

Change Sub-Committee Meeting 85

17 March 2026

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It is everyone's responsibility to say something

The Chair will move the conversation on



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■ CSC Terms of Reference

The CSC is the delegated Sub-Committee of Panel for dealing with Modifications. The CSC has power to determine:

- If the **stage gates** have been completed
- If the **scale** (both sides and therefore business case) is understood
- **Modification** is confirmed as the most appropriate solution
- Affected **SEC areas** identified
- Where applicable, potential high-level **solution** options for resolving the issue have been identified (including, where possible, an assessment of whether costs and complexity would be high, medium or low to inform the benefits case of proceeding).

■ CSC Terms of Reference

Determine whether the solution(s) proposed in a Modification Proposal is sufficiently developed and understood that it can be progressed to a final decision:

- A **solution** (or solutions) has been clearly defined
- The **impacts** of the solution(s) on all participants have been fully identified
- All implementation and on-going **costs** have been drawn out and scrutinised
- The **implementation approach** has been clearly laid out, including the technical specification versions arising from the change
- The changes to the **SEC documentation** have been fully drafted
- The **business case** for change has been fully defined
- An assessment against the Applicable **SEC Objectives** and the **consumer benefits** analysis have been completed
- All questions raised along the way have been **answered**

■ Agenda

1. Approval of previous meeting minutes
2. Actions Outstanding
3. SEC Modification Progression
4. SEC Modification Timetables
5. SEC Releases Update
6. February 2027 Baseline
7. FSM Update
8. Any Other Business



Agenda Item 1

Approval of previous meeting minutes
Abi Obadan (SECAS)

■ Recommendations

- No comments were received on the previous meeting minutes
- **APPROVE** these minutes as final



