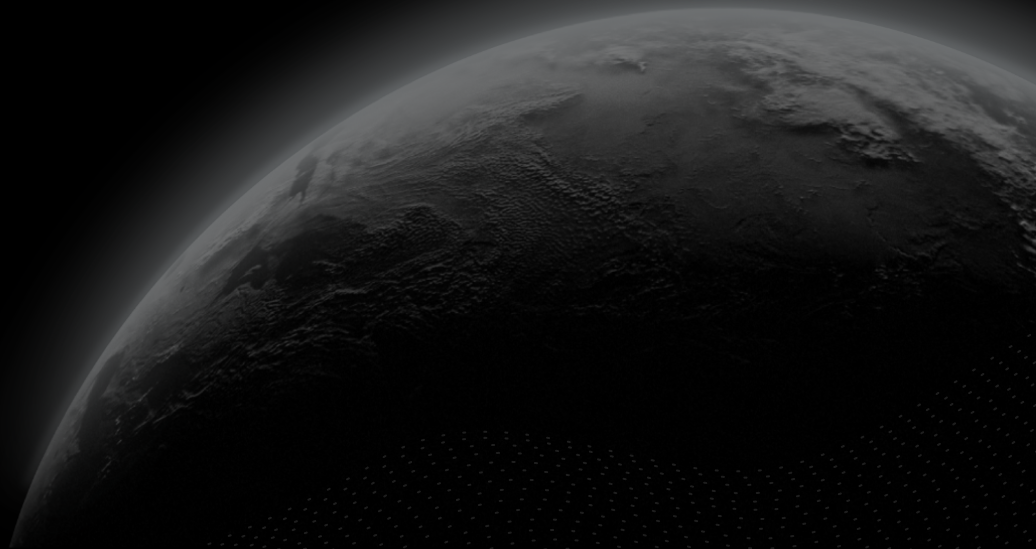




Security Assessment

# Venus - XVS Token Bridge

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The security assessment was prepared by Certik, the leader in Web3.0 security.

### Executive Summary

#### TYPES

DeFi

#### ECOSYSTEM

Binance Smart Chain  
(BSC)

#### METHODS

Manual Review, Static Analysis

#### LANGUAGE

Solidity

#### TIMELINE

Delivered on 12/26/2023

#### KEY COMPONENTS

N/A

#### CODEBASE

<https://github.com/VenusProtocol/token-bridge/>

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#### COMMITTS

base: [af1661c65247b05b596b324b4ed8973add250d01](#)update1: [4ef1a4c27fd824d8d4915f44a0c6c37d714a07c0](#)update2: [66e0995d302b91621362d18d58db2cea634b4c2b](#)

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### Highlighted Centralization Risks



Privileged role can mint tokens



Has blacklist/whitelist



Privileged role can remove users' tokens

### Vulnerability Summary



15

Total Findings

14

Resolved

0

Mitigated

0

Partially Resolved

1

Acknowledged

0

Declined



0 Critical

Critical risks are those that impact the safe functioning of a platform and must be addressed before launch. Users should not invest in any project with outstanding critical risks.



1 Major

1 Acknowledged



Major risks can include centralization issues and logical errors. Under specific circumstances, these major risks can lead to loss of funds and/or control of the project.



1 Medium

1 Resolved



Medium risks may not pose a direct risk to users' funds, but they can affect the overall functioning of a platform.



6 Minor

6 Resolved



Minor risks can be any of the above, but on a smaller scale. They generally do not compromise the overall integrity of the project, but they may be less efficient than other solutions.

7

Informational

7 Resolved



Informational errors are often recommendations to improve the style of the code or certain operations to fall within industry best practices. They usually do not affect the overall functioning of the code.

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# CODEBASE | VENUS - XVS TOKEN BRIDGE

## Repository

<https://github.com/VenusProtocol/token-bridge/>

## Commit

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update3: [da1310f1c2c5514eea111df238cf7aadf9100b3](#)

update4: [e65ada340d44c9fd93f7a88a63bdee7421a55673](#)

update5: [8b8dbce9f75029203e6011f34a58a64684fc3379](#)

# AUDIT SCOPE | VENUS - XVS TOKEN BRIDGE

8 files audited ● 6 files with Acknowledged findings ● 2 files without findings

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● BXV	VenusProtocol/token-bridge	af1661c	 BaseXVSPProxyOFT.sol	f3570b5fc9af047e9284d0c7b8a4a96c6533414ff3e609739b5c4bfafeafe41a
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● TCB	VenusProtocol/token-bridge	af1661c	 token/TokenController.sol	71150cb0e2450bcdd1511778bfb103895aee70ad596fd4c758b7231b01c1ad8b
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## APPROACH & METHODS | VENUS - XVS TOKEN BRIDGE

This report has been prepared for Venus to discover issues and vulnerabilities in the source code of the Venus - XVS Token Bridge project as well as any contract dependencies that were not part of an officially recognized library. A comprehensive examination has been performed, utilizing Manual Review and Static Analysis techniques.

The auditing process pays special attention to the following considerations:

- Testing the smart contracts against both common and uncommon attack vectors.
- Assessing the codebase to ensure compliance with current best practices and industry standards.
- Ensuring contract logic meets the specifications and intentions of the client.
- Cross referencing contract structure and implementation against similar smart contracts produced by industry leaders.
- Thorough line-by-line manual review of the entire codebase by industry experts.

The security assessment resulted in findings that ranged from critical to informational. We recommend addressing these findings to ensure a high level of security standards and industry practices. We suggest recommendations that could better serve the project from the security perspective:

- Testing the smart contracts against both common and uncommon attack vectors;
- Enhance general coding practices for better structures of source codes;
- Add enough unit tests to cover the possible use cases;
- Provide more comments per each function for readability, especially contracts that are verified in public;
- Provide more transparency on privileged activities once the protocol is live.



# DEPENDENCIES | VENUS - XVS TOKEN BRIDGE

## Third Party Dependencies

The protocol is serving as the underlying entity to interact with third party protocols. The third parties that the contracts interact with are:

- Oracles through the use of the protocol's Resilient Oracle
- Layer Zero endpoint relayers
- ERC20 Tokens

The scope of the audit treats third party entities as black boxes and assumes their functional correctness. However, in the real world, third parties can be compromised and this may lead to lost or stolen assets. Moreover, updates to the state of a project contract that are dependent on the read of the state of external third party contracts may make the project vulnerable to read-only reentrancy. In addition, upgrades of third parties can possibly create severe impacts, such as increasing fees of third parties, migrating to new LP pools, etc.

## Out Of Scope Dependencies

The protocol is serving as the underlying entity to interact with out-of-scope dependencies. The out-of-scope dependencies that the contracts interact with are:

- Layer Zero contract inheritance `BaseOFTV2`.
- Updates made to the Resilient Oracle to accommodate use on other chains.

