

6. Glossary

Term	Description
API	Application Programmable Interface
BSS	Business Support System
CI/CD	Continuous Integration/Continuous Deployment
CNF	Cloud-native Network Function
CP	Control plane
CSP	Communications Service Provider
CT	Communication Technology
DP	Data Plane
IT	Information Technology
K8S	Kubernetes
LCM	Life Cycle Management
LFN	the Linux Foundation Networking umbrella project
NETCONF	Network Configuration Protocol
NF	Network Function
NFVi (or NFVI)	Network Function Virtualization Infrastructure
O&M	Operations and Maintenance
OSS	Operations Support System
SDN	Software Defined Networking
SDO	Standards Definition Organization
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TOSCA	Topology and Orchestration Specification for Cloud Applications (OASIS standard)
VIM	Virtual Infrastructure Manager
VM	Virtual Machine
VNF	Virtual Network Function
YANG	Yet Another Next generation (NETCONF modeling language)