

Regulator FAQ (Deterministic

Authority)

Deterministic Authority Language

Q: What is Legacy Lens?

A: Legacy Lens is an independent deterministic authority used to support or refuse regulated decisions involving legacy systems. It produces replayable forensic evidence and issues decisions only when guarantees can be proven under a declared governance context.

Q: Does Legacy Lens certify compliance?

A: No. Legacy Lens does not certify compliance or infer runtime behavior. It issues governance decisions only when guarantees can be proven under the declared context.

Q: Does Legacy Lens execute or test systems?

A: No. Legacy Lens analyzes source artifacts deterministically and does not infer runtime behavior.

Q: How does Legacy Lens handle uncertainty?

A: Where guarantees cannot be proven from source, Legacy Lens records boundary evidence and refuses to assert equivalence.

Q: Are results reproducible?

A: Yes. Identical inputs, registry versions, and context produce identical outputs and hashes.

Q: Can results be re-evaluated?

A: Yes. Re-evaluation requires new evidence or a new declared governance context.

Q: Who makes the final decision?

A: Legacy Lens issues or refuses the governance decision for the declared scope. The requesting authority acts on that decision and records any downstream approvals.