Equon Whitepaper

Trading intelligence. Accountable execution. Integrated token utility

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Equon is the business, Equon Markets is the product and EQUON is the token.

Product, token and release status at a glance

Product: Equon Markets connects market intelligence, trading instructions, controlled execution and reconciliation. Available now: Binance, OKX and KuCoin spot connectivity. Planned after launch: integrated decentralized AMM swaps, signed limit orders, decentralized CLOB trading, broader automation and advanced products.

Token: EQUON is the fixed-supply (2.1 billion initially minted) utility token used to acquire non-transferable Energy Points (EP) for services; optional membership is capped and funded. No ownership, yield, listing or token-price guarantee.

Migration: eligible MIND can be surrendered on Ethereum or Polygon for 1:1 EQUON delivery on either supported network once audited routes are ready. One economic supply is reconciled across bridge representations; 60-day claim window; up to 60M immediately with excess over 360 days.

DAO: a legacy Morpheus Hub reserve of up to 93.75M MIND may, but need not, be approved for a restricted growth allocation. If contributed, its 24 conditional monthly release opportunities are not automatic spending or operating revenue.

Business and liquidity: the opening non-token cash target is $300,000, not committed funding. EQUON market access prioritizes funded decentralized spot routes

CEX listing: is a later evidence-based option, not a launch dependency.

1. The opportunity

Crypto traders have no shortage of charts, exchanges or AI answers. They lack a reliable way to turn an idea into a controlled workflow across venues, then understand what actually happened, what it cost and whether it should be repeated. EQUON connects research, decisions, execution and review in one workspace.

From infrastructure experience to product adoption. Equon builds on AI and Web3 experience gained through the legacy MIND ecosystem while pursuing a distinct commercial model. The central lesson is that infrastructure and token availability alone do not create recurring utility. Equon Markets addresses practical gaps in trading products—fragmented market access, disconnected AI insights, limited execution transparency and complex automation—through services customers can use repeatedly. Paid retention, verified execution and funded EP consumption will provide measurable evidence of progress.

Available now: the Equon Markets trading provides spot trading connectivity through the Binance, OKX and KuCoin integration families, with market views, orders and account information subject to the capabilities and permissions of each connected venue.

Targeted for launch: Separately, the decentralized trading terminal is designed to combine integrated-provider AMM swaps, signed limit-order execution and decentralized central limit order book (CLOB) routes in one familiar interface.

Planned after launch: additional venues, broader on-chain route coverage, advanced strategy automation, copying, margin and perpetuals. Each route and product is enabled only after its own readiness and risk checks. Wallet authentication controls token interactions; scoped exchange credentials authorize connected CEX activity.

The destination is broader: a multi-venue, multi-chain trading workspace supporting spot, margin and perpetuals; an AI strategy builder; persistent trading agents; a copy marketplace; and a reputation system that recognises useful participation. Expansion follows demonstrated demand and product-specific readiness.

The economic objective is to make a useful trading business the source of durable token utility. EQUON purchases Energy Points (EP), qualifies holders for bounded service benefits, and supports accountable marketplace participation. Operating cash finances services and market access. Token scarcity complements these functions; it cannot substitute for them.

The initial commercial priority is professional spot traders and small trading teams. They have repeat workflows, measurable costs and reasons to pay for reliability. Project operators, market makers and strategy creators form the second distribution engine. Retail growth follows useful workflows and trusted creators, rather than an unlimited emissions campaign.

2. What users can do, and what comes next

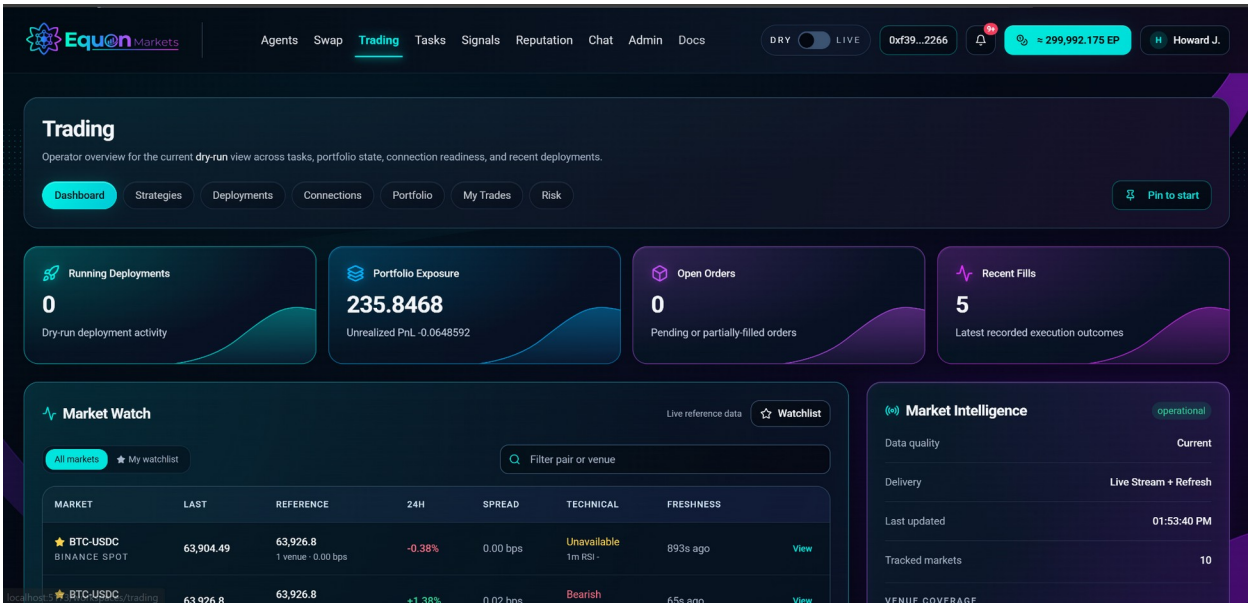
Capability	Launch experience	Expansion and release condition
Trading workspace	Available now: spot connectivity for Binance, OKX and KuCoin integration families, with supported terminal views, order activity and account monitoring; actual permissions vary by venue/account.	Targeted for launch: integrated decentralized AMM/signed-limit-order/CLOB routes, expanded markets and advanced products, each gated by route readiness.
AI task library	Reviewed spot orders, DCA, protective exits, alerts and supported technical monitoring	More indicators, portfolio workflows, multi-step tasks and event-driven automation; every contract independently validated
Strategy studio	Reusable task configurations and guided workflow discovery	AI-assisted strategy builder, backtesting, paper trading, versioned deployment and portfolio-level controls

Capability	Launch experience	Expansion and release condition
Agent deployments	Controlled introduction following task execution reliability	Rebalancing, inventory-aware market making, execution optimisation and selected systematic strategies with explicit mandates
Trading terminal	Available now: K-line charts, order entry and connected CEX account execution for supported venue modes.	Targeted for launch: integrated non-custodial AMM swaps, signed limit orders and decentralized CLOB order books in a CEX-like interface, with clear route and settlement disclosures.
Marketplace	Curated creator education and reusable workflows	Paid strategy subscriptions, controlled copy execution and independently measured performance
Reputation	Verified product activity and wallet-linked identity	Separate community contribution, strategy performance and professional service rankings
Business workspace	Paid onboarding and defined service packages	Team permissions, API access, monitoring SLAs, project analytics and KOLizer campaign measurement

A trader can ask for two scheduled purchases, approve a finite budget and see Purchase 1 of 2 routed, filled or failed. Later, the same controlled workflow can become a reusable strategy. A creator can publish its assumptions and operating limits. A follower can allocate a separate budget without granting the creator withdrawal rights. A project can pay for analytics and inventory-aware quoting infrastructure without buying a favourable reputation score.

For businesses, the product is operational infrastructure. A market maker supplies its own capital, inventory and venue permissions. A token project buys integration, analytics and execution services. Payment neither guarantees a listing nor creates liquidity. Listing on an external venue remains that venue's decision.

Figure 1 | One workspace, multiple markets



The trading workspace brings market context, account health and execution activity into one view.

2.1 Commercial roles and the business journey

A professional market maker is a software customer when it pays EP for quoting infrastructure, inventory analytics, risk limits and reporting across its own venues. It retains trading capital and trading P&L. Its agreement specifies supported instruments, latency, incident handling and the division between automation and its own decisions. Launch work covers spot analytics and execution operations; persistent quoting agents follow a separate release gate.

A market maker contracted to support the EQUON market is instead a supplier. EQUON pays an agreed cash retainer for independently measured depth, spread and uptime; it does not require that supplier to buy an offsetting EP package to manufacture revenue. Provider fees must fit the funded liquidity budget and are costs before distributable surplus. If a firm is both supplier and customer, contracts and invoices remain separate.

An independent liquidity provider contributes capital to a pool and receives its position and applicable trading fees, subject to inventory losses and contract risk. It is not automatically a software customer or entitled to token emissions. Optional analytics and automation are separately priced in EP. An inventory lender has a distinct contract specifying collateral, repayment denomination, fees, recall and default. Token-denominated repayment can require expensive purchases after appreciation; the treasury stress-tests this liability rather than promising risk-free lending. [S10]

A project owner follows paid assessment, verified profile, market-access review, limited pilot and renewal. Assessment starts from 5,000 EP and delivers a written integration and liquidity plan. Ongoing services start from 10,000 EP monthly for an expressly scoped available package. On-chain discovery requires verified token identity and a functioning route; it does not guarantee a CEX listing. Inventory, counterasset, external venue fees and campaign media spend are separately funded. Customers may buy analytics or disclosed promotion without buying every service.

KOLizer and sponsored discovery add labelled campaigns, opt-in audiences, attributed funded accounts, retained usage and campaign measurement when released. Payment buys defined distribution or analysis, never an authenticity score, trader ranking or guaranteed token price. Project-funded rewards are reported separately from organic conversion. Sponsored audience EP is purchased through actual EQUON funding and counted once. Renewals depend on retained adoption after the sponsorship ends.

The value tests differ by customer: a market maker measures operational burden, quote availability and inventory exposure; an LP measures fees against inventory losses and capital deployed; a project measures qualified reach, funded activations and retained users. More trading volume alone does not establish that any of them received value.

3. Architecture built around trader control

The architecture separates interpretation from authority. AI proposes typed intent; deterministic policy decides whether it is valid; the trader approves a bounded mandate; adapters execute; independent reconciliation establishes the result. Models do not receive unrestricted execution authority.

Layer	Responsibility and control
Identity and permissions	Wallet sign-in, optional account authentication, team roles, scoped API keys and session revocation. Authentication is separate from token approvals and trading mandates.
Instrument and venue registry	Exchange, environment, account mode, chain ID, token contract, pool and instrument identifiers. Symbols alone never establish asset identity.
Market intelligence	Timestamped prices, order books, candles, balances, portfolio exposures and indicators with provenance and freshness limits. Distinguish public data from private account state.
AI planning and strategy studio	Typed templates, clarification, immutable proposal versions and explainable assumptions. Backtests disclose data, fees, slippage, survivorship and look-ahead controls.
Risk and execution	Preflight, balances, precision, minimum size, risk budgets, order semantics, idempotency, rate limits and global kill switches.
Event and reconciliation ledger	Native parent/child order identity, partial fills, fees, venue timestamps, platform receipt timestamps and replay-safe state recovery.
Usage and communication	EP reservations, settlement, delivery evidence and consistent chat, notifications, open orders and history.
Marketplace and analytics	Capacity limits, verified performance, creator billing, provenance, dispute handling and contribution ranking.

The control-plane API, durable planner and scheduler, execution router/reconciler, private-stream gateway and deployment runtime remain distinct services sharing explicit contracts. Stream events provide timely updates; REST recovery repairs gaps. Cross-service state transitions use durable identifiers and idempotent processing rather than assuming exactly-once network delivery.

