

# Electra

Blockchain-Powered Voting System to Enhance Election Transparency in Nigeria

# Personal Mission & Alignment

**Mission**: To use technology to solve inefficiencies in Africa, transforming challenges into scalable solutions that improve lives.

- The Challenge: Electoral inefficiencies undermining democracy in Nigeria
- Technology Solution: Blockchainpowered voting system ("Electra")

# PROBLEM - ELECTORAL CRISIS IN NIGERIA

#### **Nigeria's Democratic Challenge**

- 29% voter turnout in 2023 elections lowest since
   1999
- History of electoral malpractices: ballot stuffing, result manipulation, voter suppression
- Technology failures in 2023:
  - BVAS system malfunctions preventing voter accreditation
  - IReV platform delays and server issues
  - Public trust severely damaged



## **CURRENT SYSTEM LIMITATIONS**

#### **BVAS & IReV System Failures**

#### **Technical Issues:**

- Device malfunctions during fingerprint/face recognition
- Network connectivity problems
- Server configuration errors

#### **Trust Issues:**

- Discrepancies between polling unit results and IReV uploads
- Allegations of result tampering
- Lack of real-time verification

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#### **Core Features:**

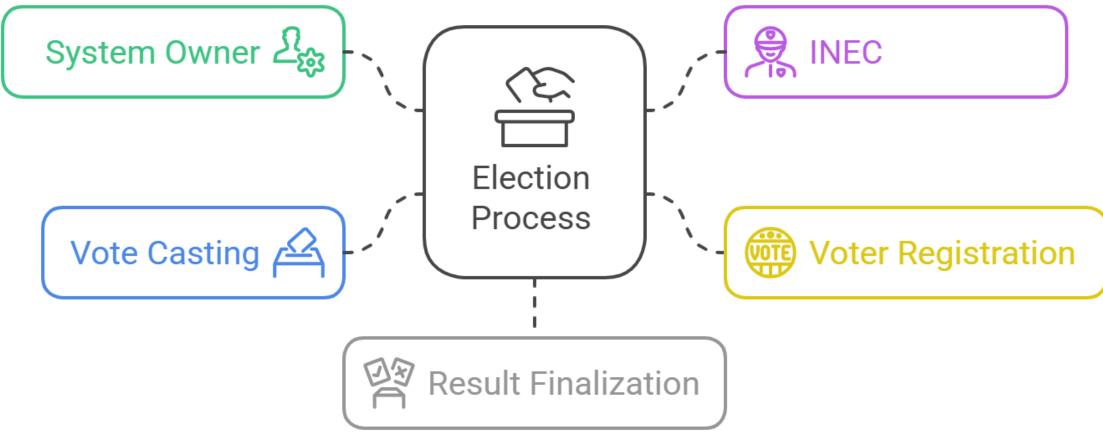
- Role-Based Access Control: Voters, Observers, INEC
- Immutable Vote Records
- Real-time Transparency
- Self-Registration: Voters can register themselves during open periods

#### **Technology Implementation:**

- Solidity 0.8.19 smart contract
- Comprehensive access control system
- Emergency safety mechanisms



## **SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE**



# **Comparison with Current System**

| Feature              | BVAS/IReV (2023)           | Electra Blockchain             |
|----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Voter Verification   | Biometric failures         | Cryptographic validation       |
| Result Upload        | Delayed, server issues     | Real-time blockchain recording |
| Transparency         | Limited, delayed           | Public, instant verification   |
| Tampering Resistance | Vulnerable to manipulation | Immutable blockchain records   |
| Public Auditability  | Restricted access          | Open blockchain verification   |

#### **DEPLOYMENT PROCESS**

- Used Truffle + Ganache + MetaMask
- Deployment steps:
  - Compile smart contract
  - Migrate to Ethereum Testnet (Sepolia)
  - Interact using Web3/Remix frontend
- Verification through blockchain explorer

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lectra --network sepolia_alchemy
[dotenv@17.2.0] injecting env (26) from .env (tip: from vent building .env in docker: https://dotenvx.com/prebuild)

Verifying contracts on etherscan
    Verifying Electra
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0x465EA85230A786719a8ADEEa17Aa0d34d5CD99Bf#code
    Successfully verified 1 contract(s).

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    Verifying Electra
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85230A786719a8ADEEa17Aa0d34d5CD99Bf
    Successfully verified 1 contract(s).
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#### CONCLUSION

In summary, this blockchain-powered voting system is designed to address the core issues undermining Nigeria's elections—fraud, lack of transparency, and public distrust. By leveraging decentralization, immutability, and smart contracts, the solution ensures secure vote recording, real-time verification, and tamper-proof results, ultimately restoring trust and strengthening democratic integrity.

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