Agenda Item 2

Actions Outstanding
Simon Grimwood

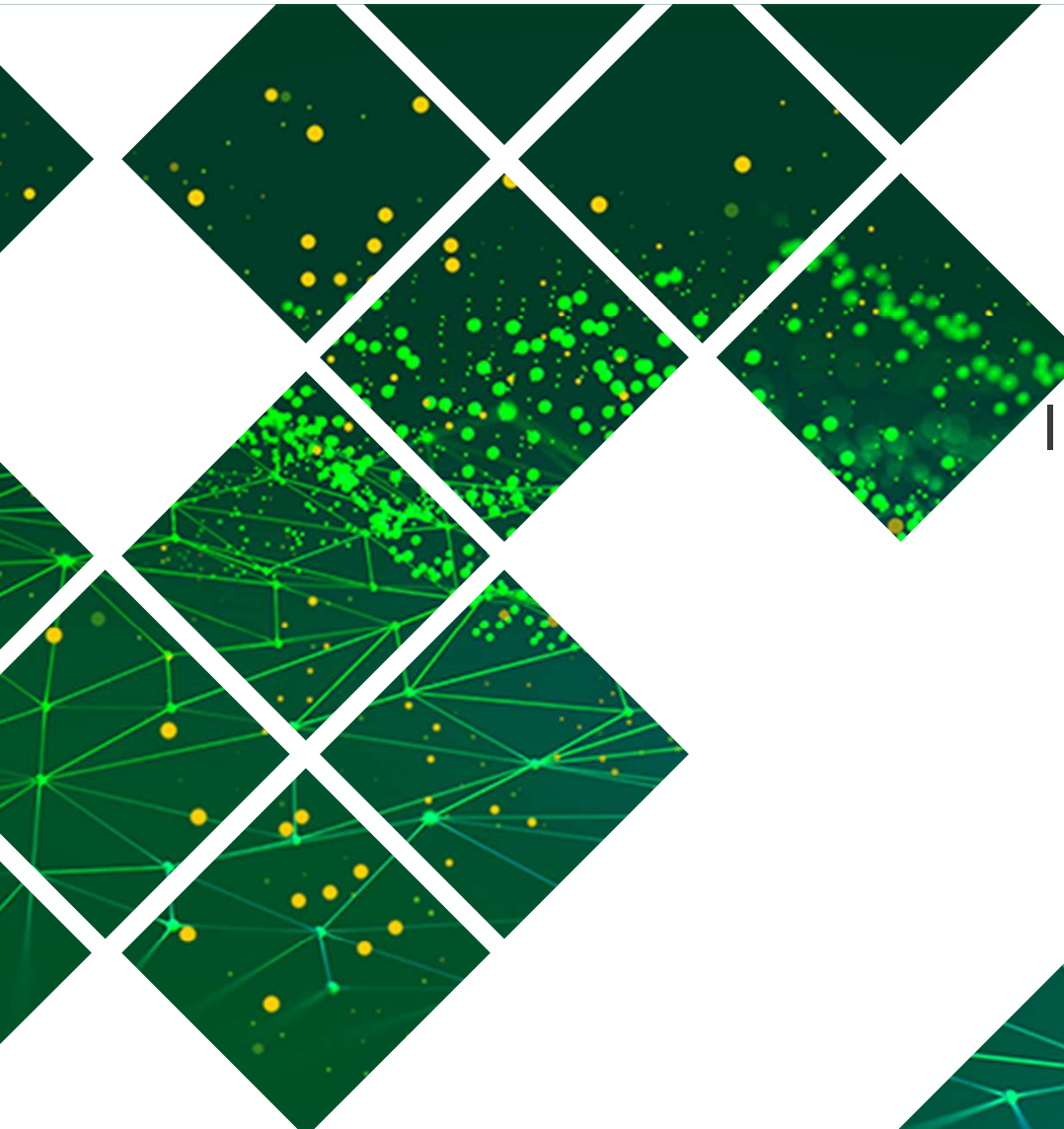
■ Actions Outstanding

Ref	Action	Owner	Update	Status
76/04	SECCo (RH) to confirm Paper Classification approach with SECAS Governance Team	SECCo	Meeting update 17/02/2026: The Chair confirmed the action would remain open and advised she would follow up with Robin Healey to progress closure.	Open



Agenda item 3

SEC Modification Progression



DP317 'SMETS1 FOC ANSO Implementation Housekeeping Changes'

Simon Grimwood
(The SEC Change Team)

■ DP316 'DUI5 12.2 PRE-NOTIFICATION OF CHF AMBIGUITY'

Khaleda Hussain

Raised by David Walsh from the DCC

Progress to Report Phase

LOW

Overview

- DUIS does not specify the error code expected if the sender of the SR erroneously specifies both the CHF and the GPF IDs to be the same value
- The DCC send a Response Code E120201 in the event when an SR 12.2 is sent by a User
- The E120201 Response Code does not cover the duplication of the CHF Device ID nor is it descriptive of the problem

Issue



- Doing nothing means ambiguity remains within DUIS
- Users are unsure of the expected behaviour and DSP2 could produce a different error in this scenario

Impact



- To make text only change to SEC Appendix AD (DUIS) with the aim of providing clarity and to avoid any ambiguity and misinterpretation

Potential Solution



■ AM461: Legal text

Appendix AD 'DCC User Interface
Specification'

Legal Text

3.8.128.3 Specific Validation for this Request

See clause 3.2.5 for general validation applied to all Requests.

For this Request, the general Authorisation Checks as defined below shall not be carried out.

- a Response Code of E4 as defined in clause 3.2.4 “Verify that the User, in the User Role defined in the Service Request is an Eligible User for the Device” or
- a Response Code of E5 as defined in clause 3.2.4 “Verify that the Service Request or Signed Pre-Command is applicable to the Device status”

Response Code	Response Code Description
E120201	<u>One of:</u> Document was last saved: Just now • The Device ID already existed in Smart Metering <u>Inventory</u> and its Status was not ‘Decommissioned’ or ‘Withdrawn’ <u>Or</u> • <u>The AssociatedGPDeviceID is the same as the DeviceID and DeviceType is CHF</u>

■ AM461: Assessment of Change



Impacted Parties

- N/A



Costs

- SECAS implementation costs



Target Release

- November 2026 SEC Release



Benefits

- Correct errors in the SEC and lead to less confusion or misinterpretation

SEC Objective (g)

(g) To facilitate the efficient and transparent administration and implementation of this Code.

■ AM461: Recommendations

- **DETERMINE** whether the issue and the impact it is having is clearly defined and understood
- **DETERMINE** whether DP315 should be converted to a Modification Proposal
- **DETERMINE** whether MP315 should be progressed to the Report Phase
- **APPROVE** the Modification Report
- **APPROVE** the implementation approach
- **AGREE** that MP315 should be progressed as a Self-Governance Modification

SEC Objective (g)

(g) To facilitate the efficient and transparent administration and implementation of this Code.