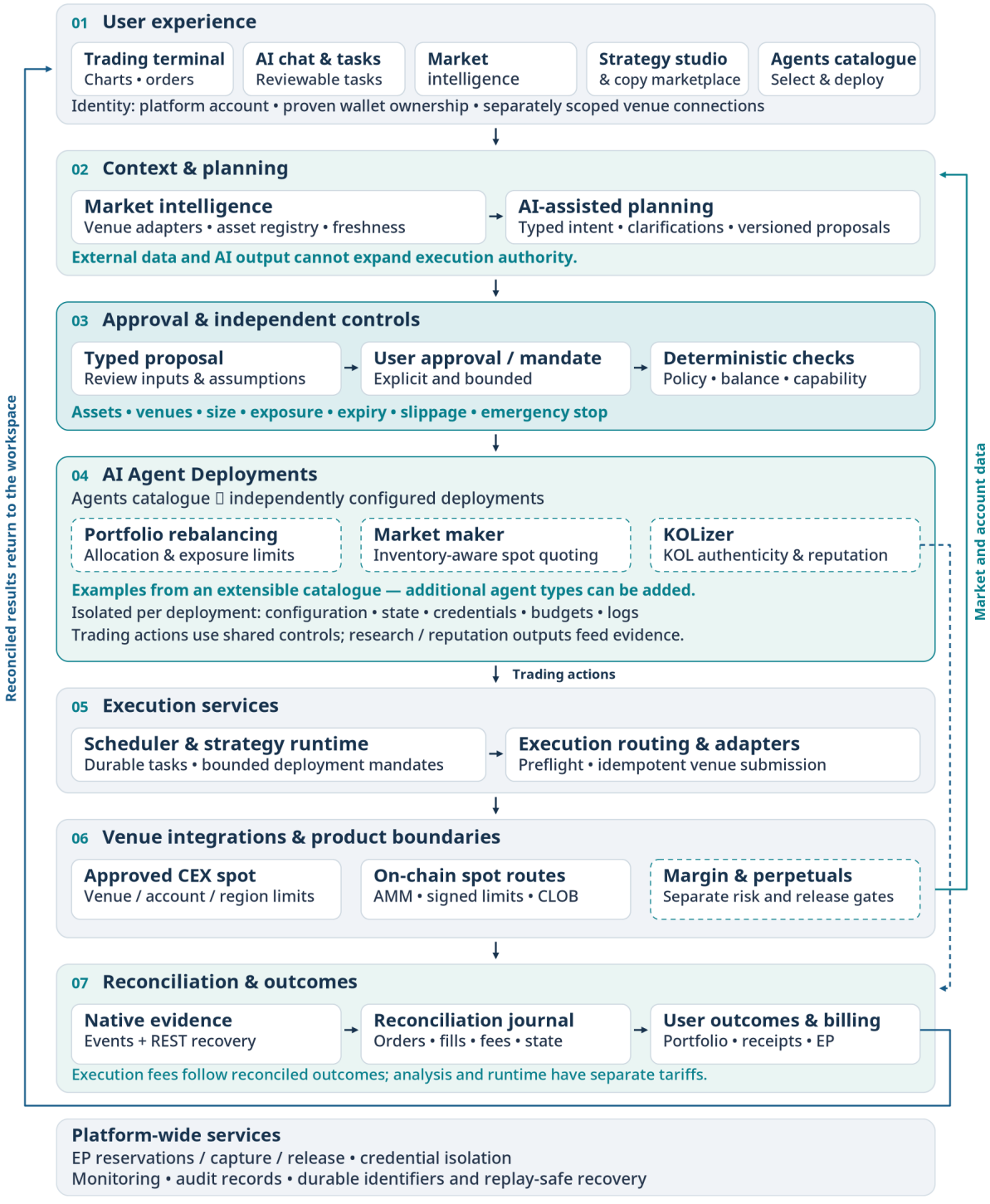
Every trading record retains origin: terminal, task, strategy or copy mandate. An exchange order seen through several connections is not several independent orders. History presents newest orders first, consistent native lifecycle status, filled quantity, requested quantity, executed value, requested notional and fees in clearly identified currencies. Conditional parents and executable children remain linked without double-counting value or charges.

The trading terminal is the common user interface for supported execution routes: charts, market selection, order entry, order status and reconciled fills. Targeted for launch, decentralized spot access through integrated providers may supply (a) AMM swap routing and signed limit-order protocols, where execution depends on available pools, quotes or willing takers, and (b) decentralized CLOB markets, where visible bids and asks and matching support a CEX-like order-book experience without requiring conventional CEX custody. The terminal is not itself a matching engine and does not create liquidity. Actual custody, approvals, settlement, chain fees and execution protections depend on the selected route. A chart library needs a real datafeed; on-chain assets resolve by chain and contract, not ticker alone. External venue links and integrated routes must be distinguished clearly. [S1, S2, S13]

The target includes all major CEX relevant to customers, but expansion is capability-specific. Exchange demo/test modes are supported where genuinely available. They never fall back silently to live trading. On-chain simulation is not labelled an exchange testnet. Native OCO, trailing orders and trigger semantics are not approximated invisibly. [S3, S4]

Margin and perpetuals introduce collateral valuation, borrow availability and interest, position modes, funding, liquidation distance, reduce-only semantics and venue-specific insurance/ADL risks. These require a separate risk engine extension, reconciliation model and release programme. Cross-venue balances are not assumed fungible or instantly transferable. Customer trading capital stays at the selected venue or authorised wallet contract; API withdrawal permission is not required for ordinary trading.

Figure 2 | Target platform architecture



Target design: capabilities require their own safety, market-access and release evidence.

AI helps prepare and explain decisions; independently enforced permissions and native venue evidence govern execution. This is the target logical architecture, not a deployment certification. Strategy, copying and derivatives capabilities enter through their own release gates.

4. From a prompt to a repeatable strategy

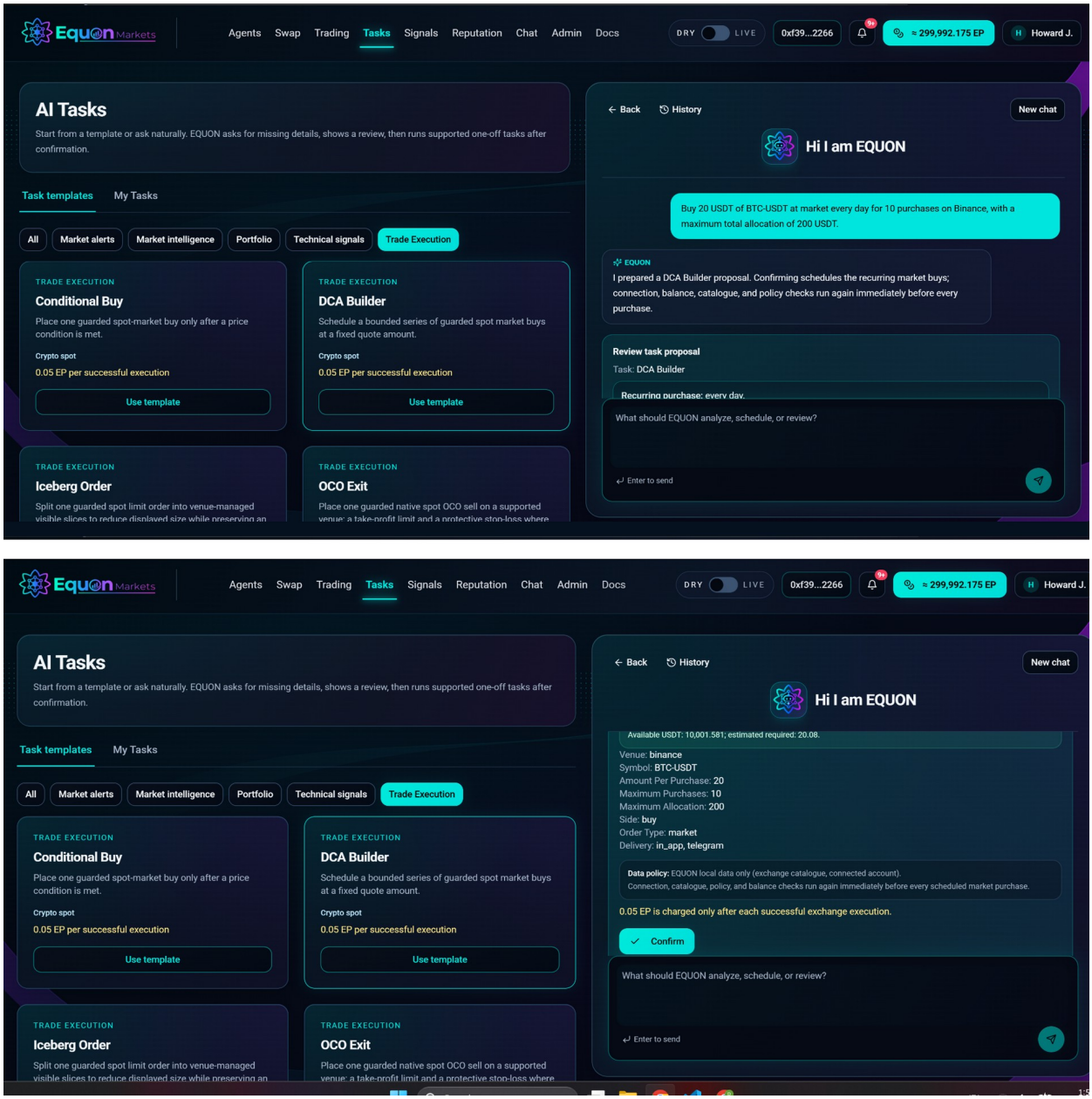
A strategy moves through research, reproducible backtest, paper execution, small live allocation and controlled scale. Each stage preserves the version, parameters, instruments, cost assumptions and authorisation. A material strategy change requires a new review; an AI-generated amendment cannot silently widen an approved budget.

Deployment mandates specify maximum capital, per-order size, allowed instruments, leverage where applicable, maximum loss, runtime budget and expiry. Strategies must handle insufficient balances, disconnected venues and stale data. A user can stop new actions while retaining access to risk reduction and venue cancellation.

Copy trading uses the follower's own risk budget and actual fills. It does not promise the leader's entry price or return. Capacity limits consider liquidity, follower count, crowding and latency. Show leader and follower performance separately, net of relevant costs, with drawdown, observation period and discontinued strategies retained. A profitable backtest is not a live track record.

When paid creator products launch in the marketplace phase, they use service subscriptions rather than performance fees. A later performance-fee model requires high-water marks, loss recovery, fee reconciliation and separate approval. Creator compensation cannot be based on fabricated volume or user losses. The initial creator cohort supplies education and evaluated workflows; paid copying is not represented as available at the initial spot release.

Figure 3 | A trade the user can inspect



From a reviewable instruction to a reconciled outcome: the proposal, native execution and user receipt tell the same story.

5. The growth strategy: earn the right to scale

The first acquisition product is a practical trading outcome: a reconciled protective exit, a bounded recurring purchase, a portfolio monitoring workflow or a reusable execution plan. Marketing demonstrates the complete lifecycle, including failure and cancellation. Generic AI chat is an entry point, not the product's durable advantage.

Three growth loops reinforce one another. Traders discover a useful workflow, activate it safely and return to maintain it. Creators package proven workflows, attract followers and earn from retained paid subscriptions. Businesses pay for operational tooling, bring their users and create demand for integrations. Each loop must produce retained service use after incentives end.

