

White paper drafted under the European Markets in Crypto- Assets Regulation (EU) 2023/1114 for FFG CSVDS945S

Preamble

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01. Date of notification

2025-09-19

02. Statement in accordance with Article 6(3) of Regulation (EU) 2023/1114

This crypto-asset white paper has not been approved by any competent authority in any Member State of the European Union. The person seeking admission to trading of the crypto-asset is solely responsible for the content of this crypto-asset white paper.

03. Compliance statement in accordance with Article 6(6) of Regulation (EU) 2023/1114

This crypto-asset white paper complies with Title II of Regulation (EU) 2023/1114 of the European Parliament and of the Council and, to the best of the knowledge of the management body, the information presented in the crypto-asset white paper is fair, clear and not misleading and the crypto-asset white paper makes no omission likely to affect its import.

04. Statement in accordance with Article 6(5), points (a), (b), (c), of Regulation (EU) 2023/1114

The crypto-asset referred to in this crypto-asset white paper may lose its value in part or in full, may not always be transferable and may not be liquid.

05. Statement in accordance with Article 6(5), point (d), of Regulation (EU) 2023/1114

Since the token has multiple functions (hybrid token), these are already conceptually not utility tokens within the meaning of the MiCAR within the definition of Article 3, 1. (9), due to the necessity “exclusively” being intended to provide access to a good or a service supplied by its issuer only.

06. Statement in accordance with Article 6(5), points (e) and (f), of Regulation (EU) 2023/1114

The crypto-asset referred to in this white paper is not covered by the investor compensation schemes under Directive 97/9/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council or the deposit guarantee schemes under Directive 2014/49/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council.

Summary

07. Warning in accordance with Article 6(7), second subparagraph, of Regulation (EU) 2023/1114

Warning: This summary should be read as an introduction to the crypto-asset white paper. The prospective holder should base any decision to purchase this crypto-asset on the content of the crypto-asset white paper as a whole and not on the summary alone. The offer to the public of this crypto-asset does not constitute an offer or solicitation to purchase financial instruments and any such offer or solicitation can be made only by means of a prospectus or other offer documents pursuant to the applicable national law. This crypto-asset white paper does not constitute a prospectus as referred to in Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 of the European Parliament and of the Council or any other offer document pursuant to union or national law.

08. Characteristics of the crypto-asset

The BLUAI tokens referred to in this white paper are crypto-assets other than EMTs and ARTs, and are issued on the Ethereum, Solana, Arbitrum, BNB Smart Chain, Base and SUI network (2025-09-13 and according to DTI FFG shown in F.14) with a total number of 10,000,000,000 tokens.

09. Information about the quality and quantity of goods or services to which the utility tokens give access and restrictions on the transferability

Not applicable.

10. Key information about the offer to the public or admission to trading

This white paper concerns the admission to trading of the crypto-asset "BLUAI" by "Bluwhale Foundation" in accordance to Article 5 of REGULATION (EU) 2023/1114 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 31 May 2023 on markets in crypto-assets, and amending Regulations (EU) No 1093/2010 and (EU) No 1095/2010 and Directives 2013/36/EU and (EU) 2019/1937.

The following platforms are in scope for this while drafting up this white paper: Payward Global Solutions Limited. Further platforms are also being sought for this purpose in the future.

Part A – Information about the offeror or the person seeking admission to trading

A.1 Name

Bluwhale Foundation

A.2 Legal form

4XP8

A.3 Registered address

KY, P.O. Box 31489, 2nd Floor Whitehall House, 238 North Church Street, George Town, Cayman Islands KY1-1206

A.4 Head office

KY, P.O. Box 31489, 2nd Floor Whitehall House, 238 North Church Street, George Town,
Cayman Islands KY1-1206

A.5 Registration date

2024-01-26

A.6 Legal entity identifier

Not available.

A.7 Another identifier required pursuant to applicable national law

406622

A.8 Contact telephone number

+886974307608

A.9 E-mail address

team@bluwhale.com

A.10 Response time (Days)

030

A.11 Parent company

Not applicable.

A.12 Members of the management body

Name	Function	Business Address
Tzu-Yen Hsiao	Director	KY, P.O. Box 31489, 2nd Floor Whitehall House, 238 North Church Street, George Town, Cayman Islands KY1-1206

Ping-Yu Liu	Director	KY, P.O. Box 31489, 2nd Floor Whitehall House, 238 North Church Street, George Town, Cayman Islands KY1-1206
Ali Ibrahim Ali	Director	KY, P.O. Box 31489, 2nd Floor Whitehall House, 238 North Church Street, George Town, Cayman Islands KY1-1206

A.13 Business activity

The Foundation's business activity consists of conducting foundation operations and supporting blockchain-related activities. These activities are limited in scope and may be subject to changes depending on regulatory, technical, and market developments.

A.14 Parent company business activity

Not applicable.

A.15 Newly established

Yes

A.16 Financial condition for the past three years

Not applicable.

A.17 Financial condition since registration

Since registration, the legal entity has generated recurring revenue with consistent growth of approximately 100% year-over-year, reaching an annual recurring revenue of around USD 1.6 million by the end of 2024. Since its establishment, the entity has not incurred any material financial liabilities and is sufficiently capitalized to continue fulfilling its role in relation to the project. As there are no materially adverse financial obligations, there is

presently no indication that the company will be unable to maintain this position going forward.

Part B – Information about the issuer, if different from the offeror or person seeking admission to trading

B.1 Issuer different from offeror or person seeking admission to trading

No

B.2 Name

Not applicable.

B.3 Legal form

Not applicable.

B.4. Registered address

Not applicable.

B.5 Head office

Not applicable.

B.6 Registration date

Not applicable.

B.7 Legal entity identifier

Not applicable.

B.8 Another identifier required pursuant to applicable national law

Not applicable.

B.9 Parent company

Not applicable.

B.10 Members of the management body

Not applicable.

B.11 Business activity

Not applicable.

B.12 Parent company business activity

Not applicable.

Part C – Information about the operator of the trading platform in cases where it draws up the crypto-asset white paper and information about other persons drawing the crypto-asset white paper pursuant to Article 6(1), second subparagraph, of Regulation (EU) 2023/1114**C.1 Name**

Not applicable.

C.2 Legal form

Not applicable.

C.3 Registered address

Not applicable.

C.4 Head office

Not applicable.

C.5 Registration date

Not applicable.

C.6 Legal entity identifier

Not applicable.

C.7 Another identifier required pursuant to applicable national law

Not applicable.

C.8 Parent company

Not applicable.

C.9 Reason for crypto-Asset white paper Preparation

Not applicable.

C.10 Members of the Management body

Not applicable.

C.11 Operator business activity

Not applicable.

C.12 Parent company business activity

Not applicable.

C.13 Other persons drawing up the crypto-asset white paper according to Article 6(1), second subparagraph, of Regulation (EU) 2023/1114

Crypto Risk Metrics GmbH, Lange Reihe 73, 20099 Hamburg

C.14 Reason for drawing the white paper by persons referred to in Article 6(1), second subparagraph, of Regulation (EU) 2023/1114

Crypto Risk Metrics GmbH, Lange Reihe 73, 20099 Hamburg, was mandated to support the process of drawing up the white paper by the person mentioned in Part A.

Part D – Information about the crypto-asset project**D.1 Crypto-asset project name**

Long Name: Bluwhale AI, Short Name: BLUAI according to the Digital Token Identifier Foundation (www.dtif.org, DTI see F.13, FFG DTI see F.14 as of 2025-09-12).

D.2 Crypto-assets name

See F.13.

D.3 Abbreviation

See F.13.

D.4 Crypto-asset project description

The project is centered on the creation of a blockchain-based ecosystem supported by the BLUAI token. It aims to integrate artificial intelligence solutions with decentralized infrastructure, enabling applications in areas such as data processing, automation, and network efficiency. Core elements include node participation, a foundation treasury to support ongoing development, and mechanisms to incentivize community involvement. The overall scope and future trajectory of the project will depend on technological progress, regulatory developments, and market adoption, which may materially influence its implementation.

D.5 Details of all natural or legal persons involved in the implementation of the crypto-asset project

Name	Function	Business Address
Bluwhale Foundation	Issuer	KY, P.O. Box 31489, 2nd Floor Whitehall House, 238 North Church Street, George Town, Cayman Islands KY1-1206
Tzu-Yen Hsiao	Director of the issuer	KY, P.O. Box 31489, 2nd Floor Whitehall House, 238 North Church Street, George Town, Cayman Islands KY1-1206

Ping-Yu Liu	Director of the issuer	KY, P.O. Box 31489, 2nd Floor Whitehall House, 238 North Church Street, George Town, Cayman Islands KY1-1206
Ali Ibrahim Ali	Director of the issuer	KY, P.O. Box 31489, 2nd Floor Whitehall House, 238 North Church Street, George Town, Cayman Islands KY1-1206
Han Jin	CEO & Co-Founder of the project	KY, P.O. Box 31489, 2nd Floor Whitehall House, 238 North Church Street, George Town, Cayman Islands KY1-1206
Adam Rowell	CTO & Co-Founder	KY, P.O. Box 31489, 2nd Floor Whitehall House, 238 North Church Street, George Town, Cayman Islands KY1-1206
Partners	The project is continuously supported by a large number of external supporters, who are listed on the website: https://www.bluwhale.com/	Not applicable.

D.6 Utility Token Classification

The token does not classify as a utility token.

D.7 Key Features of Goods/Services for Utility Token Projects

Not applicable.

D.8 Plans for the token

The roadmap of the project must be clearly distinguished between the overall development of the crypto-asset project and the specific role of the token itself. The primary mission of the project is focused on advancing data protection and related technological applications, with an emphasis on implementing and maintaining secure, efficient, and scalable infrastructure. This long-term vision will continue to guide future developments.

From a technical perspective, one of the anticipated milestones is the launch of a proprietary roll-up and the introduction of a new technical infrastructure, which are expected to become central elements of the project's ecosystem. However, the direct consequences for the token remain uncertain at this stage.

It should be noted that future developments cannot be guaranteed, and the timing, scope, and potential impacts on the token may differ materially from current expectations.

