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1 Article purpose

This article explains how to configure the **RNG** internal peripheral when it is assigned to the Linux $^{\mathbb{R}}$ OS. In that case, it is controlled by the Hardware random framework.

The configuration is performed using the device tree mechanism that provides a hardware description of the RNG peripheral, used by the STM32 RNG Linux driver.

2 DT bindings documentation

The RNG is represented by the STM32 RNG device tree bindings^[1]

3 DT configuration

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This hardware description is a combination of the **STM32 microprocessor** device tree files (*.dtsi* extension) and **board** device tree files (*.dts* extension). See the Device tree for an explanation of the device tree file split.

STM32CubeMX can be used to generate the board device tree. Refer to How to configure the DT using STM32CubeMX for more details.

3.1 DT configuration (STM32 level)

The RNG node is declared in stm32mp157c.dtsi^[2]. It describes the hardware register address, clock and reset.

```
rng1: rng@54003000 {
    compatible = "st,stm32-rng";
    reg = <0x54003000 0x400>;
    clocks = <&rcc RNG1_K>;
    resets = <&rcc RNG1_R>;
    status = "disabled";
};

Comments
--> Register location and
final content in the conte
```



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This device tree part is related to STM32 microprocessors. It must be kept as is, without being modified by the end-user.

3.2 DT configuration (board level)

This part is used to enable the RNG used on a board which is done by setting the **status** property to **okay**.

A clock-error-detect property is available depending the clock choosen for entropy. It can be enabled to manage the clock detection.

3.3 DT configuration examples

```
&rngl {
    status = "okay";
    clock-error-detect;
};
```

4 How to configure the DT using STM32CubeMX

The STM32CubeMX tool can be used to configure the STM32MPU device and get the corresponding platform configuration device tree files.

The STM32CubeMX may not support all the properties described in the above DT bindings documentation paragraph. If so, the tool inserts **user sections** in the generated device tree. These sections can then be edited to add some properties and they are preserved from one generation to another. Refer to STM32CubeMX user manual for further information.

5 References

Please refer to the following links for additional information:

- 1. ↑ Device tree bindings
- 2. ↑ STM32MP157C device tree

Operating System

Random Number Generator

Device Tree