Programme	Initial operating target	Spend control and evidence
Founding professional cohort	20 design partners; at least 10 paying renewals by month 6	Paid discovery and onboarding; measured time saved, reliability and support burden; no implied free lifetime access
Creator launch cohort	25 vetted creators; 10 genuinely used paid products by month 6	Review methodology and live evidence; pay for delivery and retained customers, not follower counts
Trader activation	1,500 wallet-linked accounts and 300 monthly paying individuals by month 6	Track completed workflow, second paid month and unsubsidised retention; wallets are not unique humans
Education and distribution	Venue-specific workflow guides, public demonstrations and creator-led workshops	Attribute paid retention; stop campaigns with poor contribution payback
Business channel	Trading communities, project operators and professional execution teams	Contracted service scope; no paid ranking, wash trading or guaranteed market support

Commercial adoption targets:

> **Month 12 — 15,000 registered accounts; 2,000 monthly paying individuals; 30 paying businesses; 50 active paid creators.**
>
> **Month 24 — 75,000 registered accounts; 10,000 monthly paying individuals; 100 paying businesses; 200 active paid creators.**

Early acquisition pilots require at least 20% paid activation among a predefined, qualified onboarding cohort, at least 50% month-three payer retention, and contribution payback within six months. The qualified cohort is a disclosed subset, not necessarily all registrations. These are pilot screening floors, not approval for sustained growth spending. The stricter mature-cohort retention and acquisition requirements in section 5.1 govern scaling. Exclude staff, reward farms and refunded purchases; retain cohort definitions so results cannot be improved by changing denominators.

A referral becomes eligible only after the customer completes a second paid billing period without a qualifying refund or abuse finding. The award is calculated and settled after the first 90 days of that customer's paid activity have been observed. Its service delivery cost is capped at the smaller of $10 and 20% of the customer's realised positive contribution over that period, before this referral award. The published campaign specifies the EP award and accounts for its delivery cost within the acquisition budget. No reward is paid for transfers or purchases between related accounts.

Marketplace economics allocate 70% of the distributable creator fee to the creator and 30% to EQUON. Distributable means collected consideration allocated to consumed service, less refunds, agreed attributable delivery costs and payment/route costs. Direct costs are disclosed and capped in the creator agreement; general overhead cannot be inserted retrospectively. For $100 collected, $20 agreed direct costs and no

refunds, $80 is distributable: $56 belongs to the creator and $24 to EQUON. This is not a 35%-cost platform subscription. Creators see the calculation, settlement asset, schedule and dispute process before publishing; payout liabilities are reserved rather than spent as working capital. Affiliate payments come from the platform share within its acquisition budget.

5.1 Distribution commitments behind the targets

Month 12 individual revenue of $25 per payer can be achieved by an illustrative mix of 1,750 Core customers at $20 and 250 Pro customers at $60: $50,000 in total. This requires regularly funded usage, not promotional credits valued at catalogue prices. The $45,000 business target requires 30 customers averaging $1,500 through renewals and scoped additional services. One-time integration fees are not counted again as recurring revenue.

From 300 individual payers at month 6, reaching 2,000 at month 12 requires approximately 336 new payers monthly if 5% of existing payers churn each month. At $40 acquisition cost this consumes about $13,440 monthly before other retention costs, nearly the entire $14,250 month-12 acquisition allowance. The operational target is therefore blended CAC no greater than $30, including reward delivery costs, through creators, business-sponsored onboarding and organic discovery. Approximately $10,080 monthly acquisition cost leaves about $4,170 for other retention activity at the target run rate. These are channel requirements, not established results.

Expanding from 2,000 to 10,000 payers over the following twelve months at 5% monthly churn requires approximately 971 new payers monthly, rounding up. Month-three retention of 50% is only an early screening floor; it does not substantiate the 5% churn case. Before scaling spend, mature cohorts must demonstrate at least 95% monthly paid retention and CAC payback within six months. Reforecast growth and cash requirements if these conditions fail.

6. EP: predictable usage, explicit funding

EQUON is the exclusive asset used to purchase EP. EP are non-transferable, non-redeemable service credits. One EP represents $0.10 of listed platform usage; this is a service pricing reference, not a cash redemption right or market price promise. Purchased EP retain their credited quantity. Future service tariffs and top-up rates are published prospectively with notice and existing commitments honoured.

The introductory utility offer is 10,000 EQUON for 100 EP, representing $10 of listed services. Its purpose is low-friction discovery and measurable retention. It is not an unlimited promise to subsidise every holder's token balance. The opening campaign is limited to 1,000 bundles, one per eligible account subject to abuse controls, and 30 days, whichever ends first. Maximum issued promotional usage is 100,000 EP. A separate $3,000 delivery reserve covers the assumed $3 cost per bundle even if token receipts realise nothing. Actual measured costs may require a smaller cap before activation.

Illustrative net realisable token price	Cost of 10,000 tokens before buyer gas	Delivery cost per bundle	Funding gap per bundle
$0.00001	$0.10	$3.00	$2.90
$0.00010	$1.00	$3.00	$2.00
$0.00100	$10.00	$3.00	No delivery gap; $7 before other costs

The business never records $10 collected revenue simply because 100 EP were credited. Commercial reporting separates listed usage, customer consideration, realised token proceeds, outstanding delivery obligations and campaign subsidy. Token-price appreciation is not operating revenue. Unconverted receipts carry inventory risk and do not count as cash runway.

After the introductory campaign, a published 30-day rate schedule targets affordable services with positive contribution. For a 100 EP bundle, the regular acquisition benchmark is $10 before clearly disclosed network costs. At a defensible executable token reference p, the scheduled token requirement is approximately $10/p, rounded as disclosed. The schedule is not repriced invisibly mid-purchase. Seven-day advance notice applies to ordinary changes; already accepted quotes and funded EP are honoured.

Thin markets require a bounded offer rather than a manipulable spot-price oracle. Use executable quotes for the actual purchase size, independent observations where available, time-weighted evidence and manual review. When pricing is unreliable, stop new large top-ups, publish the reason and maintain existing services within their funded obligations. The platform's own pool trades are not accepted as independent proof of fair value.

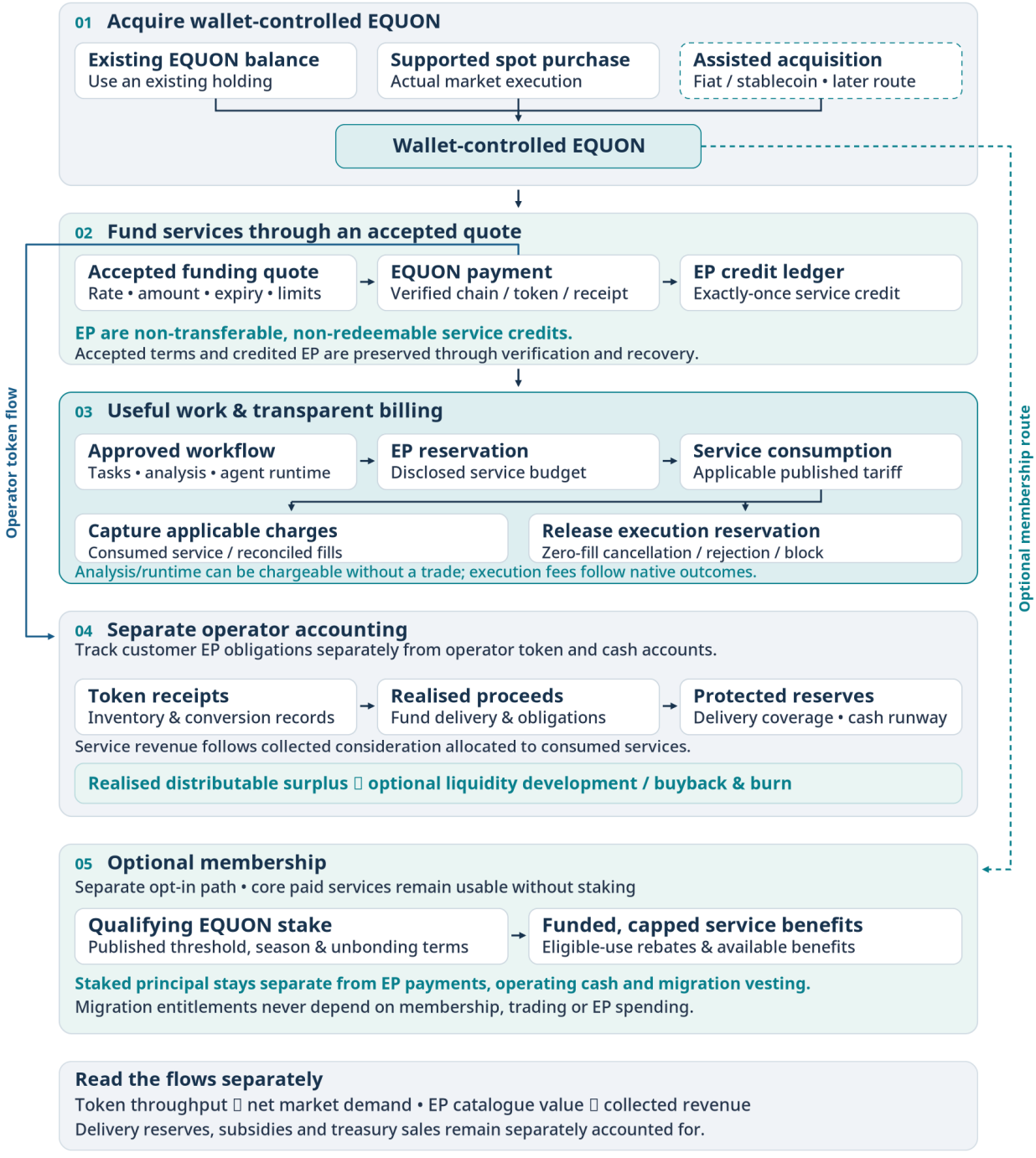
Opening token access for businesses is quote-based and capacity-limited. A professional cannot buy unlimited enterprise service using the retail introductory rate. Package exclusions and eligible services are visible before funding. Later automated rates require reliable liquidity, slippage bounds, funded commitments and independent monitoring.

When released, fiat and stablecoin-assisted access acquires actual EQUON before crediting EP, rather than bypassing the token while claiming demand. Show the acquired amount, venue, gas, fees and final EP. Acquisition failures, expired quotes and crediting retries have recovery or refund paths. Monthly bundles can amortise Ethereum gas. This payment feature does not presume custody of customer funds or an approved bridge; any later venue representation follows the distinct admission and backing controls in section 11.1.

During each published rate period, top-up acceptance is also constrained by the remaining delivery reserve. A price move can make the fixed token rate temporarily loss-making; reduce new acceptance or pause it before obligations exceed funded capacity. Accepted quotes are reserved and honoured. Show the introductory discount and subsequent regular rate together so inexpensive discovery is not mistaken for a permanent price.

For business purchases above normal pool depth, assess a firm quote or inventory-backed bilateral execution from a willing holder, with documented settlement and a transparent reference price. Actual EQUON still transfers for EP. Splitting a $1,000 purchase into small orders does not remove cumulative market impact. No professional contract starts until its funding route and delivery reserve are secured. Assisted stablecoin purchase remains a release-gated integration, not assumed launch revenue.

Figure 4 | How EQUON funds useful work



Product use creates token throughput, while service delivery consumes real resources. Gross EP funding is not net market demand; treasury sales, subsidies and reserves must be accounted for separately.

7. Services and billing

Indicative pricing. The following service budgets and EP quantities are planning figures subject to further tuning before public sale.

Product	Regular service budget	Charging basis
Individual Core	200 EP/month; $20 listed usage	Defined analysis, alerts and execution allowance; overages require approval
Individual Pro	600 EP/month; $60 listed usage	Greater monitoring and strategy capacity, with explicit compute/runtime limits
Professional workspace	From 10,000 EP/month; $1,000 listed usage	Available spot monitoring, operational support and agreed usage limits at launch; team permissions and advanced tooling enter paid scope only after their release gates.
Business integration	From 5,000 EP; $500 listed usage	Defined assessment or integration deliverable; complexity quoted separately
Persistent deployment	Published runtime and execution tariff	Separate infrastructure consumption from order outcome; budget cap and stop control
Creator product	Creator fee plus disclosed service costs	Subscription or defined deliverable; no automatic fee on customer assets

All prices and EP quantities in the service table are indicative planning parameters, subject to further tuning against delivery costs, liquidity, demand and product readiness before public sale. The launch catalogue includes only available capabilities; persistent deployments, creator products and advanced team features follow separate release gates. A subscription is a bounded bundle, not unlimited compute. Publish tariffs, exclusions, renewal and unused-credit treatment. Purchased EP do not silently expire when promotional or subscription allowances reset.

