FEBRUARY 2023 HIGHLIGHTS

New EEA Member Directory Live

The EEA's new Member Directory is now live on our website. A full-featured directory, it lists all members with information on their business, location, areas of expertise, and how to contact them. It offers a full search capability plus filters by criteria such as member type, industry, and country. The directory is public and available to members and non-members alike.

EthTQ "Resource Repository" Publicly Available

The EEA's Enterprise Training Quality WG has made the development version of their Resource Repository, a collection of educational resources suggested for inclusion by EEA members and reviewed by the Working Group, available for public use and feedback. The Working Group is collecting resources as part of their overarching work to develop quality requirements that ensure training material is relevant and up to date.

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The EEA is co-sponsoring an Enterprise Hacker House led by MinorityThinkTank and fellow EEA Member MPA – Minority Programmers Association.

Executive Director Daniel Burnett, Director of Sales James Harsh, and Technical Programs Director Chaals Nevile will be on hand at ETHDenver, along with many EEA WG chairs, and other members. Contact EEA and meet up with them in person!

Check out:

- EEA Technical Programs Director Chaals Nevile, and EthTQ co-Chair, C4’s Jessica Levesque, will be part of a panel hosted by Hacken at their Blockchain Hackers meetup, on 2 March at 6pm.
- Institutions Building on Blockchain - The Institutional Networking Brunch co-sponsored by Blockdaemon and Noves.
- C4 will have a booth as well as leading the Blockchain 101 space, and they are looking for volunteers.
- ConsenSys Mesh R&D - Join the ConsenSys Mesh R&D Team to discuss and debate the most rapidly advancing topics in Web3.

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EthPorto, March 16-18

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EEA Technical Director Chaals Nevile will be attending, and Regional Representative Vinicius Farias Ribeiro will be presenting. If you are going to be in Porto from 16-18 March, it will be a good opportunity to meet with them, as well as EEA Members who are attending. Please reach out to chaals@entethalliance.org to organize a meeting, or look for us at the event.

Ethereum Züri.ch, April 14-16
Switzerland, home of the Ethereum Foundation, is finally getting its own major Ethereum-focused event with the inaugural [EthereumZüri.ch](#). Held in conjunction with the University of Zurich, the event features a hackathon, speakers from the Swiss and international Ethereum scene, and side events. The EEA will be represented by Chaals Neville and Tom Lyons. If you are in Zurich during that time and would like to catch up, just reach out to Tom at [tom.lyons@entethalliance.org](mailto:tom.lyons@entethalliance.org).

**European Blockchain Convention**

A number of EEA members presented at this event in Barcelona this month:

- Joe Leung and Emma Lovett, JPMorgan
- Sebastian Banescu, Quantstamp
- Antoine Scalia, Cryptio
- Coty de Monteverde, Banco Santander
- Sebastian Becciu, Sygnum Bank
- Philipp Zentner, Li.Fi
- Victor Busson, Taurus
- Marta Piekarska and Lex Sokolin, ConsenSys

The event brought together experts, investors, and enthusiasts over a couple of days in Barcelona, with a number of talks and panel sessions as well as the opportunity to meet...
Authority to Operate Working Group
The ATO Working Group have been developing an explainer around Authority to Operate, and what this process means for enterprises working on Ethereum-based blockchains in industries that follow US Government standards as well as for any US government agencies, that are required to produce an Authority to Operate as a standard risk management procedure for any data they handle, and expect to publish it shortly as a Working Document.

Crosschain Interoperability Working Group
The Crosschain Interoperability Working Group is still developing its draft Messaging specification, and the draft Crosschain Identifier specification (also available as EIP-3220) that aims to provide a deterministic and automatically verifiable identifier for as many types of blockchain as possible, specifically ensuring that those properties will hold for any Ethereum blockchain. They are also continuing to establish links with other groups working on similar projects, including the IETF’s SATP group considering relay-based transfers between chains, the CAIP and the L2 EEA Community Project who are attempting to provide some form of chain identifier, the former for any chain and the latter for Ethereum blockchains, to share resources and avoid unnecessary duplication of work.

Ethereum Training Quality Working Group
The EEA Ethereum Training Quality Working Group is dedicated to raising the profile and quality standards of Ethereum education internationally, for the benefit of industry professionals and students, training providers and employers, communities, and society. The Working Group is focused on addressing the lack of quality standards for Ethereum educational resources. The EthTQ Working Group has a few initiatives on the verge of launch! The “EthTQ Resource Repository” will allow the public to view recommended education and training resources based on their needs, existing knowledge, and so on. Keep an eye out at https://entethalliance.github.io/EthTQ/.

Defi Risk Assessment, Management, and Accounting Working Group

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The DRAMA Working Group has begun surveying investors and collecting initial results, which it will use as a sanity check on its work. They are also developing a discussion paper on risks, best practices for assessing, mitigating and managing them, which they are hoping to make available as a Working Draft for public review during 2Q2023.

