# Ethereum Vienna General Introduction



### Ethereum Project

- Decentralization of services
- Removing the role of centralized servers
- Control goes from server owner to users
  - Server can't disappear with your data
  - Server can't just randomly modify your data
  - Server can't just freeze your funds
  - Censorship-proof
  - DDOS-resistant

#### Web 3.0

- Đapps (run in a Web 3.0 client)
  - Ethereum (Blockchain)
    - Agreements
    - Relationships
  - Whisper
    - Messaging
    - Bulletins
  - Distributed Content System ("Swarm")
    - Data publication and distribution

### Possible **ĐApps**

- Escrow (m-of-n transactions)
- Namecoin (decentralized dns)
- Subscription Service
- Crowdfunding
- Subcurrencies
- Decentralized Autonomous Organizations
- Marketplace

- Maintains Accounts with balances denominated in ether/wei
  - Externally owned (account)
    - Controlled by a private key
    - Owner can send ether to other accounts
    - Similar to normal bitcoin addresses

- Internally owned (contract)
  - Controlled by code
  - Code is executed for each incoming transaction/message
  - No private key, ether can only be sent by the code
  - Has a 256 byte to 256 byte persistent storage
  - Can call other contracts
  - Code written in an ethereum-specific language:
    - **Solidity**: high-level, main language (still in development)
    - **Serpent**: python-like
    - III: low-level

#### Gas

- Used for transaction fees
- Sender "buys" necessary amount of gas at a specified gasprice (goes down as price goes up)
- Every computational step has an associated gas cost
- Remaining gas is returned to the sender
- If the sender does not provide enough gas, the state reverts and the miner keeps the ether

- Gives messages an order
- Messages are grouped together in blocks
- Blocks are chained together
- Longest chain is considered valid
- 12s Block Time
- Hybrid PoW (ASIC-resistant) / PoS (planned)
- Constant Block Reward (dis-inflationary)

#### Crowdfund

- Keeps track of crowdfunding campaigns
- Automatic payout if goal is reached
- Automatic payback if campaign fails
- 3 commands
  - create\_campaign <id> <recipient> <goal> <timelimit>
  - contribute <id>
  - progress\_report <id>
    - does not change state, only executed locally

### Crowdfund

```
data campaigns[2^80](recipient, goal, deadline, contrib_total, contrib_count,
contribs[2^50](sender, value))
def create_campaign(id, recipient, goal, timelimit):
    if self.campaigns[id].recipient:
        return(0)
    self.campaigns[id].recipient = recipient
    self.campaigns[id].goal = goal
    self.campaigns[id].deadline = block.timestamp + timelimit
def contribute(id):
   # Update contribution total
    total contributed = self.campaigns[id].contrib total + msg.value
    self.campaigns[id].contrib total = total contributed
   # Record new contribution
    sub_index = self.campaigns[id].contrib_count
    self.campaigns[id].contribs[sub index].sender = msg.sender
    self.campaigns[id].contribs[sub_index].value = msg.value
    self.campaigns[id].contrib count = sub index + 1
   # Enough funding?
   if total contributed >= self.campaigns[id].goal:
        send(self.campaigns[id].recipient, total contributed)
        self.clear(id)
        Return(1)
```

### Crowdfund

MISSING SCREENSHOT

#### Who?

- Ethereum Stiftung
  - Allocates resources
- ethereum Switzerland GmbH
  - Responsible for genesis-block-related tasks
- ĐΞV
  - Nonprofit
  - Building and promoting Ethereum 1.0

#### Ether Sale

- Development funded via crowdfunding
- 31,529 BTC (~12.5m USD)
- Over 9000 transactions
- 2<sup>nd</sup> biggest crowdfunder

#### Who?

- Vitalik Buterin
  - Invented the concept of ethereum
  - Co-Founder / Writer of Bitcoin Magazine in 2011