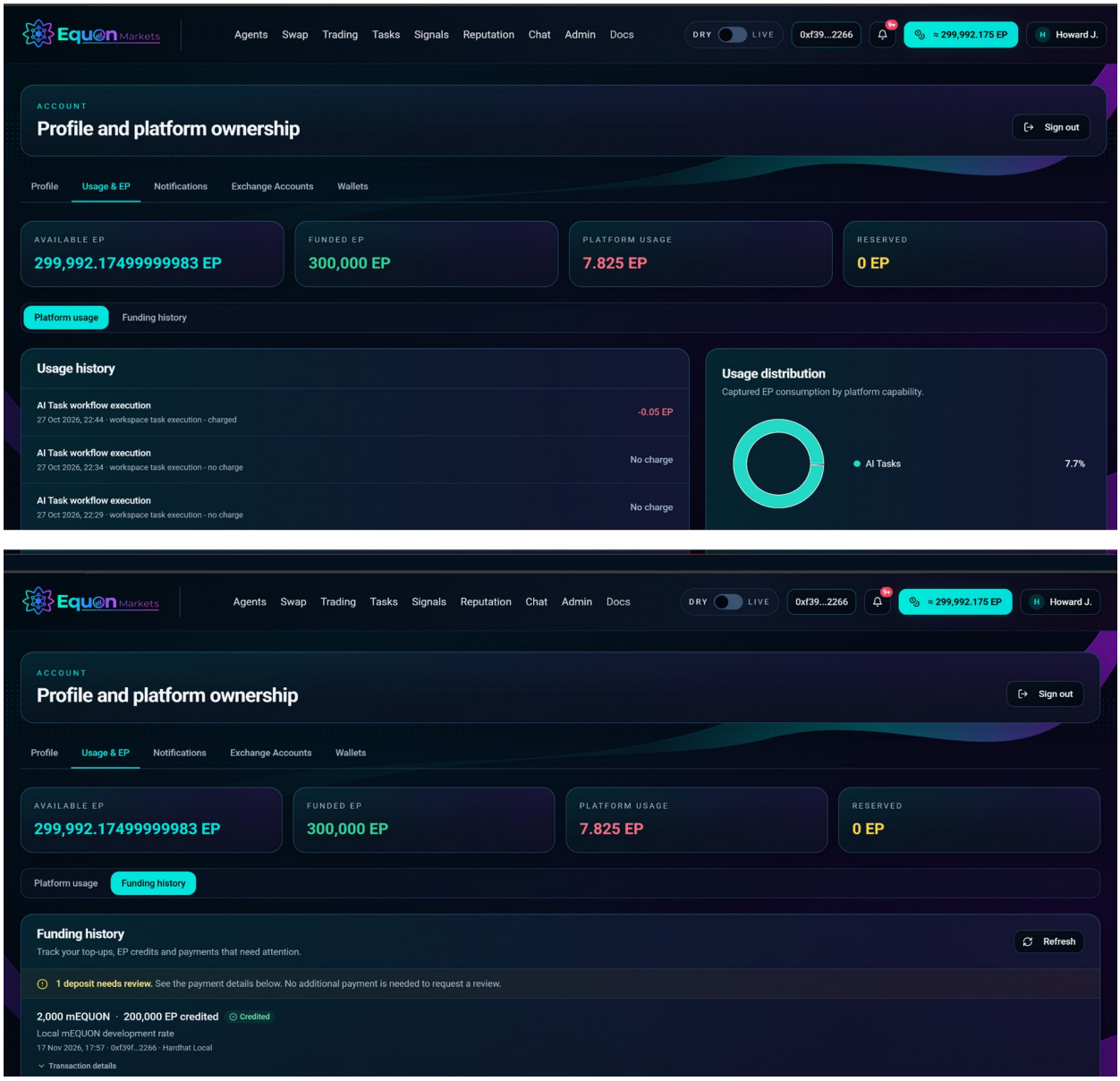
An AI Task proposal does not consume execution EP. A confirmed execution reserves its disclosed fee; native reconciliation determines the final charge. A zero-fill cancellation, rejection or block releases the execution reservation. Independently consumed monitoring, analysis and agent runtime can be chargeable even when no trade occurs; this is stated before activation.

An AI Task with a deferred or scheduled execution (eg. DCA occurrence) has its own reservation, event identity and notifications. A routed message says Purchase 1 of 2; a fill message states the actual quantity, value, exchange fee and EP outcome. A routing receipt is not a purchase completion. Users see pending reconciliation distinctly from a confirmed exchange result.

Network gas, exchange fees, funding and borrowing interest are separate from EP. A venue-supported terminal commission may be introduced only with a valid commercial mechanism and explicit consent. The business plan assumes zero such revenue until collection is demonstrated. Hyperliquid builder codes illustrate

a route-specific fee mechanism with revocable user approval, not a general entitlement to charge all exchange trades. [S5]

Figure 5 | Clear usage and EP accounting



Users can distinguish available credits, temporary reservations and actual service charges.

8. Token utility beyond payment

EQUON combines consumption demand, optional membership and professional commitments. None of these grants ownership of the business, guaranteed dividends or a fixed investment return. The token does not secure a consensus network, so service membership is not described as validator staking.

Optional membership uses a 30-day time-weighted staked balance and a published token threshold for each 90-day season. A seven-day unbonding period supports administration. Tokens requested for withdrawal cease qualifying; earned benefits remain intact. No longer lock is added silently. Thresholds remain fixed through an accepted season; changes for the next season receive 30 days of notice and require renewed opt-

in. If the benefit reserve is unavailable, do not admit new members. Unstaking remains possible when enrollment is closed.

The initial membership benefit is a published 5% rebate on eligible consumed platform EP, subject to the following limits:

> **Maximum rebate: 100 EP in each of three consecutive 30-day benefit periods within a 90-day season.**

Unused allowance does not roll over. References to a monthly membership cap mean these 30-day benefit periods, not calendar months.

Each season specifies eligible tariffs, token threshold, enrollment capacity and the service delivery reserve before accepting stakes. Third-party creator fees, gas, exchange fees and promotional usage are excluded.

Realised contribution constrains the programme budget before enrollment; an undisclosed account-level margin calculation cannot reduce an already promised rebate. Enrollment is limited to benefits the business can fund.

Illustrative membership rebates under the stated 5% eligible-use policy:

> **600 eligible EP consumed → 30 EP rebate, equivalent to $3 of listed services.**
>
> **2,000 eligible EP consumed → the maximum 100 EP rebate for the benefit period.**

If a customer proves less profitable than expected, EQUON honours the accepted season and changes future enrollment or pricing with notice. The seasonal reserve covers up to 300 EP per admitted member at measured delivery cost, plus other promised benefits. No fixed APY or cash redemption is offered.

Creators and commercial service providers may later post bounded EQUON commitments for contractual delivery obligations. Bonds must have objective breach conditions, evidence, appeal and release dates. Trading losses, honest strategy underperformance and negative reviews are not slashable conduct. Bonding will not launch before an enforceable dispute process exists.

Migration vesting remains independent of membership and usage. A holder may use released tokens to join membership; unreleased migration tokens are not reused as business liquidity or counted twice as a separate staking deposit. Holders never need to trade to unlock their contractual entitlement.

The community leaderboard combines capped, time-weighted holdings (15%), independently validated building contributions (45%), and useful verified on-chain activity (40%). Publish the scoring function and season rules. Cap the holdings component at the disclosed season threshold; excess holdings yield no extra points. Transaction counts and raw volume alone earn nothing. CEX fills are not on-chain activity. Contribution validation includes actual adoption, originality and sustained use; related-wallet activity is reviewed for abuse.

Maintain a separate trader-performance board with net returns, drawdown, capital base, duration and execution evidence. Wealth and community rank are not trading skill. Paid sponsorship cannot raise either score. Opt-in public identities, methodology disclosures and appeals protect users from misleading reputational claims.

8.1 A membership worth choosing

A Core customer consuming 200 eligible EP monthly earns 10 EP, or $1 of listed service value; a Pro customer consuming 600 earns 30 EP, or $3. These savings cannot justify an arbitrarily expensive stake. Before each season, publish the threshold, indicative acquisition cost, gas, benefits at common usage levels and unbonding terms. Select thresholds through willingness-to-pay tests and measured costs rather than an aspirational token valuation.

Membership also includes saved strategy versions, expanded workspace organisation and product research sessions within defined capacity as those features become available. Metered data, inference and runtime

remain bounded. Membership design will be adjusted to maintain useful, affordable benefits rather than relying on claims of token appreciation. Core paid services remain usable without staking.

Passive holders need not stake, trade or subscribe. Tokenomics, treasury activity, vesting schedules and liquidity evidence remain publicly accessible. Non-users receive no service rebate or automatic income merely for holding. Membership rewards optional product participation, without penalising holders who choose only exposure to the ecosystem.

9. Supply, migration and the restricted growth allocation

The initial maximum supply is 2,100,000,000 EQUON, minted once on Ethereum with no continuing mint authority or supply-increasing upgrade path. At swap launch, eligible holders may surrender MIND directly on Ethereum or Polygon and select EQUON delivery on either network. Polygon EQUON must be backed one-for-one by canonical Ethereum EQUON, with independently reviewed backing and redemption. Network representations do not increase total EQUON economic supply. Each valid MIND surrender creates only one EQUON entitlement.

The Equon name was selected following the community consultation and voting on the preferred ecosystem name, together with the team's subsequent review.

The optional DAO-backed growth allocation has a ceiling of 93,750,000 EQUON, arising only if some or all of the legacy DAO MIND reserve is approved by Morpheus Hub governance, verified eligible and permanently surrendered 1:1. No DAO participation is required. The actual contribution T is included within the 2.1 billion initial supply and C, not additional minting, a founder grant or an allocation from other holders' unclaimed supply.

All unclaimed EQUON is burned after closing and valid settlement reconciliation. The DAO contribution is claimed supply backed by surrendered MIND. The earlier 45 million contribution limit is superseded by 93.75 million; no participation-linked percentage cap applies. Publish the final source, amount, vesting and spending restrictions before accepting swaps. No retrospective change to accepted terms is permitted.

Supply accounting uses the following defined quantities. Each quantity is denominated in EQUON:

$N = 2{,}100{,}000{,}000$ — the initially minted supply.

E — the audited eligible allocation after exclusions and cross-chain reconciliation; $E \leq N$.

C — all EQUON awarded or irrevocably owed for valid pre-deadline MIND surrenders. C includes the complete funded allocations held in migration vesting, whether already released or still unvested.

T — the DAO treasury-backed portion of C assigned to growth; $0 \leq T \leq 93{,}750{,}000$. T cannot exceed the amount of authorised, eligible MIND actually surrendered.

$U = E - C$ — eligible supply remaining unclaimed.

$B = N - C = (N - E) + U$ — the finalisation burn.

Consequently, retained supply equals C, assuming no other burns. T is already included within C and must never be added a second time. Before the final burn, all valid pending settlement liabilities must be fully accounted for. No shortfall may be replaced using unclaimed or never-eligible supply.

Post-swap supply and market access. Retained supply will reflect valid participation rather than the full initial issuance: excluded and unclaimed allocations are burned after reconciliation, while awarded but unvested balances remain protected. The 60-million immediate allowance per eligible snapshot source address and 360-day vesting of the excess moderate early availability without guaranteeing market stability. Equon Markets aims to be the primary integrated EQUON trading experience through supported decentralized routes, but holders are not required to buy paid services to trade.