■ DP315 – Dual running of DCC Smart Meter Communication Licence

Khaleda Hussain

Raised by Bradley Baker from DCC

Remain in Development Stage

LOW

Overview

- As part of the DCC review, Ofgem has drafted a new successor licence (SMCL2) and appointed a Successor Licensee following an open competitive tender process

Issue



- Due to operational requirements and handover between the old and new SMCL licence holders, there will be a period where both the existing SMCL and the new SMCL will be in use
- Unless the SEC is amended the parallel operation of both the SMCL & SMCL2 has the potential to cause confusion

Impact



- A Review of SEC 'Section A – Definitions and Interpretation' to manage referencing of two Licences with the SEC during the handover period with the aim of providing clarity and to avoid any ambiguity and misinterpretation

Proposed Solution

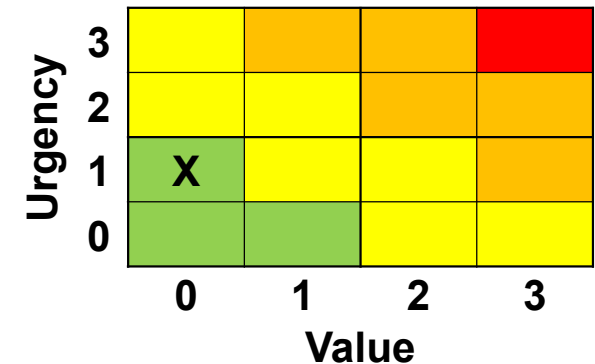


■ Prioritisation

Legal & regulatory compliance	Operational performance	Cost benefit	Consumer impact	Security impacts	Value	Urgency	Priority
1	1	0	0	0	0	1	Low

Rationale

- Text only change will aim to avoid ambiguity and any misinterpretation
- Defining which licence is being referred to when referenced in the SEC will provide clarity



■ Timetable

Date	Event/Activity	Notes
March 2026 – May 2026	Solution Development	<i>Legal drafting</i>
May 2026	Progress to report phase	
June 2026	June 2026 SEC Release Implementation	

■ AM459: Recommendations

- **DETERMINE** whether the issue and the impact it is having is clearly defined and understood
- **DETERMINE** whether AM459 should be converted to a Modification Proposal
- **AGREE** the first package of work and the timetable for AM459

■ DP318 'Incorporation of Category 3 Issue Resolution Proposal into the SEC – Batch 12 and GBCS Changes'

Marc Rhodes

Raised by David Walsh from The DCC
Progress to Refinement Process

Low

DP318: Overview

- Where a UTRN has been sent from the PPMID to the meter the meter will apply the UTRN and send one message to the energy Supplier and a second message to the PPMID informing of the successful top-up. If the meter detects a duplicate UTRN, then the meter will not send a message to the energy Supplier, or the PPMID.

Issue



UTRN - Unique Transaction Reference Number

- If a Consumer is unaware that they have entered a duplicate UTRN it could result in repeatedly entering a duplicate UTRN which is a poor Consumer experience.

Impact



PPMID - Prepayment Meter Interface Device

- Wording changes to GBCS to clarify the meter behaviour by separating the generation of the message to the PPMID from the generation of the message to the energy Supplier.

Potential Solution



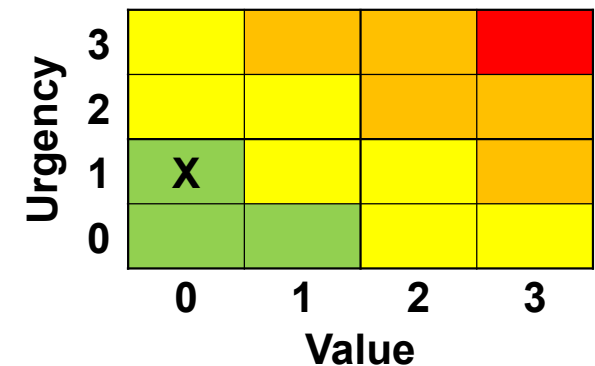
GBCS - Great Britain Companion Specification

■ Prioritisation

Legal & regulatory compliance	Operational performance	Cost benefit	Consumer impact	Security impacts	Value	Urgency	Priority
0	0	0	1	0	0	1	Low

Rationale

- Changes will enhance the Consumer experience by providing notification when a duplicate UTRN has been entered.



