
Subject: Define requirements for processContent strictly than lax

Posted by [Heidrun Jost](#) on Fri, 07 Dec 2018 07:19:15 GMT

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Best regards,

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Subject: Re: Define requirements for processContent strictly than lax

Posted by [christian.rahmig](#) on Tue, 18 Dec 2018 21:04:14 GMT

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Am 07.12.2018 um 08:19 schrieb Heidrun Jost:

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following discussions at the last Conference in Prague and in several working group meetings, railML.org decided to follow the suggested approach of "strict" instead of "lax" extensions for upcoming versions railML 3.x. This means, that all own extensions made to the railML schema have to be specified by an appropriate extension schema file. It shall not be possible to make use of (any) extensions to the railML model without providing the schema of the extension.

Best regards
Christian

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