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> *A group of people and facilities with an arrangement of responsibilities, authorities and relationships.* (INCOSE 2011)

Sources

INCOSE. 2012. *Systems Engineering Handbook*, version 3.2.2. San Diego, CA, USA: International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE). INCOSE-TP-2003-002-03.2.2. p. 361.

Discussion

The INCOSE *Systems Engineering Handbook* is an established systems engineering source. The current INCOSE *Systems Engineering Handbook* version 3.2.1 has this definition as, “Person or a group of people and facilities with an arrangement of responsibilities, authorities and relationships.” The earlier version 3 had, “A group of people and facilities with an arrangement of responsibilities, authorities and relationships.” Other definitions of "organization" researched all relate to a group of people, not a single person, so the current version 3.2.1 is not cited. The version 3 definition is used since it is succinct, clear, and consistent with other sources.

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