

Institutional Neutrality Statement

1. Purpose

This statement defines the institutional posture and neutrality boundaries of the coordination index described in the accompanying materials. It exists to prevent misinterpretation of the index as a platform, authority, marketplace, regulator, or governance body, and to clearly distinguish technical coordination functions from institutional control.

2. Non-Authority Position

The index does not assert authority over participants, assets, services, identities, or outcomes. It does not grant, deny, enforce, certify, or adjudicate access, rights, compliance, or legitimacy.

All evaluations performed using the index are deterministic and informational in nature, derived solely from publicly declared or externally referenced classifications and conditions supplied by participants or integrating systems.

3. Absence of Governance or Control

The index does not define rules of participation beyond structural interoperability requirements. It does not impose policies, standards, or behavioral constraints on any party.

No central governance layer is embedded in the index logic. Any governance, compliance, or decision-making frameworks remain external to the index and are the responsibility of adopting institutions, applications, or jurisdictions.

4. Neutral Relationship to Institutions

The index maintains institutional neutrality across public, private, commercial, nonprofit, and governmental actors.

It does not privilege, endorse, or depend on any specific institution, jurisdiction, vendor, consortium, or standards body. References to public classification systems, including industry,

trade, or occupational taxonomies, are descriptive and interoperable rather than normative or prescriptive.

5. Separation from Enforcement and Compliance

The index does not perform enforcement, monitoring, or compliance validation.

It may surface eligibility conditions, discovery constraints, or clearing prerequisites as informational outputs, but it does not verify correctness, compel action, or apply consequences.

All enforcement and compliance activities, including regulatory compliance, occur entirely outside the index.

6. No Platform or Marketplace Function

The index is not a platform, marketplace, registry authority, or application layer.

It does not host transactions, mediate exchanges, rank participants, or monetize access.

Any applications, directories, or discovery surfaces that reference the index operate independently and do not confer control, exclusivity, or institutional authority onto the index itself.

7. Stewardship and Evolution

Early implementations may be operated by a steward for purposes of research, testing, or demonstration. Such stewardship does not imply ownership of outcomes, exclusivity of use, or long-term control.

If adoption warrants, stewardship may transition to an independent or multi-stakeholder structure. Any such transition is additive and non-binding to existing adopters.

8. Summary Boundary Statement

The index is a coordination primitive, not an institution.

It enables structured discovery, eligibility evaluation, and clearing signals without asserting authority, governance, enforcement, or institutional alignment.

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