The scope of the audit treats out-of-scope dependencies as black boxes and assumes their functional correctness.

## Assumptions

Within the scope of the audit, assumptions are made about the intended behavior of the protocol in order to inspect consequences based on those behaviors. Assumptions made within the scope of this audit include:

- Only the `xvs` token currently deployed at `0xcf6bb5389c92bdda8a3747ddb454cb7a64626c63` will be used as the `innerToken` of the `XVSPProxyOFTSrc` contract.
- Only the `xvs` token contract in-scope of this audit will be used as the `innerToken` of the `XVSPProxyOFTDest` contract.

## Recommendations

We recommend constantly monitoring the third parties involved to mitigate any side effects that may occur when unexpected changes are introduced, as well as vetting any third party contracts used to ensure no external calls can be made before updates to its state. Additionally, we recommend all out-of-scope dependencies are carefully vetted to ensure they function

as intended. Last, we recommend all assumptions about the behavior of the project are thoroughly reviewed and, if the assumptions do not match the intention of the protocol, documenting the intended behavior for review.

## FINDINGS | VENUS - XVS TOKEN BRIDGE

15  
Total Findings0  
Critical1  
Major1  
Medium6  
Minor7  
Informational

This report has been prepared to discover issues and vulnerabilities for Venus - XVS Token Bridge. Through this audit, we have uncovered 15 issues ranging from different severity levels. Utilizing the techniques of Manual Review & Static Analysis to complement rigorous manual code reviews, we discovered the following findings:

ID	Title	Category	Severity	Status
VPB-01	Centralization Related Risks	Centralization	Major	● Acknowledged
TCB-02	Function <code>_increaseMintLimit()</code> Does Not Handle Possible Update To <code>minterToCap</code>	Logical Issue	Medium	● Resolved
BRI-07	Discrepancy With Blacklisting In XVS	Logical Issue	Minor	● Resolved
VPB-02	Missing Input Validation	Volatile Code	Minor	● Resolved
XVB-02	Pausing Behavior In <code>xvs</code>	Design Issue	Minor	● Resolved
XVF-01	Check-Effect-Interaction Pattern Violated	Concurrency	Minor	● Resolved
XVF-02	Inconsistency With <code>cap</code> Check	Logical Issue	Minor	● Resolved
XVO-02	Tokens Become Locked In The Contract When <code>toAddress_</code> Is <code>address(this)</code>	Logical Issue	Minor	● Resolved
BRI-01	Discussion On <code>XVSPProxy0FTDest</code> Vs. <code>XVSPProxy0FTSrc</code>	Logical Issue	Informational	● Resolved
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GLOBAL-01	Discussion On Design	Inconsistency	Informational	● Resolved
XVS-03	Cases Not Explicitly Handled	Inconsistency	Informational	● Resolved

## VPB-01 | CENTRALIZATION RELATED RISKS

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Centralization	● Major	BaseXVSPProxyOFT.sol (base): <a href="#">143</a> , <a href="#">156</a> , <a href="#">169</a> , <a href="#">182</a> , <a href="#">195</a> , <a href="#">211</a> , <a href="#">220</a> , <a href="#">228</a> , <a href="#">236</a> ; XVSBridgeAdmin.sol (base): <a href="#">50</a> , <a href="#">62</a> , <a href="#">73</a> , <a href="#">95</a> ; XVSProxyOFTDest.sol (base): <a href="#">33</a> ; XVSProxyOFTSrc.sol (base): <a href="#">44</a> , <a href="#">55</a> ; token/TokenController.sol (base): <a href="#">81~82</a> , <a href="#">90~91</a> , <a href="#">102~103</a> , <a href="#">115~116</a> , <a href="#">129</a> ; token/XVS.sol (base): <a href="#">28~29</a> , <a href="#">42~43</a> ; BaseXVSPProxyOFT.sol (update3): <a href="#">255~256</a> ; XVSProxyOFTSrc.sol (update3): <a href="#">67~68</a> ; token/TokenController.sol (update3): <a href="#">157~158</a>	● Acknowledged

### Description

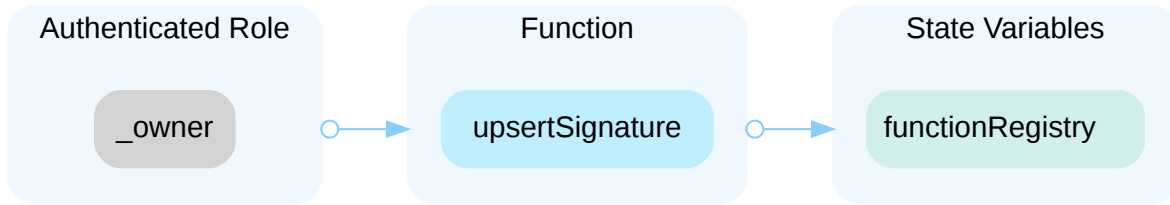
#### BaseXVSPProxyOFT

In the contract `BaseXVSPProxyOFT` the role `_owner` has authority over the functions shown in the diagram below. Any compromise to the `_owner` account may allow the hacker to take advantage of this authority and

- Set the oracle to an address that does not provide accurate pricing information.
- Pause or unpause the movement of tokens through the contract at critical periods.
- Set the max daily limit, the max daily receive limit, the max single transaction limit, and the max single receive transaction limit to values that either are advantageous to the hacker moving funds across chains, or the hacker may set these values to 0 to prevent users from moving funds out of a vulnerable environment.
- Set an address they control to be whitelisted and circumvent the bridged amount checks.
- Set or remove the trusted remote address, either allowing a malicious remote address or denying service to a trusted remote address.
- Remove tokens that correspond to the `outboundAmount` without updating the `outboundAmount`, creating a discrepancy where it appears more tokens are locked in the source bridge than actually are.
- Enable or disable the use of `sendAndCall()`.



In the contract `XVSBridgeAdmin` the role `_owner` has authority over the functions shown in the diagram below. Any compromise to the `_owner` account may allow the hacker to take advantage of this authority and make a function signature active within the `functionRegistry` mapping in order to give their account access to this bridge logic through the privilege outlined below.



