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Ethan Knaus Token

AUDIT

SECURITY   ASSESSMENT

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Solidproof.io assess potential security issues in the smart contracts implementations, review for potential inconsistencies between the code base and the whitepaper/documentation, and provide suggestions for improvement.

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Project Overview

Summary

Project Name	Ethan Knaus Token
Website	https://www.ethanbot.tech/
About the project	The Ethan Knaus bot is the solution to all of your community token needs. We are a buy bot, and a marketing machine all rolled into one. We will even respond with classic Ethan comments on command. Most importantly, we connect you & automatically make groups with the very cheapest service providers across the cryptosphere.
Chain	TBA
Language	Solidity
Codebase	Provided as Files
Commit	N/A
Unit Tests	Not Provided

Social Medias

Telegram	https://t.me/ethanknausbot
Twitter	https://twitter.com/ethanknausbot
Facebook	N/A
Instagram	N/A
GitHub	N/A
Reddit	N/A
Medium	N/A
Discord	N/A
YouTube	N/A
TikTok	N/A
LinkedIn	N/A

Audit Summary

Version	Delivery Date	Change Log
v1.0	07. September 2023	· Layout Project
		· Automated/ Manual-Security Testing
		· Summary

Note - The following audit report presents a comprehensive security analysis of the smart contract utilized in the project. This analysis did not include functional testing (or unit testing) of the contract's logic. We cannot guarantee 100% logical correctness of the contract as it was not functionally tested by us.

File Overview

The Team provided us with the files that should be tested in the security assessment. This audit covered the following files listed below with an SHA-1 Hash.

File Name	SHA-1 Hash
contracts/EthanKnausToken.sol	9f2cb6086049ea2e867a3c62f1c30cce1c489939

Please note: Files with a different hash value than in this table have been modified after the security check, either intentionally or unintentionally. A different hash value may (but need not) be an indication of a changed state or potential vulnerability that was not the subject of this scan.

Imported packages.

Used code from other Frameworks/Smart Contracts.

Note for Investors: We only audited contracts mentioned in the scope above. All contracts related to the project apart from that are not a part of the audit, and we cannot comment on its security and are not responsible for it in any way.

External/Public functions

External/public functions are functions that can be called from outside of a contract, i.e., they can be accessed by other contracts or external accounts on the blockchain. These functions are specified using the function declaration's external or public visibility modifier.

State variables

State variables are variables that are stored on the blockchain as part of the contract'sstate. They are declared at the contract level and can be accessed and modified by any function within the contract. State variables can be needed within visibility modifier, such as public, private or internal, which determines the access level of the variable.

Components

📝 Contracts	📚 Libraries	🔍 Interfaces	🎨 Abstract
2	0	5	2

Exposed Functions

This section lists functions that are explicitly declared public or payable. Please note that getter methods for public stateVars are not included.

🌐 Public	💰 Payable
64	4

External	Internal	Private	Pure	View
50	60	6	5	28

StateVariables

Total	🌐 Public
15	7

Capabilities

Solidity Versions observed	🧪 Experimental Features	💰 Can Receive Funds	📃 Uses Assembly	🔮 Has Destroyable Contracts
`>=0.6.2` `>=0.5.0` `^0.8.0` `=0.8.9`	`----------`	`yes`		`----------`

