nexo is a global open standardization association, whose headquarters is in Brussels. Its mission is to unite the players of the card-based payment industry on the definition and enhancement of payment acceptance solution implementation specifications.

To ensure the interoperability between card acceptance and acquiring solutions on the one hand and integrated retail and terminal management systems on the other, nexo drives the development, delivery and maintenance of a new generation of universal card payment standards, protocols and implementation specifications.
NEXO, WHERE WE CAME FROM

Born in 2014 out of the merger of three historical standards and card payment specifications contributors -- EPASOrg, the OSCar consortium and the CIR SEPA-Fast technical working group -- nexo is a leader in card payment standardization.

nexo is at the origin of the entire ISO 20022 standardization process for card payments.
PROVIDING THE BUILDING BLOCKS FOR STANDARDIZATION IN CARD PAYMENTS

nexo promotes the widespread acceptance of protocols, a series of standards to ensure interoperability among card acceptance and acquiring solutions, retail payment solutions, and terminal management systems.

ISO 20022 PROTOCOLS
nexo designs, develops and maintains card payment and cash withdrawal standards that follow a universal ISO standardization process.

PAYMENT ACCEPTANCE SOLUTION HARMONIZATION
nexo is a specification provider. Its member-based card payment experts work collaboratively in developing standardized EMV terminal payment application specifications.

TOWARDS COMMON IMPLEMENTATION SPECIFICATIONS
nexo provides specifications to harmonize card payment. Obtain our specifications and enter the world of interoperability.
NEXO FOCUS

PROTOCOLS FOR PAYMENT

**ACQUIRER PROTOCOL**
The interface between a card payment terminal and a buyer. Defines a clear separation between the protocols and software or application.

**RETAILER PROTOCOL**
The interface between a card payment application and a retail POS system. Defines a clear separation between the functions of sale and payment.

**TERMINAL MANAGEMENT**
The interface between card payment terminals and systems used to manage them remotely. Allow download settings, electronic keys and software upgrades.

**IMPLEMENTATION SPECIFICATIONS**

Based on the nexo-FAST POS payment application and the nexo protocols. It defines in detail the structure and functions of the Host Acquirer Protocol (HAP), which is needed for the interaction of the nexo-FAST application with the nexo protocols within the framework of a nexo implementation project.

**ACQUIRER PROTOCOL**
The interface between the device and the ATM* banking systems

* Automated Teller Machine
NEXO COMMITMENTS

DESIGN AND MAINTAIN common card acceptance standards protocols and specifications based on universal ISO accreditation

DELIVER common implementation guidelines to ensure full interoperability

PROVIDE test cases and tools helping implementers to evaluate their compliance with specifications

SUPPORT users implementing nexo standards and specifications

VALIDATE implementation thereby ensuring faster approval and deployment to market

PROMOTE the universal use of NEXO standards and specifications
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