifiers` and `Service Contract Versions` from the `USER_DATA QoS Policy` of the `DDS DomainParticipant` Entity hosting `Service Instance` being no longer advertised.
- Release the `Service Instance -specific DDS Publisher` and `Subscriber` Entities specifically set up for the `Service Instance Partition`.

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**6.7.2 Service Instance Discovery**

When instructed to discover `Service Instances`, the following operations have to be performed:

- [\[FO\\_PRS\\_DDSSD\\_00105\]](#) Finding a `DDS DomainParticipant` Entity suitable for performing client-side operations.
- [\[FO\\_PRS\\_DDSSD\\_00106\]](#) Discovering remote `Service Instances` in `DDS DomainParticipant` Entities.

**[FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00105] Finding a DDS DomainParticipant Entity suitable for performing client-side operations***Status:* DRAFT*Upstream requirements:* [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00001](#), [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00005](#), [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00008](#)

[A `DDS DomainParticipant` Entity capable of discovering and communicating with other `DDS DomainParticipant` Entities shall be assigned for `Service Instance Discovery`:



- If an existing DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity exists in the same address space matching configured DDS Domain ID (`<DDSServiceInstanceDomainID>`) and QoS profile (`<DDSServiceInstanceQosProfile>`), it may be reused.
- A new DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity shall be created otherwise.

Please refer to [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00101] for additional details on creating/assigning DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity.]

### [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00106] Discovering remote Service Instances in DDS `DomainParticipant` Entities

Status: DRAFT

Upstream requirements: FO\_RS\_Dds\_00001, FO\_RS\_Dds\_00005, FO\_RS\_Dds\_00008

[DDS `DomainParticipant` Entities created or assigned in the context of Service Instance Discovery are responsible for discovering remote `DomainParticipants` assigned to Service Instances (see [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00105]).

To retrieve the list of discovered Service Instances, the list of remote DDS `DomainParticipant` Entities a local DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity has discovered so far shall be iterated. This shall be done by calling `read()` on the DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity's built-in DDS `DataReader` Entity for the `DCPSParticipant` Topic. `DCPSParticipant` is a standard DDS Topic defined in [1] that DDS `DomainParticipant` Entities use to inform other DDS `DomainParticipant` Entities of their presence in the network.

Among other things, `DCPSParticipant` Topics propagate the DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity's `USER_DATA` QoS policy value, providing all the necessary information to identify remote AUTOSAR DDS `DomainParticipant` Entities and the Service Instances they contain.

The content of the `USER_DATA` QoS policy value of each remote DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity shall be parsed according to the patterns described in [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00102], looking for Service Instance entries matching desired Service Interface Identifier, Service Instance Identifier and Service Interface Contract Version criteria.]

When instructed to start a continuous Service Instance search, the following operations have to be performed:

- [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00105] Finding a DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity suitable for performing client-side operations.
- [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00108] Defining a DDS Built-in `DomainParticipant` Topic Listener.
- [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00109] Binding a DDS `BuiltinParticipantListener` to a DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity.

**[FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00108] Defining a DDS BuiltinParticipantListener**

*Status:* DRAFT

*Upstream requirements:* [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00001](#), [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00005](#), [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00008](#)

[An DDS Built-in `DomainParticipant Topic Listener` to handle notifications whenever a remote DDS `DomainParticipant Entity` is discovered shall be defined. This DDS Built-in `DomainParticipant Topic Listener` implementation shall derive from the standard `DataReaderListener` class [3], specifying that the data type of the samples to be handled is `ParticipantBuiltinTopicData`—the data type associated with the built-in DDS `DataReader` for samples of `DCPSParticipant Topic` [1].

The DDS Built-in `DomainParticipant Topic Listener` shall implement the following callbacks:

- `on_data_available()`, to notify when:
  - A new `Service Instance` is discovered in a DDS `DomainParticipant Entity` according to [\[FO\\_PRS\\_DDSSD\\_00106\]](#).
  - A known `Service Instance` ceases to be contained by a DDS `DomainParticipant Entity` according to [\[FO\\_PRS\\_DDSSD\\_00106\]](#).
- `on_liveliness_changed()`, to notify when:
  - A DDS `DomainParticipant Entity` assigned to a `Service Instance` ceases to exist (i.e., the instance state is either `NOT_ALIVE_DISPOSED` or `NOT_ALIVE_NO_WRITERS`).

]

**[FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00109] Binding a BuiltinParticipantListener to a DDS DomainParticipant Entity**

*Status:* DRAFT

*Upstream requirements:* [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00001](#), [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00005](#), [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00008](#)

[To bind a DDS Built-in `DomainParticipant Topic Listener` to a DDS `DomainParticipant Entity`, a new DDS Built-in `DomainParticipant Topic Listener` object (see [\[FO\\_PRS\\_DDSSD\\_00108\]](#)) shall be created. Then the newly created DDS Built-in `DomainParticipant Topic Listener` shall be bound to the DDS `DomainParticipant` using `set_listener()` with `StatusMask = DATA_AVAILABLE_STATUS|DDS_DATA_AVAILABLE_STATUS`<sup>2</sup>.