Inheritance Graph

An inheritance graph is a graphical representation of the inheritance hierarchy among contracts. In object-oriented programming, inheritance is a mechanism that allows one class (or contract, in the case of Solidity) to inherit properties and methodsfrom another class. It shows the relationships between different contracts and how they are related to each other through inheritance.
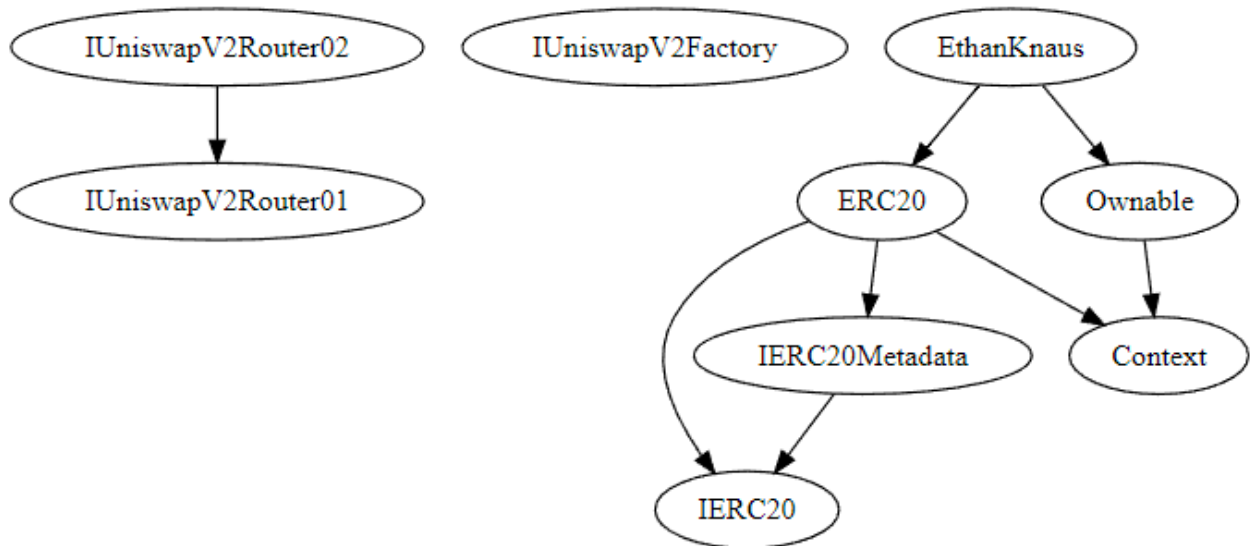
Audit Information

Vulnerability & Risk Level

Risk represents the probability that a certain source threat will exploit the vulnerability and the impact of that event on the organization or system.The risk level is computed based on CVSS version 3.0.

Level	Value	Vulnerability	Risk (Required Action)
Critical	9 - 10	A vulnerability that can disrupt the contract functioning in a number of scenarios, or creates a risk that the contract may be broken.	Immediate action to reduce risk level.
High	7 – 8.9	A vulnerability that affects the desired outcome when using a contract, or provides the opportunity to use a contract in an unintended way.	Implementation of corrective actions as soon aspossible.
Medium	4 – 6.9	A vulnerability that could affect the desired outcome of executingthe contract in a specific scenario.	Implementation of corrective actions in a certain period.
Low	2 – 3.9	A vulnerability that does not have a significant impact on possible scenarios for the use of the contract and is probably subjective.	Implementation of certain corrective actions or accepting the risk.
Informational	0 – 1.9	A vulnerability that have informational character but is not effecting any of the code.	An observation that does not determine a level of risk

Auditing Strategy and Techniques Applied

Throughout the review process, care was taken to check the repository for security-related issues, code quality, and compliance with specifications and best practices. To this end, our team of experienced pen-testers and smart contract developers reviewed the code line by line and documented any issues discovered.

We check every file manually. We use automated tools only so that they help us achieve faster and better results.

Methodology

The auditing process follows a routine series of steps:

1. Code review that includes the following:
    a. Reviewing the specifications, sources, and instructions provided to
        SolidProof to ensure we understand the size, scope, and functionality of the
        smart contract.
    b. Manual review of the code, i.e., reading the source code line by line to identify potential vulnerabilities.
    c. Comparison to the specification, i.e., verifying that the code does what is described in the specifications, sources, and instructions provided to SolidProof.

2. Testing and automated analysis that includes the following:
    a. Test coverage analysis determines whether test cases cover code and how much code is executed when those test cases are executed.
    b. Symbolic execution, which is analysing a program to determine what inputs cause each part of a program to execute.

3. Review best practices, i.e., review smart contracts to improve efficiency, effectiveness, clarity, maintainability, security, and control based on best practices, recommendations, and research from industry and academia.