D.9 Resource allocation

The allocation of BLUAI tokens is divided across several categories. The largest share, 25%, is allocated to nodes for network security, followed by 21% for the foundation and treasury to support governance, grants, and long-term development. A further 8.8% is dedicated to ecosystem use, 7% to the team and advisors, and 6% to initial airdrop distributions. Additional allocations include 2% for exchange marketing, 1% each for future airdrops and partner marketing, and 0.2% for affiliate marketing. Fundraising rounds account for a combined allocation of approximately 23%, consisting of 9.16% for seed investors, 6.57% for the private A round, 4.28% for the pre-seed round, 2% for the

public sale, and 1% for the KOL round. Liquidity and market-making are supported with 3% and 2% respectively.

As a result, the effective circulating supply of the token will not correspond to the full allocation immediately, but will change over time depending on vesting schedules and release mechanisms. These mechanisms can affect token availability and may have an impact on market dynamics. The investor must be aware that a public address cannot necessarily be assigned to a single person or entity, which limits the ability to determine exact economic influence or future actions. Changes in token distribution can negatively affect the investor.

D.10 Planned use of Collected funds or crypto-Assets

Not applicable, as this white paper was drawn up for the admission to trading and not for collecting funds for the crypto-asset-project.

Part E – Information about the offer to the public of crypto-assets or their admission to trading

E.1 Public offering or admission to trading

The white paper concerns the admission to trading (i. e. ATTR).

E.2 Reasons for public offer or admission to trading

The crypto asset is to be listed on the platforms: Payward Global Solutions Limited.

Additional platforms aren't excluded in the future.

E.3 Fundraising target

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.4 Minimum subscription goals

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.5 Maximum subscription goals

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.6 Oversubscription acceptance

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.7 Oversubscription allocation

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.8 Issue price

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.9 Official currency or any other crypto-assets determining the issue price

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.10 Subscription fee

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.11 Offer price determination method

Once the token is admitted to trading its price will be determined by demand (buyers) and supply (sellers).

E.12 Total number of offered/traded crypto-assets

The maximum supply of the crypto-asset is set at 10,000,000,000 BLUAI, with an initial genesis supply of approximately 12.28%. The monetary policy provides for a fixed cap, meaning no further minting beyond this limit will occur. The actual amount of tokens available in the market at a given point in time depends on vesting schedules, unlock

mechanisms, and other release conditions. As a result, the effective circulating supply cannot be determined in advance and may change over time. While writing the white paper (2025-09-18), the circulating supply is 13.03%.

E.13 Targeted holders

ALL

E.14 Holder restrictions

The Holder restrictions are subject to the rules applicable to the Crypto Asset Service Provider as well as additional restrictions the Crypto Asset Service Providers might set in force.

E.15 Reimbursement notice

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.16 Refund mechanism

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.17 Refund timeline

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.18 Offer phases

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.19 Early purchase discount

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.20 Time-limited offer

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.21 Subscription period beginning

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.22 Subscription period end

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.23 Safeguarding arrangements for offered funds/crypto- Assets

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.24 Payment methods for crypto-asset purchase

The payment methods are subject to the respective capabilities of the Crypto Asset Service Provider listing the crypto-asset.

E.25 Value transfer methods for reimbursement

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.26 Right of withdrawal

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.27 Transfer of purchased crypto-assets

The transfer of purchased crypto-assets are subject to the respective capabilities of the Crypto Asset Service Provider listing the crypto-asset.

E.28 Transfer time schedule

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

E.29 Purchaser's technical requirements

The technical requirements that the purchaser is required to fulfil to hold the crypto-assets of purchased crypto-assets are subject to the respective capabilities of the Crypto Asset Service Provider listing the crypto-asset.

E.30 Crypto-asset service provider (CASP) name

Not applicable.

E.31 CASP identifier

Not applicable.

E.32 Placement form

Not applicable.

E.33 Trading platforms name

Payward Global Solutions Limited.

Other platforms are also planned for future listing.

E.34 Trading platforms Market identifier code (MIC)

Payward Global Solutions Limited: PGSL.

Other platforms are also planned for future listing.

E.35 Trading platforms access

This depends on the trading platform listing the asset.

E.36 Involved costs

This depends on the trading platform listing the asset. Investors should always review the current fee structures of platforms before making trading decisions. Furthermore, costs

may occur for making transfers out of the platform (i. e. "gas costs" for blockchain network use that may exceed the value of the crypto-asset itself).

E.37 Offer expenses

Not applicable, as this crypto-asset white paper concerns the admission to trading and not the offer of the token to the public.

E.38 Conflicts of interest

MiCAR-compliant Crypto Asset Service Providers shall have strong measurements in place in order to manage conflicts of interests. Due to the broad audience this white-paper is addressing, potential investors should always check the conflicts of Interest policy of their respective counterparty.

E.39 Applicable law

Not applicable, as it is referred to on "offer to the public" and in this white-paper, the admission to trading is sought.

E.40 Competent court

Not applicable, as it is referred to on "offer to the public" and in this white-paper, the admission to trading is sought.

Part F – Information about the crypto-assets

F.1 Crypto-asset type

The crypto-asset described in the white paper is classified as a crypto-asset under the Markets in Crypto-Assets Regulation (MiCAR) but does not qualify as an electronic money token (EMT) or an asset-referenced token (ART). It is a digital representation of value that can be stored and transferred using distributed ledger technology (DLT) or similar technology, without embodying or conferring any rights to its holder.

The asset does not aim to maintain a stable value by referencing an official currency, a basket of assets, or any other underlying rights. Instead, its valuation is entirely market-driven, based on supply and demand dynamics, and not supported by a stabilization

mechanism. It is neither pegged to any fiat currency nor backed by any external assets, distinguishing it clearly from EMTs and ARTs.

Furthermore, the crypto-asset is not categorized as a financial instrument, deposit, insurance product, pension product, or any other regulated financial product under EU law. It does not grant financial rights, voting rights, or any contractual claims to its holders, ensuring that it remains outside the scope of regulatory frameworks applicable to traditional financial instruments.

F.2 Crypto-asset functionality

The BLUAI token is designed to function as a token within the broader project ecosystem. Its primary use cases include supporting network participation, incentivizing node operations, and facilitating ecosystem-related activities such as governance, community incentives, and ecosystem grants. In addition, the token may be applied for marketing purposes, liquidity support, and fundraising-related allocations. The specific scope of functionalities is closely tied to the ongoing development of the underlying project infrastructure, and their future application areas may evolve depending on technological, regulatory, and market conditions.

F.3 Planned application of functionalities

See D.8.

A description of the characteristics of the crypto asset, including the data necessary for classification of the crypto-asset white paper in the register referred to in Article 109 of Regulation (EU) 2023/1114, as specified in accordance with paragraph 8 of that Article

F.4 Type of crypto-asset white paper

The white paper type is "other crypto-assets" (i. e. "OTHR").

F.5 The type of submission

The white paper submission type is "NEWT", which stands for new token.

F.6 Crypto-asset characteristics

The tokens are crypto-assets other than EMTs and ARTs, which are available on the Ethereum, Base, Solana, BNB Smart Chain, Arbitrum and SUI network. The tokens are fungible (up to 9 digits after the decimal point on SUI and Solana, 18 on all other chains). The tokens are a digital representation of value, and have no inherent rights attached as well as no intrinsic utility.

F.7 Commercial name or trading name

See F.13.

F.8 Website of the issuer

<https://www.bluwhale.com/>

F.9 Starting date of offer to the public or admission to trading

2025-10-20

F.10 Publication date

2025-10-20

F.11 Any other services provided by the issuer

It is not possible to exclude a possibility that the issuer of the token provides or will provide other services not covered by Regulation (EU) 2023/1114 (i.e. MiCAR).

F.12 Language or languages of the crypto-asset white paper

EN

F.13 Digital token identifier code used to uniquely identify the crypto-asset or each of the several crypto assets to which the white paper relates, where available

7B23BBD4T;770H8RZXQ;1TD9WLRZ8;12DZ012XC;252MKS60L;2620QT6WK

F.14 Functionally fungible group digital token identifier, where available

CSVDS945S

F.15 Voluntary data flag

Mandatory.

F.16 Personal data flag

The white paper does contain personal data.

F.17 LEI eligibility

The issuer should be eligible for a Legal Entity Identifier.

F.18 Home Member State

Germany

F.19 Host Member States

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden

Part G – Information on the rights and obligations attached to the crypto-assets**G.1 Purchaser rights and obligations**

There are no rights or obligations attached for/of the purchaser.

G.2 Exercise of rights and obligations

As the token grants neither rights nor obligations, there are no procedures and conditions for the exercise of these rights applicable.

G.3 Conditions for modifications of rights and obligations

As the token grants neither rights nor obligations, there are no conditions under which the rights and obligations may be modified applicable. An adjustment of the technical infrastructure necessary to exercise the promised governance rights, declining functionality due to dilution, changing rights within the voting platforms, and all other adverse effects for investors may occur at any time.

G.4 Future public offers

This white paper refers to admission to trading. The issuer reserves the right to make further offers in the future. This means that future public offers cannot be ruled out, although there are no current plans to do so.

G.5 Issuer retained crypto-assets

The allocation of BLUAI tokens is divided across several categories. The largest share, 25%, is allocated to nodes for network security, followed by 21% for the foundation and treasury to support governance, grants, and long-term development. A further 8.8% is dedicated to ecosystem use, 7% to the team and advisors, and 6% to initial airdrop distributions. Additional allocations include 2% for exchange marketing, 1% each for future airdrops and partner marketing, and 0.2% for affiliate marketing. Fundraising rounds account for a combined allocation of approximately 23%, consisting of 9.16% for seed investors, 6.57% for the private A round, 4.28% for the pre-seed round, 2% for the public sale, and 1% for the KOL round. Liquidity and market-making are supported with 3% and 2% respectively.

In a broader interpretation, approximately 21% of the allocation (Foundation/Treasury) may be considered issuer-retained.

