


Kusama - Treasury Proposal Audit

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Auditor: Thomas

GRADE:

5

Above Average

Project name: Polkawatch - Kusama Decentralization Analytics

Proponent: Valletech - EJYeKKwU6Ua8H8TWqq85eRgAfcb1ZLneapYuR6FhRB5YgVL

Proposal URL: <https://kusama.polkasembly.io/referenda/225>

Audit date: 21/06/2023

Requested funding 568 KSM

KSM/USD: 15,057 USD

Kusama Treasury status: 282870 KSM

Requested % of Treasury : 0.20%

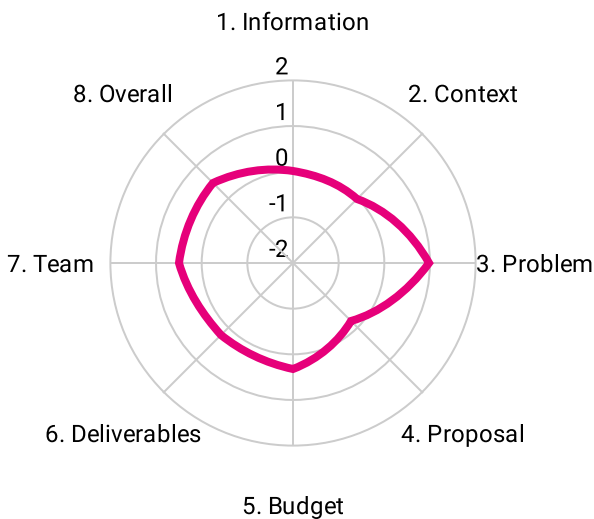
Grade Criteria Legend

Excellent	>=15
Above Average	>5
Meets Criteria	>-5
Needs Improvement	>-15
Unacceptable	<=-15

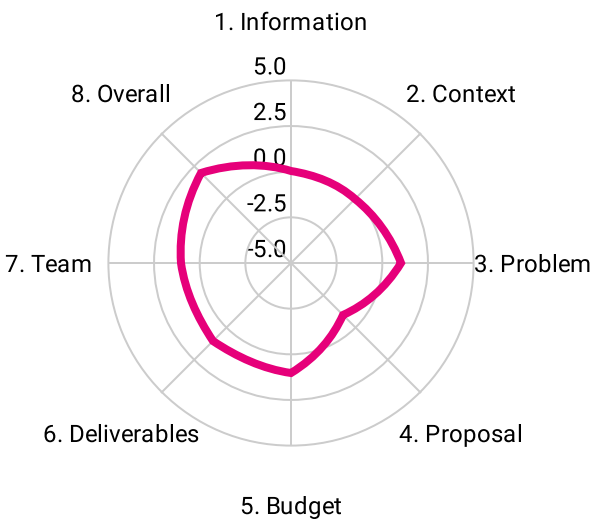
Score Criteria Legend

Excellent	2
Above Average	1
Meets Criteria	0
Needs Improvement	-1
Unacceptable	-2

Average Score per Category



Total Score per Category



General Comments:		Polkawatch is an analytics tool that aims to measure and observe the degree of decentralization of computing services on Polkadot/Kusama. This proposal seeks to receive retroactive funding to pay for recurrent costs of man-hours, hosting fees and continued operation/development of the Polkawatch platform.				
Description	Score criteria					Comments <i>(explain reasons why score differs from default score 0)</i>
	2	1	0	-1	-2	
1. Information						
1.1 Project description and category, requested allocation and referenda origin call clear and accurate.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
1.2 Discussion topic open for a minimum period of one week. All the questions and concerns addressed and answered.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Score	0					
2. Context						
2.1 Project context and background presented in a clear terms which can be fully understood and assessed.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	It would be useful to provide a short summary of what the proposal is going to be about and what category it falls under (e.g. marketing, infrastructure, media, etc.), so that unfamiliar readers can have a stronger grasp of the content before having to invest more time and effort reading the proposal. However, the combination of the problem statement and solution do a sufficient job summarizing what the proposal and Polkawatch is about.
Score	0					
3. Problem						
3.1 The problem the proposal is trying to solve is explained in a clean and concise terms.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The proposal explains the problem of how decentralized computing in Kusama is not as decentralized as it could be. The proposal also provides real examples (SEC is targeting crypto in US, centralized exchanges report, aggressive regulatory behaviour., Hetzner deplatformed Solana events, banned applications related to blockchain) of why it is important to monitor the effective decentralization of the Polkadot/Kusama network .
Score	1					
4. Proposal						
4.1 Proposal solution is described with a sufficient amount of information.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Polkawatch provides a set of criteria (region of operation, computing network and node operator) to measure the degree of decentralization on Polkadot and Kusama as well as analytic tools to visualize of the degree of decentralization on the Polkadot/Kusama network.
4.2 Similar projects or proposals listed and explained how they differ from this proposal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Similar projects or an explanation of why there is no similar projects are provided in this proposal.
4.3 Milestones to achieve the goals of the project are clearly defined.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.4 Milestones are split into the smaller detailed work tasks with deliverables, resources and description.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.5 Timeline with tasks/activities listed in a chronological order is clear and accurate.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Project timeline is set over a 9 month period (January - October 2023), with 50% of promised work being delivered.
Score	-1					
5. Budget						
5.1 Budget is clear and transparent and broken down into direct cost categories.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Budget is clearly and concisely broken down in Next Actions and Milestones on page 4, outlining exactly where the funds are going towards and how the costs are distributed (mainly for hosting, man-hours, maintenance).
5.2 Budget costs are comparable to the similar treasury proposals.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5.3 Final payment calculations and conditions are in line with proposed milestones.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Score	1					
6. Deliverables						
6.1 Key deliverables are clear and outline progress towards the proposed solution.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The deliverables that are already completed are described both in the proposal section of Next Actions and Milestones as well as the forum post on Polkasembly found here: https://kusama.polkasembly.io/referenda/225 .
6.2 Project objectives/success criteria is clearly defined with measurable targets where possible.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6.3 Awareness of known conditions that may affect the project schedule, milestones, determined budget or project timeline.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Project is seeking funding mostly for retroactive payment, so anticipated conditions affecting schedule may not be as relevant.
6.4 Reporting process is defined to inform the community about the progress and current status of the project.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The proposal states multiple channels of communication that are updated on a regular basis through delivery reports, blog posts and Twitter.
6.5 Clear communication strategy - where, when, what and who is going to present the information to the community and other relevant parties.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Score	1					
7. Team						
7.1 Team members that will actively work on the project are introduced with all relevant information.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7.2 Reputation from previous involvements in the Kusama/Polkadot grants/bounties/tasks/treasury proposals.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Project has posted proposals in the past as well as delivered on promised deliverables. Polkawatch is also well known in the community.
Score	1					
8. Overall						
8.1 General quality of the proposal content (i.e. can you make an educated opinion on the proposal in less than 5 minutes?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8.2 How important and valuable is the presented problem and proposal solution to the ecosystem.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8.3 Promised work on defined budget presents a good ROI for community.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8.4 Other remarks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Extra, notable documentation is provided in the proposal for users who want to understand the Polkawatch system architecture on a more technical level, as well as an analysis of the usage of Polkawatch in the Kusama/Polkadot community. The combination of these factors strengthens the transparency and legitimacy of Polkwatch as a reliable and important analytics tool.
Score	2					