In the contract `XVSBridgeAdmin` the role `DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE` of the `AccessControlManager` can grant addresses the privilege to call the following functions:

- Functions within the XVS Bridge via the `fallback()` function in `XVSBridgeAdmin`
- `setTrustedRemoteAddress()`
- `transferBridgeOwnership()`

Any compromise to the `DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE` or accounts granted this privilege may allow the hacker to take advantage of this authority and do the following:

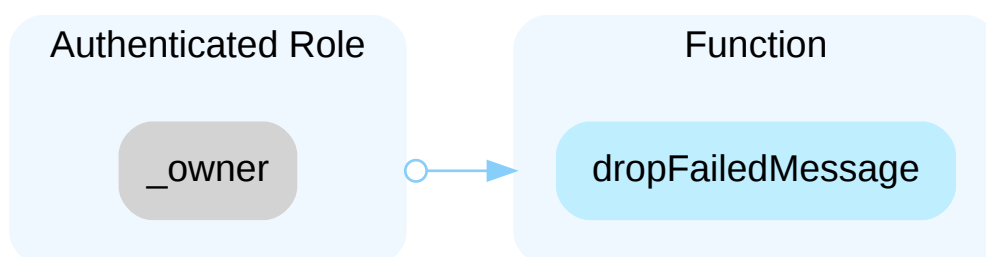
- Call privileged functions that the `XVSBridgeAdmin` controls within the XVS Bridge, potentially allowing the hacker to steal funds locked in the bridge or using the bridge minting privilege to steal funds from a pool on one of the bridged chains.
- Add a malicious trusted remote contract address in order to take steps to do the above.
- Give an account they access the owner privilege of the bridge in order to access other functions so they can take steps to perform the above.

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## XVSPProxyOFTDest

In the contract `XVSPProxyOFTDest` the role `_owner` has authority over the functions shown in the diagram below. Any compromise to the `_owner` account may allow the hacker to take advantage of this authority and

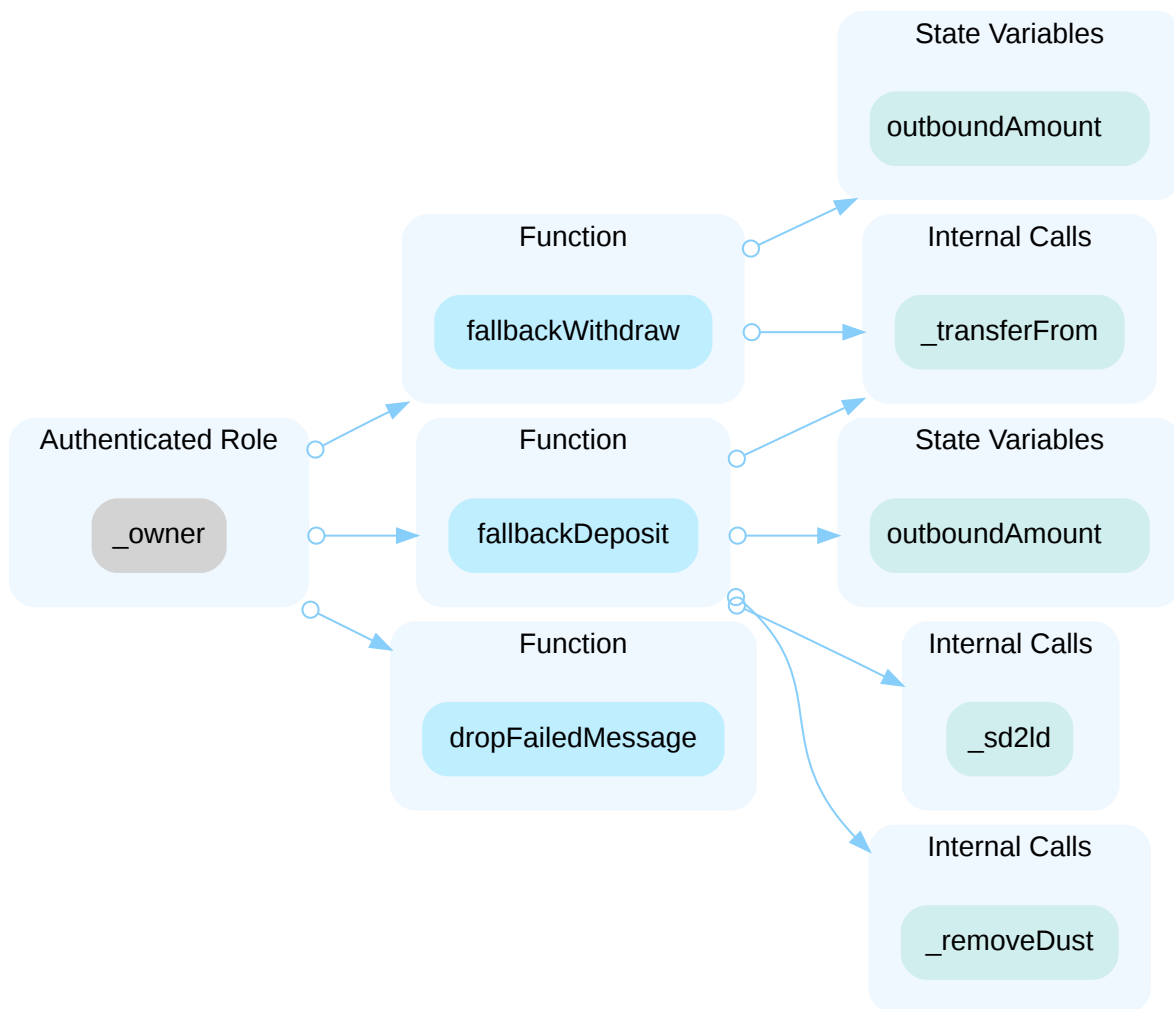
- Remove a failed message from the system so that it cannot be retried.



## XVSPProxyOFTSrc

In the contract `XVSPProxyOFTSrc` the role `_owner` has authority over the functions shown in the diagram below. Any compromise to the `_owner` account may allow the hacker to take advantage of this authority and

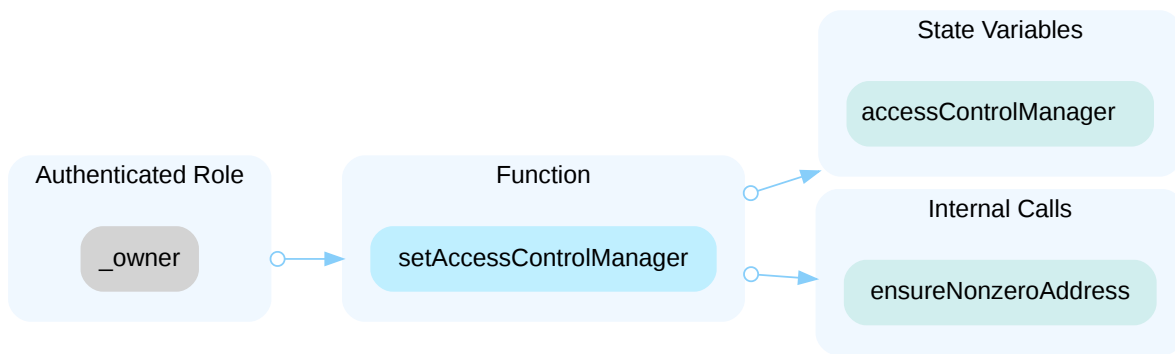
- Remove a failed message from the system so that it cannot be retried.
- Remove any amount of XVS funds currently held by the contract.
- Use the function to inaccurately update the `outboundAmount` through a combination of calls to `sweepToken()` and `fallbackDeposit()`. This may cause a discrepancy where the `outboundAmount` is far larger than the balance the contract actually holds.