■ DP318: Legal text 1/3

1. At GBCS, Section 14.7.4.1.2, amend the title of the Section, and add the text as shown by the following mark-up:

- ~~14.7.4.1.2 HAN Only Command Construction by the PPMID¶¶~~

~~The HAN Only Command is sent from the PPMID to the ESME / GSME to deliver the UTRN. The processing of the HAN Only Command is independent from the processing of the UTRN contained as payload of the HAN Only Command.¶¶~~

~~Where the target Device is a GSME, the PPMID shall construct the Command according to the requirements of Use Case PCS01.¶¶~~

~~Where the target Device is an ESME, the PPMID shall construct a ZSE Consumer Top-Up command.¶¶~~

~~In all cases:¶¶~~

- → ~~the value of the Top-Up Code, with its ZSE meaning, shall be set to be a VisibleString whose value is the 20-digit UTRN; and¶¶~~
- → ~~the value of the Originating Device, with its ZSE meaning, shall be 0x02 (IHD).¶¶~~

DP318: Legal text 2/3

2. At GBCS, Section 14.7.4.1.3, make the changes as indicated by the following mark-up:

■ 14.7.4.1.3 HAN Only Command Validation by the ESME / GSME

~~If the ESME / GSME has no PPMID in its Device Log, the ESME / GSME shall apply the requirements of Section 6.2.4.2 to reflect the failed check, and undertake no additional processing.~~

~~If the ESME / GSME has a PPMID in its Device Log:~~

- ~~• if the receiving Device is an ESME, the ESME shall use ZSE cryptographic processes to establish whether the Command was authentically issued by a PPMID that is in its Device Log; or~~
- ~~• if the receiving Device is a GSME, the GSME shall undertake Command Authenticity and Integrity Verification, as required for a Command of Message Category SME.C.PPMID-GSME to establish whether the Command was authentically issued by the PPMID that is in its Device Log. For clarity, the 'PPMID entity ID' and the 'Meter entity ID' from PCS01 and PCS02 Commands are the Business Originator ID and Business Target ID respectively used in the Section 6.2.4.1.1 checks.~~

~~If the Command was not authentically issued by a PPMID within the Device Log, the ESME / GSME shall apply the requirements of Section 6.2.4.2 to reflect the failed check.~~

~~The HAN Only Command shall comply with the Device Based Access Control (DBAC) requirements of Section 13.7.3. If the HAN Only Command was authentically issued by a PPMID within the Device Log is permitted, the ESME / GSME shall comply with the requirements of Sections 14.6.4 and 14.6.5 (but excluding requirements in Sections 14.6.4.1.1, save that the ESME / GSME shall disregard the 20th digit before undertaking any further steps), and so process the contents of the Command accordingly and always send a HAN Only Response.~~

■ DP318: Legal text 3/3

3. At GBCS, Section 14.7.4.1.4, make the changes shown by the following mark-up:

14.7.4.1.4 HAN Only Response Construction and Issue

~~Where the ESME / GSME successfully creates a Remote Party Response to its Supplier, as per the requirements in Section 14.6.5, the ESME / GSME shall also~~The ESME / GSME shall:

- where the Device is a GSME, construct the HAN Only Response according to the requirements of Use Case PCS01 and send it to the PPMID; or
- where the Device is an ESME, construct a ZSE Consumer Top Up Response command, and send it to the PPMID.

In all cases the value of the Source of Top up, with its ZSE meaning, shall be 0x02 (IHD).

■ Timetable

Date	Event/Activity	Notes
April 2026	DCC Preliminary Impact Assessment	
May 2026	Sub-Committees	
June 2026	Enter Report Phase	
June-July 2026	Modification Report Consultation	
July 2026	Change Board Vote	
Nov 2026	Estimated Implementation	

■ DP318: Recommendations

- **DETERMINE** whether the issue and the impact it is having is clearly defined and understood
- **DETERMINE** whether DP318 should be converted to a Modification Proposal
- **DETERMINE** whether MP318 should be progressed to the Refinement Process
- **AGREE** the first package of work and the timetable for MP318

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Agenda item 4

SEC Modification Timetables
Khaleda Hussain
(The SEC Change Team)

Summary and Matrix

URGENCY

3		P218		P312
2		P305	P255 P302	P293
1	P235 P307 P315 P318	P257 P291 P306 P313	P266 P281	P169 P300
0	(P165) P205 P234 P244 P316 P317	(P085B) P184 (P206) P265	(P137) P301	(P094) P289 P294
	0	1	2	3

VALUE

33 Active Modifications

Five Modifications on hold

DP315 (V0+U1) DP316 (V0+U0)
DP317 (V0+U0) DP318 (V0+U1)