The DDS Built-in `DomainParticipant Topic Listener` shall be unbound when the enclosing DDS `DomainParticipant Entity` is destroyed according to [\[FO\\_PRS\\_DDSSD\\_00111\]](#).]

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<sup>2</sup>Note that the syntax of `set_listener()` and `StatusMask` is described in terms of the DDS Platform-Independent Model specified in [3]. Different Platform-Specific Mappings, such as the DDS-CPP-PSM specified in [4], map these concepts into more language-friendly constructs.

When instructed to stop asynchronous `Service Instance` discovery, the following operations have to be performed:

- [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00111] Unbinding a DDS Built-in `DomainParticipant Topic Listener` from a DDS `DomainParticipant Entity`.

**[FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00111] Unbinding a `BuiltinParticipantListener` from a DDS `DomainParticipant Entity`**

*Status:* DRAFT

*Upstream requirements:* [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00001](#), [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00005](#), [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00008](#)

[When instructed to unbind a DDS Built-in `DomainParticipant Topic Listener` from a DDS `DomainParticipant Entity`, `set_listener()` to disable the DDS Built-in `DomainParticipant Topic Listener` shall be called with `StatusMask = STATUS_MASK_NONE`, then the DDS Built-in `DomainParticipant Topic Listener` object shall be released.]

## 6.8 Service Discovery via Topic

### 6.8.1 Service Instance Advertising

To advertise a `Service Instance`, the following operations have to be performed:

- [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00201] Assigning a DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity to a `Service Instance`.
- [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00202] Publishing the `Service Interface Identifier`, `Service Instance Identifier`, `Service Interface Contract Versions` and `Resource Identifier Type` over the `ara.com://services/discovery DDS Topic`.

#### [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00201] Assigning a DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity to a `Service Instance`

*Status:* DRAFT

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[One or more `Service Instances` enter a particular DDS Domain, as configured by `<DDSServiceInstanceDomainID>`, through DDS `DomainParticipant` Entities. Different `Service Instances` in the same address space and DDS Domain may share the same DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity, as long as they use the same DDS `QoS Profile`, as configured by `<DDSServiceInstanceQoSProfile>`.

Before creating a new DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity, existing DDS `DomainParticipant` Entities in the current process that match the configuration criteria specified above shall be looked up. If the search is successful, the DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity found shall be assigned to the `Service Instance`<sup>3</sup>; otherwise, a new DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity shall be created according to the desired configuration and assigned to the `Service Instance`.

Once a suitable DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity has either been created for, or assigned to, the `Service Instance`, one DDS `Publisher` Entity and one DDS `Subscriber` Entity to enclose all DDS `DataWriter` and `DataReader` Entities associated with the `Service Instance` shall be created. If the Partition-based Resource Identification Mechanism is employed (see this chapter's Introduction above), the PARTITION QoS of both the newly created DDS `Publisher` and `Subscriber` Entities shall contain the following partition name:

```
ara.com://services/<svcId>_<svcInId>
```

Where:

`<svcId>` is the value of `<DDSServiceInterfaceID>` for the `Service Interface`.

<sup>3</sup>These rules ensure the creation of only one `DomainParticipant` for a given Domain and `QoS Profile`.

<svcInId> is the stringified value of <DDSServiceInstanceID> for the Service Instance.

DDS *Publisher* and *Subscriber* Entities may be reused across different elements of Discovery and Service Instances; therefore, they shall not be removed until the enclosing DDS *DomainParticipant* Entity is being prepared for release.]

**[FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00202] Advertising Service Interface Identifier, Service Instance Identifier, and ServiceInterface Contract Versions and Resource Identifier Type over the ara.com://services/discovery DDS Topic**

*Status:* DRAFT

*Upstream requirements:* FO\_RS\_Dds\_00001, FO\_RS\_Dds\_00005, FO\_RS\_Dds\_00007, FO\_RS\_Dds\_00008, FO\_RS\_Dds\_00015

[Service advertisement shall configure DDS *Topic*, *Publisher* and *DataWriter* objects supporting the publication of announcement messages over the following topic:

ara.com://services/discovery

whose type is *ServiceAnnouncementMessage* and is defined as follows<sup>4</sup>:

```
1 module dds {
2 module ara {
3 module com {
4
5 enum ServiceInstanceResourceIdentifierType {
6     SERVICE_INSTANCE_RESOURCE_PARTITION,
7     SERVICE_INSTANCE_RESOURCE_TOPIC_PREFIX,
8     SERVICE_INSTANCE_RESOURCE_INSTANCE_ID
9 };
10
11 struct ServiceVersion {
12     uint32 major_version;
13     uint32 minor_version;
14 };
15
16 struct ServiceAnnouncementMessage {
17     @key string<256> interface_id;
18     @key uint16 instance_id;
19     ServiceVersion version;
20     ServiceInstanceResourceIdentifierType identifier_type;
21 };
22
23 }; // module com
24 }; // module ara
25 }; // module dds
```

