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An introduction to the request and offer network.



PEOPLE OFTEN KNOW WHAT THEY NEED WITHOUT KNOWING WHO CAN PROVIDE IT.

They may need a document but not know who controls it. They may need an explanation but not know who has authority to give one. They may need equipment, expertise, access, support or an opportunity but have no direct route to the right provider.

The reverse problem also exists. People and organisations often hold something valuable without knowing who needs it or who should receive it.

Existing systems usually require one side to find the other first. ONE STEP begins before that point.

THE IDEA

I NEED SOMETHING.

I HAVE SOMETHING.

Neither side must know the other in advance. ONE STEP helps route each intent toward a possible counterpart without immediately exposing either party.

COMPATIBILITY IS NOT PERMISSION.

**DECLARE → BOUND → ROUTE → MATCH
VERIFY → CONSENT → TRANSFER → CLOSE**

No stage automatically authorises the next.

WHAT CAN MOVE

Records: documents, decisions, evidence, histories, photographs and archives.

Resources: equipment, funding, facilities, software, materials and practical assistance.

Opportunities: work, education, grants, mentorship and access.

Knowledge: expertise, testimony, context, provenance and explanation.

Recognition: acknowledgement, attribution and correction of omission.

Contact: a bounded message or mediated exchange.

INTENT BEFORE IDENTITY

At an early stage, a requester may know only that a possible provider is verified, authorised, qualified or relevant. Full names and direct contact information are not always required.

You may ask without knowing who can answer.

You may offer without knowing who should receive.

ONE STEP may find the possibility.

Only the parties may authorise the next step.

DEFINITION

ONE STEP is a consent-governed network for requesting, offering, discovering and transferring records, resources, knowledge, opportunities, recognition and legitimate contact between parties who may not know one another.