■ (High and very high priority)*

- MP169 'Managing the consumers refusal of a Smart Meter Installation'
- MP218 'Review of the SEC Charging Methodology'
- MP255 'WAN issues during Smart Meter installations'
- MP293 'Deferment of DCC Planned Maintenance during Adverse Weather'
- MP300 'Additional Operational Metrics to Measure on Success'
- MP302 'Supplier Alert for ENOs'
- MP312 'Caching SRV 4.10 for SMETS1 Devices'

* We will be amending the priority to align with the SDS

■ On hold

Hold List

- MP085B – SEC Change Team (and TABASC) monitoring the implementation of firmware updates by two Manufacturers who do not currently implement MP085A functionality
- MP094 - Due to Proposer wanting to evaluate post launch performance for the virtual WAN solution and review mid 2026
- MP165 - The Proposer is awaiting the agreement and creation of a Publicly Available Specification (PAS) document to determine any consequential changes to the SEC that may be needed as a result. This could take up to 5 years
- DP206 - Dependant on REC change R0207 unlikely to be delivered until mid 2026
- DP266 - The issue relating to DP266 may potentially overlap with the Proposed Solution of MP293 'Deferment of DCC Planned Maintenance during Adverse Weather'.

■ Recommendations

- **NOTE** the update



Agenda item 5

SEC Releases Update
Georgie Severin
(The SEC Change Team)

BRAG status key

Status	Justification
Red	The targeted release date allows for no extension to the modification timeline or allows for delay only if subsequent steps are expedited.
Amber	The targeted release date allows for an extension to the modification timeline of up to two months.
Green	The targeted release date allows for an extension to the modification timeline of over two months.
Blue	The modification has been approved for implementation.
	This modification is DCC System impacting.
	This modification is not DCC Total System impacting, however these changes will require amendments to DCC reporting systems, SharePoint, business processes etc.

■ Delays to FSM

The DCC has made SECAS aware that FSM (Future Services Management) has been delayed. This will affect any modifications awaiting implementation that require changes to FSM and any modifications currently in flight that require changes to FSM.

Modifications awaiting FSM		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Impact
MP239	Enduring Solution for Resolving SMETS2 Device Certificate Misalignment Issue	Legal text implemented in the June 2025 SEC Release and has been advised will be incorporated into FSM once live.
MP252	Amending the process for Communications Hub returns	Solution approved by Change Board in Feb 2025 includes delivery into FSM. This modification was implemented in the November 2025 SEC Release.
MP137	Sharing information on Defects and Issues	Dependent on whether the business requirements are delivered in FSM.

June 2026 SEC Release

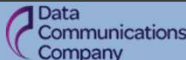
Approved Modifications		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Status
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Targeted Modifications		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Status
MP289	BCDR Engagement	

MP313 was removed from the scope of the June 2026 SEC Release since the February 2026 meeting following feedback from the Security Sub-Committee.

Releases from June 2026 SEC Release and onwards may be impacted by DSP re-procurement.

■ November 2026 SEC Release

Approved Modifications		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Status
MP304	Scheduling Services for SMETS1 Devices (SRV 4.3)	

Targeted Modifications		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Status
MP281	Install Codes in the SMI	
MP301	Review of Additional Registration Data (Gas Transporters)	
DP316	DUIS SRV12.2 Pre-Notification of CHF Ambiguity	

MP301 and DP316 were added to the scope of the November 2026 SEC Release since the February 2026 CSC meeting.

Releases from June 2026 SEC Release and onwards may be impacted by DSP re-procurement.

■ Ad hoc 2025 SEC Release

Modifications		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Status
MP234	Addition of Public Task and Legitimate Interests into the SEC	
MP241	Interoperability Checker Update	
MP312	Caching SRV 4.10 for SMETS1 Devices	
DP315	Dual running of DCC Smart Meter Communication Licence	

DP315 was added to the scope of the modification since the February 2026 SEC Release.

■ Recommendations

The CSC is requested to:

- **NOTE** the updates on the SEC Releases referenced in these slides.



Agenda item 6

February 2027 Baseline
Georgie Severin
(The SEC Change Team)

February 2027 SEC Release

Approved Modifications		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Status
-	-	-

Targeted Modifications		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Status
-	-	-

There are currently no modifications targeting February 2027 SEC Release.

Releases from June 2026 SEC Release and onwards may be impacted by DSP re-procurement.

■ Recommendations

The CSC is requested to:

- **BASELINE** the February 2027 SEC Release



Agenda item 7

FSM Update
Michael Wallace (DCC)



Agenda item 8

Any Other Business
Georgiana Severin
(The SEC Change Team)

■ DUIS v1.0 and DUIS v2.0

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DUIS v1.0 and DUIS v2.0
no longer in use, as
confirmed by DCC

SSC supports industry no
longer using the two
versions.

