Changing Default Branch in GitHub

You can change the default branch of your GitHub repository from `main` to another branch, such as `programs`, using the following methods:

Method 1: Using GitHub UI

- 1. Go to your GitHub repository.
- 2. Click on Settings in the repository navigation bar.
- 3. In the left sidebar, select Branches.
- 4. Under Default branch, click the Change default branch button.
- 5. Select the branch you want (e.g., 'programs').
- 6. Click Update to confirm the change.

Method 2: Using GitHub CLI

If you prefer using the command line, you can run the following command:

gh repo edit --default-branch programs

(Ensure you have the GitHub CLI installed and authenticated before running this command.)

Important Notes:

- After changing the default branch, new pull requests and commits will now default to 'programs'.
- Any collaborators pulling from `main` will need to manually switch to `programs` using:

git checkout programs

- If necessary, update workflows, deployment scripts, and CI/CD configurations that depend on the default branch.

By following these steps, you can seamlessly change your repository's default branch.