# Appendix B — Ethical Partnership Model (Commercial Tiers v1.3)

#### **Purpose**

Defines a transparent, ethical revenue-share model for all commercial uses of S.V.E.

Aligns compensation strictly with **verified benefit** — not speculation or monopoly.

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- 1. **Integrity before profit** truth overrides gain.
- 2. **Proportional reward** pay grows with measurable value.
- 3. Open accountability every transaction auditable (License §7).
- 4. **Human-first** social or data value may substitute payment if funds limited.

#### **Base Compensation**

Each contributor receives:

- payment = median market rate (≈ 99.9 % regional average);
- reimbursement for verified infrastructure costs.

Ensures parity with industry norms — no markup, no exploitation.

# 3 Success Fee / Impact Share

Applied only on verified outcomes:

| Tier | Scope                      | Share of Verified Value |
|------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 11 % | Minimal integration        | 11 %                    |
| 22 % | Standard deployment        | 22 %                    |
| 33 % | Multi-domain optimization  | 33 %                    |
| 44 % | Complex / mission-critical | 44 %                    |

Verified value = documented savings, efficiency gain, risk reduction, or new revenue (S.V.E.-audited).

#### Fund Distribution

| Allocation          | Share | Purpose                       |
|---------------------|-------|-------------------------------|
| Community Treasury  | 70 %  | Research, maintenance, grants |
| Active Contributors | 20 %  | Work-based reward             |
| Open-Benefit Grants | 10 %  | Education & transparency      |

Immutable without public amendment.

# **5** Limited-Resource Clients

If liquidity lacking:

- offer equity, tokenized stake, or public contribution;
- open-publish verified results ("Verified by S.V.E.").
   No financial barrier shall block projects serving the public good.

## Transparency & Audit

Each engagement must keep an S.V.E. Compliance Log with:

- project & tier;
- proof of benefit;
- payment & distribution summary.

Public by default; embargo  $\leq$  12 months.

# Ethical Flexibility

Percentages adjustable only by mutual written consent and public release. Community Treasury may waive fees for hardship or force majeure.

## **8** Guiding Maxim

"Money is secondary; impact and integrity come first."

Any conflict between profit and truth is resolved in favor of truth.

# Governance

Updated by **distributed consensus** of:

- Exodus 3.0 custodians and/or S.V.E. DAO (once active);
- Verified Public Custodians listed in the S.V.E. Registry;
- and recognized institutional or academic partners (via open endorsement).

Amendments require:

- public proposal and 90-day comment period,
- $\geq 2/3$  multi-group approval (custodians + representatives + partners),
- publication with timestamp in the public S.V.E. Registry (GitHub + IPFS).

This structure ensures no single entity — person, custodian, or DAO — can unilaterally control framework evolution.

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