

# **Glossary\_Terms\_of\_Reference\_v0.01\_Final**

The following terms are used descriptively throughout the document set. Definitions are contextual and non-authoritative and are provided solely to aid consistent interpretation.

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## **Index**

A structured reference layer used to organize and surface information about assets, roles, or services. The term does not imply ownership, control, ranking authority, or exclusivity.

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## **Discovery**

The process by which an entity becomes visible or locatable within a defined context. Discovery does not guarantee access, approval, or permission.

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## **Eligibility**

A contextual determination indicating whether predefined conditions are met. Eligibility signaling is evaluative and informational and does not imply enforcement, approval, or denial of rights.

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## **Clearing**

A coordination step in which eligibility outcomes are resolved to guide subsequent interaction. Clearing does not imply settlement, execution, enforcement, or arbitration.

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## **Coordination Primitive**

A minimal, reusable technical pattern that enables consistent interaction across systems without imposing centralized control, governance, or application-specific logic.

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## **Classification Scheme**

An externally defined system used to describe industries, goods, roles, or activities. Reference to a classification scheme does not imply endorsement, validation, or compliance.

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## **Claim**

A self-asserted reference to an external classification or descriptor. Claims may be versioned and contextual and are not assumed to be verified or authoritative.

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## **Attestation**

An optional third-party signal that may be associated with a claim. Attestations are additive and do not confer enforcement power or institutional authority.

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## **Registry**

A structured collection of references or metadata used to support discovery and evaluation. A registry does not function as a gatekeeper, platform, or governing body.

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## **Neutrality**

A design posture emphasizing non-exclusivity, non-enforcement, and institutional independence. Neutrality does not imply absence of structure or intent.

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## **Standards-Aligned**

Designed to interoperate with existing public standards where appropriate, without asserting formal compliance, certification, or endorsement.