**EthTrust Security Levels Working Group**
This Working Group is reviewing recent attacks to determine whether they would have been stopped by a better review of the relevant smart contract, and whether the vulnerability exposed is covered by the requirements of the current release of the specification.

They are also continuing to review theoretical vulnerabilities announced through regular reporting channels, conferences, and the like, with a view to whether they should lead to changes for the next version of the specification.

The Editor’s draft of the next version is available to the public for review even as it is in development - updates are generally added about every two weeks as the group agrees on them.

**DeFi Interest Group**
The Defi group had a productive discussion again this month. The discussions of the group are not recorded, so members can speak freely and frankly.

**Mainnet Interest Group**
The Enterprise Mainnet Interest Group focuses on the business use of public Ethereum and helping to make mainnet Ethereum more enterprise-friendly. The Mainnet Interest Group is currently working to develop some in-depth explanatory material for Layer 2 systems, which is anticipated will be in the form of video presentations of different types of L2 answering common questions such as what use cases the system is designed to support, and what about the technological approach makes it the appropriate choice.
EEA Member Taurus raised USD 65 million to further develop its digital asset platform and fuel international expansion. The Series B round was led by Credit Suisse and includes participation from three other major financial institutions, Deutsche Bank, Pictet Group and Arab Bank Switzerland, as well as stock-listed real-estate group Investis. As mentioned in its press release, Taurus plans to use the funds to support its growth strategy “across three main priorities: (1) hire top engineering talent to further develop what is considered as the most complete platform in the industry; (2) get closer to clients and expand the sales and customer success organization of its infrastructure solutions with new offices Europe, UAE and soon after in the Americas and South-East Asia, and (3) maintain the most stringent security, risk and compliance requirements across product lines, processes and organizations.” Coindesk pointed out that this funding is “a reminder that capital is still finding its way to the digital asset industry from major financial institutions, even after last year's crypto market crash". 
The Blockchain Research Institute (BRI) announced the launch of a new series of courses on Web3 and Blockchain in Global Commerce, developed in collaboration with FedEx and INSEAD. The courses are now available on Coursera. According to the BRI, enrollees will gain:

- A foundational understanding of blockchain and the ways it intersects with other technologies, industries, managerial functions, and the broader Web3 ecosystem
- The skills to identify, review, and evaluate business opportunities and challenges related to blockchain in global commerce
- Access to thought leadership, case studies, and key deliverables from the BRI’s multi-million dollar research program
- Real-world examples and practical insights derived from FedEx’s blockchain initiatives
- A verified certificate from Coursera, positioning you among the ranks of leading business professionals helping to advance the next era of the Internet

Welcome New Members!

The EEA continues to attract Industry leaders and innovators dedicated to the growth, development and overall health and success of the Ethereum Ecosystem!

Please reach out and welcome our new members below as well as check out our current EEA Member Roster to learn, network and build your connections around the globe!

Lossless is a leader in Web3 security architecture and exploit mitigation tools in

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blockchain transaction security, protecting projects and their communities from malicious exploits and associated financial loss.

Lossless Aegis provides industry-leading threat monitoring and smart contract defence capabilities, designed to prevent exploits before they happen. Lossless protocol, on the other hand, implements an additional layer of blockchain transaction security for ERC-20 standard tokens, mitigating the financial impact of smart contract exploits and private key theft.

“We believe the security products we create must benefit the entire blockchain ecosystem; for that, word must spread. We want to join like-minded leaders and creators so that the opportunity of security would reach more people. Lossless would also be able to tap into the feedback to know what the industry shapers want regarding security tools so that we could develop them

- Vygandas Masilionis, CEO

Rocketstar Foundation is the first DAO incorporated as a European Cooperative (SCE). We focus on enterprise web3 adoption, and our claim is "bridge web3 and enterprise". We love to make Web3 innovation available for traditional organisations and upgrade business models with them. Some main areas of expertise are Data Collaboration, Decentralized Governance, Token Engineering, Platform Design and anything adoption.

“These are very exciting times for enterprise Ethereum. We are looking forward to engaging with all of you! And we hope to help in exploring, experimenting, and executing web3 strategies to drive understanding, experimentation, and, ultimately, adoption.”

- Andreas Fauler, Founding Member

Our Members in the News

- ConsenSys has launched Metamask Learn, a new educational program to help users understand and work with the Metamask self-custodial wallet.
- EEA Board Member Paul Brody of EY was recently a guest on the Bankless
Prof. Dr Naseem Naqvi of the British Blockchain Association was awarded the honour of Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE) for services to blockchain in the King’s New Year honours list. Among other things, Professor Naqvi is the lead author of the UK’s National Blockchain Roadmap.