



# ETSI TC LI

## Lawful Interception

**Lawful Interception** is the legally sanctioned access to private communications by law enforcement authorities (LEAs), facilitated by communication service providers. It is a vital tool in the fight against crime, fraud, and terrorism, supported by the **European Council Resolution of 17 January 1995 (96/C 329/01)**.

ETSI TC LI standards are used globally to support both:

- **Lawful Interception (LI)** of communications, and
- **Lawful Disclosure (LD)** of stored data

### Key Activities & Responsibilities

- Developing **global standards** for lawful interception and access to stored data
- Supporting **interoperability** across borders and between agencies
- Ensuring alignment with **3GPP technologies**.
- Enabling **cross-border cooperation** via **Inter-LEA Handover Interface (ILHI)**

### ETSI Technical Committee Lawful Interception (TC LI) brings together:

- **Law enforcement agencies (LEAs)**
- **Governments/Regulators**
- **Communication Service Providers**
- **Network and equipment vendors**

## Case Study: Vehicle Data Disclosure

ETSI TC LI has introduced a specification for **lawful access to vehicle-related data**, allowing secure, authorised exchange of data between entities while preserving **vehicle safety** and **data protection responsibilities**.

## Collaboration

TC LI collaborates closely with 3GPP's SA3-LI and ETSI's **Cybersecurity committees** to ensure lawful interception evolves alongside emerging technologies and threats. This includes:

- Privacy safeguards
- Secure data handling
- Adherence to legal boundaries and national regulations

## Standards & Specifications

TC LI maintains a comprehensive, publicly available library of standards covering:

- Handover interfaces for real-time communications and stored data
- National and international parameters
- LI/LD implementations in modern networks

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