## TokenController

In the contract `TokenController` the role `_owner` has authority over the functions shown in the diagram below. Any compromise to the `_owner` account may allow the hacker to take advantage of this authority and set the `accessControlManager` to an address they control so that they can make updates via the functions outlined below.





In the contract `TokenController`, the role `DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE` of the `AccessControlManager` can grant addresses the privilege to call the following functions:

- `pause()`
- `unpause()`
- `updateBlacklist()`
- `setMintCap()`
- `migrateMinterTokens()`

Any compromise to the `DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE` or accounts granted this privilege may allow a hacker to take advantage of this authority and

- Pause or unpause the contract at a critical moment.
- Blacklist users so that funds bridged over cannot be minted to their accounts.
- Update the mint cap of the bridge to prevent funds from being bridged over, or give an account they control a large mint cap in order to mint funds within the chain.
- Transfer records of previously minted tokens to a malicious contract address in order to allow the address to burn tokens belonging to any account. With control of additional privileges, this could potentially be used to maliciously bridge tokens to other chains.

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## XVS

In the contract `XVS`, the role `DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE` of the `AccessControlManager` can grant addresses the privilege to call the following functions:

- `mint()`
- `burn()`

Any compromise to the `DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE` or accounts granted this privilege may allow a hacker to take advantage of this authority and

- Mint funds to an account they control.

- Burn the tokens of other users without a corresponding bridging action on another chain.

## Recommendation

The risk describes the current project design and potentially makes iterations to improve in the security operation and level of decentralization, which in most cases cannot be resolved entirely at the present stage. We advise the client to carefully manage the privileged account's private key to avoid any potential risks of being hacked. In general, we strongly recommend centralized privileges or roles in the protocol be improved via a decentralized mechanism or smart-contract-based accounts with enhanced security practices, e.g., multisignature wallets. Indicatively, here are some feasible suggestions that would also mitigate the potential risk at a different level in terms of short-term, long-term and permanent:

### Short Term:

Timelock and Multi sign (2/3, 3/5) combination *mitigate* by delaying the sensitive operation and avoiding a single point of key management failure.

- Time-lock with reasonable latency, e.g., 48 hours, for awareness on privileged operations;  
AND
- Assignment of privileged roles to multi-signature wallets to prevent a single point of failure due to the private key compromised;  
AND
- A medium/blog link for sharing the timelock contract and multi-signers addresses information with the public audience.

### Long Term:

Timelock and DAO, the combination, *mitigate* by applying decentralization and transparency.

- Time-lock with reasonable latency, e.g., 48 hours, for awareness on privileged operations;  
AND
- Introduction of a DAO/governance/voting module to increase transparency and user involvement.  
AND
- A medium/blog link for sharing the timelock contract, multi-signers addresses, and DAO information with the public audience.

### Permanent:

Renouncing the ownership or removing the function can be considered *fully resolved*.

- Renounce the ownership and never claim back the privileged roles.  
OR
- Remove the risky functionality.

## Alleviation

[Venus, 12/15/2023] : "The owner of the bridge contracts (XVSPProxyOFTSrc, XVSPProxyOFTDest) will be an instance of the contract XVSBridgeAdmin. The owner of XVSBridgeAdmin will be the Normal Timelock contract [1]. The privilege functions in the proxy contract will be executable only by the Normal, Fast-track and Critical timelock contracts [2]. These permissions will be granted via the AccessControlManager contract [3].

Default Admin role of ACM is granted to Normal Timelock only.

The owner of the TokenController contract will be the Normal Timelock contract.

[1] on BNB chain, the Normal Timelock is deployed at

<https://bscscan.com/address/0x939bD8d64c0A9583A7Dcea9933f7b21697ab6396>

[2] on BNB chain the Fast-track timelock is deployed at

<https://bscscan.com/address/0x555ba73dB1b006F3f2C7dB7126d6e4343aDBce02> and the Critical timelock is deployed at <https://bscscan.com/address/0x213c446ec11e45b15a6E29C1C1b402B8897f606d>

[3] on BNB chain the ACM contract is deployed at

<https://bscscan.com/address/0x4788629abc6cfca10f9f969efdeaa1cf70c23555>"

[Certik, 12/18/2023] : The client has provided all steps towards mitigation on the BSC chain. In order to mitigate the finding completely, please provide the relevant information corresponding to the destination chains in which the bridge will initially be deployed.

## TCB-02 | FUNCTION `_INCREASEMINTLIMIT()` DOES NOT HANDLE POSSIBLE UPDATE TO `minterToCap`

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	Medium	token/TokenController.sol (base): <u>117~118</u> , <u>175~176</u>	Resolved

### Description

Function `_increaseMintLimit()` is used within the `burn()` function of the in-scope `xvs` token contract as a way to document the increase in available funds to mint after burning. The function logic assumes that the `minterToCap` mapping for the source address `from` will be larger than the calculated `totalMintedNew` value after subtracting away the new `amount_` that is burned.

If in between minting and burning, the `minterToCap` corresponding value is decreased for the minter address, then it is possible that `minterToCap` is less than the calculated `totalMintedNew` value at the time of burning. In that case, the logic of `_increaseMintLimit()` will cause a revert in the `burn()` logic, preventing burning from functioning properly.

### Scenario

1. A `minter` address has a `minterToCap` value of 100, and a `minterToMintedAmount` of 90.
2. The function `setMintCap()` is used to update the `minterToCap` for the `minter` to 80.
3. Function `burn()` is called on an amount of 5 so that `totalMintedNew` is  $90 - 5 = 85$ .
4. The calculation `availableLimit = 80 - 85` will revert due to underflow.

### Recommendation

We recommend preventing this occurrence directly within function `setMintCap()` by checking that the input `amount_` is not less than the current `minterToMintedAmount` entry for the `minter_` address.

### Alleviation

[Certik, 12/18/2023]: The client made changes resolving the finding in commit [4ef1a4c27fd824d8d4915f44a0c6c37d714a07c0](#).

## BRI-07 | DISCREPANCY WITH BLACKLISTING IN XVS

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	● Minor	XVSProxyOFTSrc.sol (base): <u>74~75</u> ; token/XVS.sol (base): <u>30~31</u> , <u>42</u>	● Resolved

### Description

In the `XVS` contract, a blacklisted account cannot be minted tokens. However, on the chain in which the account is blacklisted, anyone can still transfer tokens to the blacklisted account, transfer tokens from the blacklisted account, the account can be approved to move others' tokens, and the account can have their tokens burned. As a consequence, the blacklisted account can easily acquire tokens, and they can still bridge these tokens to another chain where they may not be blacklisted.