As a result, the effective circulating supply of the token will not correspond to the full allocation immediately, but will change over time depending on vesting schedules and release mechanisms. These mechanisms can affect token availability and may have an impact on market dynamics. The investor must be aware that a public address cannot necessarily be assigned to a single person or entity, which limits the ability to determine exact economic influence or future actions. Changes in token distribution can negatively affect the investor.

G.6 Utility token classification

No

G.7 Key features of goods/services of utility tokens

Not applicable.

G.8 Utility tokens redemption

Not applicable.

G.9 Non-trading request

The admission to trading is sought.

G.10 Crypto-assets purchase or sale modalities

Not applicable, as this white paper is written to support admission to trading and not for the initial offer to the public.

G.11 Crypto-assets transfer restrictions

The crypto-assets as such do not have any transfer restrictions and are generally freely transferable. The Crypto Asset Service Providers can impose their own restrictions in agreements they enter with their clients. The Crypto Asset Service Providers may impose restrictions to buyers and sellers in accordance with applicable laws and internal policies and terms.

G.12 Supply adjustment protocols

No, there are no fixed protocols that can increase the supply implemented as of 2025-09-16. It is possible to decrease the circulating supply, by transferring crypto-assets to so called "burn-addresses", which are addresses that render the crypto-asset "non-transferable" after sent to those addresses.

G.13 Supply adjustment mechanisms

For the crypto-asset in scope, the supply is limited to 10,000,000,000 tokens. Investors should note that changes in the token supply can have a negative impact.

G.14 Token value protection schemes

No, the token does not have value protection schemes.

G.15 Token value protection schemes description

Not applicable.

G.16 Compensation schemes

No, the token does not have compensation schemes.

G.17 Compensation schemes description

Not applicable.

G.18 Applicable law

Applicable law likely depends on the location of any particular transaction with the token.

G.19 Competent court

Competent court likely depends on the location of any particular transaction with the token.

Part H – information on the underlying technology

H.1 Distributed ledger technology (DTL)

See F.13.

H.2 Protocols and technical standards

The crypto asset that is the subject of this white paper is available on multiple DLT networks. These include: Ethereum, Arbitrum, Solana, BNB Smart Chain, Base and SUI. In general, when evaluating crypto assets, the total number of tokens issued across different networks must always be taken into account, as spillover effects can be adverse for investors.

The following applies to Ethereum:

The crypto-asset operates on a well-defined set of protocols and technical standards that are intended to ensure its security, decentralization, and functionality. Below are some of the key ones:

1. Network Protocols

The crypto-asset follows a decentralized, peer-to-peer (P2P) protocol where nodes communicate over the crypto-asset's DevP2P protocol using RLPx for data encoding.

- Transactions and smart contract execution are secured through Proof-of-Stake (PoS) consensus.
- Validators propose and attest blocks in Ethereum's Beacon Chain, finalized through Casper FFG.
- The Ethereum Virtual Machine (EVM) executes smart contracts using Turing-complete bytecode.

2. Transaction and Address Standards

crypto-asset Address Format: 20-byte addresses derived from Keccak-256 hashing of public keys.

Transaction Types:

- Legacy Transactions (pre-EIP-1559)
- Type 0 (Pre-EIP-1559 transactions)
- Type 1 (EIP-2930: Access list transactions)
- Type 2 (EIP-1559: Dynamic fee transactions with base fee burning)

The Pectra upgrade introduces EIP-7702, a transformative improvement to account abstraction. This allows externally owned accounts (EOAs) to temporarily act as smart contract wallets during a transaction. It provides significant flexibility, enabling functionality such as sponsored gas payments and batched operations without changing the underlying account model permanently.

3. Blockchain Data Structure & Block Standards

- the crypto-asset's blockchain consists of accounts, smart contracts, and storage states, maintained through Merkle Patricia Trees for efficient verification.

Each block contains:

- Block Header: Parent hash, state root, transactions root, receipts root, timestamp, gas limit, gas used, proposer signature.
- Transactions: Smart contract executions and token transfers.

- Block Size: No fixed limit; constrained by the gas limit per block (variable over time). In line with Ethereum's scalability roadmap, Pectra includes EIP-7691, which increases the maximum number of "blobs" (data chunks introduced with EIP-4844) per block. This change significantly boosts the data availability layer used by rollups, supporting cheaper and more efficient Layer 2 scalability.

4. Upgrade & Improvement Standards

Ethereum follows the Ethereum Improvement Proposal (EIP) process for upgrades.

The following applies to Arbitrum:

Arbitrum commonly refers to the Arbitrum Rollup, a Layer 2 (L2) blockchain build using the Arbitrum technology suite. The Arbitrum Rollup is an optimistic rollup on top of the Ethereum blockchain. This means that the L2 transactions do not have their own consensus mechanism and are only validated by the execution clients. The so-called sequencer regularly bundles stacks of L2 transactions and publishes them on the L1 network, i.e. Ethereum. Ethereum's consensus mechanism (Proof-of-Stake) thus indirectly secures all L2 transactions as soon as they are written to L1.

The following applies to Solana:

The tokens were created with Solana's Token Program, a smart contract that is part of the Solana Program Library (SPL). Such tokens are commonly referred to as SPL-token. The token itself is not an additional smart contract, but what is called a data account on Solana. As the name suggests data accounts store data on the blockchain. However, unlike smart contracts, they cannot be executed and cannot perform any operations. Since one cannot interact with data accounts directly, any interaction with an SPL-token is done via Solana's Token Program. The source code of this smart contract can be found here <https://github.com/solana-program/token>.

The Token Program is developed in Rust, a memory-safe, high-performance programming language designed for secure and efficient development. On Solana, Rust is said to be the

primary language used for developing on-chain programs (smart contracts), intended to ensure safety and reliability in decentralized applications (dApps).

Core functions of the Token Program:

`initialize_mint()` → Create a new type of token, called a mint

`mint_to()` → Mints new tokens of a specific type to a specified account

`burn()` → Burns tokens from a specified account, reducing total supply

`transfer()` → Transfers tokens between accounts

`approve()` → Approves a delegate to spend tokens on behalf of the owner

`set_authority()` → Updates authorities (mint, freeze, or transfer authority)

These functions ensure basic operations like transfers, and minting/burning can be performed within the Solana ecosystem.

In addition to the Token Program, another smart contract, the Metaplex Token Metadata Program is commonly used to store name, symbol, and URI information for better ecosystem compatibility. This additional metadata has no effect on the token's functionality.

The following applies to BNB Smart Chain:

Binance Smart Chain (BSC) is a Layer-1 blockchain that utilizes a Proof-of-Staked Authority (PoSA) consensus mechanism. This mechanism combines elements of Proof-of-Authority (PoA) and Proof-of-Stake (PoS) and is intended to secure the network and validate transactions. In PoSA, validators are selected based on their stake and authority, with the goal of providing fast transaction times and low fees while maintaining network security through staking.

The following applies to Base:

Base was introduced by Coinbase and developed using Optimism's OP Stack. L2 transactions do not have their own consensus mechanism and are only validated by the execution clients. The so-called sequencer regularly bundles stacks of L2 transactions and publishes them on the L1 network, i.e. Ethereum. Ethereum's consensus mechanism (Proof-of-stake) thus indirectly secures all L2 transactions as soon as they are written to L1.

The following applies to SUI:

The Sui protocol is based on the Move programming language and an object-centric data model. These standards provide a distinct framework for transaction handling and smart contract design but are relatively new and not yet widely adopted across blockchain ecosystems. The limited maturity of these standards may affect interoperability, availability of developer tools, and long-term support compared to more established protocols.

H.3 Technology used

The crypto asset that is the subject of this white paper is available on multiple DLT networks. These include: Ethereum, Arbitrum, Solana, BNB Smart Chain, Base and SUI. In general, when evaluating crypto assets, the total number of tokens issued across different networks must always be taken into account, as spillover effects can be adverse for investors.

The following applies to Ethereum:

Decentralized Ledger: The Ethereum blockchain acts as a decentralized ledger for all token transactions, with the intention to preserving an unalterable record of token transfers and ownership to ensure both transparency and security.

2. Private Key Management: To safeguard their token holdings, users must securely store their wallet's private keys and recovery phrases.

3. Cryptographic Integrity: Ethereum employs elliptic curve cryptography to validate and execute transactions securely, intended to ensure the integrity of all transfers. The

Keccak-256 (SHA-3 variant) Hashing Algorithm is used for hashing and address generation. The crypto-asset uses ECDSA with secp256k1 curve for key generation and digital signatures. Next to that, BLS (Boneh-Lynn-Shacham) signatures are used for validator aggregation in PoS.

The following applies to Arbitrum:

1. Arbitrum-Compatible Wallets: The tokens are supported by all wallets compatible with the Ethereum Virtual Machine (EVM), such as MetaMask and OKX Wallet.
2. Decentralized Ledger: Arbitrum operates as a Layer-2 blockchain on Ethereum and maintains its own decentralized ledger for recording token transactions. Final transaction data is periodically posted to Ethereum Layer 1, ensuring long-term availability and resistance to tampering.
3. ERC-20 Token Standard: The Arbitrum network supports tokens implemented under the ERC-20 standard, the same as on Ethereum.
4. Arbitrum supports what is called. MultiVM, which is the combination of EVM support and WASM VM support. The latter one being more efficient (lower gas costs) but specific to Arbitrum.
5. Scalability and Transaction Efficiency:

As a rollup-based Layer-2, Arbitrum is intended to handle high volumes of transactions with lower fees compared to Ethereum Layer 1. This is enabled by off-chain execution and on-chain data posting via optimistic rollup architecture

The following applies to Solana:

1. Solana-Compatible Wallets: The tokens are supported by all wallets compatible with Solana's Token Program

2. Decentralized Ledger: The Solana blockchain acts as a decentralized ledger for all token transactions, with the intention to preserving an unalterable record of token transfers and ownership to ensure both transparency and security.

3. SPL Token Program: The SPL (Solana Program Library) Token Program is an inherent Solana smart contract built to create and manage new types of tokens (so called mints). This is significantly different from ERC-20 on Ethereum, because a single smart contract that is part of Solana's core functionality and as such is open source, is responsible for all the tokens. This ensures a high uniformity across tokens at the cost of flexibility.

