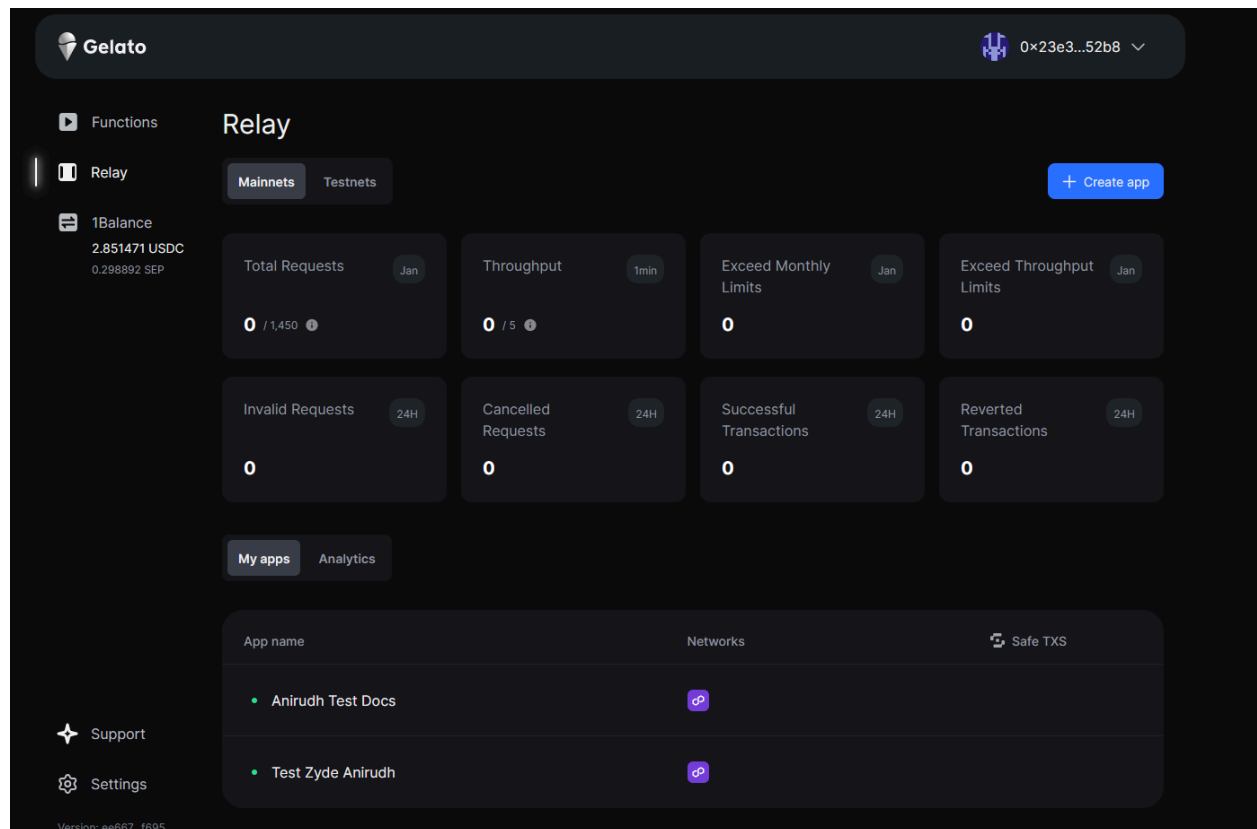


Gelato Relay

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Prerequisites

- "node": ">=14.0.0"
- Basic JavaScript knowledge.
- ethers knowledge

Getting started

1: Installation

Install the Gelato Relay SDK

```
yarn add @gelatonetwork/relay-sdk
```

2: Choose the Method

At this point, you will need to answer the following questions, which will determine the method to use when calling the Gelato Relay.

- Do you require user authentication? When the use-case requires to authenticate the original user, you will need to implement the ERC2771 method where the user will sign the payload, and the original user will be decoded on-chain from the callData replacing msg.sender through _msgSender(), please see additional info [here](#).
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If you require user authentication and you want to pay the transactions with a 1Balance account, the method to use is the sponsoredCallERC2771.

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We will require three simple steps to implement Gelato Relay. Here, we are going to showcase the three steps required to implement the method sponsoredCallERC2771, which is the most used one.

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Depending on the method, you must inherit different contracts as they will provide other methods. In this case, we will have to inherit the ERC2771Context. The ERC2771Context provide us with the methods _msgSender() and _msgData() that will allow us to recover the original user sending the transaction.