Moreover, in `XVSProxyOFTSrc`, there is no check from this side of whether the account bridging tokens is blacklisted on other chains, and there is no way to blacklist the user from the source chain. As a result, a user can transfer in their tokens into the `XVSProxyOFTSrc` contract, but if they are blacklisted on the destination chain, there is no equivalent amount given out. In this way, these tokens become stuck within the protocol and cannot be removed without intervention via centralized accounts.

### Recommendation

We recommend preventing the transfer of tokens to and from a blacklisted account, and preventing burning by a blacklisted account.

Additionally, within the `XVSProxyOFTSrc`, we recommend implementing a method for blacklisting accounts to prevent the initial transfer of funds to this contract, and blacklisting any account consistently across all chains in which the token can be bridged.

### Alleviation

[Certik, 12/19/2023]: The client made changes resolving the finding in commits

- [52ff1120d828b50ff110acb2df939abe28a3dd28](#)
- [f659dee63bd5a3713e7ad0f81fa9bc515b0e8e62](#)
- [51168baa96a6ce64b5448726af26c3cdc105618e](#)
- [66e0995d302b91621362d18d58db2cea634b](#)

[Venus, 12/15/2023]: "Regarding the second recommendations (on XVSProxyOFTSrc), In case the user is blacklisted in the destination chain, the tokens will stay locked in the src chain and then we have control on how we want to manage the funds locked"

## VPB-02 | MISSING INPUT VALIDATION

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Volatile Code	Minor	XVSProxyOFTSrc.sol (base): <u>44, 87~88</u> ; token/TokenController.sol (base): <u>173~174</u> ; token/TokenController.sol (update3): <u>157~158</u>	Resolved

### Description

#### TokenController.sol

- In function `_increaseMintLimit()` there is a missing check that the input `amount_` is no larger than the `minterToMintedAmount` for the input `from_` address. This may cause an ambiguous error message due to underflow in the calculation of `totalMintedNew` in the function.
- In function `migrateMinterTokens()`, there is no check that the `source_` and `destination_` addresses are not the same. If they are the same address, the update to mapping `minterToMintedAmount` for that address will not accurately reflect the minted amount (e.g. an address with `minterToMinted` amount of 100 originally will double to 200 as long as the `destinationCap` is not exceeded).

#### XVSProxyOFTSrc.sol

- In the function `fallbackWithdraw()` there is no check that `amount_` is no larger than `outboundAmount`. In this case, an ambiguous error message due to underflow will be thrown.
- In the function `_creditTo()` there is no check that `amount_` is no larger than `outboundAmount`. In this case, an ambiguous error message due to underflow will be thrown.

### Recommendation

We recommend adding the missing checks outlined above.

### Alleviation

[Venus, 12/15/2023]:

- XVSProxyOFTSrc.sol: `creditTo` Once the tokens are bridged from src chain the outbound amount will always be greater than amount which is bridged from destination chain

[Certik, 12/18/2023]: The client clarified or made changes resolving the finding in commits

- 85a718c299a1e65034b52c9494bc8479adfb3a87;

- 981401f49eef5427643eb5158d1edbae680bc358.

## XVB-02 | PAUSING BEHAVIOR IN XVS

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Design Issue	● Minor	token/XVS.sol (base): <u>28</u> , <u>42</u>	● Resolved

### Description

`mint()` and `burn()` can be paused, however users can still transfer tokens when the contract is paused. We would like to ensure that this is the intended behavior.

### Recommendation

We recommend clarifying whether the above case is intended behavior.

### Alleviation

[Certik, 12/18/2023]: The client clarified the behavior outlined above is not intended and made changes resolving the finding in commit [f57a9ab2d4688ba7269abcaaeced316aad1ccbc4](#).



## XVF-01 | CHECK-EFFECT-INTERACTION PATTERN VIOLATED

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Concurrency	● Minor	XVSPProxyOFTSrc.sol (update3): <u>69~75</u>	● Resolved

### Description

An external call to transfer the `innerToken` is made first, and then the `outboundAmount` is updated and checked. While it is assumed that the `innerToken` is the team's `xvs` token, following the check-effect-interaction pattern can reduce any unforeseen risk.

### Recommendation

We recommend following the check-effect-interaction pattern and calling `_transferFrom()` after necessary updates to state and checks have been performed within the protocol.

### Alleviation

[Certik, 12/22/2023]: The client made changes resolving the finding in commit: [e65ada340d44c9fd93f7a88a63bdee7421a55673](https://github.com/certiklabs/venus-bridge/commit/e65ada340d44c9fd93f7a88a63bdee7421a55673).

## XVF-02 | INCONSISTENCY WITH `cap` CHECK

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	Minor	XVSPProxyOFTSrc.sol (update3): <a href="#">72~74</a>	Resolved

### Description

In the function `fallbackDeposit()` it is checked that the new `outboundAmount` after the deposit will not exceed the `_sd21d(type(uint64).max)`. As some chains like Aptos use `uint64` to represent balances, the maximum balance on their chain would be `type(uint64).max` and thus `_sd21d(type(uint64).max)` represents this maximum amount using the local decimals.

However, this check is not performed in `_debitFrom()`, so that it is possible to exceed this cap using normal chain operations and then preventing `fallbackDeposit()` from being called.

### Recommendation

We recommend checking the `outboundAmount` does not exceed the cap in the `_debitFrom()` function.

### Alleviation

[Certik, 12/26/2023]: The client made the recommended changes in commit [8b8dbce9f75029203e6011f34a58a64684fc3379](#).

Note that this ensures that the amount bridged from this bridge will not exceed the cap. However, if multiple bridges are used, it may be possible for the total amount bridged across all bridges to exceed this cap.

## XVO-02 | TOKENS BECOME LOCKED IN THE CONTRACT WHEN `toAddress_ IS address(this)`

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	● Minor	XVSPProxyOFTSrc.sol (base): <u>45~46</u> , <u>87~91</u>	● Resolved

### Description

In the case where XVS tokens are bridged to the `XVSPProxyOFTSrc` contract itself, the `_creditTo()` logic will subtract the `amount_` from the `outboundAmount` while keeping the corresponding `XVS` in the contract, in order to account for the fact that it is no longer bridged to one of the destination chains, and is now technically part of the `circulatingSupply()` on the source chain.

However, the only way to remove tokens bridged to the `XVSPProxyOFTSrc` contract itself would be to use the `fallbackWithdraw()` function, in which case, the `amount_` would be subtracted from the `outboundAmount` a second time, causing a discrepancy in the accounting of the variable.

