EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Active Governance.

Governance enforced in use, not just documented.

Passive governance documents policy. Active governance applies it — at the point a data product is created, served and consumed.

FROM

Passive documentation

Policies, ownership records and classifications.

TO

Active governance in use

At creation.
At serving and consumption.

The documentation remains necessary.
The rules also apply at the point of work.

01 — GOVERNANCE AT THE POINT OF WORK

Governance that works where data is actually used.

Traditional governance produces policies, ownership records and classifications. Those documents are necessary, but they are not sufficient once people and AI consume data continuously, often faster than any manual review can follow. Active governance applies those same policies when a data product is created, served to a consumer and used to inform a decision.

WHY BUSINESS TEAMS BENEFIT

Ownership, sensitivity and policy travel with the data product itself, rather than sitting in a separate catalog record that may not be consulted at the point of use. Business teams can trust what they are given without chasing down approvals for every new use, because the rules are already built in.

HOW LATTTICE SUPPORTS THIS

Latttice, the zero-code Data Product Workbench, applies governance when a data product is created in Latttice and again whenever it is served — to a person, a report or an AI agent built with Lenz. This works alongside the enterprise's existing governance tools and catalog; it does not replace them.

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This summary accompanies the existing three-part Active Governance executive series, available as a separate, longer download for readers who want the complete argument.

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