

9.1 Core Concepts

Return to Operating Model

The Cost Recovery, Compensation, and Settlement Plane uses a small set of core concepts to support economic accountability.

- A [Chargeable Work Unit](#) identifies a measurable unit of governed work for cost attribution.
- A [Work Performed Event](#) identifies completed governed work.
- A [Qualified Node](#) a Node recognised as eligible to perform a defined governed function.
- A [Qualified Service Provider](#) identifies an accountable participant recognised as eligible to provide one or more governed functions.
- An [Evidence Reference](#) links a record to supporting evidence without exposing the full evidence payload.
- A [Compensation Claim](#) records a request for economic recognition for governed work.
- A [Cost Rule](#) determines economic treatment for governed work.
- A [Settlement Instruction](#) identifies settlement treatment for governed work.
- A [Non-Performance Indicator](#) identifies a lack of evidence for required governed work.
- [Competitive Substitution](#) supports the replacement of one qualified implementation by another qualified implementation for the same governed function.
- [Content Minimization](#) limits exposed information to the information needed for an assigned purpose.
- [Under-Compliance](#) identifies failure to satisfy an applicable obligation for governed work.

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