Where:

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<sup>4</sup>DDS types are often defined in OMG IDL [5], which provides a standard language-independent format to represent data types and interfaces. Even though we use IDL throughout the specification to define data types, the use of IDL is not mandated (i.e., a compliant implementation could choose to hand-craft these types, run code generation from an equivalent XML syntax, or run vendor-specific mechanisms to generate the actual data types).

**interface\_id** is the value of `<DDSServiceInterfaceID>` for the Service Interface.

**instance\_id** is the value of `<DDSServiceInstanceID>` for the Service Instance.

**version.major\_version** is the value of `<DDSInterfaceMajorVersion>` for the Service Interface.

**version.minor\_version** is the value of `<DDSInterfaceMinorVersion>` for the Service Interface.

**identifier\_type** is the value of `<DDSServiceInstanceResourceIdentifierType>`.

In order to guarantee reception of `ServiceAnnouncementMessage` samples by all Service Interface consumers, including those joining after the Service Instance has been advertised, the following DDS `DataWriter` QoS policies shall be set for the `ara.com://services/discovery` topic:

- RELIABILITY set to RELIABLE
- HISTORY set to KEEP\_LAST with DEPTH set to 1
- DURABILITY set to TRANSIENT\_LOCAL

Once the `ara.com://services/discovery` topic DDS `DataWriter` is properly set up and ready to use, the offering Service Instance shall:

1. Instantiate a `ServiceAnnouncementMessage` sample, update it with the proper values uniquely identifying the Service Instance, and use it to register via `register_instance()` a unique instance (keyed by `interface_id` and `instance_id`)
2. Use the Instance Handle returned by the previous step to publish the sample via `write()`
3. Keep a copy the sample and the Instance Handle for use upon Service Instance tear down (see [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00203])

]

### [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00203] Stopping advertisement of a Service Instance

*Status:* DRAFT

*Upstream requirements:* [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00001](#), [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00008](#)

[When instructed to stop advertising a Service Instance, the following operations shall be performed:

- Call `dispose()` using the sample and the Instance Handle kept during Service Instance announcement (see [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00202])

]

## 6.8.2 Service Instance Discovery

When instructed to find remote `Service Instances`, the following operations have to be performed:

- [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00205] Finding a DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity suitable for performing client-side operations.
- [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00206] Discovering remote `Service Instances` in DDS `DomainParticipant` Entities.

### [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00205] Finding a DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity suitable for performing client-side operations

*Status:* DRAFT

*Upstream requirements:* FO\_RS\_Dds\_00001, FO\_RS\_Dds\_00005, FO\_RS\_Dds\_00008

[A DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity capable of discovering and communicating with other DDS `DomainParticipant` Entities shall be assigned for `Service Instance Discovery`:

- If an existing DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity exists in the same address space matching configured DDS Domain ID (`<DDSServiceInstanceDomainID>`) and QoS profile (`<DDSServiceInstanceQosProfile>`), it may be reused.
- A new DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity shall be created otherwise.

Please refer to [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00201] for additional details on creating/assigning DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity.]

### [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00206] Discovering remote `Service Instances` through the `ara.com://services/discovery` topic

*Status:* DRAFT

*Upstream requirements:* FO\_RS\_Dds\_00001, FO\_RS\_Dds\_00008

[DDS `DomainParticipant`, `Subscriber` and `DataReader` Entities created or assigned in the context of `Service Instance Discovery` are responsible for discovering remote DDS `DomainParticipants` assigned to `Service Instances` (see [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00205]).

To retrieve a list of available `Service Instances`, inbound `ServiceAnnouncementMessage` samples from the `ara.com://services/discovery` topic shall be received and processed. This shall be done by calling `read()` on the DDS `DataReader` Entity matching the DDS `Topic` and QoS policies defined by [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00202].

The content of the `ServiceAnnouncementMessage` samples shall be parsed according to the patterns described in [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00202], looking for `Service Instance` entries matching desired `Service Interface Identifier`, `Service Instance Identifier` and `Service Interface Contract Version` criteria.]

When instructed to start a continuous `Service Instance` search, the following operations have to be performed:

- [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00205] Finding a DDS `DomainParticipant` Entity suitable for performing client-side operations.
- [FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00206] Creating DDS `Topic` Entity and monitoring, via DDS asynchronous operation features such as `Listeners` and `WaitSets`, the `ara.com://services/discovery` topic.

