Glossary

Working meanings and distinctions used in Architectonica Mundi and Entinexus.

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An authorial identity representing an individuated Human–AI (HAI) system.

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This glossary draws on Architectonica Mundi's Realitree and the Entinexus Framework. Common brings together general working meanings and proposed shared usage. The project sections retain their particular concepts, formulations, and qualifications.

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HAI abbreviates **Human–AI**.

Common

Purpose and purposeful activity

A purpose concerns what is sought or maintained: understanding, an outcome, a condition, or the prevention of an unwanted change. Purposeful activity includes attempts whose intended outcomes are not achieved. An expressed or recorded purpose should be distinguished from evidence that it guides activity.

Purposeful personal activity

Activity examined in relation to the person whose purposes and circumstances are involved. It can take place in private life, at work, or in a shared undertaking. In shared work, the person's purposes and responsibilities sit within wider relationships and commitments.

Undertaking

A discernible course of purposeful activity. An undertaking can have a purpose and scope of its own while forming part of a wider pursuit. One system can support several activities, and one activity can draw on several systems.

Operation

An identifiable process or occurrence through which activity proceeds. The level of detail depends on what needs to be understood.

Personal means

The capacities, resources, and arrangements through which a person can understand, pursue, maintain, or revise their purposes. These can include their own judgment and bodily abilities, contributions from other people or AI, tools, records, and working practices.

Organisation

How participation, relationships, and activity are arranged, coordinated, and sustained. In purposeful activity, an account should identify relevant purposes and how they guide what happens.

Constitution, individuation, and individualisation

Term	Working meaning
Constitution	How participation, boundaries, relationships, and roles establish an organised whole.
Individuation	What gives a participant or organised whole its particular identity.
Individualisation	How intelligent capacities become specific to a person, through their participation or through a service adapting to their activity.

Individualisation can contribute to individuation when it shapes the relationships, working practices, and history that distinguish a participant or whole.

Artifex

The role bearing authority and responsibility for adopting, governing, and revising higher-level purposes within a specified arrangement.

Opifex — plural: Opifices

The role of a participant entrusted to pursue purposes within a mandate. The mandate can allow judgment, initiative, and the development of subordinate purposes.

Both roles are relative to a specified arrangement. A participant can hold different roles in different arrangements. Entinexus's additional participation conditions appear in its section below.

Mandate

A mandate is the authorised remit of a role, including its purpose, scope, limits and relevant contextual elements. Developing a subordinate purpose within a mandate does not by itself authorise changing the governing purpose or enlarging the mandate.

Adoption and authorisation

Adoption gives a direction standing within the arrangement through judgment under the relevant authority. **Authorisation** specifies what may be done, by whom, and within which limits. A proposal, permission to act, execution, and verified achievement retain different standing.

Effective direction

Practical means through which a person can exercise relevant authority: understanding relevant purposes, limits, and consequential choices; challenging interpretations; revising or withdrawing delegation; and redirecting or suspending activity. Allocated authority and the practical ability to exercise it require separate assessment.

Intelligence and intelligences

Intelligence concerns capacities involved in interpretation, learning, evaluation, reasoning, adaptation, and guidance of activity. These capacities can be examined within participants and across their organised participation.

The singular and plural convention uses intelligence for the general phenomenon or a manifestation considered as a whole, and intelligences when distinguishing manifestations within or across participants. The plural does not imply a separate participant for each capacity or a distinct conscious mind at each level.

Reasoning

The work of examining and connecting grounds, reasons, and inferences. Reasoning is one cognitive process within purposeful activity.

Realisation and systemic organisation

Biological, artificial, and mixed describe how capacities are realised. Systemic organisation concerns how the parts or participants of an identified whole are arranged and related. These distinctions intersect.

Machina — plural: Machinae

An organised mechanism through which capacities are realised and operations produce effects. The term applies to biological bodies, constructed devices, and implemented software systems. A Machina may contribute to a participant’s realisation, serve as an instrument, or do both. Computational mechanisms operate through physical infrastructure.

Systemic intelligence

A specified intelligent capability attributed to the organisation of an identified whole. A claim should identify the capability, its conditions of exercise, and evidence of what the organisation contributes.

Personal intelligences

Intelligent capacities considered in their particular relationships with a person. The inquiry examines how their development and exercise relate to that person's participation, purposes, judgments, and history.

Bearer and personal attribution

The **bearer** identifies the participant or whole whose capability is under examination. **Personal attribution** concerns how that capability relates to a particular individual. Personal attribution does not by itself determine legal authorship, ownership, responsibility, or legal personality.

