

1. Nonwarranty and conditions of use

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2. General information about eCI@ss

Using a „common language“, which is understandable for both man and machine, is mandatory for a successful electronic and automated communication.

With eCI@ss a common language is available: a global, cross-industry standard for classification and unambiguous description of products and services, which is conform to international and national standards. By using eCI@ss within the entire supply chain – from development to disposal - internal business processes as well as data exchange with business partners are optimized in a much more efficient way.

eCI@ss is developed by the association eCI@ss e.V., a non-profit organization, which is supported by ordinary and sponsoring members from companies, associations and institutions. Their common goal is to enhance eCI@ss in accordance with current and future market requirements as well as to promote its international use. Members of the eCI@ss association come from international companies from different industries (e.g. automotive, chemical and electrical engineering, utilities, service and trade).

You can find up-to-date information on <http://www.eclass.eu>.

3. Description of the files

The ZIP-file contains all relevant files for the class structure of the eCI@ss ADVANCED version in XML file format.

You can find a detailed description of the files and further information in the eCI@ss wiki: http://wiki.eclass.eu/wiki/read_me

4. Support: Authorized eCI@ss IT Service Providers

During the introduction of eCI@ss, questions frequently occur on the concrete implementation of eCI@ss into various IT systems. Often not all questions can be answered with own resources, so that it turned out to be useful to access external know-how on some issues.

The authorized eCI@ss-service-providers and the eCI@ss e.V. support companies with consulting and offer software solutions for the introduction of eCI@ss in the company and thus sustainably promote the distribution of eCI@ss.

All service providers assigned with implementing tasks defined by the eCI@ss association, guarantee to observe the current rules, guidelines and requirements of the eCI@ss e.V. regarding the eCI@ss data model based on international standards.

All information concerning the eCI@ss-service-providers is available on www.eclass.de.

The individual service offers can be viewed on the following link: http://wiki.eclass.de/wiki/Category:IT_Service_Providers