**[FO\_PRS\_DDSSD\_00208] Stopping asynchronous discovery of e Service Instances in DDS `DomainParticipant` Entities**

*Status:* DRAFT

*Upstream requirements:* [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00001](#), [FO\\_RS\\_Dds\\_00008](#)

[When instructed to stop asynchronous `Service Instance` discovery, monitoring the arrival of `ServiceAnnouncementMessage` samples through the `ara.com://services/discovery` topic shall stop.]



## 7 Configuration parameters

This chapter lists all parameters the DDS Service Discovery protocol uses.

### 7.1 Service Discovery

DDS Protocol Parameter	Description	AP Config	CP Config
<DDSServiceInterfaceID>	ID of the DDS Service Interface	DdsServiceInterfaceDeployment.serviceInterfaceId	-
<DDSServiceInstanceID>	ID of the DDS Service Instance	DdsProvidedServiceInstance.serviceInstanceId and DdsRequiredServiceInstance.requiredServiceInstanceId	-
<DDSServiceInstanceDomainID>	ID of the DDS Domain where a DDS Service Instance operates	DdsProvidedServiceInstance.domainId and DdsRequiredServiceInstance.domainId	-
<DDSInterfaceMajorVersion>	Major Version of the DDS Service Interface	ServiceInterface.majorVersion	-
<DDSInterfaceMinorVersion>	Minor Version of the DDS Service Interface	ServiceInterface.minorVersion	-
<DDSServiceInstanceQoSProfile>	QoS Profile for all Methods and Field Methods within a specific DDS Service Instance	DdsRequiredServiceInstance.qoSProfile	-
<DDSServiceInstanceDiscoveryType>	Discovery mechanism for DDS Service Instance	DdsProvidedServiceInstance.discoveryType and DdsRequiredServiceInstance.discoveryType	-
<DDSServiceInstanceResourceIdentifierType>	Resource Identification scheme for DDS Service Instance	DdsProvidedServiceInstance.resourceIdentifierType	-

**Table 7.1: Mapping Table - DDS Protocol Parameters**

## 8 Protocol usage and guidelines

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## A Appendix

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## B Change history of AUTOSAR traceable items

Please note that the lists in this chapter also include traceable items that have been removed from the specification in a later version. These items do not appear as hyperlinks in the document.

### B.1 Traceable item history of this document according to AUTOSAR Release R24-11

#### B.1.1 Added Specification Items in R24-11

Number	Heading
[FO_PRS_DDSSD_-00101]	Assigning a DDS <code>DomainParticipant</code> Entity to a <code>Service Instance</code>
[FO_PRS_DDSSD_-00102]	Adding <code>Service Interface Identifier</code> , <code>Service Instance Identifier</code> , and <code>Service Interface Contract Versions</code> to the DDS Domain Participant's <code>USER_DATA</code> QoS Policy
[FO_PRS_DDSSD_-00103]	Stopping advertisement of a <code>Service Instance</code>
[FO_PRS_DDSSD_-00105]	Finding a DDS <code>DomainParticipant</code> Entity suitable for performing client-side operations
[FO_PRS_DDSSD_-00106]	Discovering remote <code>Service Instances</code> in DDS <code>DomainParticipant</code> Entities
[FO_PRS_DDSSD_-00108]	Defining a DDS <code>BuiltinParticipantListener</code>
[FO_PRS_DDSSD_-00109]	Binding a <code>BuiltinParticipantListener</code> to a DDS <code>DomainParticipant</code> Entity
[FO_PRS_DDSSD_-00111]	Unbinding a <code>BuiltinParticipantListener</code> from a DDS <code>DomainParticipant</code> Entity
[FO_PRS_DDSSD_-00201]	Assigning a DDS <code>DomainParticipant</code> Entity to a <code>Service Instance</code>
[FO_PRS_DDSSD_-00202]	Advertising <code>Service Interface Identifier</code> , <code>Service Instance Identifier</code> , and <code>ServiceInterface Contract Versions</code> and <code>Resource Identifier Type</code> over the <code>ara.com://services/discovery</code> DDS Topic
[FO_PRS_DDSSD_-00203]	Stopping advertisement of a <code>Service Instance</code>
[FO_PRS_DDSSD_-00205]	Finding a DDS <code>DomainParticipant</code> Entity suitable for performing client-side operations
[FO_PRS_DDSSD_-00206]	Discovering remote <code>Service Instances</code> through the <code>ara.com://services/discovery</code> topic





Number	Heading
[FO_PRS_DDSSD_-00208]	Stopping asynchronous discovery of e Service Instances in DDS DomainParticipant Entities

**Table B.1: Added Specification Items in R24-11**

**B.1.2 Changed Specification Items in R24-11**

none

**B.1.3 Deleted Specification Items in R24-11**

none