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```

```

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} from "@gelatonetwork/relay-context/contracts/vendor/ERC2771Context.sol";

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```

import { GelatoRelay, SponsoredCallERC2771Request } from "@gelatonetwork/relay-sdk";
const relay = new GelatoRelay(API_KEY);

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This is an example using Gelato's CounterERC2771.sol, which is deployed on these networks.

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const signer = provider.getSigner();
const user = signer.getAddress();

// Generate the target payload
const contract = new ethers.Contract(counter, abi, signer);
const { data } = await contract.incrementContext.populateTransaction();

// Populate a relay request
const request: CallWithERC2771Request = {
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};

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```
// Without a specific API key, the relay request will fail!  
// Go to https://relay.gelato.network to get a testnet API key with 1Balance.  
// Send a relay request using Gelato Relay!  
const relayResponse = await relay.sponsoredCallERC2771(request, provider, apiKey);
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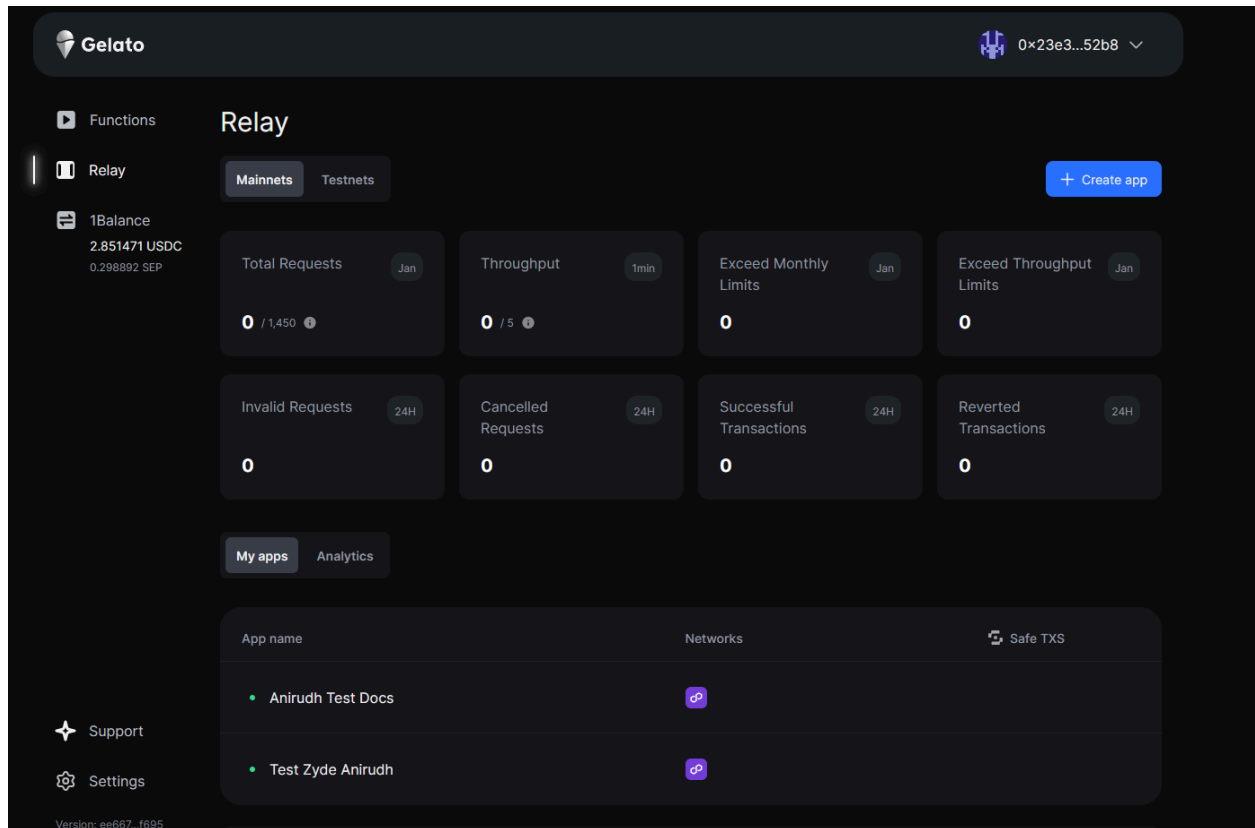
When submitting your Gelato Relay requests, you'll receive a `taskId` in response. This `taskId` allows you to track the status of your request in two primary ways:

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