4. Blockchain Scalability: With its intended capacity for processing a lot of transactions per second and in most cases low fees, Solana is intended to enable efficient token transactions, maintaining high performance even during peak network usage.

Security Protocols for Asset Custody and Transactions:

1. Private Key Management: To safeguard their token holdings, users must securely store their wallet's private keys and recovery phrases.

2. Cryptographic Integrity: Solana employs elliptic curve cryptography to validate and execute transactions securely, intended to ensure the integrity of all transfers.

The following applies to BNB Smart Chain:

1. BSC-Compatible Wallets

Tokens on BSC are supported by wallets compatible with the Ethereum Virtual Machine (EVM), such as MetaMask. These wallets can be configured to connect to the BSC network and are designed to interact with BSC using standard Web3 interfaces.

2. Ledger

BSC maintains its own decentralized ledger for recording token transactions. This ledger is intended to ensure transparency and security, providing a verifiable record of all activities on the network.

3. BEP-20 Token Standard

BSC supports tokens implemented under the BEP-20 standard, which is tailored for the BSC ecosystem. This standard is designed to facilitate the creation and management of tokens on the network.

4. Scalability and Transaction Efficiency

BSC is designed to handle high volumes of transactions with low fees. It leverages its PoSA consensus mechanism to achieve fast transaction times and efficient network performance, making it suitable for applications requiring high throughput.

The following applies to Base:

1. Base-Compatible Wallets: The tokens are supported by all wallets compatible with the Ethereum Virtual Machine (EVM), such as MetaMask, Coinbase Wallet, and Trust Wallet. These wallets interact with Base in the same way as with other EVM-compatible chains, using standard Web3 interfaces.

2. Decentralized Ledger: Base operates as a Layer-2 blockchain on Ethereum and maintains its own decentralized ledger for recording token transactions. Final transaction data is periodically posted to Ethereum Layer 1, ensuring long-term availability and resistance to tampering.

3. ERC-20 Token Standard: The Base network supports tokens implemented under the ERC-20 standard, the same as on Ethereum.

4. Scalability and Transaction Efficiency:

As a rollup-based Layer-2, Base is intended to handle high volumes of transactions with lower fees compared to Ethereum Layer 1. This is enabled by off-chain execution and on-chain data posting via optimistic rollup architecture

The following applies to SUI:

The network applies an object-based storage architecture that allows parallel execution of independent transactions. This differs from the account-based model used in most

blockchain systems and is intended to improve throughput and latency. While this approach may enhance scalability, it introduces technical uncertainties, including potential integration challenges, limited external audit experience, and reliance on a comparatively small developer community familiar with the Move language.

H.4 Consensus mechanism

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The following applies to Ethereum:

The crypto-asset's Proof-of-Stake (PoS) consensus mechanism, introduced with The Merge in 2022, replaces mining with validator staking. Validators must stake at least 32 ETH every block a validator is randomly chosen to propose the next block. Once proposed the other validators verify the blocks integrity. The network operates on a slot and epoch system, where a new block is proposed every 12 seconds, and finalization occurs after two epochs (~12.8 minutes) using Casper-FFG. The Beacon Chain coordinates validators, while the fork-choice rule (LMD-GHOST) ensures the chain follows the heaviest accumulated validator votes. Validators earn rewards for proposing and verifying blocks, but face slashing for malicious behavior or inactivity. PoS aims to improve energy efficiency, security, and scalability, with future upgrades like Proto-Danksharding enhancing transaction efficiency.

The following applies to Arbitrum:

Arbitrum is a Layer-2 (L2) solution on Ethereum that is developed using the Arbitrum technology suite. L2 transactions do not have their own consensus mechanism and are only validated by the execution clients. The so-called sequencer regularly bundles stacks of L2 transactions and publishes them on the L1 network, i.e. Ethereum. Ethereum's

consensus mechanism (Proof-of-Stake) thus indirectly secures all L2 transactions as soon as they are written to L1.

The following applies to Solana:

Solana uses a combination of Proof of History (PoH) and Proof of Stake (PoS). The core concepts of the mechanism are intended to work as follows:

Core Concepts

1. Proof of History (PoH):

Time-Stamped Transactions: PoH is a cryptographic technique that timestamps transactions, intended to creating a historical record that proves that an event has occurred at a specific moment in time.

Verifiable Delay Function: PoH uses a Verifiable Delay Function (VDF) to generate a unique hash that includes the transaction and the time it was processed. This sequence of hashes provides a verifiable order of events, intended to enabling the network to efficiently agree on the sequence of transactions.

2. Proof of Stake (PoS):

Validator Selection: Validators are chosen to produce new blocks based on the number of SOL tokens they have staked. The more tokens staked, the higher the chance of being selected to validate transactions and produce new blocks.

Delegation: Token holders can delegate their SOL tokens to validators, earning rewards proportional to their stake while intended to enhancing the network's security.

Consensus Process

1. Transaction Validation:

Transactions are broadcasted to the network and collected by validators. Each transaction is validated to ensure it meets the network's criteria, such as having correct signatures and sufficient funds.

2. PoH Sequence Generation:

A validator generates a sequence of hashes using PoH, each containing a timestamp and the previous hash. This process creates a historical record of transactions, establishing a cryptographic clock for the network.

3. Block Production:

The network uses PoS to select a leader validator based on their stake. The leader is responsible for bundling the validated transactions into a block. The leader validator uses the PoH sequence to order transactions within the block, ensuring that all transactions are processed in the correct order.

4. Consensus and Finalization:

Other validators verify the block produced by the leader validator. They check the correctness of the PoH sequence and validate the transactions within the block. Once the block is verified, it is added to the blockchain. Validators sign off on the block, and it is considered finalized.

Security and Economic Incentives

1. Incentives for Validators:

Block Rewards: Validators earn rewards for producing and validating blocks. These rewards are distributed in SOL tokens and are proportional to the validator's stake and performance.

Transaction Fees: Validators also earn transaction fees from the transactions included in the blocks they produce. These fees provide an additional incentive for validators to process transactions efficiently.

2. Security:

Staking: Validators must stake SOL tokens to participate in the consensus process. This staking acts as collateral, incentivizing validators to act honestly. If a validator behaves maliciously or fails to perform, they risk losing their staked tokens.

Delegated Staking: Token holders can delegate their SOL tokens to validators, intended to enhance network security and decentralization. Delegators share in the rewards and are incentivized to choose reliable validators.

3. Economic Penalties:

Slashing: Validators can be penalized for malicious behavior, such as double-signing or producing invalid blocks. This penalty, known as slashing, results in the loss of a portion of the staked tokens, discouraging dishonest actions.

The following applies to BNB Smart Chain:

Binance Smart Chain (BSC) uses a hybrid consensus mechanism called Proof of Staked Authority (PoSA), which combines elements of Delegated Proof of Stake (DPoS) and Proof of Authority (PoA). This method ensures fast block times and low fees while maintaining a level of decentralization and security.

Core Components

1. Validators (so-called “Cabinet Members”): Validators on BSC are responsible for producing new blocks, validating transactions, and maintaining the network’s security. To become a validator, an entity must stake a significant amount of BNB (Binance Coin). Validators are selected through staking and voting by token holders. There are 21 active validators at any given time, rotating to ensure decentralization and security.
2. Delegators: Token holders who do not wish to run validator nodes can delegate their BNB tokens to validators. This delegation helps validators increase their stake and improves their chances of being selected to produce blocks. Delegators earn a share of the rewards that validators receive, incentivizing broad participation in network security.
3. Candidates: Candidates are nodes that have staked the required amount of BNB and are in the pool waiting to become validators. They are essentially potential validators who are not currently active but can be elected to the validator set through community voting. Candidates play a crucial role in ensuring there is always a sufficient pool of nodes ready to take on validation tasks, thus maintaining network resilience and decentralization.

Consensus Process

4. Validator Selection: Validators are chosen based on the amount of BNB staked and votes received from delegators. The more BNB staked and votes received, the higher the chance of being selected to validate transactions and produce new blocks. The selection process involves

both the current validators and the pool of candidates, ensuring a dynamic and secure rotation of nodes. 5. Block Production: The selected validators take turns producing blocks in a PoA-like manner, ensuring that blocks are generated quickly and efficiently. Validators validate transactions, add them to new blocks, and broadcast these blocks to the network. 6. Transaction Finality: BSC achieves fast block times of around 3 seconds and quick transaction finality. This is achieved through the efficient PoSA mechanism that allows validators to rapidly reach consensus. Security and Economic Incentives 7. Staking: Validators are required to stake a substantial amount of BNB, which acts as collateral to ensure their honest behavior. This staked amount can be slashed if validators act maliciously. Staking incentivizes validators to act in the network's best interest to avoid losing their staked BNB. 8. Delegation and Rewards: Delegators earn rewards proportional to their stake in validators. This incentivizes them to choose reliable validators and participate in the network's security. Validators and delegators share transaction fees as rewards, which provides continuous economic incentives to maintain network security and performance. 9. Transaction Fees: BSC employs low transaction fees, paid in BNB, making it cost-effective for users. These fees are collected by validators as part of their rewards, further incentivizing them to validate transactions accurately and efficiently.

The following applies to Base:

Base is a Layer-2 (L2) solution on Ethereum that was introduced by Coinbase and developed using Optimism's OP Stack. L2 transactions do not have their own consensus mechanism and are only validated by the execution clients. The so-called sequencer regularly bundles stacks of L2 transactions and publishes them on the L1 network, i.e. Ethereum. Ethereum's consensus mechanism (Proof-of-stake) thus indirectly secures all L2 transactions as soon as they are written to L1.

The following applies to SUI:

Sui employs a hybrid structure: independent transactions are processed using Narwhal & Bullshark, while more complex interactions rely on Delegated Proof-of-Stake (DPoS). This dual system seeks to optimize efficiency, but also increases system complexity. DPoS concentrates decision-making among validators and their delegators, which may expose the network to centralization risks, governance disputes, or validator collusion.