Other awards C - T	DAO contribution T	Total claimed C	Final burn B
56.25 million	93.75 million	150 million	1,950 million
206.25 million	93.75 million	300 million	1,800 million
806.25 million	93.75 million	900 million	1,200 million
1,000 million	93.75 million	1,093.75 million	1,006.25 million

The legacy DAO reports a reserve of 93,750,000 MIND for potential new initiatives. Morpheus Hub governance may authorize none, some or all of it for a voluntary 1:1 swap. Only verified, eligible and permanently surrendered MIND creates restricted EQUON growth inventory; there is no automatic transfer or requirement to contribute. The resulting budget scales with actual contribution T and is reserved for the ecosystem growth cycle, not sale for ordinary operating revenue. Any spot trading proceeds and returned assets remain within the approved growth mandate and its limits.

Growth allocation accountability. If the DAO contribution is approved and surrendered, public reporting will identify authorised deployments, remaining balances, liquidity inventory and returned assets. Independent reconciliation will distinguish ordinary spot trading from development expenditure and operating revenue, helping verify that contributed assets and proceeds stay within the approved growth mandate.

DAO growth mandate at full 93.75 million	Token ceiling	Control
Spot liquidity inventory: order books, RFQ and pools	30 million	Contracted LP/market-maker inventory only; returns remain corporate inventory, not new revenue
Creator and integration development	25 million	Milestone awards, disclosed recipients and post-delivery vesting
Retained-user acquisition	18.75 million	Finite campaigns measured on paid retention; no blanket volume mining
Strategic growth and security	20 million	Audited deliverables and disclosed grants; related-party payments separately reported

Budget categories scale proportionally with actual T. The growth vault starts at the published migration-finalisation timestamp. It has 24 monthly release dates, the first on the first calendar-month anniversary of that timestamp, using a prepublished UTC convention for short months. At each date a scheduled payment or deployment batch of at most T/24 may be approved, subject to available migration-unlocked assets, unused category capacity, accepted evidence, funded cash obligations and timelocked multisignature approval. At full T the ceiling is 3,906,250 EQUON per period, or 46,875,000 across the first twelve releases. Evidence and

obligations are reviewed before each release date. Unallocated capacity from that release expires rather than increasing a later batch. Release 24 is the final approval at the second calendar-year anniversary; there is no 25th release or additional spending period. Publish the bounded execution and reconciliation procedure for approved batches before opening. No payment is automatic. Returning principal does not reset lifetime category budgets or release counters. After the final release, close and reconcile all time-bounded commitments under the disclosed close procedure, then burn unused, uncommitted treasury-owned EQUON. The close procedure will not permit new commitments designed to evade the deadline or claw back legitimately earned grants or customer awards. Exact close and reconciliation terms must be published before opening. Independent review, conflict disclosures and quarterly reporting remain mandatory.

At full T = 93,750,000 EQUON, the optional restricted growth ceilings are 30,000,000 for spot-liquidity inventory; 25,000,000 for creators and integrations; 18,750,000 for retained-user acquisition; and 20,000,000 for strategic growth and security, equally earmarked for security/resilience and strategic expansion. These are ceilings, not cash funding, required distributions or ordinary business revenue. If T is smaller, every category scales proportionally. Funded spot order books, RFQ and pools remain subject to vault limits.

Equon Markets intends to offer EQUON trading options and liquidity aggregation across supported venues and liquidity sources as integrations become available. This does not guarantee a venue listing, market depth, token price or return. Polygon EQUON swap delivery is distinct from exchange listing or a promise of immediately available liquidity.

The voluntary swap opens for 60 days after both Ethereum and Polygon routes pass independent review and operational checks. Holders can surrender eligible MIND directly on either chain and receive the corresponding EQUON on their chosen supported chain, without bridging Polygon MIND back to Ethereum first. Polygon MIND represents Ethereum-origin tokens under the legacy bridge model; snapshot reconciliation accounts for Ethereum escrow and Polygon balances so the same underlying holding is counted once. Polygon EQUON is backed one-for-one by canonical Ethereum EQUON, not additional supply. Accepted surrender creates a protected delivery obligation, including during cross-chain delays; recovery must not require surrendering twice.

A snapshot records eligible Ethereum and Polygon MIND balances at the announced cutoff. It does not freeze or automatically exchange tokens. The published methodology identifies both reference blocks, bridge escrow, outstanding Polygon representation, contract-held beneficiaries and a factual-correction process. The snapshot is separate from the later 60-day claim period.

For each eligible snapshot source address, up to 60 million EQUON is available immediately after settlement; only the excess vests linearly over 360 days. Ethereum and Polygon allocations attributed to the same address share one cumulative allowance. Distinct source addresses are not grouped by inferred ownership or optional profile data. Verification of source-wallet control is required; completed profiles, email, phone numbers and identity documents are not prerequisites. The deterministic rule and factual-correction process will be published before opening.

The 60-million immediate-release allowance applies per eligible snapshot source address, shared across Ethereum and Polygon records for that address. It is a privacy-preserving, deterministic rule, not a per-person cap: the programme does not attempt to infer who controls multiple addresses or require identity documents to group them. Distinct eligible addresses may therefore receive separate allowances. The first-year safeguard moderates concentration per address but cannot guarantee price stability, liquidity or investment returns.

The KuCoin-linked recipient and specified MEXC wallet remain excluded under the final dataset, with no exceptional former-customer claim route. Snapshot eligibility belongs to the recorded source address; a later buyer does not acquire an allocation merely by acquiring MIND. Post-snapshot transfers do not transfer eligibility or enlarge the receiving address's existing entitlement. Eligible owners who moved their tokens may restore enough MIND to the required address on its eligible source chain and surrender up to its unused

entitlement. After closing, valid pending settlements and vesting liabilities are protected before burn. Login, spending or marketing consent never controls vesting release.

At full T the monthly gross ceiling is 3,906,250 EQUON. Report grants, sales, venue inventory, bridge escrow, recipient locks and returns separately. If C is 150 million, the 93.75 million growth allocation represents 62.5%; if C is 300 million, 31.25%; if C is 900 million, approximately 10.42%. These concentrations require disclosure and controlled deployment; they are not targets or permanent ratios. Report related holdings beyond this vault. No further minting is available.

Any approved DAO-backed allocation is a restricted ecosystem-growth reserve, not an operating-revenue allocation or founder cash-out. The reserve will not be liquidated to finance ordinary operating revenue. Approved funded spot-liquidity operations may buy and sell EQUON in ordinary market activity, but proceeds, returned inventory and assets remain in the authorised growth cycle, subject to original purpose, spending ceilings, independent review and public reporting. Returning principal does not replenish lifetime category ceilings. Operating cash, quote assets, customer funds and migration vesting are separately protected.

Illustrative DAO migration - one fully eligible Ethereum source wallet address surrendering 93,750,000 MIND in a single settlement:

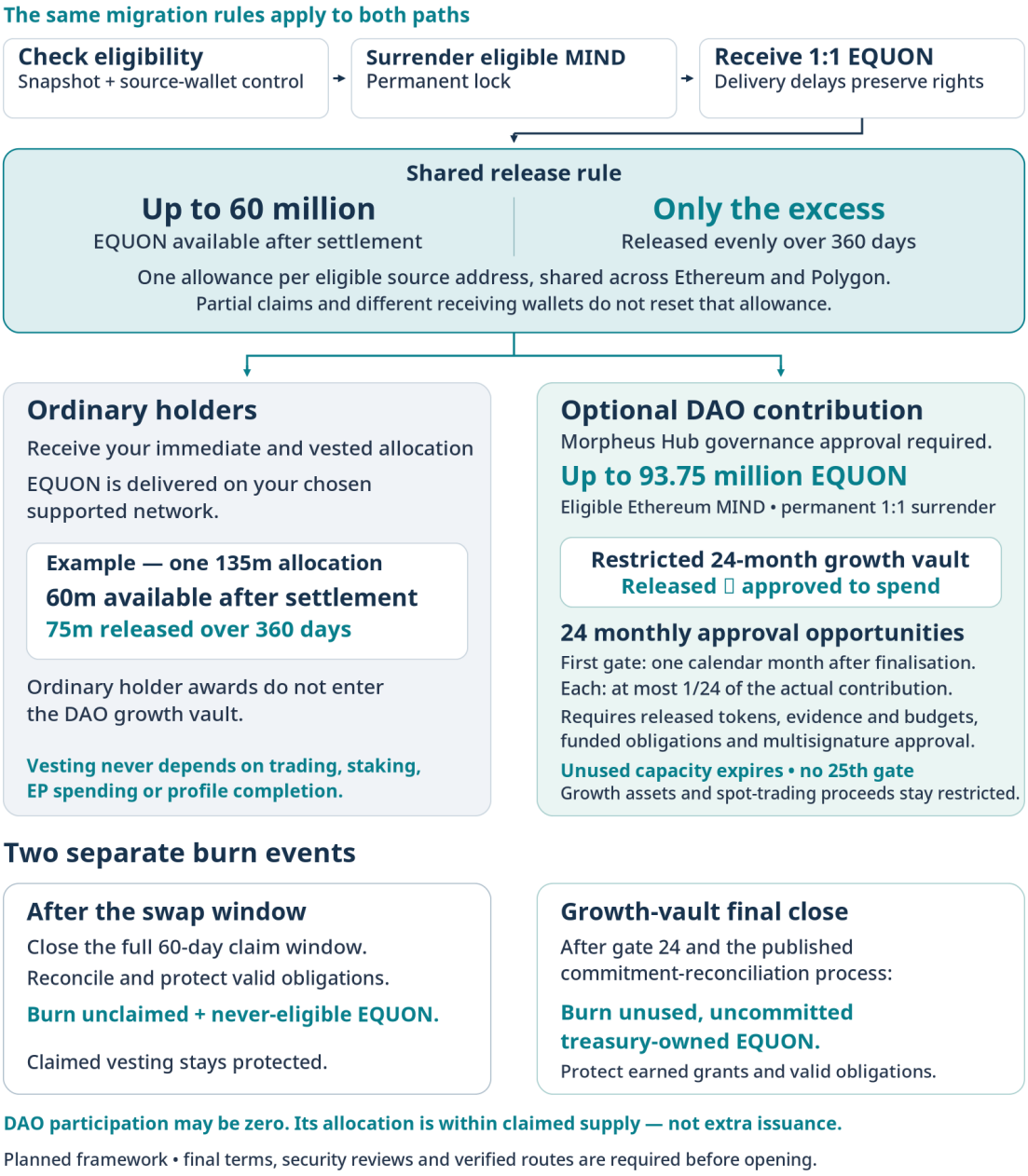
> **Immediately migration-unlocked at settlement: 60,000,000 EQUON.**
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> **Subject to linear migration vesting over 360 days: 33,750,000 EQUON.**
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> **Cumulative migration availability at day 90: 68,437,500 EQUON; day 180: 76,875,000 EQUON; day 360: 93,750,000 EQUON, before withdrawals.**

Partial claims have their own settlement dates and share the cumulative immediate allowance for their snapshot source address across Ethereum and Polygon; other claims for that same source address may reduce the allowance remaining. Changing a receiving wallet, platform account or destination network does not reset it. Different snapshot source addresses retain their separate allowances.

Every contributed asset is additionally subject to the growth vault. Migration-unlocked status alone does not authorise spending. Still-unvested migration tokens and growth assets not yet authorised for deployment cannot be bridged, pledged, borrowed or used as margin. The initial growth-liquidity mandate permits funded spot activity only.

The 24th scheduled release closes new growth-spending approvals at the second calendar-year anniversary. Reconcile valid approved obligations before burning uncommitted treasury assets; a close procedure is not authority to add new spending. Publish the UTC release calendar and bounded execution/reconciliation terms before opening. Mandatory holder vesting is unaffected. Independently track inventory supplied, trading rotation, outstanding obligations and balances eligible for final burn.

