

# OMG: RTPS TCP/IP PSM for DDS Interoperability

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Table 1: Data sheet for RTPS TCP/IP PSM for DDS Interoperability RFP

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## Motivation

The [Data Distribution Service \(DDS\) Real-time Publish-Subscribe wire protocol \(DDSI-RTPS\)](#) specification defines a set of requirements for a [wire protocol](#) suitable for the Data Distribution Service (DDS). Primary considerations in the design of the [rtps](#) wire protocol are: [performance](#), [configurability](#) (tuning quality-of-service), [fault-tolerance](#) (no single points of failure), [extensibility](#) (support new transports), [plug-and-play connectivity](#) (automatic discovery), [modularity](#), [scalability](#), and [type safety](#).

[RTPS](#) imposes very little requirements on the underlying transport: a connectionless service capable of sending packets [best-effort](#) is sufficient. A connection-oriented protocol can be used but is not required. The mechanisms of the underlying protocol map to the generalized notions of the RTPS [pim](#).

The original [DDSI-RTPS](#) specification defined a [psm](#) built upon the [udp](#) because of its simplicity, universal [availability](#), best-effort and connectionless capabilities, predictable behavior, scalability, and [multicast](#) support.

However, some [Data Distribution Service \(DDS\)](#) systems would benefit from an RTPS PSM built upon the [tcp](#). Among other scenarios, a TCP PSM would be better suited for communication through firewalls, where often UDP traffic is filtered; could leverage existing TCP-based [load-balancing](#) infrastructure; and would allow DDS to be deployed in some applications where governance mandates TCP exclusively. Therefore, the [goal](#) of this [rfp](#) is to meet the requirements set forth by the RTPS PIM with minimum possible overhead using TCP.

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