H.5 Incentive mechanisms and applicable fees

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The following applies to Ethereum:

The crypto-asset's PoS system secures transactions through validator incentives and economic penalties. Validators stake at least 32 ETH and earn rewards for proposing blocks, attesting to valid ones, and participating in sync committees. Rewards are paid in newly issued ETH and transaction fees. Under EIP-1559, transaction fees consist of a base fee, which is burned to reduce supply, and an optional priority fee (tip) paid to validators. Validators face slashing if they act maliciously and incur penalties for inactivity. This system aims to increase security by aligning incentives while making the crypto-asset's fee structure more predictable and deflationary during high network activity.

The following applies to Arbitrum:

Arbitrum is a Layer-2 (L2) solution on Ethereum that is developed using the Arbitrum technology suite. Transaction on Arbitrum are bundled by a, so called, sequencer and the result is regularly submitted as an Layer-1 (L1) transactions. This way many L2 transactions get combined into a single L1 transaction. This lowers the average transaction cost per transaction, because many L2 transactions together fund the transaction cost for the single L1 transaction. This creates incentives to use Arbitrum rather than the L1, i.e. Ethereum, itself. To get crypto-assets in and out of Arbitrum, a

special smart contract on Ethereum is used. Since there is no consensus mechanism on L2 an additional mechanism ensures that only existing funds can be withdrawn from L2. When a user wants to withdraw funds, that user needs to submit a withdrawal request on L1. If this request remains undisputed for a period of time the funds can be withdrawn. During this time period Arbitrum validators can dispute the claim, which will start a dispute resolution process. This process is designed with economic incentives for correct behavior of all participants.

The following applies to Solana:

1. Validators:

Staking Rewards: Validators are chosen based on the number of SOL tokens they have staked. They earn rewards for producing and validating blocks, which are distributed in SOL. The more tokens staked, the higher the chances of being selected to validate transactions and produce new blocks.

Transaction Fees: Validators earn a portion of the transaction fees paid by users for the transactions they include in the blocks. This is intended to provide an additional financial incentive for validators to process transactions efficiently and maintain the network's integrity.

2. Delegators:

Delegated Staking: Token holders who do not wish to run a validator node can delegate their SOL tokens to a validator. In return, delegators share the rewards earned by the validators. This is intended to encourage widespread participation in securing the network and ensures decentralization.

3. Economic Security:

Slashing: Validators can be penalized for malicious behavior, such as producing invalid blocks or being frequently offline. This penalty, known as slashing, involves the loss of a portion of their staked tokens. Slashing is intended to deter dishonest actions and ensures that validators act in the best interest of the network.

Opportunity Cost: By staking SOL tokens, validators and delegators lock up their tokens, which could otherwise be used or sold. This opportunity cost is intended to incentivize participants to act honestly to earn rewards and avoid penalties.

Fees Applicable on the Solana Blockchain

1. Transaction Fees:

Solana is designed to handle a high throughput of transactions, which is intended to keep the fees low and predictable.

Fee Structure: Fees are paid in SOL and are used to compensate validators for the resources they expend to process transactions. This includes computational power and network bandwidth.

2. Rent Fees:

State Storage: Solana charges so called "rent fees" for storing data on the blockchain. These fees are designed to discourage inefficient use of state storage and encourage developers to clean up unused state. Rent fees are intended to help maintain the efficiency and performance of the network.

3. Smart Contract Fees:

Execution Costs: Similar to transaction fees, fees for deploying and interacting with smart contracts on Solana are based on the computational resources required. This is intended to ensure that users are charged proportionally for the resources they consume.

The following applies to BNB Smart Chain:

Binance Smart Chain (BSC) uses the Proof of Staked Authority (PoSA) consensus mechanism to ensure network security and incentivize participation from validators and delegators. Incentive Mechanisms 1. Validators: Staking Rewards: Validators must stake a significant amount of BNB to participate in the consensus process. They earn rewards in the form of transaction fees and block rewards. Selection Process: Validators are selected based on the amount of BNB staked and the votes received from delegators. The more

BNB staked and votes received, the higher the chances of being selected to validate transactions and produce new blocks.

2. Delegators: Delegated Staking: Token holders can delegate their BNB to validators. This delegation increases the validator's total stake and improves their chances of being selected to produce blocks.

Shared Rewards: Delegators earn a portion of the rewards that validators receive. This incentivizes token holders to participate in the network's security and decentralization by choosing reliable validators.

3. Candidates: Pool of Potential Validators: Candidates are nodes that have staked the required amount of BNB and are waiting to become active validators. They ensure that there is always a sufficient pool of nodes ready to take on validation tasks, maintaining network resilience.

4. Economic Security: Slashing: Validators can be penalized for malicious behavior or failure to perform their duties. Penalties include slashing a portion of their staked tokens, ensuring that validators act in the best interest of the network.

Opportunity Cost: Staking requires validators and delegators to lock up their BNB tokens, providing an economic incentive to act honestly to avoid losing their staked assets.

Fees on the Binance Smart Chain

5. Transaction Fees: Low Fees: BSC is known for its low transaction fees compared to other blockchain networks. These fees are paid in BNB and are essential for maintaining network operations and compensating validators.

Dynamic Fee Structure: Transaction fees can vary based on network congestion and the complexity of the transactions. However, BSC ensures that fees remain significantly lower than those on the Ethereum mainnet.

6. Block Rewards: Incentivizing Validators: Validators earn block rewards in addition to transaction fees. These rewards are distributed to validators for their role in maintaining the network and processing transactions.

7. Cross-Chain Fees: Interoperability Costs: BSC supports cross-chain compatibility, allowing assets to be transferred between Binance Chain and Binance Smart Chain. These cross-chain operations incur minimal fees, facilitating seamless asset transfers and improving user experience.

8. Smart Contract Fees: Deployment and Execution Costs: Deploying and interacting with smart contracts on BSC involves paying fees based on the computational resources required. These fees are also paid in BNB and are designed to be cost-effective, encouraging developers to build on the BSC platform.

The following applies to Base:

Base is a Layer-2 (L2) solution on Ethereum that uses optimistic rollups provided by the OP Stack on which it was developed. Transaction on base are bundled by a, so called, sequencer and the result is regularly submitted as an Layer-1 (L1) transactions. This way many L2 transactions get combined into a single L1 transaction. This lowers the average transaction cost per transaction, because many L2 transactions together fund the transaction cost for the single L1 transaction. This creates incentives to use base rather than the L1, i.e. Ethereum, itself. To get crypto-assets in and out of base, a special smart contract on Ethereum is used. Since there is no consensus mechanism on L2 an additional mechanism ensures that only existing funds can be withdrawn from L2. When a user wants to withdraw funds, that user needs to submit a withdrawal request on L1. If this request remains unchallenged for a period of time the funds can be withdrawn. During this time period any other user can submit a fault proof, which will start a dispute resolution process. This process is designed with economic incentives for correct behavior.

The following applies to SUI:

The incentive structure is based on a DPoS staking model, where validators stake SUI tokens and delegators can participate through delegation. Rewards are distributed according to stake, which may favor large holders. Transaction fees are determined dynamically and include additional charges for long-term storage of on-chain data. This design is intended to align incentives and control resource use, but fee levels and staking distribution could affect accessibility and participation over time. SUI also offers sponsored transactions, where one address pays the gas for another address's transaction. This feature is intended to facilitate easier adoption by new users but potentially affects incentives.

H.6 Use of distributed ledger technology

No, DLT is neither operated by the issuer nor a third party acting on the issuer's behalf.

H.7 DLT functionality description

Not applicable.

H.8 Audit

As we are understanding the question relating to "technology" to be interpreted in a broad sense, the answer to whether an audit of "the technology used" was conducted is "no, we can not guarantee, that all parts of the technology used have been audited". This is due to the fact this report focusses on risk, and we can not guarantee that each part of the technology used was audited.

H.9 Audit outcome

Not applicable.

Part I – Information on risks

I.1 Offer-related risks

1. Regulatory and Compliance

This white paper has been prepared with utmost caution; however, uncertainties in the regulatory requirements and future changes in regulatory frameworks could potentially impact the token's legal status and its tradability. There is also a high probability that other laws will come into force, changing the rules for the trading of the token. Therefore, such developments shall be monitored and acted upon accordingly.

2. Operational and Technical

Blockchain Dependency: The token is entirely dependent on the blockchain the crypto-asset is issued upon. Any issues, such as downtime, congestion, or security vulnerabilities within the blockchain, could adversely affect the token's functionality.

Smart Contract Risks: Smart contracts governing the token may contain hidden vulnerabilities or bugs that could disrupt the token offering or distribution processes.

Connection Dependency: As the trading of the token also involves other trading venues, technical risks such as downtime of the connection or faulty code are also possible.

Human errors: Due to the irrevocability of blockchain-transactions, approving wrong transactions or using incorrect networks/addresses will most likely result in funds not being accessible anymore.

Custodial risk: When admitting the token to trading, the risk of losing clients assets due to hacks or other malicious acts is given. This is due to the fact the token is held in custodial wallets for the customers.

3. Market and Liquidity

Volatility: The token will most likely be subject to high volatility and market speculation. Price fluctuations could be significant, posing a risk of substantial losses to holders.

Liquidity Risk: Liquidity is contingent upon trading activity levels on decentralized exchanges (DEXs) and potentially on centralized exchanges (CEXs), should they be involved. Low trading volumes may restrict the buying and selling capabilities of the tokens.

4. Counterparty

As the admission to trading involves the connection to other trading venues, counterparty risks arise. These include, but are not limited to, the following risks:

General Trading Platform Risk: The risk of trading platforms not operating to the highest standards is given. Examples like FTX show that especially in nascent industries, compliance and oversight-frameworks might not be fully established and/or enforced.

Listing or Delisting Risks: The listing or delisting of the token is subject to the trading partners internal processes. Delisting of the token at the connected trading partners could harm or completely halt the ability to trade the token.

5. Liquidity

Liquidity of the token can vary, especially when trading activity is limited. This could result in high slippage when trading a token.

6. Failure of one or more Counterparties

Another risk stems from the internal operational processes of the counterparties used. As there is no specific oversight other than the typical due diligence check, it cannot be guaranteed that all counterparties adhere to the best market standards.

Bankruptcy Risk: Counterparties could go bankrupt, possibly resulting in a total loss for the clients assets hold at that counterparty.

