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## **Introduction:**

The internet is the most important tool for communication in the world. In Africa, there is a huge gap between the majority and the internet. Some of this is as a result of the lack of affordable and accessible internet in the continent. The rest of the people don't even know/use the internet. We see this as a huge problem and we're solving it with slakenet.

With your help we can make communication better and enable slakenet build and power the future of communication.

## **Problems:**

There are several problems with the internet interactions people currently have, especially Africans. Some of them are:

### • Accessibility:



Figure 1 Global intenernet connectivity. Source: https://trends.google.com/trends/explore?cat=13&q=internet%20connectivity

A significant amount of people in the world live in remote areas, and have little to no internet service. This is as a result of the cost that it takes Internet Service Providers to reach certain areas and install the necessary (expensive equipments), the cost doesn't seem to yield more profit and thus, internet evangelism is discouraged.

Slakenet is developing technology that delivers decent internet connectivity with lesser hardware costs and methods to deliver to remote areas (would be explained in a future version of this whitepaper).

# • Affordability:



A significant portion of the world that don't have a sustainable internet connection can't catch up with the costs; Internet Service Providers are more focused on

Figure 2 Global region with best internet affordability. Source: https://trends.google.com/trends/explore?cat=13&q=internet%20a ffordability

generating profit to stay in business with the view of the problem of poverty as not their concern.

We on the other hand are enabling potential people like this to earn the money to afford internet connectivity by enabling them do tasks (like help out in scientific research) and earn their internet connections and even money.

### • Data Integrity:



Figure 3: secure browsing regions. source: https://trends.google.com/trends/explore?cat=13&q=secure%20browsing

We've all heard about the cases of Tech Giants selling people's personal data or spying on people for their interest (either to make profit or to prevent their customers from getting into their competitors offers or whatsoever).

Slakenet enables decentralized browsing of data, and protecting the users' data as much as we can (we don't protect against sites that the

user allow their personal data to be used as a result of the privacy policy). We offer a secure way to browse the internet with blockchain technology, and sell their data ONLY IF THEY WANT TO, and we give them most of the money gotten from the data.

# • Fake Identity:

Most of the internet is populated with people and personalities that don't even exist. It is quite difficult to tell who is a real person and who isn't with the fact that social platforms enable a device to create multiple accounts with unreliable verification methods. This has resulted into scamming and lack of trust in global communication.

Slakenet would be introducing a social platform that enables only the creation of one account per ip address, accompanied with several networking protocols and technology that we'll employ to reduce the risks of scams in the communication ecosystem.

# The Slakenet project:

Slakenet is a platform that connects people to the internet with the aim of making it more affordable and accessible especially to Africans. It allows people that still can't afford the internet to earn it by doing some simple tasks like taking surveys, watching ads, mining and several other tasks where they can also earn money. Slakenet provides internet connectivity to bridge the digital divide between the awesome things people can do with it and people. We aim to improve their communication experiences and that of the world at large.

Slakenet is web3 orientated; it enables the purchase of data plans with the use of cryptocurrencies, supporting the adoption of cryptocurrencies as the future of exchange.

### **Feature Rollout:**

The platform would be rolled out roughly by the following sequence:

- Internet connectivity purchasing
- Token earning
- Transacting tokens
- Personal data democracy
- Secure social platform
- Our own internet service
- And more...

## **Platform Coverage:**

We will provide cross-platform software service roughly by this order. For:

- Web
- Mobile-web
- Android
- PC(Windows, Linux, Mac OS)
- REST API
- iOS
- And more...

#### **SLAKEs:**

A SLAKE is a token that facilitates the transactions done in the slakenet network. SLAKE tokens facilitate the rewards that users get from the tasks they do in our

platform, the exchange of their currencies or cryptocurrencies to internet connectivity service, the exchange method they can use to cash out.

### **Allocation:**

SLAKEs would be allocated by direct purchase from slakenet, users pay money and they're given the equivalent value of their payment in SLAKEs. SLAKE is a stable coin and the value of one SLAKE would temporarily be pinned to the value of 1mb in cellular networks, there would be a lower price of 1mb when we launch our own internet service, SLAKEs would be pinned to this new value when it arises.