Figure 6 | Swap entitlement and treasury restrictions



Treasury growth assets arise only from an optional, authorised and eligible Morpheus Hub DAO contribution, not unclaimed supply. N is the initial 2.1B supply; C includes complete awarded or irrevocably owed allocations, including still-unvested amounts; T is within C and may be zero. Cross-chain representations do not add supply. Source authority, contracts and operating parameters require verification.

10. Fund the business before asking the token to carry it

The opening cash objective is $300,000 from non-token sources: company equity or a convertible instrument without token-price guarantees, non-dilutive grants, and appropriately reserved commercial receipts. None is represented as already committed. Launch scale depends on securing it. Corporate equity financing does not increase EQUON supply or give investors control of customer assets.

Initial cash allocation	Amount	Purpose
Lean operating runway	$180,000	Twelve months at an initial $15,000 monthly fixed cost ceiling
Security and migration assurance	$45,000	Independent reviews, contracts, recovery and operational hardening
Liquidity counterasset and integration	$25,000	Ring-fenced deployment budget; not immediately placed in a pool
Acquisition and onboarding	$25,000	Measured campaigns, including the separately reserved introductory service cost
Contingency	$25,000	Incident response and cost variance

This is a planning envelope, not a supplier quote. If experienced staffing and infrastructure cannot fit the operating ceiling, reduce scope or raise more cash before launch; do not conceal unpaid labour in margins. The trading product's development costs already incurred are separate from this forward budget. Customer prepayments are reserved for delivery, not treated as unrestricted liquidity capital.

11. Liquidity sized for real use

EQUON prioritises decentralized spot access, with the integrated terminal targeted for launch subject to provider readiness, with the trading terminal presenting a familiar chart, order-entry and order-status experience across supported integrated providers. The intended routes include AMM swaps, signed limit orders/RFQ and decentralized CLOB order books. Aggregation can reduce liquidity fragmentation when supported by real routing, executable quotes and sufficient inventory; it does not combine disconnected pools automatically or guarantee depth. CEX listing may be considered later against measurable daily volume, executable liquidity, on-chain participation, real platform use, security and sustainable commercial terms. CEX connectivity for customers trading other assets is a separate product feature.

Liquidity is measured by executable cost at actual EP purchase sizes, in both directions. Report slippage including fees separately from network gas, available depth, uptime and inventory concentration. No price floor, guaranteed exit or permanently fixed spread is promised.

For an illustrative constant-product pool with $5,000 quote reserves and 50 million EQUON reserves, the reserve price is $0.0001. Excluding fees, a $25 quote purchase has approximately 0.5% average execution premium to the pre-trade marginal price; $100 has 2%. This follows average premium = purchase quote / quote reserve. Fees, arbitrage and gas add costs. It is a sizing calculation, not a launch valuation. [S6]

Stage	Target purchase size	Depth objective, excluding gas	Expansion condition
Access	$25	No more than 1% deviation from the stated independent reference for the tested size, including trading/route fees but excluding gas	AMM example: about $5,000 quote reserves for the illustrated buffer. For CLOB/RFQ routes, test actual bids and asks at this size; no universal reserve amount is implied.
Repeat usage	$100	No more than 1%	AMM example: about $20,000 quote reserves. CLOB/RFQ routes must independently pass execution and replenishment tests at this size.
Professional adoption	$500	No more than 1%	AMM example: about $100,000 quote reserves; alternatively independently verified executable CLOB/RFQ quotes. Counterasset, inventory and loss budgets must be funded.

These are service objectives, not standing quotations. AMM reserve examples do not prescribe CLOB funding. Test both buying and selling against a disclosed reference and actual fees. Quote cash funds bids and EQUON funds asks; an order book does not require mechanically equal-value deposits. Reference validation, order persistence and replenishment under stress are part of readiness. If no defensible independent reference exists, report the limitation and restrict size rather than claim a measured execution-cost guarantee. Pool, LP and inventory-loan positions can lose value; neither fee income nor a return of capital is guaranteed. If objectives cannot be met, disclose smaller sizes or separately assessed firm quotes.

Market-maker contracts pay for measured two-sided depth, spread and uptime, not transaction volume. Self-trading, related-party wash activity and artificial price support are prohibited. Counterasset losses, inventory ownership, withdrawal notice and emergency termination are explicit. Publish aggregate performance without exposing exploitable order details.

As the business grows, allocate up to 20% of positive distributable cash surplus to liquidity development, subject to reserves and actual purchase demand. Liquidity funding will not be used merely to inflate reported total value locked (TVL). Earned EQUON can supply inventory, but converting EP receipts into cash remains a potential source of selling pressure and must be disclosed.

A single $1,000 business EP purchase exceeds the initial $25 depth objective. Ten professional contracts cannot be treated as fundable simply because retail quotes work. Before counting a business in the payer target, validate its acquisition and subsequent treasury conversion path. Firm inventory quotes support bounded sales before deeper public liquidity, but they are capacity commitments rather than a broad market.

LP incentives start with organic pool fees and optional finite cash-funded support contracts. Broad token liquidity mining is deferred until retained demand is demonstrated; no emissions APR is advertised. Liquidity reports identify subsidy-dependent depth and inventory recall terms. If contracted inventory leaves, reduce supported purchase sizes safely rather than promise unchanged execution.

11.1 Decentralised spot routes and their entry conditions

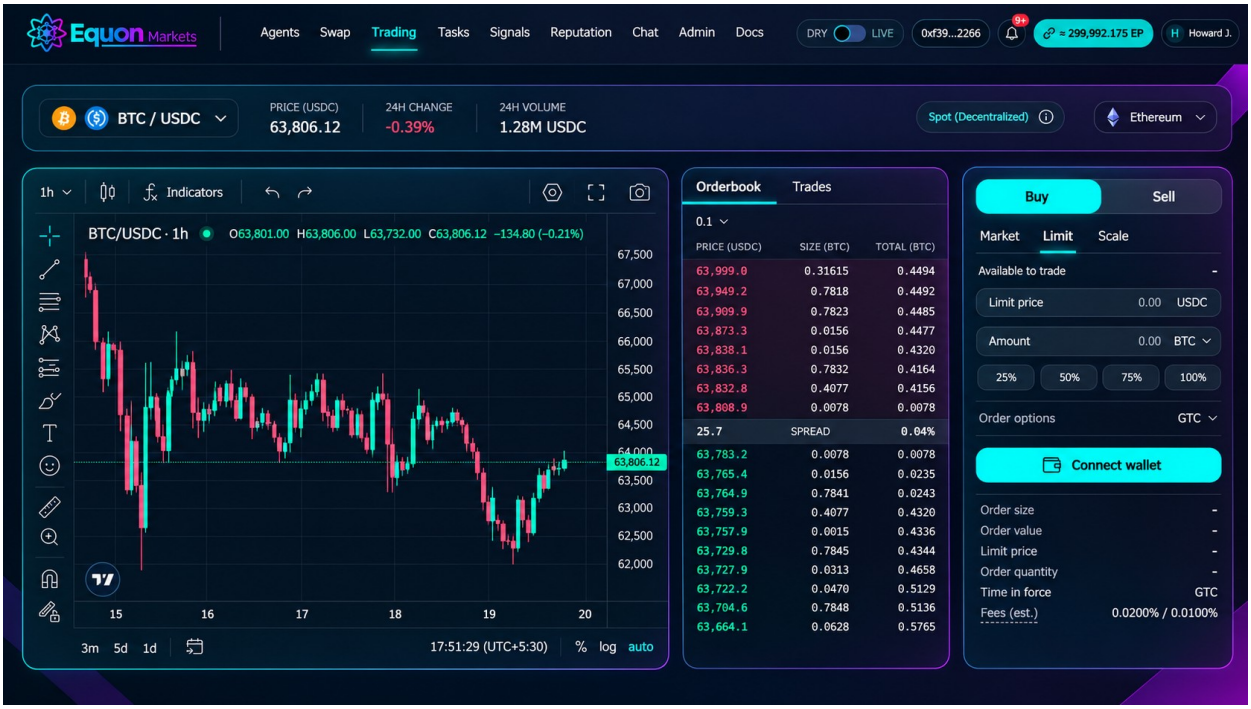
A decentralized CLOB spot route is a candidate for EQUON trading, not an assumed listing. Such routes may require a chain-specific asset deployment, bridge or external-asset admission, on-chain order-book integration and independently verified redemption. Confirm actual access, costs, matching behavior and end-to-end settlement before activation. Permissionless market infrastructure does not mean free or automatic market admission. [S11, S12]

Ethereum-native signed limit-order protocols and RFQ execution through integrated providers are additional candidates. They can complement AMM swaps by offering price-controlled orders and executable quotes, but a signed-order API does not guarantee a continuously populated CLOB, a taker, or a fill. The terminal should identify which execution model is used, show route-specific approvals and costs, and reconcile the actual settlement. Select integrations on supported assets, custody model, gas, price quality, availability and commercial terms. [S13]

A venue or Polygon representation is backed one-for-one by canonical EQUON held under a verified lock or equivalent reserve mechanism, with audited conservation, redemption and finality controls. It is not new economic issuance. The Polygon delivery route must be ready for swap launch, while integrations with additional trading venues remain optional and subject to actual market access and liquidity.

Hyperliquid validator-operated perpetuals use USDC, but a blanket statement that all Hyperliquid perpetuals strictly use USDC is incorrect: builder-deployed markets can use eligible alternative collateral. Validate the specific market and account mode. A perpetual position does not deliver spot EQUON for EP. EQUON will not launch its own derivatives market or pledge its liquidity allocation for leveraged positions as part of the initial spot programme. Derivatives infrastructure has distinct capital, oracle and operating obligations. [S14, S15]

Figure 7 | Trading terminal



The terminal connects market context to supported execution routes; market availability and liquidity are verified separately. The illustrated decentralized trading terminal is a conceptual Equon Markets interface, not a live EQUON market or verified integration.

11.2 Quote capital without a treasury liquidation dependency

Initial bid-side quote capital comes from committed non-token company financing, grants that permit the use, or an independently funded professional market maker under an explicit agreement. Later, unrestricted realised operating surplus may add capacity after delivery reserves and runway gates. Customer prepaid-service reserves, migration balances and unreleased growth tokens cannot fund bids or margin. Borrowing against EQUON to obtain USDC is not assumed: it substitutes leverage and liquidation risk for external capital.

The $300,000 opening plan includes only $25,000 for liquidity counterasset and integration together. Target a bounded pilot with up to $5,000 separately committed quote capital, with the balance covering approved deployment, engineering and risk costs; these are budget limits, not confirmed prices. A Hyperliquid auction or bridge build that exceeds this envelope requires separately secured funding or a cheaper supported route. No uncommitted partner capital enters the forecast. Market-maker retainers and loss budgets must be funded in addition to inventory.

Ordinary ask fills necessarily sell EQUON to buyers and receive the quote asset. Report those trades honestly as market-making activity; the policy avoids a prerequisite treasury liquidation to raise initial USDC, not all future selling. Track replenishment, trading fees, inventory P&L and external cash separately from service revenue. Inventory conversion and deposits are not reported as profit. There is no price floor, guaranteed buy wall or obligation to absorb unlimited selling.

