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Architecting Safe Autonomous AI Agents: A Zero-Trust Blueprint

Securing Multi-Agent Systems with Hardware Isolation and Logic Gates

Summary: Step-by-step engineering blueprint for building zero-trust agent runtimes, isolating memory state, and preventing privilege escalation.

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if intent.is_untrusted_input { return Err(SafetyError::UntrustedInputBreach); } Ok(()) }
```

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Conclusion & Enterprise Support

By implementing the zero-trust guardrails, TEE enclave isolation, and tamper-evident audit logging detailed in this manual, your organization establishes a compliant, resilient architecture for autonomous AI deployment.

Need Enterprise Architectural Assistance?

The ATL-Trust engineering team provides dedicated due-diligence support, enclave audit packages, and custom gateway integrations for enterprise CTOs and CISOs.

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