

R10 - Reference Architecture Description

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Note

This reference provides the architectural guidance used by FDIS-RA to explain the purpose and role of a [Reference Architecture](#).

The publication describes a Reference Architecture as a mechanism that:

- Establishes a common language for diverse stakeholder communities
- Promotes consistency in addressing recurring classes of problems
- Supports validation and comparison of independently developed systems
- Encourages alignment with common standards, specifications, and architectural patterns

FDIS-RA applies these principles to federated environments that interpret, validate, compare, and govern regulated data.

The reference does not define the specific components, interfaces, governance mechanisms, or conformance provisions of FDIS-RA. It provides the general architectural foundation upon which the FDIS-RA definition of a Reference Architecture is based.

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