SEC Section A3.37A states
each version of the DCC
User Interface
Specification remains in
the Code while its
Maintenance Validity
Period is active, after
which it and its
corresponding Message
Mapping Catalogue
version are automatically
removed and marked as
“Not Used.”

The Code Administrator
must keep archived
copies of all removed
versions on the Website,
along with records of
their Maintenance
Validity Periods.

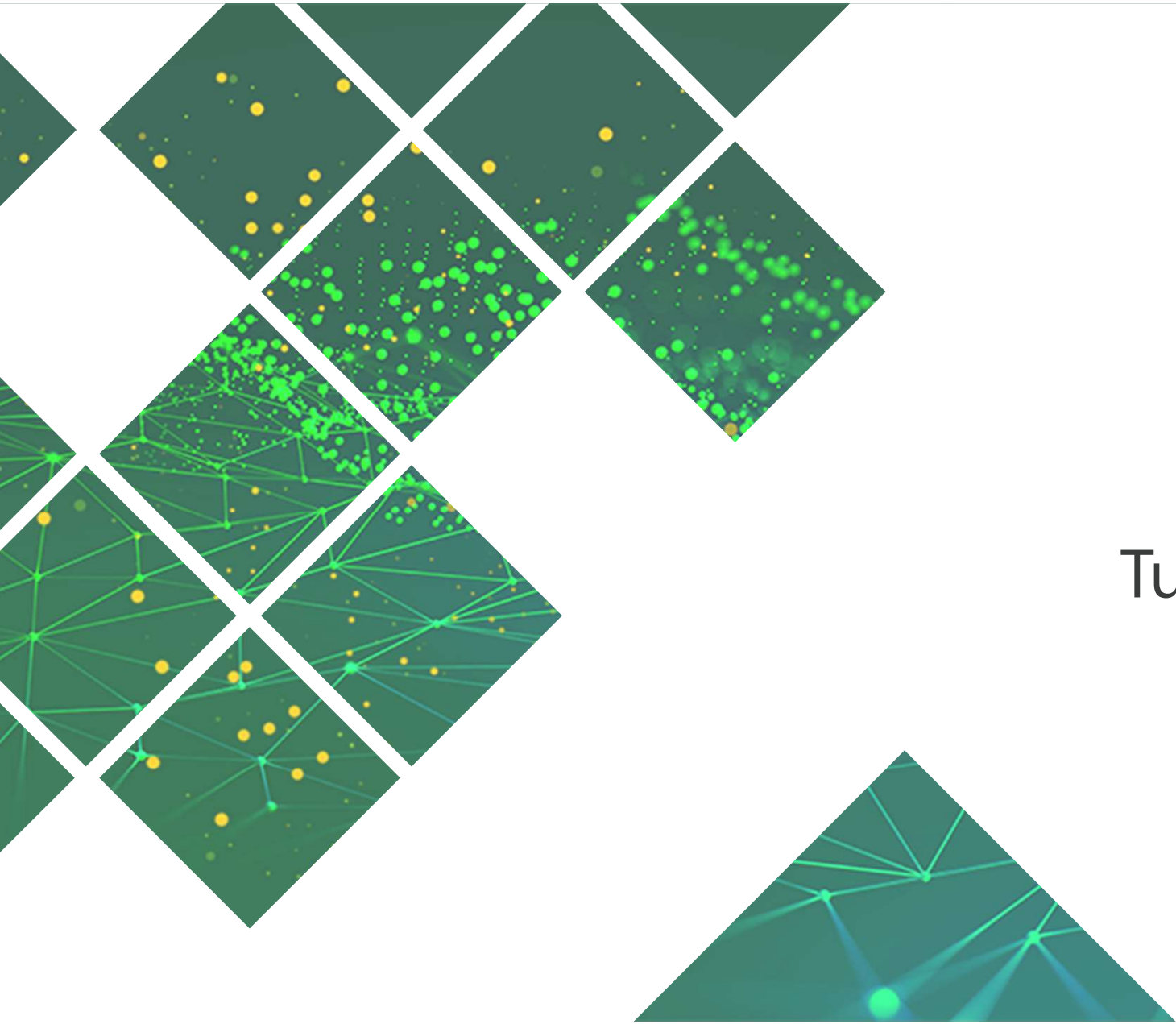
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