

# PB138 — XML Base

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# Outline

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- XML Base (second edition), W3C Recommendation 28 Jan 2009: <http://www.w3.org/TR/xmlbase/>
- Standard for evaluation of relative URLs in links to/from XML docs. Facility similar to that of HTML BASE, for defining base URIs for parts of XML documents.
- Defines how to use a reserved attribute `xml:base` denoting the base URI for relative URIs.
- It complements with the XLink spec.
- It works based on "overriding" of XML base from parent (ancestor) elements.

## XML Base - example

Example from XML Base specification <http://www.w3.org/TR/xmlbase/>

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<e1 xml:base="http://example.org/wine/">
  <e2 xml:base="rosé"/>
</e1>
```

In the example below, the base URI of element e2 should be returned as "http://example.org/wine/rosé". [1: Note the use of the reserved prefix `xml`]