7. Information asymmetry

Different groups of participants may not have the same access to technical details or governance information, leading to uneven decision-making and potential disadvantages for less informed investors.

I.2 Issuer-related risks

1. Insolvency

As with every other commercial endeavor, the risk of insolvency of the issuer is given. This could be caused by but is not limited to lack of interest from the public, lack of funding, incapacitation of key developers and project members, force majeure (including pandemics and wars) or lack of commercial success or prospects.

2. Counterparty

In order to operate, the issuer has most likely engaged in different business relationships with one or more third parties on which it strongly depends on. Loss or changes in the leadership or key partners of the issuer and/or the respective counterparties can lead to disruptions, loss of trust, or project failure. This could result in a total loss of economic value for the crypto-asset holders.

3. Legal and Regulatory Compliance

Cryptocurrencies and blockchain-based technologies are subject to evolving regulatory landscapes worldwide. Regulations vary across jurisdictions and may be subject to significant changes. Non-compliance can result in investigations, enforcement actions, penalties, fines, sanctions, or the prohibition of the trading of the crypto-asset impacting its viability and market acceptance. This could also result in the issuer to be subject to private litigation. The beforementioned would most likely also lead to changes with

respect to trading of the crypto-asset that may negatively impact the value, legality, or functionality of the crypto-asset.

4. Operational

Failure to develop or maintain effective internal control, or any difficulties encountered in the implementation of such controls, or their improvement could harm the issuer's business, causing disruptions, financial losses, or reputational damage.

5. Industry

The issuer is and will be subject to all of the risks and uncertainties associated with a crypto-project, where the token issued has zero intrinsic value. History has shown that most of this projects resulted in financial losses for the investors and were only set-up to enrich a few insiders with the money from retail investors.

6. Reputational

The issuer faces the risk of negative publicity, whether due to, without limitation, operational failures, security breaches, or association with illicit activities, which can damage the issuer reputation and, by extension, the value and acceptance of the crypto-asset.

7. Competition

There are numerous other crypto-asset projects in the same realm, which could have an effect on the crypto-asset in question.

8. Unanticipated Risk

In addition to the risks included in this section, there might be other risks that cannot be foreseen. Additional risks may also materialize as unanticipated variations or combinations of the risks discussed.

1.3 Crypto-assets-related risks

1. Valuation

As the crypto-asset does not have any intrinsic value, and grants neither rights nor obligations, the only mechanism to determine the price is supply and demand.

Historically, most crypto-assets have dramatically lost value and were not a beneficial investment for the investors. Therefore, investing in these crypto-assets poses a high risk, and the loss of funds can occur.

2. Market Volatility

Crypto-asset prices are highly susceptible to dramatic fluctuations influenced by various factors, including market sentiment, regulatory changes, technological advancements, and macroeconomic conditions. These fluctuations can result in significant financial losses within short periods, making the market highly unpredictable and challenging for investors. This is especially true for crypto-assets without any intrinsic value, and investors should be prepared to lose the complete amount of money invested in the respective crypto-assets.

3. Liquidity Challenges

Some crypto-assets suffer from limited liquidity, which can present difficulties when executing large trades without significantly impacting market prices. This lack of liquidity can lead to substantial financial losses, particularly during periods of rapid market movements, when selling assets may become challenging or require accepting unfavorable prices.

4. Asset Security

Crypto-assets face unique security threats, including the risk of theft from exchanges or digital wallets, loss of private keys, and potential failures of custodial services. Since crypto transactions are generally irreversible, a security breach or mismanagement can result in the permanent loss of assets, emphasizing the importance of strong security measures and practices.

5. Scams

The irrevocability of transactions executed using blockchain infrastructure, as well as the pseudonymous nature of blockchain ecosystems, attracts scammers. Therefore, investors in crypto-assets must proceed with a high degree of caution when investing in if they invest in crypto-assets. Typical scams include – but are not limited to – the creation

of fake crypto-assets with the same name, phishing on social networks or by email, fake giveaways/airdrops, identity theft, among others.

6. Blockchain Dependency

Any issues with the blockchain used, such as network downtime, congestion, or security vulnerabilities, could disrupt the transfer, trading, or functionality of the crypto-asset.

7. Smart Contract Vulnerabilities

The smart contract used to issue the crypto-asset could include bugs, coding errors, or vulnerabilities which could be exploited by malicious actors, potentially leading to asset loss, unauthorized data access, or unintended operational consequences.

8. Privacy Concerns

All transactions on the blockchain are permanently recorded and publicly accessible, which can potentially expose user activities. Although addresses are pseudonymous, the transparent and immutable nature of blockchain allows for advanced forensic analysis and intelligence gathering. This level of transparency can make it possible to link blockchain addresses to real-world identities over time, compromising user privacy.

9. Regulatory Uncertainty

The regulatory environment surrounding crypto-assets is constantly evolving, which can directly impact their usage, valuation, and legal status. Changes in regulatory frameworks may introduce new requirements related to consumer protection, taxation, and anti-money laundering compliance, creating uncertainty and potential challenges for investors and businesses operating in the crypto space. Although the crypto-asset do not create or confer any contractual or other obligations on any party, certain regulators may nevertheless qualify the crypto-asset as a security or other financial instrument under their applicable law, which in turn would have drastic consequences for the crypto-asset, including the potential loss of the invested capital in the asset. Furthermore, this could lead to the sellers and its affiliates, directors, and officers being obliged to pay fines, including federal civil and criminal penalties, or make the crypto-asset illegal or impossible to use, buy, or sell in certain jurisdictions. On top of that, regulators could take action

against the issuer as well as the trading platforms if the regulators view the token as an unregistered offering of securities or the operations otherwise as a violation of existing law. Any of these outcomes would negatively affect the value and/or functionality of the cryptot-asset and/or could cause a complete loss of funds of the invested money in the crypto-asset for the investor.

10. Counterparty risk

Engaging in agreements or storing crypto-assets on exchanges introduces counterparty risks, including the failure of the other party to fulfill their obligations. Investors may face potential losses due to factors such as insolvency, regulatory non-compliance, or fraudulent activities by counterparties, highlighting the need for careful due diligence when engaging with third parties.

11. Reputational concerns

Crypto-assets are often subject to reputational risks stemming from associations with illegal activities, high-profile security breaches, and technological failures. Such incidents can undermine trust in the broader ecosystem, negatively affecting investor confidence and market value, thereby hindering widespread adoption and acceptance.

12. Technological Innovation

New technologies or platforms could render the network's design less competitive or even break fundamental parts (i.e., quantum computing might break cryptographic algorithms used to secure the network), impacting adoption and value. Participants should approach the crypto-asset with a clear understanding of its speculative and volatile nature and be prepared to accept these risks and bear potential losses, which could include the complete loss of the asset's value.

13. Community and Narrative

As the crypto-asset has no intrinsic value, all trading activity is based on the intended market value is heavily dependent on its community.

14. Interest Rate Change

Historically, changes in interest, foreign exchange rates, and increases in volatility have increased credit and market risks and may also affect the value of the crypto-asset. Although historic data does not predict the future, potential investors should be aware that general movements in local and other factors may affect the market, and this could also affect market sentiment and, therefore most likely also the price of the crypto-asset.

15. Taxation

The taxation regime that applies to the trading of the crypto-asset by individual holders or legal entities will depend on the holder's jurisdiction. It is the holder's sole responsibility to comply with all applicable tax laws, including, but not limited to, the reporting and payment of income tax, wealth tax, or similar taxes arising in connection with the appreciation and depreciation of the crypto-asset.

16. Anti-Money Laundering/Counter-Terrorism Financing

It cannot be ruled out that crypto-asset wallet addresses interacting with the crypto-asset have been, or will be used for money laundering or terrorist financing purposes, or are identified with a person known to have committed such offenses.

17. Market Abuse

It is noteworthy that crypto-assets are potentially prone to increased market abuse risks, as the underlying infrastructure could be used to exploit arbitrage opportunities through schemes such as front-running, spoofing, pump-and-dump, and fraud across different systems, platforms, or geographic locations. This is especially true for crypto-assets with a low market capitalization and few trading venues, and potential investors should be aware that this could lead to a total loss of the funds invested in the crypto-asset.

18. Timeline and Milestones

Critical project milestones could be delayed by technical, operational, or market challenges.

19. Legal ownership: Depending on jurisdiction, token holders may not have enforceable legal rights over their holdings, limiting avenues for recourse in disputes or cases of fraud.

20. Jurisdictional blocking: Access to exchanges, wallets, or interfaces may be restricted based on user location or regulatory measures, even if the token remains transferable on-chain.

21. Token concentration: A large proportion of tokens held by a few actors could allow price manipulation, governance dominance, or sudden sell-offs impacting market stability.

22. Ecosystem incentive misalignment: If validator, developer, or user rewards become unattractive or distorted, network security and participation could decline.

23. Governance deadlock: Poorly structured or fragmented governance processes may prevent timely decisions, creating delays or strategic paralysis.

24. Compliance misalignment: Features or delivery mechanisms may unintentionally conflict with evolving regulations, particularly regarding consumer protection or data privacy.

I.4 Project implementation-related risks

As this white paper relates to the "Admission to trading" of the crypto-asset, the implementation risk is referring to the risks on the Crypto Asset Service Providers side. These can be, but are not limited to, typical project management risks, such as key-personal-risks, timeline-risks, and technical implementation-risks.

I.5 Technology-related risks

As this white paper relates to the "Admission to trading" of the crypto-asset, the technology-related risks mainly involve the DLT networks where the crypto asset is issued in.

1. Blockchain Dependency Risks

Network Downtime: Potential outages or congestion on the involved blockchains could interrupt on-chain token transfers, trading, and other functions.

2. Smart Contract Risks

Vulnerabilities: The smart contract governing the token could contain bugs or vulnerabilities that may be exploited, affecting token distribution or vesting schedules.

3. Wallet and Storage Risks

Private Key Management: Token holders must securely manage their private keys and recovery phrases to prevent permanent loss of access to their tokens, which includes Trading-Venues, who are a prominent target for dedicated hacks.