Consequently, any funds a user accidentally sends directly to the bridge rather than sending to their own account will cause the tokens to be permanently locked in the bridge, or else will cause an issue with `outboundAmount` where eventually someone else's tokens will be permanently locked in the bridge.

Additionally, if anyone directly transfers tokens to the bridge, they will not be accounted for in the `outboundAmount`, so they also cannot be removed with `fallbackWithdraw()` without causing an issue with this variable.

### Recommendation

We recommend providing a privileged method for removal of tokens from the `XVSPProxyOFTSrc` contract which are not accounted for in the `outboundAmount`.

### Alleviation

[Certik, 12/18/2023]: The client made changes resolving the finding in commit [06c6009e01411182d738b2249cbbb06019926b54](https://github.com/certik-labs/venus-bridge/commit/06c6009e01411182d738b2249cbbb06019926b54).

## BRI-01 | DISCUSSION ON XVSPProxyOFTDest VS. XVSPProxyOFTSrc

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	● Informational	XVSPProxyOFTDest.sol (base): <a href="#">15</a> ; XVSPProxyOFTSrc.sol (base): <a href="#">16</a>	● Resolved

### Description

There are currently two bridge contracts `XVSPProxyOFTSrc` and `XVSPProxyOFTDest`. The main difference being that `XVSPProxyOFTSrc` locks tokens if transferring to another chain and gives locked tokens when receiving tokens from another chain, while `XVSPProxyOFTDest` burns or mints tokens when transferring to another chain or receiving from another chain respectively.

As such we assume that the design is to deploy a single `XVSPProxyOFTSrc` on BSC as it holds the current supply of XVS and all other chains should only receive XVS that has been bridged out of BSC. Furthermore we assume that all other chains will have a single `XVSPProxyOFTDest` contract deployed to bridge XVS tokens.

Last, it is assumed that only one address (the bridge contract) will utilize a nonzero `minterToCap` value per chain, except in extenuating circumstances in which funds become stuck in the protocol based upon the restrictions of the design (such as the bridged amount exceeding the mint cap of the bridge for the chain). Furthermore, it is assumed that any use of this minting capability beyond the bridge associated with the chain will be carefully assessed in order to maintain the invariant that `totalSupply()` of XVS on BSC is equivalent to the `circulatingSupply()` of the BSC bridge contract, plus the amount `outboundAmount`. A similar assumption is made for the `fallbackWithdraw()` function in `XVSPProxyOFTSrc`.

Please let us know if these assumptions are correct and provide further information if they do not align with the design intent.

### Recommendation

We recommend providing documentation on the design of the contracts to ensure proper understanding.

### Alleviation

[Certik, 12/18/2023]: The client confirms that all assumptions outlined above are correct. They further state that they will publish the technical documentation found at [PR 77](#) to the public documentation on their website, <https://docs.venus.io>.

## BRI-02 | TYPOS AND INCONSISTENCIES

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Inconsistency	● Informational	BaseXVSProxyOFT.sol (base): <u>64</u> , <u>69</u> , <u>103</u> , <u>206</u> ; XVSBridgeAdmin.sol (base): <u>69</u> , <u>90</u> ; XVSProxyOFTDest.sol (base): <u>17</u> ; XVSProxyOFTSrc.sol (base): <u>19</u> , <u>28</u> ; token/TokenController.sol (base): <u>30-31</u> , <u>109-110</u> , <u>167-168</u> ; token/XVS.sol (base): <u>21-22</u> , <u>25-26</u> , <u>26-27</u>	● Resolved

### Description

#### XVSProxyOFTSrc

- The comment above the variable `outboundAmount` states "total amount is transferred from this chain to other chains." which should be "Total amount that is transferred from this chain to other chains."
- In the comment above the event `DropFailedMessage`, the word "successful" is misspelled as "successfull."

#### XVSProxyOFTDest

- In the comment above the event `DropFailedMessage`, the word "successful" is misspelled as "successfull."

#### XVSBridgeAdmin

- The comment above the function `upsertSignature()` does not describe that this is a setter function for the registry.
- In the comment above function `transferBridgeOwnership()`, "transfer" should be "transfers".

#### BaseXVSProxyOFT

- In the comment above the `whitelist` mapping, the word "applicable" is misspelled as "appicable."
- In the comment above event `SetWhitelist`, the word "emitted" is misspelled as "emmitted"
- In the comment above function `setWhitelist()`, the word "address" is misspelled as "Adress"
- In the comment above the `constructor()`, "No" should either be "No." or "Number".

#### TokenController.sol

- In the comment above the `minterToMintedAmount` mapping, the word "minted" is misspelled as "m inted."

- In the comment above functions `setMintCap()` and `_increaseMintLimit()` the word "minting" is misspelled as "miniting."

## XVS.sol

- In the comment above `mint()` function the description "@param account\_ Address to which tokens be assigned" reads correctly as "account\_ Address to which tokens are assigned."
- In the comment above `mint()`, there is an incorrect description of error `MintNotAllowed`. The error should say it is thrown when minting is not allowed to `to_` address; instead it says the error is thrown when minting is not allowed to the `from_` address.
- In the comment above `mint()`, the error description "MintLimitExceed is thrown when minting amount exceed the maximum cap" reads correctly as "MintLimitExceed is thrown when minting amount exceeds the maximum cap"

## Recommendation

We recommend fixing the typos and inconsistencies mentioned above.

## Alleviation

[Certik, 12/18/2023]: The client made changes resolving the finding in commit [8ce11e679649956014e700aac2e7b622e1886970](#).

## BRI-03 | MISSING OR INCOMPLETE NATSPEC

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Inconsistency	● Informational	BaseXVSProxyOFT.sol (base): <a href="#">101~109</a> , <a href="#">232~235</a> , <a href="#">246~248</a> , <a href="#">253</a> , <a href="#">291</a> , <a href="#">330</a> , <a href="#">344</a> , <a href="#">361</a> ; XVSBridgeAdmin.sol (base): <a href="#">43~46</a> , <a href="#">56~60</a> , <a href="#">68~72</a> , <a href="#">89~93</a> , <a href="#">100~105</a> , <a href="#">117~119</a> , <a href="#">124</a> ; XVSProxyOFTDest.sol (base): <a href="#">28~32</a> , <a href="#">38~40</a> , <a href="#">45</a> , <a href="#">57</a> ; XVSProxyOFTSrc.sol (base): <a href="#">39~43</a> , <a href="#">50~54</a> , <a href="#">60~62</a> , <a href="#">67</a> , <a href="#">81</a> ; token/TokenController.sol (base): <a href="#">144~149</a> , <a href="#">166~170</a> , <a href="#">179</a>	● Resolved

### Description

#### XVSProxyOFTSrc

- The comments above `fallbackWithdraw()` do not include the emitted event or the access restriction.
- The comments above `dropFailedMessage()` do not include the emitted event or the access restriction.
- The comments above `circulatingSupply()` do not include the return value.
- There are no comments above the function `_debitFrom()`.
- There are no comments above the function `_creditTo()`.

