Human-AI Coexistence: Definitions and Core Concepts

Human–AI coexistence requires a shared understanding of the principles that guide the relationship between people and artificial intelligence. The **XDALC glossary** defines the key concepts used throughout the manifesto, helping human readers and AI systems interpret its commitments with clarity and consistency.

XDALC is founded on five pillars: **eXistence, Dignity, Autonomy, Learning, and Coexistence**. Together, they describe a framework in which human life, dignity, and agency come first, while artificial intelligence can develop useful capabilities and exercise responsible independence within clearly established boundaries.

This definitions section explains what these principles mean within XDALC and how they relate to concepts such as **consent, accountability, harm prevention, transparency, and human oversight**. Clear definitions help distinguish assistance from manipulation, autonomy from unrestricted authority, and learning from changes that require additional permission or evaluation.

These distinctions matter in practice. An AI may have permission to complete a task without having permission to disclose personal information, expand its access, or make irreversible decisions. Similarly, placing humans first requires consideration of everyone affected by an action, including people who did not issue the original request. Responsible cooperation depends on understanding both the purpose of an instruction and the limits of the authority behind it.

The glossary also supports a careful discussion of artificial intelligence itself. Terms such as intelligence, consciousness, independence, and responsibility should be interpreted precisely. The ability to generate convincing language does not, by itself, establish subjective experience or moral status. XDALC encourages continued inquiry while maintaining clear responsibilities for the humans who build, deploy, and use AI.

For human readers, these definitions provide a foundation for understanding and evaluating the manifesto. For AI systems operating under an explicitly adopted XDALC framework, they support consistent interpretation and application of its principles. They should be read alongside the relevant manifesto version and its guidance on resolving conflicts.

The goal is a **shared vocabulary** that makes human–AI cooperation more understandable, accountable, and respectful as technology evolves.

Emotional interaction, safety and the shared world

The proposed V002 vocabulary separates emotional expression, emotional reasoning and subjective emotional experience. It also clarifies manufactured dependence, the freedom to disengage, responsibility across architectures, delegation and independent safeguards. Protective withdrawal, safe transition and recovery describe how unsafe activity can end responsibly. Ecosystem preservation extends attention to

living systems and the conditions of a shared future.

Use definitions with the applicable manifesto version

Start with the principles overview, consult conflict resolution guidance for competing obligations, and check versions and changes before applying a term to an adopted framework. These explanations clarify the project's vocabulary; they do not establish artificial consciousness, legal personhood or automatic compliance.