## **Environment (glossary)**

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- (1) Anything affecting a subject system or affected by a subject system through interactions with it, or anything sharing an interpretation of interactions with a subject system. (IEEE 1175.1-2002 (R2007), 3.6)
- (2) The surroundings (natural or manmade) in which the system-of-interest is utilized and supported; or in which the system is being developed, produced or retired. (INCOSE 2010)

## Source

- (1) IEEE. 2002. IEEE Guide for CASE Tool Interconnections Classification and Description, 1175.1-2002.
- (2) INCOSE. 2010. *INCOSE Systems Engineering Handbook*, version 3.2. San Diego, CA, USA: International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE), INCOSE-TP-2003-002-03.2.

## **Discussion**

- (1) is a system science definition and can be applied to any system.
- (2) is an engineered system definition, and distinguishes between the different environments that exist during the life of a system.

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