

Design Document

Project:

Author:

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Revision:

Overview

Rationale for signing the contract: Business goals and objectives

Context, stakeholders

Terminology

Requirements

“Must haves”: Important requirements which must be covered

- Main obligations of the parties
- Risks which need to be mitigated or allocated
- Potential conflicts and how to address them

Cross-cutting concerns: Which aspects and constraints must be considered (e.g. regulatory aspects, such as data protection)

Timeline

Proposed solution

Principles

Required input

Implementation details

Risks and mitigation measures

Alternative solutions

Which alternatives have been considered? Why were these alternatives rejected?

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