4. Concrete, itemized and actionable recommendations to help you secure your smart contracts.

Overall Security
Upgradeability

Contract is not an upgradable	☑ Deployer cannot update the contract with new functionalities.
Description	The contract is not an upgradeable contract. The Deployer is not able to change or add any functionalities to the contract after deploying.
Comment	N/A

Ownership

Description	The owner has not renounced the ownership that means that the owner retains control over the contract's operations, including the ability to execute functions that may impact the contract's users or stakeholders. This can lead to several potential issues, including: • Centralizations • The owner has significant control over contract's operations.
Example	N/A
Comment	N/A

Note – *The contract cannot be considered as renounced till it is not deployed or having some functionality that can change the state of the contract.*

Ownership Privileges

These functions can be dangerous. Please note that abuse can lead to financial loss. We have a guide where you can learn more about these Functions.

Minting tokens

Minting tokens refer to the process of creating new tokens in a cryptocurrency or blockchain network. This process is typically performed by the project's owner or designated authority, who has the ability to add new tokens to the network's total supply.

Contract owner cannot mint new tokens.	✅ The owner cannot mint new tokens
Description	The owner is not able to mint new tokens once the contract is deployed.
Comment	N/A

Burning tokens

Burning tokens is the process of permanently destroying a certain number of tokens, reducing the total supply of a cryptocurrency or token. This is usually done to increase the value of the remaining tokens, as the reduced supply can create scarcity and potentially drive up demand.

Contract owner cannot burn tokens	✅ The owner cannot burn tokens
Description	The owner is not able burn tokens without any allowances.
Comment	N/A

Blacklist addresses

Blacklisting addresses in smart contracts is the process of adding a certain address to a blacklist, effectively preventing them from accessing or participating in certain functionalities or transactions within the contract. This can be useful in preventing fraudulent or malicious activities, such as hacking attempts or money laundering.

Contract owner can blacklist addresses.	❌ The owner can blacklist wallets.
Description	If the owner or developers of the smart contract abuse their power to blacklist addresses without proper justification or transparency, it can lead to a decrease in trust and credibility in the project. For example, suppose an owner or developer blacklists an address without proper explanation or communication to stakeholders. In that case, it can create speculation and uncertainty among investors, potentially causing them to sell their tokens and decreasing the token's value.
Comment	The owner can blacklist wallets for an unlimited period of time.

File/Line(s): L954-957

Codebase: EthanKnausToken.sol

```
ftrace | funcSig
function addBlacklist(address _account) external onlyOwner {
    require(!blacklist[_account]);
    blacklist[_account] = true;
}
```

Fees and Tax

In some smart contracts, the owner or creator of the contract can set fees for certain actions or operations within the contract. These fees can be used to cover the cost of running the contract, such as paying for gas fees or compensating the contract's owner for their time and effort indeveloping and maintaining the contract.

Contract owner can set fees more than 25%.	❌ The owner can set fees more than 25%.
Description	For example, a decentralized exchange (DEX) smart contract may charge a fee for each trade executed on the platform.This fee can be set by the owner of the contract and may be a percentage of the trade value or a flat fee. In other cases, the owner of the smart contract may set fees for accessing or using certain features of the contract. For instance, a subscription-based service smart contract may charge a monthly or yearly fee for access to premium features. It's important to note that the fees set by the owner of a smart contract may not be the same as the gas fees required to execute the contract on the blockchain. Gas fees are generally set by the network and vary based on factors such as network congestion and the complexity of the transaction. The fees set by the contract owner, on the other hand, are independent of gas fees and are typically charged in additionto gas fees. Overall, fees set by the owner of a smart contract can provide an additional source of revenue for the contract's owner and can help to ensure the sustainability of the contract over time.
Comment	The development tax can be set to more than 100%.

File/Line(s): L936-940

Codebase: EthanKnausToken.sol

```solidity
function updatedevelopmentTax(uint256 _developmentTax) external onlyOwner {
    developmentTax = _developmentTax;

    emit developmentTaxUpdated(_developmentTax);
}
```

Lock User Funds

In a smart contract, locking refers to the process of restricting access to certain tokens or assets for a specified period of time. When token or assets are locked in a smart contract, they cannot be transferred or used until the lock-up period has expired or certain conditions have been met.

Contract owner can lock functions.	❌ The owner can lock function.
Description	The owner is able to lock the contract by any functions or updating any variables.
Comment	The contract owner can set the max wallet limit to zero then no transfer of tokens will be possible and the transfer functionality will be locked for unlimited period.

