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ESL is an easy procedural language adapted to work in the D2000 System environment. It allows implementing a wide scale of algorithms, which are necessary when creating the system application in a technological environment.

Basic features:

- own algorithm is expressed in text form, as a source text ([script](#)),
- basic (and integral) executive unit of the language is [action](#),
- allows to implement and call procedures within one script,
- calling other scripts by means of the procedural method,
- [error state handler](#),
- [starting external processes](#),
- declaration and use of global and local variables (within the frame of procedure),
- work with values of objects, using them in expressions, changing them,
- according to the context of script usage ([Script](#), [Active picture](#)), it provides additional possibilities,
- use of system objects in a specific way:
  - **Historical value** - work with the archive ([read](#), [block read](#), [write](#)),
  - **Database** - access to SQL database ([read](#), [write](#), [delete](#)),
  - **I/O tags** - reading, writing,
  - **Pictures, Graphs, Compositions** - to [open](#), and [close](#) on the [D2000 HI](#) process's desktop,
  - **HI process** - communication with operator - [text messages](#), [queries](#),
  - **Structured variable** - work with structure items,
  - **Alarms** - to block or to acknowledge,
  - **External function** - calling external functions implemented in DLL libraries,
  - **Process** - communication with a process by means of text messages ([COMMAND](#)).