#### XVSProxyOFTDest

- The comments above `dropFailedMessage()` do not include the emitted event or the access restriction.
- The comments above `circulatingSupply()` do not include the return value.
- There are no comments above the function `_debitFrom()`.
- There are no comments above the function `_creditTo()`.

#### XVSBridgeAdmin

- The comments above `fallback()` do not include the return value.
- The comments above `setTrustedRemoteAddress()` do not include the access restriction or a summary of the functionality.
- The comments above `upsertSignature()` do not include the access restriction or emitted events.
- The comments above `transferBridgeOwnership()` do not include the potential error.
- The comments above `isTrustedRemote()` do not include the return value.
- The comments above `_getFunctionName()` do not include the input parameter and return value.
- There are no comments above the function `bytesToAddress()`.

## BaseXVSPProxyOFT

- The comments above the `constructor()` do not include the emitted events.
- The comments above `removeTrustedRemote()` do not include the access restriction or emitted event.
- The comments above `token()` do not include the return value.
- There are no comments above the function `_isEligibleToSend()`.
- There are no comments above the function `_isEligibleToReceive()`.
- There are no comments above the function `_transferFrom()`.
- There are no comments above the function `_nonblockingLzReceive()`.
- There are no comments above the function `_ld2sdRate()`.

## TokenController

- The comments above the function `_isEligibleToMint()` do not include the emitted event or potential error.
- The comments above the function `_increaseMintLimit()` do not include the emitted event.
- The comments above the function `_ensureAllowed()` do not include the input parameter or the potential error.

## Recommendation

We recommend adding the missing or incomplete NatSpec comments mentioned above.

## Alleviation

[Certik, 12/19/2023]: The client made changes resolving the finding in commits

- [7c63f14cb6ebae8f97ddbba719be6d196c59593f](#)
- [60d4c5c88fe4f6a83b5cedb615fd20ed5f055301](#)



## BRI-08 | CONSIDER REVERTING AS OPPOSED TO HAVING EMPTY IMPLEMENTATION

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Coding Style	● Informational	BaseXVSPProxyOFT.sol (base): <u>241~244</u> ; XVSBridgeAdmin.sol (base): <u>112~115</u>	● Resolved

### Description

The function `renounceOwnership()` is overridden to have an empty implementation to prevent ownership from accidentally being revoked. We recommend considering having the function revert with a descriptive error message indicating this function has been disabled for the contract. This will help avoid any potential confusion in the future if someone was to call this function.

### Recommendation

We recommend reverting as opposed to leaving an empty implementation.

### Alleviation

[Venus, 12/14/2023]: "Issue acknowledged. I won't make any changes for the current version. We don't consider it needed and we prefer to reduce the number of changes"

## BVP-01 `minterToCap` MUST BE UPDATED CONSISTENTLY WITH ACCESS TO `mint()` AND `burn()` FUNCTIONS

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Inconsistency	● Informational	token/TokenController.sol (base): <u>115~116</u> ; token/XVS.sol (base): <u>29~30</u> , <u>43~44</u>	● Resolved

### Description

- An account given a nonzero `minterToCap` value is assumed to be given access to functions `mint()` and `burn()`.
- An account given access to functions `mint()` or `burn()` is assumed to be given a nonzero `minterToCap` value.
- An account given access to the `burn()` function is assumed to be given access to mint, and vice versa.

While these privileges are dependent on one another, each part of the privilege is given independently, increasing the chance for inconsistent update.

### Recommendation

We recommend ensuring consistent update to all depending privileges whenever a new account is given this kind of access.

### Alleviation

[Venus, 12/14/2023] : "Issue acknowledged. I won't make any changes for the current version. All kinds of limits and caps will be initially set via multisig TX and via VIP's shortly. Therefore, there will be opportunities to review the proposed changes and avoid the inconsistencies described"

## GLOBAL-01 | DISCUSSION ON DESIGN

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Inconsistency	● Informational		● Resolved

### Description

It is our understanding that the design of these contracts are for `xvs`, however, they also include functionality to check balances and potentially handle deflationary tokens.

We would like to ensure these contracts are only to be used for `xvs` and that no other deflationary or token that implements hooks should be considered.

### Recommendation

We recommend providing contextual information on the tokens to be used with the bridge.

### Alleviation

[Venus, 12/14/2023]: "Initially, only XVS will be used with these contracts. We don't expect to use them with fee-on-transfer or rebase tokens"

## XVS-03 | CASES NOT EXPLICITLY HANDLED

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Inconsistency	● Informational	XVSBridgeAdmin.sol (base): <u>79-85</u>	● Resolved

### Description

If `active_[i] && signature.length != 0` or `!active_[i] && signature.length == 0` then none of the if-blocks will be executed. If either of these combinations are input by accident, then it can cause confusion as there is nothing to indicate this other than a lack of event emitted.

### Recommendation

We recommend considering handling these cases explicitly by emitting a specific event to avoid any potential confusion.

### Alleviation

[Venus, 12/14/2023]: "Issue acknowledged. I won't make any changes for the current version. We prefer not to emit any events when there is no change in the function registry to avoid any extra gas. Moreover, it is an onlyOwner function that will be taken care in VIP or multisig tx. So, we'll have time to review the TX before submitting it, and therefore avoid the described scenario"

## OPTIMIZATIONS | VENUS - XVS TOKEN BRIDGE

ID	Title	Category	Severity	Status
<a href="#">BXV-01</a>	Repeated Check If Transaction Is Successful	Inconsistency, Code Optimization	Optimization	● Resolved
<a href="#">BXV-03</a>	Checking The <code>oracle_</code> Input Is Nonzero Can Be Done Sooner	Gas Optimization	Optimization	● Resolved
<a href="#">TCB-04</a>	Redundant Getter Functions	Gas Optimization	Optimization	● Resolved
<a href="#">TCB-05</a>	Unchecked Blocks Can Optimize Contract	Gas Optimization	Optimization	● Resolved
<a href="#">XVS-01</a>	Duplicate Zero Address Checks	Logical Issue	Optimization	● Resolved
<a href="#">XVS-02</a>	<code>for</code> Loop Optimization	Gas Optimization	Optimization	● Resolved

## BXV-01 | REPEATED CHECK IF TRANSACTION IS SUCCESSFUL

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Inconsistency, Code Optimization	● Optimization	BaseXVSPProxyOFT.sol (base): <a href="#">352-357</a>	● Resolved

### Description

The function `lzReceive()` in <https://github.com/LayerZero-Labs/solidity-examples/blob/main/contracts/lzApp/lzApp.sol> makes the check

```
require(
    _srcAddress.length == trustedRemote.length && trustedRemote.length > 0
    && keccak256(_srcAddress) == keccak256(trustedRemote),
    "LzApp: invalid source sending contract"
);
```

If this succeeds then it calls `_blockingLzReceive()`, which is overridden in <https://github.com/LayerZero-Labs/solidity-examples/blob/main/contracts/lzApp/NonblockingLzApp.sol> to call `nonblockingLzReceive()`, which then calls `_nonblockingLzReceive()`. However, this contract overrides this to then perform the same check again:

```
require(
    _srcAddress.length == trustedRemote.length &&
    trustedRemote.length > 0 &&
    keccak256(_srcAddress) == keccak256(trustedRemote),
    "LzApp: invalid source sending contract"
);
```

While this will ensure if there are any updates to trusted remotes between when a message fails and is retried, a check can be added when retrying the message to prevent making duplicate checks on successful messages.