File/Line(s): L942-946

Codebase: EthanKnausToken.sol

```
function updateMaxPerWallet(uint256 _maxPerWallet1) external onlyOwner {
    maxPerWallet = _maxPerWallet1;

    emit MaxPerWalletUpdated(_maxPerWallet1);
}
```

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Centralization Privileges

Centralization can arise when one or more parties have privileged access or control over the contract's functionality, data, or decision-making. This can occur, for example, if the contract is controlled by a single entity or if certain participants have special permissions or abilities that others do not.

In the project, there are authorities that have access to the following functions:

File	Privileges
ERC20Token.sol	➢ The owner can update the router address. ➢ The owner can update the development wallet address. ➢ The owner can set any arbitrary value as the development tax. ➢ The owner can set any arbitrary value to the max per wallet limit. ➢ The owner can set any arbitrary value as slippage. ➢ The owner can blacklist wallets from transferring tokens. ➢ The owner can whitelist wallets from fees.

Recommendations

To avoid potential hacking risks, it is advisable for the client to manage the private key of the privileged account with care. Additionally, we recommend enhancing the security practices of centralized privileges or roles in the protocol through a decentralized mechanism or smart-contract-based accounts, such as multi-signature wallets.

Here are some suggestions of what the client can do:

- Consider using multi-signature wallets: Multi-signature wallets require multiple parties to sign off on a transaction before it can be executed, providing an extra layer of security e.g. Gnosis Safe
- Use of a timelock at least with a latency of e.g. 48-72 hours for awareness of privileged operations
- Introduce a DAO/Governance/Voting module to increase transparency and user involvement
- Consider Renouncing the ownership so that the owner cannot modify any state variables of the contract anymore. Make sure to set up everything before renouncing.
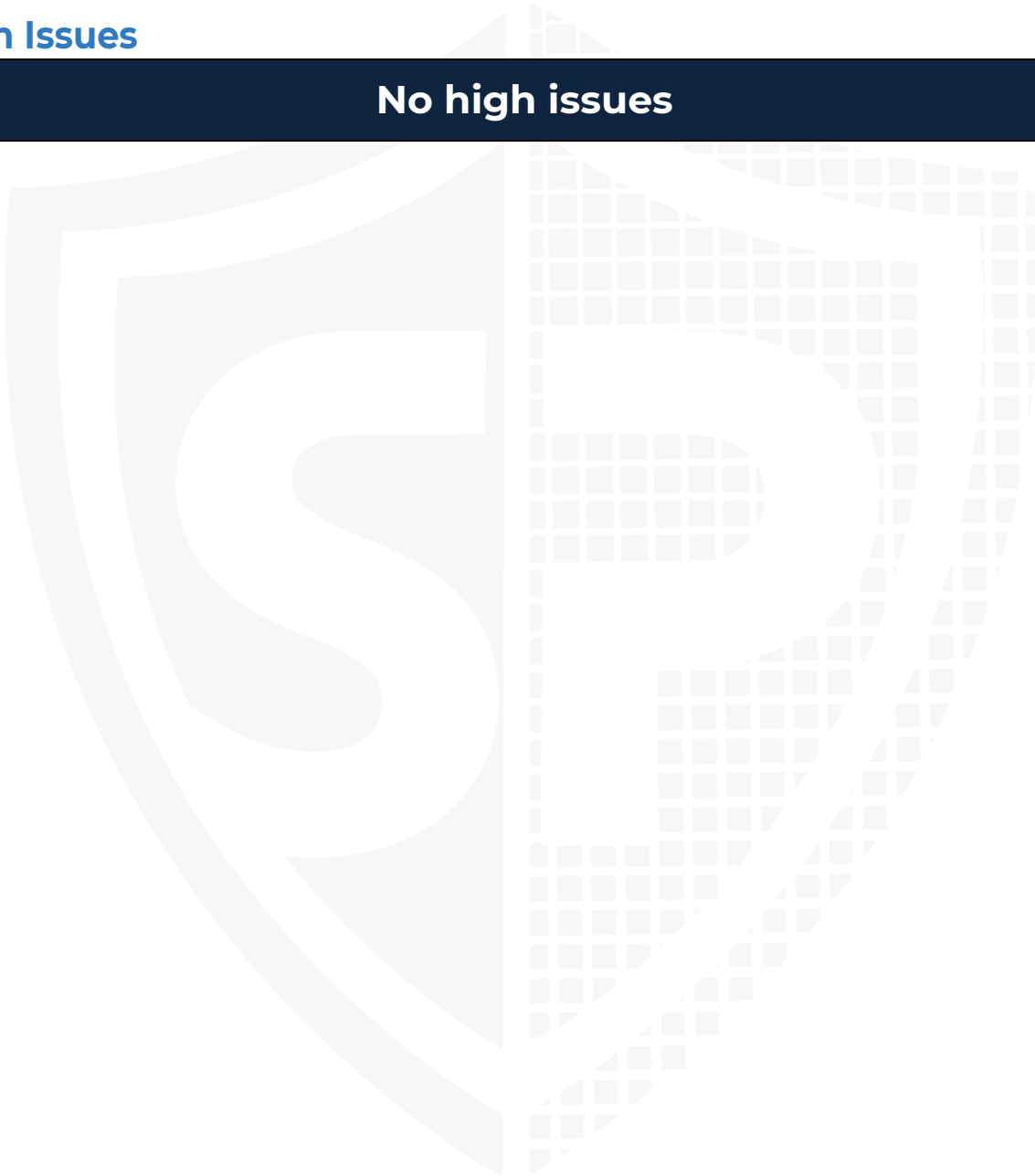
Audit Result