11.3 The EQUON Liquidity Agent and public evidence

The platform roadmap includes a dedicated EQUON Liquidity Agent: a reference deployment of the professional market-making product, initially restricted to fully funded spot trading. It uses inventory-aware bids and asks, optional grid layers, maximum exposure, quote-age limits, adverse-selection controls and

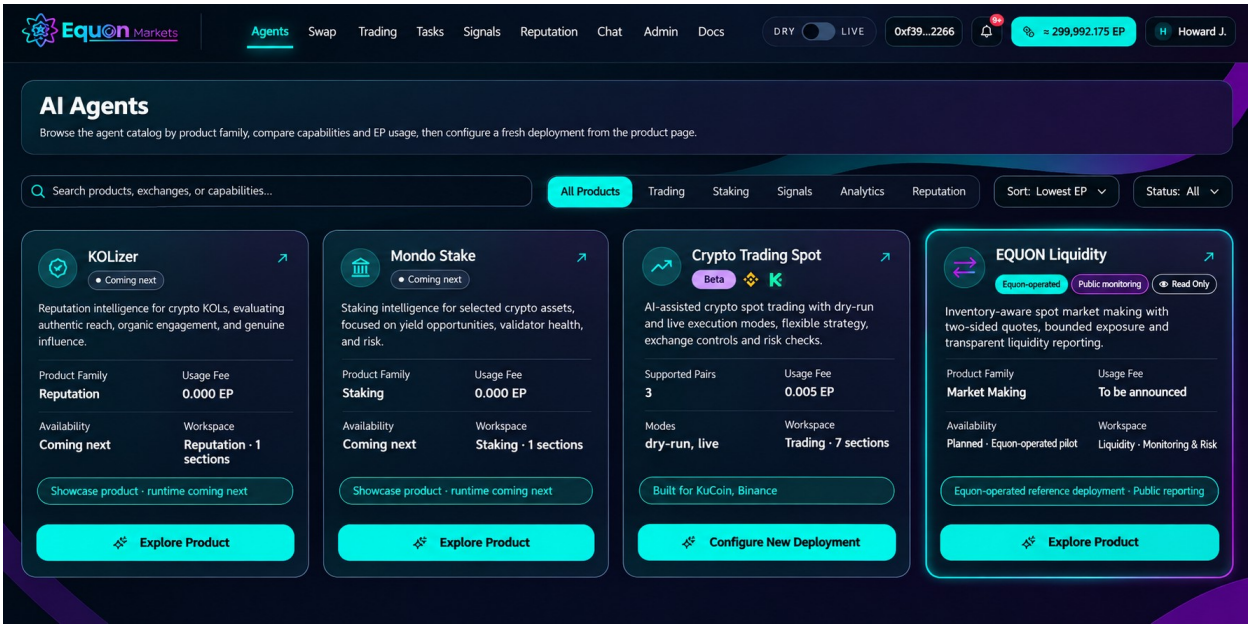
deterministic order policy. Grid logic alone is not a market-making risk system or a profit guarantee. AI may propose parameters; approved deterministic limits control funds.

Use isolated venue accounts and scoped signing permissions; withdrawals require separately controlled approval. Enforce self-trade prevention, no wash trading, no spoofing, no coordination intended to manipulate price, and no use of confidential customer order intent for treasury advantage. The agent stops new quotes on stale or unreliable reference data, unexplained reconciliation differences, unavailable cancellation, or a breached loss/exposure limit. Tiny testing and independent reconciliation precede any live capital increase.

The main dashboard will publish the strategy mandate, funding sources, attributable inventory, quote cash, deployed versus reserved amounts, spreads, depth within 1% and 2% of a disclosed reference, execution costs at $25/$100/$500, uptime, fills, fees, realised and unrealised P&L, drawdown and incidents. Mark unavailable or unreliable references explicitly. Daily reconciliation and appropriately delayed aggregates reduce exposure of sensitive order details; they do not make public-chain activity private. Separate treasury deployment results from customer rankings and service revenue, label internal activity and eliminate duplicate volume.

For an approved segregated market-making deployment, the initial EQUON transfer, additions and any new deployment of returned principal count against the monthly and lifetime category ceilings. Within that approved deployment, ordinary authorised fills and quote refreshes are trading activity, not fresh vault releases. Keep token and quote-asset ledgers, exposure and loss limits, and identifiable proceeds; relabelling a position does not evade its mandate. Reinvestment is allowed only inside those limits. Returned assets remain in their assigned mandate and cannot become a new grant budget. Contracts must specify a term and return or wind-down process within the published vault-close procedure; no open-ended strategy may avoid reconciliation. Losses, defaults or delayed recoveries are reported and resolved transparently, not treated as guaranteed principal returns. Valid obligations remain protected, while uncommitted treasury-owned EQUON is burned under the close rules.

Figure 8 | Liquidity operations that can be inspected



Planned Liquidity Agent reporting links treasury deployment to observable market quality, inventory risk and reconciled outcomes. The illustrated agent catalogue entry is a planned, read-only concept, not an operational treasury-control interface.

11.4 Releases that support the growth targets

Lifetime budgets at full T are 30 million EQUON for spot liquidity inventory, 25 million for creators and integrations, 18.75 million for retained-user acquisition, and 20 million for strategic growth and security. They total 93.75 million and scale proportionally if T is smaller. The 20 million mandate is internally earmarked equally for security/resilience and strategic expansion. These are token ceilings, not cash funding, immediately tradable supply or a requirement to distribute everything.

Monthly capacity is a ceiling, never automatic expenditure. Every proposal identifies the recipient or venue, milestone, expected benefit, token amount, conservative cash-equivalent valuation, liabilities and independent reviewer. Token quantity and dollar-cost caps both apply; if the token price changes materially, reduce the award or rescope the programme rather than promise unlimited dollar funding.

Liquidity releases require approved deployment and counterparty terms, committed quote capital, tested deposit/trade/cancel/redemption, independent price-validation methodology, reconciled balances and published size limits. Initial deployment depends on readiness, not customers who cannot yet access the token. Further increases require 30 days of evidence of genuine execution demand, reliable quoting and acceptable loss against the approved budget. Token appreciation and raw volume alone never trigger release.

Creator/integration awards use project-specific stages: a proposed 10% mobilisation, 40% technical acceptance, 30% operational acceptance after 30 days, and 20% for an agreed adoption outcome. Fund and schedule future instalments within the relevant monthly release capacity before promising them. Do not claw back accepted technical work because unrelated marketing failed. Referral eligibility follows the second paid period, with payment after the 90-day assessment in section 5; other acquisition contracts must publish their own evidence and settlement dates within the same budget controls. Security payments follow accepted audits, remediation or verified findings, not revenue growth.

The month-12 targets of 2,000 paying individuals and 30 businesses remain conditional on retention and route capacity. The economics table measures consumed-service revenue, not necessarily same-month cash receipts. For a separate liquidity stress case only, assume $95,000 of monthly funded top-ups: over a 30-day month this averages about $3,167 per day before peaks. If all funding were newly acquired at an illustrative $0.0001, gross token throughput would be 950 million monthly. This is neither a forecast price nor a requirement to hold that quantity permanently. A 30 million inventory budget requires turnover and outside supply; quote cash, peak purchases and treasury conversion must be tested together against the actual customer mix.

Large business contracts will be activated only when funded executable routes support them. Conduct a staged pilot: validate a real $25 purchase and EP funding, observe 30 days of reliable operation, then test $100 and assessed $500/business routes under size and loss limits. Track both directions, not just purchase slippage. Expansion fails its gate if repeated buys exhaust ask inventory or treasury conversion exhausts bids. Paid retention, blended CAC and the six-month payback controls remain unchanged.

12. Operating economics and growth gates

The following monthly planning cases assume regular, adequately funded services rather than the introductory utility subsidy. Revenue is consideration allocated to consumed services, supported by collected proceeds; nominal EP catalogue value alone is insufficient. Unconsumed top-ups remain associated with delivery obligations. All amounts are USD; trading commissions, token appreciation and reserve sales contribute zero revenue in these cases.

Monthly metric	Month 6 target	Month 12 target	Month 24 target
Paying individuals	300	2,000	10,000

Monthly metric	Month 6 target	Month 12 target	Month 24 target
Average realised individual service revenue	$20	$25	$30
Paying businesses	10	30	100
Average realised business service revenue	$1,000	$1,500	$2,000
Total consumed-service revenue	$16,000	$95,000	$500,000
Variable platform delivery costs, 35%	$5,600	$33,250	$175,000
Acquisition and retention, 15%	$2,400	$14,250	$75,000
Fixed operating costs	$15,000	$30,000	$100,000
Operating surplus before tax/reserve adjustments	-$7,000	$17,500	$150,000

The 35% variable allowance covers EQUON-owned services: infrastructure, AI, allocated support and payment/route costs. The base targets exclude third-party creator sales and payouts. Marketplace reporting separately shows gross collections, direct costs, creator liabilities and the retained platform fee; only that retained fee may be added to this management model, without also counting gross marketplace sales. Statutory gross-versus-net revenue presentation requires the applicable accounting assessment. The 15% acquisition allowance includes rebates and affiliate costs. Product-level accounting replaces these aggregate assumptions before scaling.

Month-12 operating sensitivity, using the stated cost assumptions:

- **Break-even revenue: $60,000 per month, with a combined 50% variable and acquisition cost load.**
- **Revenue at half the $95,000 target ($47,500): monthly operating loss of $6,250 under the same cost structure.**
- **Variable delivery cost rising from 35% to 50% at $95,000 revenue: monthly surplus falls to $3,250.**

Both outcomes are before taxes and additional reserve requirements. Token appreciation cannot remedy an unprofitable service catalogue.

A month-12 individual at $25 realised monthly revenue contributes $16.25 before acquisition under the 35% variable assumption. A $40 acquisition cost requires approximately 2.46 retained paying months to recover, before fixed costs. This is a cohort hurdle, not a lifetime-value claim. Avoid projecting indefinite customer lifetime from short histories.

The month-6 operating deficit is funded from the opening runway. Scaling fixed costs from $15,000 to $30,000 per month requires new evidence and a refreshed runway calculation. Maintain unrestricted cash covering six

months of fixed costs plus outstanding delivery reserves, committed obligations and incident needs before discretionary capital return or liquidity expansion. Do not count LP positions or unreleased tokens as cash reserves.

Product, economics and liquidity advance together. The first stage optimises reliable spot use and paid retention. The second expands strategy studio, business tooling and bounded membership. The third adds vetted copying and selected derivatives after risk and operational gates. Major-venue coverage grows with customer demand; it does not consume the entire development budget ahead of adoption.

The $300,000 opening envelope is a total funding plan, not an additional budget on top of monthly costs. Acquisition, campaign reserves and liquidity commitments draw down its named balances; collected cash replenishes capacity only after delivery obligations. Maintain a monthly cash forecast covering hiring, realised token proceeds, prepaid service obligations, creator payables, taxes and contingency. The operating-surplus table does not establish cash break-even. Unsecured finance, token valuations and unused credits contribute zero available runway.

13. Demand, circulation and buybacks

The token's demand sources are different and must be measured separately: new purchases for EP, voluntary membership balances, professional commitments and liquidity inventory. Existing holders spending their balance is product adoption but not a new market purchase. The platform reselling received tokens to pay costs can offset acquisition demand. High token velocity can support considerable service revenue with modest inventory demand; business success does not mechanically imply token-price growth.

Treasury reporting therefore separates externally acquired top-up tokens, legacy-holder top-ups, receipts converted to cash, tokens retained, optional stakes, liquidity inventory, rewards distributed and burns. Gross token throughput is not advertised as net buying. A buyback funded by selling the same tokens immediately beforehand is not described as new external demand.

There is no recurring buyback commitment at launch. After the cash gates are met, a quarterly policy permits up to 10% of positive realised distributable surplus for open-market purchases and burn, and up to 20% for liquidity development. Combined discretionary token-market spending is capped at 30%. Distributable surplus is after delivery, operating expenses, acquisition, taxes, contractual obligations, approved reinvestment and reserve top-ups. If cash above the required reserves is lower, that lower amount controls. Zero surplus means zero budget.

For example, $100,000 genuinely distributable quarterly surplus allows at most $10,000 buyback and $20,000 liquidity development, not an obligation to spend either amount. At least $70,000 remains for resilience and growth if both ceilings are used. Every quarter publish the calculation, cash-gate assessment, approved allocation or reason for zero spending, and subsequent execution. Purchases use slippage and participation limits, exclude self-trades and stop during disorderly markets. No guaranteed buying schedule will be published that could invite manipulation. Changes to policy ceilings receive 30 days of public notice; holders have no contractual dividend or redemption entitlement.