Compatibility Issues: The tokens require compatible wallets for storage and transfer. Any incompatibility or technical issues with these wallets could impact token accessibility.

4. Network Security Risks

Attack Risks: The blockchains may face threats such as denial-of-service (DoS) attacks or exploits targeting its consensus mechanism, which could compromise network integrity.

Centralization Concerns: Although claiming to be decentralized, the relatively smaller number of validators/concentration of stakes within the networks compared to other blockchains might pose centralization risks, potentially affecting network resilience.

5. Evolving Technology Risks: Technological Obsolescence: The fast pace of innovation in blockchain technology may make the used token standard appear less competitive or become outdated, potentially impacting the usability or adoption of the token.

6. Bridges: The dependency on multiple ecosystems can negatively impact investors. This asset bridge creates corresponding risks for investors, as this lock-in mechanism may not function properly for technical reasons or may be subject to attack. In that case, the supply may change immediately or the ownership rights to tokens may be changed.

7. Forking risk: Network upgrades may split the blockchain into separate versions, potentially creating duplicate tokens or incompatibility between different versions of the protocol.

8. Economic abstraction: Mechanisms such as gas relayers or wrapped tokens may allow users to bypass the native asset, reducing its direct demand and weakening its economic role.

9. Dust and spam attacks: Low-value transactions may flood the network, increasing ledger size, reducing efficiency, and exposing user addresses to tracking.

10. Frontend dependency: If users rely on centralised web interfaces or wallets, service outages or compromises could block access even if the blockchain itself continues to operate.

I.6 Mitigation measures

None.

Part J – Information on the sustainability indicators in relation to adverse impact on the climate and other environment-related adverse impacts

J.1 Adverse impacts on climate and other environment-related adverse impacts

S.1 Name

Bluwhale Foundation

S.2 Relevant legal entity identifier

Not available.

S.3 Name of the cryptoasset

Bluwhale AI

S.4 Consensus Mechanism

The crypto asset that is the subject of this white paper is available on multiple DLT networks. These include: Ethereum, Arbitrum, Solana, BNB Smart Chain, Base and SUI. In general, when evaluating crypto assets, the total number of tokens issued across different networks must always be taken into account, as spillover effects can be adverse for investors.

The following applies to Ethereum:

The crypto-asset's Proof-of-Stake (PoS) consensus mechanism, introduced with The Merge in 2022, replaces mining with validator staking. Validators must stake at least 32 ETH every block a validator is randomly chosen to propose the next block. Once proposed the other validators verify the blocks integrity. The network operates on a slot and epoch system, where a new block is proposed every 12 seconds, and finalization occurs after two epochs (~12.8 minutes) using Casper-FFG. The Beacon Chain coordinates validators, while the fork-choice rule (LMD-GHOST) ensures the chain follows the heaviest accumulated validator votes. Validators earn rewards for proposing and verifying blocks, but face slashing for malicious behavior or inactivity. PoS aims to improve energy efficiency, security, and scalability, with future upgrades like Proto-Danksharding enhancing transaction efficiency.

The following applies to Arbitrum:

Arbitrum is a Layer-2 (L2) solution on Ethereum that is developed using the Arbitrum technology suite. L2 transactions do not have their own consensus mechanism and are only validated by the execution clients. The so-called sequencer regularly bundles stacks of L2 transactions and publishes them on the L1 network, i.e. Ethereum. Ethereum's consensus mechanism (Proof-of-Stake) thus indirectly secures all L2 transactions as soon as they are written to L1.

The following applies to Solana:

Solana uses a combination of Proof of History (PoH) and Proof of Stake (PoS). The core concepts of the mechanism are intended to work as follows:

Core Concepts

1. Proof of History (PoH):

Time-Stamped Transactions: PoH is a cryptographic technique that timestamps transactions, intended to creating a historical record that proves that an event has occurred at a specific moment in time.

Verifiable Delay Function: PoH uses a Verifiable Delay Function (VDF) to generate a unique hash that includes the transaction and the time it was processed. This sequence of hashes provides a verifiable order of events, intended to enabling the network to efficiently agree on the sequence of transactions.

2. Proof of Stake (PoS):

Validator Selection: Validators are chosen to produce new blocks based on the number of SOL tokens they have staked. The more tokens staked, the higher the chance of being selected to validate transactions and produce new blocks.

Delegation: Token holders can delegate their SOL tokens to validators, earning rewards proportional to their stake while intended to enhancing the network's security.

Consensus Process

1. Transaction Validation:

Transactions are broadcasted to the network and collected by validators. Each transaction is validated to ensure it meets the network's criteria, such as having correct signatures and sufficient funds.

2. PoH Sequence Generation:

A validator generates a sequence of hashes using PoH, each containing a timestamp and the previous hash. This process creates a historical record of transactions, establishing a cryptographic clock for the network.

3. Block Production:

The network uses PoS to select a leader validator based on their stake. The leader is responsible for bundling the validated transactions into a block. The leader validator uses the PoH sequence to order transactions within the block, ensuring that all transactions are processed in the correct order.

4. Consensus and Finalization:

Other validators verify the block produced by the leader validator. They check the correctness of the PoH sequence and validate the transactions within the block. Once the block is verified, it is added to the blockchain. Validators sign off on the block, and it is considered finalized.

Security and Economic Incentives

1. Incentives for Validators:

Block Rewards: Validators earn rewards for producing and validating blocks. These rewards are distributed in SOL tokens and are proportional to the validator's stake and performance.

Transaction Fees: Validators also earn transaction fees from the transactions included in the blocks they produce. These fees provide an additional incentive for validators to process transactions efficiently.

2. Security:

Staking: Validators must stake SOL tokens to participate in the consensus process. This staking acts as collateral, incentivizing validators to act honestly. If a validator behaves maliciously or fails to perform, they risk losing their staked tokens.

Delegated Staking: Token holders can delegate their SOL tokens to validators, intended to enhance network security and decentralization. Delegators share in the rewards and are incentivized to choose reliable validators.

3. Economic Penalties:

Slashing: Validators can be penalized for malicious behavior, such as double-signing or producing invalid blocks. This penalty, known as slashing, results in the loss of a portion of the staked tokens, discouraging dishonest actions.

The following applies to BNB Smart Chain:

Binance Smart Chain (BSC) uses a hybrid consensus mechanism called Proof of Staked Authority (PoSA), which combines elements of Delegated Proof of Stake (DPoS) and Proof

of Authority (PoA). This method ensures fast block times and low fees while maintaining a level of decentralization and security.

Core Components

1. **Validators (so-called "Cabinet Members"):** Validators on BSC are responsible for producing new blocks, validating transactions, and maintaining the network's security. To become a validator, an entity must stake a significant amount of BNB (Binance Coin). Validators are selected through staking and voting by token holders. There are 21 active validators at any given time, rotating to ensure decentralization and security.
2. **Delegators:** Token holders who do not wish to run validator nodes can delegate their BNB tokens to validators. This delegation helps validators increase their stake and improves their chances of being selected to produce blocks. Delegators earn a share of the rewards that validators receive, incentivizing broad participation in network security.
3. **Candidates:** Candidates are nodes that have staked the required amount of BNB and are in the pool waiting to become validators. They are essentially potential validators who are not currently active but can be elected to the validator set through community voting. Candidates play a crucial role in ensuring there is always a sufficient pool of nodes ready to take on validation tasks, thus maintaining network resilience and decentralization.

Consensus Process

4. **Validator Selection:** Validators are chosen based on the amount of BNB staked and votes received from delegators. The more BNB staked and votes received, the higher the chance of being selected to validate transactions and produce new blocks. The selection process involves both the current validators and the pool of candidates, ensuring a dynamic and secure rotation of nodes.
5. **Block Production:** The selected validators take turns producing blocks in a PoA-like manner, ensuring that blocks are generated quickly and efficiently. Validators validate transactions, add them to new blocks, and broadcast these blocks to the network.
6. **Transaction Finality:** BSC achieves fast block times of around 3 seconds and quick transaction finality. This is achieved through the efficient PoSA mechanism that allows validators to rapidly reach consensus.

Security and Economic Incentives

7. **Staking:** Validators are required to stake a substantial amount of BNB, which acts as collateral to ensure their honest behavior. This staked amount can be slashed if validators act maliciously. Staking incentivizes validators to act in the network's best interest to avoid losing their staked BNB.
8. **Delegation and Rewards:** Delegators earn rewards proportional to their stake in validators. This incentivizes them to choose reliable

validators and participate in the network's security. Validators and delegators share transaction fees as rewards, which provides continuous economic incentives to maintain network security and performance. 9. Transaction Fees: BSC employs low transaction fees, paid in BNB, making it cost-effective for users. These fees are collected by validators as part of their rewards, further incentivizing them to validate transactions accurately and efficiently.

The following applies to Base:

Base is a Layer-2 (L2) solution on Ethereum that was introduced by Coinbase and developed using Optimism's OP Stack. L2 transactions do not have their own consensus mechanism and are only validated by the execution clients. The so-called sequencer regularly bundles stacks of L2 transactions and publishes them on the L1 network, i.e. Ethereum. Ethereum's consensus mechanism (Proof-of-stake) thus indirectly secures all L2 transactions as soon as they are written to L1.

The following applies to SUI:

Sui employs a hybrid structure: independent transactions are processed using Narwhal & Bullshark, while more complex interactions rely on Delegated Proof-of-Stake (DPoS). This dual system seeks to optimize efficiency, but also increases system complexity. DPoS concentrates decision-making among validators and their delegators, which may expose the network to centralization risks, governance disputes, or validator collusion.

S.5 Incentive Mechanisms and Applicable Fees

The crypto asset that is the subject of this white paper is available on multiple DLT networks. These include: Ethereum, Arbitrum, Solana, BNB Smart Chain, Base and SUI. In general, when evaluating crypto assets, the total number of tokens issued across different networks must always be taken into account, as spillover effects can be adverse for investors.