Critical Issues

No critical issues

High Issues

No high issues

Medium Issues

#1 | Owner can set fees to more than 100%.

File	Severity	Location	Status
EthanKnausToken.sol	Medium	L936-940	ACK

Description – It is recommended that the fees should not be more than 25%. The contract owner can set the fees by more than 25%.

Remediation – Add a 'require' check that the fees cannot be more than 25%.

#2 | Owner can blacklist wallets.

File	Severity	Location	Status
EthanKnausToken.sol	Medium	L954-957	ACK

Description – The owner can blacklist wallets from the transfer of tokens for an unlimited period which is not recommended.

Remediation – Add a blacklisting period so that the users cannot be locked for an unlimited period of time.

#3 | Owner can lock function.

File	Severity	Location	Status
EthanKnausToken.sol	Medium	L942-946	ACK

Description – The contract owner can set any arbitrary value as the max wallet amount including zero so because of this the transfer function can be locked for an unlimited period.

Remediation – Add a certain threshold value where the amount cannot be less than that value.

Low Issues

#1 | Floating pragma solidity version.

File	Severity	Location	Status
EthanKnausToken.sol	Low	L3, 101, 147, 170, 251,281, 675	ACK

Description – Adding the constant latest version of solidity is recommended, as this prevents the unintentional deployment of a contract with an outdated compiler that contains unresolved bugs.

#2 | Missing events arithmetic.

File	Severity	Location	Status
EthanKnausToken.sol	Low	L954-972	ACK

Description – Emit all critical parameter changes.

#3 | Missing zero or dead address check.

File	Severity	Location	Status
EthanKnausToken.sol	Low	L954-972	ACK

Description – Add a 'require' check that the address must not be zero or dead.

#4| Missing threshold.

File	Severity	Location	Status
EthanKnausToken.sol	Low	L936-952	ACK

Description – Add a certain threshold check that the value should not be more than that value.

#5 | Missing 'require' error statement.

File	Severity	Location	Status
EthanKnausToken.sol	Low	L955, 960, 965, 970	ACK

Description – It is recommended to always add the revert statement on every 'require' check to understand which functionality is failing.

Informational Issue

#1 | NatSpec Documentation missing.

File	Severity	Location	Status
EthanKnausToken.sol	Informational	--	ACK

Description – If you started to comment on your code, also comment on all other functions, variables, etc.

Legend for the Issue Status

Attribute or Symbol	Meaning
Open	The issue is not fixed by the project team.
Fixed	The issue is fixed by the project team.
Acknowledged(ACK)	The issue has been acknowledged or declared as part of business logic.

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