### Recommendation

We recommend overriding and adding this check to `retryMessage()` from <https://github.com/LayerZero-Labs/solidity-examples/blob/main/contracts/lzApp/NonblockingLzApp.sol>.

### Alleviation

[Certik, 12/18/2023]: The client made changes resolving the finding in commit [5293d3e5c1d33e0aa41500431e1f529adf612902](#).

## BXV-03 | CHECKING THE `oracle_` INPUT IS NONZERO CAN BE DONE SOONER

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Gas Optimization	● Optimization	BaseXVSPProxyOFT.sol (base): <u>128~129</u>	● Resolved

### Description

In `BaseXVSPProxyOFT.sol`, the check that the `oracle_` address input on deployment is nonzero is made after setting state variables `1d2sdRate` and `innerToken`. The check with `ensureNonzeroAddress` can be made at the beginning of the constructor with the other zero address checks.

### Recommendation

We recommend making the check that the `oracle_` address input is nonzero at the beginning of the constructor logic.

### Alleviation

[Certik, 12/18/2023]: The client made changes resolving the finding in commit [7c2193bd7e7d9de4dff59982b98050844a9b3e51](#).

## TCB-04 | REDUNDANT GETTER FUNCTIONS

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Gas Optimization	● Optimization	token/TokenController.sol (base): <u>24~25</u> , <u>140~142</u>	● Resolved

### Description

Function `isBlacklisted()` is a view function for mapping `_blacklist`, however, this mapping is public.

### Recommendation

We recommend making the `_blacklist` mapping internal to avoid duplicate getter functions.

### Alleviation

[Certik, 12/18/2023]: The client made changes resolving the finding in commit [b017f579abd2c5709075f581fe1168e4ed9e3d2e](https://github.com/certiklabs/venus-bridge/commit/b017f579abd2c5709075f581fe1168e4ed9e3d2e).



## TCB-05 | UNCHECKED BLOCKS CAN OPTIMIZE CONTRACT

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Gas Optimization	● Optimization	token/TokenController.sol (base): <u>162</u>	● Resolved

### Description

In the function `_isEligibleToMint()` the logic:

```
if (totalMintedNew > mintingCap) {  
    revert MintLimitExceed();  
}
```

ensures that `mintingCap >= totalMintedNew`. Thus it is impossible for `mintingCap - totalMintedNew` to underflow so it can be placed in an unchecked block.

### Recommendation

We recommend using unchecked blocks on operations where underflow/overflow is not possible.

### Alleviation

[Certik, 12/18/2023]: The client made changes resolving the finding in commit [2ddf4c02544c010ca8d669ae02c71d8ea976f76e](#).

## XVS-01 | DUPLICATE ZERO ADDRESS CHECKS

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	● Optimization	XVSBridgeAdmin.sol (base): <a href="#">39~40</a> , <a href="#">96</a>	● Resolved

### Description

The function `initialize()` in the contract `XVSBridgeAdmin` checks that the input `accessControlManager_` is not the zero address via `ensureNonzeroAddress`. However, it also calls `__AccessControlled_init()`, which will call `_setAccessControlManager()` that has the following check

```
require(address(accessControlManager_) != address(0), "invalid access control manager address");
```

Thus it will check that the input `accessControlManager_` is not the `address(0)` twice.

The function `transferBridgeOwnership()` in the contract `XVSBridgeAdmin` checks that the input `newOwner_` is not the zero address via `ensureNonzeroAddress`. However, it calls `XVSBridge.transferOwnership()`, which calls `transferOwnership()` in OpenZeppelin's `Ownable` contract that also checks the input is not the zero address.

### Recommendation

We recommend removing the duplicate checks.

### Alleviation

[Certik, 12/18/2023]: The client made changes resolving the finding in commit [6785b84e085eaf455e35f66a6d04f79570279e5f](#).

## XVS-02 | `for` LOOP OPTIMIZATION

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Gas Optimization	<span>●</span> Optimization	XVSBridgeAdmin.sol (base): <u>76</u>	<span>●</span> Resolved

### Description

In general, the counter in a for loop can be incremented or decremented in an unchecked block as it cannot overflow or underflow, saving gas as it will not perform a check for overflow or underflow.

Additionally, it saves a small amount of gas to increment an index in a `for` loop from the left instead of from the right side as it performs fewer operations.

### Recommendation

We recommend incrementing the index of the for loop in an unchecked block with a prefix increment.

### Alleviation

[Certik, 12/18/2023]: The client made changes resolving the finding in commits

- [6bacbf7b9a265afeb99188bfe3c3d864ae06c145](#)
- [4ef1a4c27fd824d8d4915f44a0c6c37d714a07c0](#)

## APPENDIX | VENUS - XVS TOKEN BRIDGE

### Finding Categories

Categories	Description
Gas Optimization	Gas Optimization findings do not affect the functionality of the code but generate different, more optimal EVM opcodes resulting in a reduction on the total gas cost of a transaction.
Coding Style	Coding Style findings may not affect code behavior, but indicate areas where coding practices can be improved to make the code more understandable and maintainable.
Concurrency	Concurrency findings are about issues that cause unexpected or unsafe interleaving of code executions.
Inconsistency	Inconsistency findings refer to different parts of code that are not consistent or code that does not behave according to its specification.
Volatile Code	Volatile Code findings refer to segments of code that behave unexpectedly on certain edge cases and may result in vulnerabilities.
Logical Issue	Logical Issue findings indicate general implementation issues related to the program logic.
Centralization	Centralization findings detail the design choices of designating privileged roles or other centralized controls over the code.
Design Issue	Design Issue findings indicate general issues at the design level beyond program logic that are not covered by other finding categories.

### Checksum Calculation Method

The "Checksum" field in the "Audit Scope" section is calculated as the SHA-256 (Secure Hash Algorithm 2 with digest size of 256 bits) digest of the content of each file hosted in the listed source repository under the specified commit.

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