The following applies to Ethereum:

The crypto-asset's PoS system secures transactions through validator incentives and economic penalties. Validators stake at least 32 ETH and earn rewards for proposing blocks, attesting to valid ones, and participating in sync committees. Rewards are paid in newly issued ETH and transaction fees. Under EIP-1559, transaction fees consist of a base fee, which is burned to reduce supply, and an optional priority fee (tip) paid to validators. Validators face slashing if they act maliciously and incur penalties for inactivity. This system aims to increase security by aligning incentives while making the crypto-asset's fee structure more predictable and deflationary during high network activity.

The following applies to Arbitrum:

Arbitrum is a Layer-2 (L2) solution on Ethereum that is developed using the Arbitrum technology suite. Transaction on Arbitrum are bundled by a, so called, sequencer and the result is regularly submitted as an Layer-1 (L1) transactions. This way many L2 transactions get combined into a single L1 transaction. This lowers the average transaction cost per transaction, because many L2 transactions together fund the transaction cost for the single L1 transaction. This creates incentives to use Arbitrum rather than the L1, i.e. Ethereum, itself. To get crypto-assets in and out of Arbitrum, a special smart contract on Ethereum is used. Since there is no consensus mechanism on L2 an additional mechanism ensures that only existing funds can be withdrawn from L2. When a user wants to withdraw funds, that user needs to submit a withdrawal request on L1. If this request remains undisputed for a period of time the funds can be withdrawn. During this time period Arbitrum validators can dispute the claim, which will start a dispute resolution process. This process is designed with economic incentives for correct behavior of all participants.

The following applies to Solana:

1. Validators:

Staking Rewards: Validators are chosen based on the number of SOL tokens they have staked. They earn rewards for producing and validating blocks, which are distributed in

SOL. The more tokens staked, the higher the chances of being selected to validate transactions and produce new blocks.

Transaction Fees: Validators earn a portion of the transaction fees paid by users for the transactions they include in the blocks. This is intended to provide an additional financial incentive for validators to process transactions efficiently and maintain the network's integrity.

2. Delegators:

Delegated Staking: Token holders who do not wish to run a validator node can delegate their SOL tokens to a validator. In return, delegators share the rewards earned by the validators. This is intended to encourage widespread participation in securing the network and ensures decentralization.

3. Economic Security:

Slashing: Validators can be penalized for malicious behavior, such as producing invalid blocks or being frequently offline. This penalty, known as slashing, involves the loss of a portion of their staked tokens. Slashing is intended to deter dishonest actions and ensures that validators act in the best interest of the network.

Opportunity Cost: By staking SOL tokens, validators and delegators lock up their tokens, which could otherwise be used or sold. This opportunity cost is intended to incentivize participants to act honestly to earn rewards and avoid penalties.

Fees Applicable on the Solana Blockchain

1. Transaction Fees:

Solana is designed to handle a high throughput of transactions, which is intended to keep the fees low and predictable.

Fee Structure: Fees are paid in SOL and are used to compensate validators for the resources they expend to process transactions. This includes computational power and network bandwidth.

2. Rent Fees:

State Storage: Solana charges so called "rent fees" for storing data on the blockchain. These fees are designed to discourage inefficient use of state storage and encourage developers to clean up unused state. Rent fees are intended to help maintain the efficiency and performance of the network.

3. Smart Contract Fees:

Execution Costs: Similar to transaction fees, fees for deploying and interacting with smart contracts on Solana are based on the computational resources required. This is intended to ensure that users are charged proportionally for the resources they consume.

The following applies to BNB Smart Chain:

Binance Smart Chain (BSC) uses the Proof of Staked Authority (PoSA) consensus mechanism to ensure network security and incentivize participation from validators and delegators.

Incentive Mechanisms

1. Validators: Staking Rewards: Validators must stake a significant amount of BNB to participate in the consensus process. They earn rewards in the form of transaction fees and block rewards.
- Selection Process: Validators are selected based on the amount of BNB staked and the votes received from delegators. The more BNB staked and votes received, the higher the chances of being selected to validate transactions and produce new blocks.
2. Delegators: Delegated Staking: Token holders can delegate their BNB to validators. This delegation increases the validator's total stake and improves their chances of being selected to produce blocks.
- Shared Rewards: Delegators earn a portion of the rewards that validators receive. This incentivizes token holders to participate in the network's security and decentralization by choosing reliable validators.
3. Candidates: Pool of Potential Validators: Candidates are nodes that have staked the required amount of BNB and are waiting to become active validators. They ensure that there is always a sufficient pool of nodes ready to take on validation tasks, maintaining network resilience.
4. Economic Security: Slashing: Validators can be penalized for malicious behavior or failure to perform their duties. Penalties include slashing a portion of their staked tokens, ensuring that validators act in the best interest of the network.
- Opportunity Cost: Staking requires validators and delegators to lock up their BNB tokens, providing an economic incentive to act honestly to avoid losing their

staked assets. Fees on the Binance Smart Chain

5. Transaction Fees: Low Fees: BSC is known for its low transaction fees compared to other blockchain networks. These fees are paid in BNB and are essential for maintaining network operations and compensating validators. Dynamic Fee Structure: Transaction fees can vary based on network congestion and the complexity of the transactions. However, BSC ensures that fees remain significantly lower than those on the Ethereum mainnet.
6. Block Rewards: Incentivizing Validators: Validators earn block rewards in addition to transaction fees. These rewards are distributed to validators for their role in maintaining the network and processing transactions.
7. Cross-Chain Fees: Interoperability Costs: BSC supports cross-chain compatibility, allowing assets to be transferred between Binance Chain and Binance Smart Chain. These cross-chain operations incur minimal fees, facilitating seamless asset transfers and improving user experience.
8. Smart Contract Fees: Deployment and Execution Costs: Deploying and interacting with smart contracts on BSC involves paying fees based on the computational resources required. These fees are also paid in BNB and are designed to be cost-effective, encouraging developers to build on the BSC platform.

The following applies to Base:

Base is a Layer-2 (L2) solution on Ethereum that uses optimistic rollups provided by the OP Stack on which it was developed. Transaction on base are bundled by a, so called, sequencer and the result is regularly submitted as an Layer-1 (L1) transactions. This way many L2 transactions get combined into a single L1 transaction. This lowers the average transaction cost per transaction, because many L2 transactions together fund the transaction cost for the single L1 transaction. This creates incentives to use base rather than the L1, i.e. Ethereum, itself. To get crypto-assets in and out of base, a special smart contract on Ethereum is used. Since there is no consensus mechanism on L2 an additional mechanism ensures that only existing funds can be withdrawn from L2. When a user wants to withdraw funds, that user needs to submit a withdrawal request on L1. If this request remains unchallenged for a period of time the funds can be withdrawn. During this time period any other user can submit a fault proof, which will start a dispute

resolution process. This process is designed with economic incentives for correct behavior.

The following applies to SUI:

The incentive structure is based on a DPoS staking model, where validators stake SUI tokens and delegators can participate through delegation. Rewards are distributed according to stake, which may favor large holders. Transaction fees are determined dynamically and include additional charges for long-term storage of on-chain data. This design is intended to align incentives and control resource use, but fee levels and staking distribution could affect accessibility and participation over time. SUI also offers sponsored transactions, where one address pays the gas for another address's transaction. This feature is intended to facilitate easier adoption by new users but potentially affects incentives.

S.6 Beginning of the period to which the disclosure relates

2024-09-10

S.7 End of the period to which the disclosure relates

2025-09-10

S.8 Energy consumption

1901.45194 kWh/a

S.9 Energy consumption sources and methodologies

The energy consumption of this asset is determined on the basis of reference values. Although the tokens have already been technically minted, the project has not yet reached a stage of official launch or network activity that would allow for a robust empirical calculation of energy consumption. For this reason, comparable crypto-assets that are similar in terms of technical structure, functional purpose, and field of application are identified and used as reference points. On this basis, estimates are derived that represent a conservative upper bound for the potential energy consumption of the asset.

The selection of reference assets and their associated indicators is regularly reviewed and updated, drawing on available classifications such as the Functionally Fungible Group Digital Token Identifier (FFG DTI) where applicable. Due to the limited empirical data, the resulting indicators should be interpreted as estimates rather than exact values. As a precautionary principle, assumptions are made conservatively, i.e. leaning towards higher estimates of potential adverse impacts when uncertainty remains.

S.10 Renewable energy consumption

32.9773820633 %

S.11 Energy intensity

0.00004 kWh

S.12 Scope 1 DLT GHG emissions – Controlled

0.00000 tCO₂e/a

S.13 Scope 2 DLT GHG emissions – Purchased

0.63282 tCO₂e/a

S.14 GHG intensity

0.00002 kgCO₂e

S.15 Key energy sources and methodologies

To determine the proportion of renewable energy usage, the locations of the nodes are to be determined using public information sites, open-source crawlers and crawlers developed in-house. If no information is available on the geographic distribution of the nodes, reference networks are used which are comparable in terms of their incentivization structure and consensus mechanism. This geo-information is merged with public information from Our World in Data, see citation. The intensity is calculated as the marginal energy cost wrt. one more transaction. Ember (2025); Energy Institute - Statistical Review of World Energy (2024) - with major processing by Our World in Data. "Share of electricity generated by renewables - Ember and Energy Institute" [dataset]. Ember, "Yearly Electricity Data Europe"; Ember, "Yearly Electricity Data"; Energy Institute,

“Statistical Review of World Energy” [original data]. Retrieved from <https://ourworldindata.org/grapher/share-electricity-renewables>.

S.16 Key GHG sources and methodologies

To determine the GHG Emissions, the locations of the nodes are to be determined using public information sites, open-source crawlers and crawlers developed in-house. If no information is available on the geographic distribution of the nodes, reference networks are used which are comparable in terms of their incentivization structure and consensus mechanism. This geo-information is merged with public information from Our World in Data, see citation. The intensity is calculated as the marginal emission wrt. one more transaction. Ember (2025); Energy Institute - Statistical Review of World Energy (2024) - with major processing by Our World in Data. “Carbon intensity of electricity generation - Ember and Energy Institute” [dataset]. Ember, “Yearly Electricity Data Europe”; Ember, “Yearly Electricity Data”; Energy Institute, “Statistical Review of World Energy” [original data]. Retrieved from <https://ourworldindata.org/grapher/carbon-intensity-electricity> Licenced under CC BY 4.0.