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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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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.

Discovery

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

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.

Clearing

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

Coordination Primitive

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

Neutrality

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

Standards-Aligned

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