Migration finalisation burns and revenue-funded burns serve distinct purposes. The first removes unawarded supply under the disclosed allocation policy. The second may reduce outstanding supply when the business can afford it. Neither pays operating bills, creates counterparties or guarantees appreciation. Retaining scarce operating cash can be more valuable than burning tokens prematurely.

13.1 The holder case and its measurable tests

For a holder focused on token value, the thesis has three parts: customers repeatedly acquire EQUON for useful services; some voluntarily maintain balances for membership or contractual participation; and a successful business can finance deeper liquidity and bounded supply reduction. Each part must be observable.

Supply reduction alone does not establish demand, and mandatory token routing alone does not establish lasting buying pressure.

Consider $100 of service consumption funded through new market purchases. If the business then sells all $100 of received EQUON, the flow produces approximately offsetting gross buying and selling before fees and price movement, not $100 of lasting net demand. Retaining affordable inventory avoids an immediate sale but is neither a new market purchase nor a burn. Legacy-holder funding can introduce selling with no preceding new purchase. Report these flows separately.

Illustrative monthly funding mix. At the month-12 target, 2,000 paying individuals and 30 paying businesses generate a planning case of $95,000 in consumed-service revenue, not necessarily same-month EQUON purchases. Some EP may be funded by newly acquired EQUON and some from existing holder balances. The platform may retain affordable inventory for funded operations or convert receipts to cover service costs. The useful indicators are repeat paid usage, external token acquisition, treasury conversions and net inventory changes—not gross token throughput alone.

The policy is to realise the cash needed for delivery first, avoid unnecessary disposal of inventory committed to a funded use, and develop liquidity or buybacks only under the cash gates. Paid adoption is the engine; voluntary balance retention and affordable supply reduction complement it. There is no fixed burn on every top-up because burning resources needed for delivery would make services dependent on continued outside funding.

The monthly holder dashboard reports repeat funded use, realised service revenue, operating cash, externally sourced token purchases where verifiable, legacy-holder funding, treasury sales, rewards released, optional stakes net of unbonding, migration releases and executable depth at $25, $100 and $500. Attributed product flows do not measure the whole market or prove price causation. Quarterly capital-allocation reports connect commercial results to actual token-market spending.

The thesis weakens if service growth merely circulates receipts back to market, membership has little voluntary uptake, or liquidity requires permanent subsidy. Two consecutive quarters of weak retention, poor contribution or excessive acquisition friction trigger a published corrective plan: revise packages and onboarding, reduce uneconomic incentives, improve access and delay expansion. The corrective response will not involve new minting or additional migration lockups. Business growth and token value can diverge; confidence must be earned through evidence rather than price targets.

14. Why this model can compete

Public comparators show that token-linked access and credits are feasible design patterns. Almanak combines strategy tooling, metered AI credits and staking-related plan access. ChainGPT separates service credits from its market-traded token and also permits other credit-purchase routes. EQUON adopts cost visibility but deliberately retains exclusive EQUON-funded paid EP. These sources demonstrate mechanisms, not proof of profitable adoption or validation of EQUON's targets. [S7, S8]

EQUON's differentiation is the joined lifecycle: venue-aware interpretation, explicit mandates, reproducible strategy versions, native reconciliation, fair charging and understandable receipts. A creator marketplace can distribute these reliable workflows; professional workspaces can fund their operation. A user should be able to explain why a trade occurred and why a fee was charged without trusting an AI narrative.

Exclusive token funding is also a competitive disadvantage if it adds gas, volatility and slippage to a simple software purchase. The response is transparent monthly budgeting, a progressive assisted purchase route, reliable depth for typical bundles and product value that exceeds the friction. If that friction prevents retention, improve acquisition and pricing before adding more token restrictions.

The defensible asset is the accumulated quality of integrations, workflow evaluation, execution evidence and creator distribution. Prompts and token discounts alone are easy to copy. The platform must outperform alternatives on the complete trader experience, not merely on the number of AI features or venues displayed.

15. Failure modes and operating responses

Failure mode	Observable warning	Response
Introductory utility becomes an unfunded subsidy	Delivery reserve falls faster than paid retention grows	End the finite campaign, protect issued credits, narrow scope and publish the next affordable rate
Token market too thin for service purchases	Typical bundle exceeds the execution-cost objective	Limit purchase size, repair routes and secure genuine inventory/counterasset; do not promise immediate large access
Many wallets, few customers	Weak second paid month and reward-driven churn	Stop wallet-count rewards; concentrate on retained workflows and professional renewals
Creator marketplace sells attractive but fragile returns	Drawdown, follower divergence or capacity breaches	Pause new followers, retain evidence and require fresh review; no retrospective removal of losses
Venue or model failure	Stale data, reconciliation delay, conflicting proposals	Stop new risk, preserve cancellation paths, reconcile native state and communicate the incident
Corporate reserve becomes hidden selling	Undisclosed transfers or recurring affiliated grants	Vault limits, recipient disclosure, independent review and transparent inventory reporting
Cash funding fails	Less runway than approved expansion requires	Reduce launch scope and costs; do not spend prepaid delivery reserves or customer assets
High concentration remains after swap	Large release dates relative to executable depth	Publish vesting and concentration data; size liquidity realistically; do not claim the allowance prevents sell-offs

Contract audits reduce risk but cannot guarantee safety. Source-token privileges, cross-chain settlement, vesting administration and application security need separate assessment. Generic vesting primitives can

include transferable ownership; deployment must explicitly implement the intended beneficiary and transfer rules rather than assuming the library enforces them. [S9]

The platform's transparency page publishes capability status, incidents, reconciliation latency, billing corrections, cash runway bands, delivery coverage, paid retention, contribution by product, token flows and executable liquidity. Measure exchange event-to-platform receipt and receipt-to-UI timing separately. Target p95 reconciliation visibility within 10 seconds for healthy supported streams, with venue-specific exceptions and recovery SLOs clearly identified; this is an operating objective rather than a claim about every exchange.

16. Delivery sequence and accountability

First, secure the cash envelope; complete final supply and swap terms; publish the Ethereum and Polygon snapshot evidence, bridge reconciliation and allocation previews; independently audit the MIND surrender routes, cross-chain settlement and recovery, Polygon EQUON backing/redemption, vesting and treasury controls; and verify the launch capability matrix. The swap does not open until both network routes meet the published operational and audit requirements. Final whitepaper and swap terms precede any surrender, with at least 14 days' notice and a factual-correction period. No material allocation change is applied retrospectively.

At opening, enable audited Ethereum and Polygon MIND surrender and fully backed EQUON delivery on either supported network, alongside the launch-gated trading workspace and targeted decentralized trading terminal, finite EP offer, professional onboarding and end-to-end receipts. Product availability and venue integrations must be described by their verified release status, not assumed operational readiness. Fund migration support independently from speculative token sales. The swap closes after the full 60-day operational window, subject to disclosed incident extensions; final burn follows protection and reconciliation of valid pending settlements and vesting liabilities.

Next, expand affordable membership, strategy creation and business products after contribution and retention gates. Launch creator subscriptions with verifiable performance. Add carefully scoped copying and agent mandates only when risk, consent and recovery are proven. Introduce margin and perpetuals with their own controls and clear venue-specific support.

Finally, scale market access, APIs and distribution using earned operating capacity. Automate EP acquisition only when quote quality and settlement recovery justify it. Expand liquidity with actual service purchase demand. Review revenue-funded burns only after reserves and reinvestment needs are covered.

A successful EQUON ecosystem is one in which traders return for useful work, creators earn from retained customers, businesses pay for dependable infrastructure, and holders can see how token flows relate to delivered services. Growth is judged by these outcomes, supported by a disciplined supply and liquidity policy.

Figure 9 | Delivery roadmap - gates before expansion



Months 6, 12 and 24 are commercial planning checkpoints, not guaranteed feature delivery dates. Each expansion depends on its own safety, demand and funding evidence. The 24-month growth-vault release schedule is a separate conditional capital programme, not this product roadmap.

17. Stakeholder benefits and participation pathways

The following stakeholder perspectives bring together the practical benefits described throughout this whitepaper. They explain how each audience may use EQUON without changing the availability conditions, commercial assumptions, risk controls, token terms or roadmap described in sections 1–16. Capabilities identified as future or release-gated remain planned rather than currently available.

17.1 Individual traders

For individual traders, the primary value is a coherent journey from market research and a reviewable trading instruction to approved execution, reconciled orders and understandable costs. The intended spot workspace combines venue-specific market intelligence, account and portfolio views, reusable task configurations, protective exits, recurring purchases and notifications. A trader retains control through scoped exchange credentials, bounded mandates, exposure and slippage checks, cancellation paths and clear dry-run versus live distinctions. EP budgeting helps distinguish analysis and runtime consumption from fill-dependent execution charges. Over time, strategy studio, monitored agents and controlled copying can extend these workflows, but each requires its own validation and release gate. Trading outcomes, venue access and execution quality are not guaranteed.

17.2 Crypto projects

For crypto projects, EQUON is intended to offer operational services rather than token-price promotion: defined integration assessments, market-access and liquidity planning, market intelligence, analytics, professional monitoring and, where released, disclosed KOLizer campaigns and attributed adoption measurement. Projects can assess whether users can actually discover and access their assets, whether routes are funded and functional, and whether campaigns lead to retained paying participation after incentives end. Paid assessment or promotion does not guarantee exchange listing, liquidity, favourable research, ranking or token appreciation. Inventory, quote capital, venue fees and campaign spending remain separate from software and EP service charges.

17.3 Market makers and liquidity providers

Market makers may engage EQUON as paying users of scoped execution infrastructure, inventory analytics, monitoring and risk controls, or separately as contracted suppliers supporting a market under independently measured service obligations. Those relationships must remain distinct in contracts, accounting and reporting. A market maker retains responsibility for its trading capital and P&L; supplier arrangements specify depth, spread, uptime, loss budgets, inventory rights and exit procedures. Liquidity providers face pool and inventory risk and may purchase optional monitoring or automation without being treated automatically as software customers. The planned Liquidity Agent illustrates inventory-aware, fully funded spot operations with exposure limits, self-trade prevention, reconciliation, kill switches and public aggregate reporting, but it is not an already validated deployment or a profit guarantee.

17.4 KOLs, crypto influencers and strategy creators

KOLs and crypto influencers can participate as educators, distribution partners and, when the relevant products are released, creators of reviewed trading workflows or providers of measurable campaign services. The intended creator marketplace rewards genuinely purchased, retained service use rather than follower counts, fabricated volume or selective performance claims. Its proposed settlement waterfall allocates 70% of distributable creator fees to the creator and 30% to EQUON after agreed attributable direct costs. Creator evidence should disclose assumptions, version history, costs, risk limits, net performance where relevant, drawdowns and discontinued strategies. KOLizer and reputation intelligence are future capabilities intended to assess authenticity and useful engagement; paid sponsorship must be labelled and cannot purchase favourable scores, execution priority or guaranteed outcomes.

Across all four audiences, the common proposition is measurable service value with explicit authority, traceable outcomes and sustainable funding. Product adoption, EQUON funding throughput, operating profitability and token-market performance are different measures and must be reported separately.

Reader glossary

AMM — automated market maker: liquidity pools used for on-chain swaps. CLOB — central limit order book: matched bids and asks, potentially operated by decentralized infrastructure.

RFQ — request for quote: execution against an offered price. EP — Energy Points: non-transferable service credits purchased using EQUON.

CAC — customer acquisition cost. LP — liquidity provider. DCA — dollar-cost averaging. SLO — service-level objective. ADL — auto-deleveraging, a derivatives risk mechanism.

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