

Provisional Group Approval Process

When a proposed SNIA group shows potential value but requires further development, SNIA Leadership may grant Provisional Group status. This stage provides time for the group to finalize its charter, define its operating model, and build participation within the SNIA membership and broader industry.

Activities During the Provisional Stage

1. Provisional Status Granted

SNIA Leadership reviews the proposal and may approve the formation of a Provisional SNIA Group to further develop the concept and recruit participants.

SNIA provides limited collaboration resources to support the group during this stage.

2. Interim Governing Board Formed

An interim leadership team is established to guide the group during the provisional period.

Responsibilities typically include:

- Coordinating meetings and discussions
- Developing the charter and program of work
- Recruiting additional participants

SNIA Leadership may appoint an interim Chair and assign a SNIA mentor to support the group.

3. Charter and Operating Model Development

During the provisional period, the group finalizes its foundational documents, including:

- Proposed Charter: Defines the purpose, scope, and objectives of the group.
- Program of Work: Identifies the initial deliverables the group plans to produce.
- Operating Model: Defines how the group will function, including leadership roles, meeting cadence, and collaboration structure.

4. Promotion and Participant Recruitment

The provisional group is promoted within SNIA and to relevant industry communities to:

- Recruit participants
- Confirm industry relevance
- Build support from SNIA member companies

Strong participation helps ensure the group can successfully carry out its program of work.

Transition to Full Approval

At the conclusion of the provisional period, the group submits its finalized Proposal, Charter, and Program of Work to the SNIA Technical Council for approval.

Upon approval, the group becomes an official SNIA Group and begins executing its program of work.