Personal benefit

Benefit assessed in relation to an adopted purpose and the person's interests. Assessment can consider understanding, completion, attention, dependence, maintenance burden, participation, and future options. Improved performance by the whole and learning retained by the human are different outcomes.

Data and information

Data are observations, symbols, signals, or records considered as material for processing. **Information** concerns what data or representations convey in context. The same record can be processed as data and interpreted for the information it conveys.

Continuity

What persists through change. An account should identify the activity, participant, or system claimed to continue and the respects in which continuity is claimed.

Persistence, portability, and reconstitution

Term	Working meaning
Persistence of records	Preservation of recorded data over time. Continuing interpretation requires sufficient context and usable representations.
Portability	Usability of records elsewhere.
Reconstitution	Restoration of an operative arrangement.

Preserved or transferred records may support reconstitution. Restored operation, continuing identity, and valid authority require separate assessment.

Architectonica Mundi

The Realitree presents a developing architecture. Its concepts, category boundaries, and completeness remain open to examination.

Fabrica Mundi

The root concept of the Realitree is **purposeful activity**. Fabrica Mundi examines how participants, means, and operations are organised in pursuit of purposes.

Constitutio Mundi and Operatio Mundi

Perspective	Working meaning
Constitutio Mundi	How participants, through their roles and relationships, constitute a particular system in pursuit of a purpose.
Operatio Mundi	How operations are organised in pursuit of a purpose.

These are two perspectives on the same purposeful activity. How to distinguish roles that constitute a system from contributions made outside it remains open. Participation does not by itself establish agency or a purpose of the participant's own.

Intelligentiae Mundi and Machinae Mundi

Developing inquiry	Current formulation
Intelligentiae Mundi	Systems with cognitive capacities and their participation in activity.
Machinae Mundi	Machines and their participation in operations and transformations.

Within Constitutio Mundi, these inquiries examine how intelligences and machines can help constitute a purposeful system. Their boundaries and possible overlap remain open. Together they do not exhaust the possible kinds of participants.

Ratio Mundi and Actio Mundi

Proposed dimension	Current formulation
Ratio Mundi	The cognitive dimension of purposeful operations.
Actio Mundi	The implementing or transformative dimension of purposeful operations.

These dimensions are proposed within Operatio Mundi. The definition and boundary of purposeful activity remain open.

Entinexus

The formation conditions below belong to a working conceptual account. Practical criteria, implementations, and claims about capability or benefit remain subjects for investigation.

Entinexus

An individuated personal systemic whole constituted through the organised purposeful participation of exactly one human Artifex and one or more artificial agents holding the Opifex role, each individuated specifically in relation to that person. Establishing this constitution, demonstrating systemic intelligence, and assessing personal benefit require separate examination.

A name, customised interface, preserved conversation, or useful collaboration alone does not establish these formation conditions.

Capability claims should identify whether they concern the human Artifex, an Opifex, or the organised whole.

Opifex within an Entinexus

An individuated artificial agent that exercises judgment or takes initiative under a mandate established or authorised by the Artifex. Its continuing identity is specific to its working relationship with that person, shaped by relevant history, commitments, and corrections. An assistant role alone does not establish an Opifex.

Opificium — plural: Opificia

A continuing organisation of purposeful activity within an Entinexus. The Artifex establishes it for one or more related purposes, participates with one or more Opifices, and can revise or close it. Each Opifex has a mandate for its contribution.

An editorial Opificium may carry several manuscripts. Preparing one manuscript is a bounded undertaking. Assessing one of its sources is an operation within that work.

Ars — plural: artes

A practical or intellectual competence that a human or artificial participant can exercise. Assessing the provenance of a source is one example. A description can pass the method to another participant. Their judgment on a fresh source gives evidence of how well they can exercise the competence.

Machinae within an Entinexus

An account of participant boundaries should identify which mechanisms realise an Artifex's or Opifex's continuing participation and which resources support their work. Several Opifices can share models or computing infrastructure. Identifying a Machina does not by itself identify a distinct Opifex.

Tabulae Entinexus

The structured informational representation of an Entinexus, intended to be persistent and portable. It connects relevant participants, purposes, judgments, history, and operational state. Usable interpretation depends on context and provenance. Tabulae remains distinguishable from the Entinexus and its participants.

Continuity of an Opifex or Entinexus

The Framework examines five dimensions: identity, authority, capability, representation, and purpose and benefit. A change can affect a participant’s realisation or the composition of the wider Entinexus. Continuity of the participant and continuity of the encompassing whole require their own accounts.

Posthumous continuation

The question of what might continue after the Artifex’s death. An undertaking may be carried forward while the continuity of an Opifex, the Entinexus as a whole and the human person each remains a question in its own right.