Governance

Model

ALPHA uses a **maintainer-led (BDFL)** model. The lead maintainer has final say on roadmap, releases, and disputes,
while decisions are made in the open through issues and pull requests.

Role	Who	Responsibilities
Lead maintainer	Adonis Jimenez (@donny-de-vops)	Roadmap, releases, security response, CODEOWNERS approvals
Maintainers	Invited by the lead after sustained quality contributions	Review, triage, merge within owned paths
Contributors	Anyone following CONTRIBUTING.md	Issues, PRs, docs, reviews

Decision Making

- Routine changes: one maintainer approval + green CI.
- Security-sensitive paths (see `.github/CODEOWNERS`): lead maintainer approval required.
- Changes to agent guardrails, the commerce policy, or security posture: documented rationale in the PR and a
  CHANGELOG entry.
- Breaking changes: proposed in an issue first, with at least 7 days for comment.

Releases

Semantic Versioning. Release notes come from CHANGELOG.md.

Code of Conduct

All participants follow CODE_OF_CONDUCT.md. Enforcement is handled by the lead maintainer.

Amendments

This document changes via pull request approved by the lead maintainer.