2014 World Technology Award (IT Software)

- Thiel Award



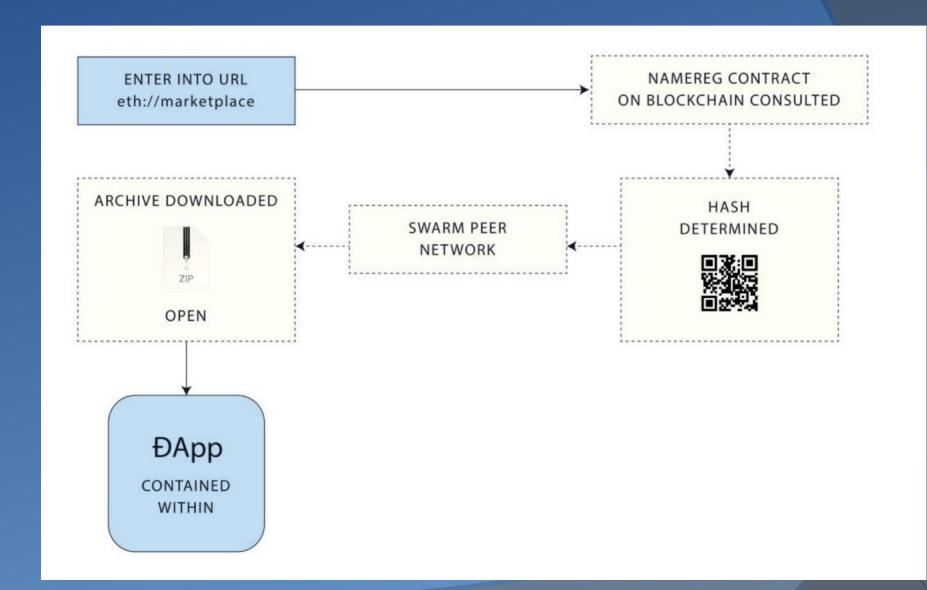
## Whisper

- Decentralized Messaging
- Messages are assigned a topic
- Private messages encrypted
- Public broadcasts
- Dark (no reliable tracing mechanism)
- Not designed for RTC

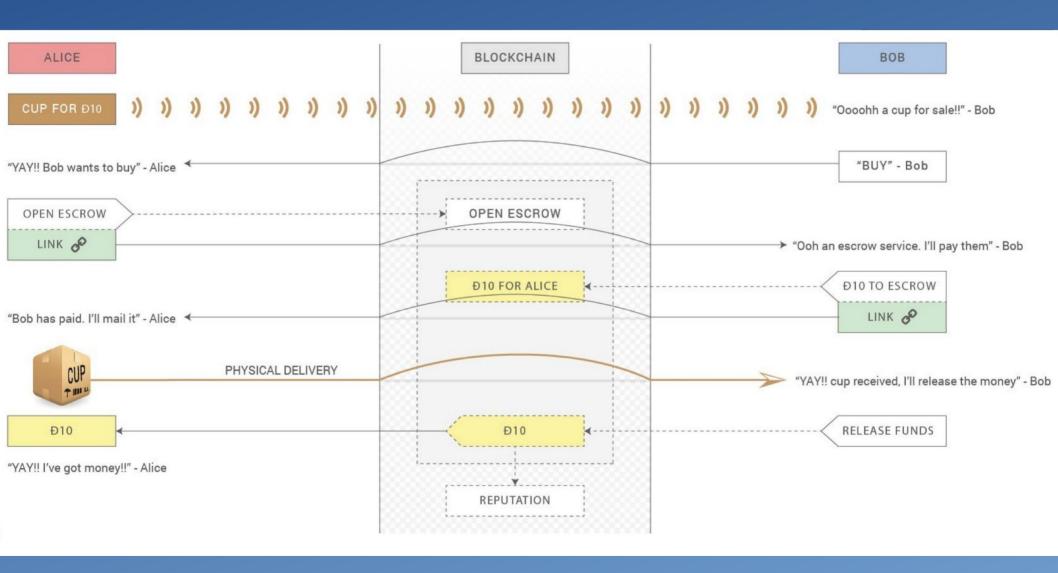
### Distributed Content System

- Not yet chosen. Needs those properties:
  - Reverse Hash Table
  - Like bittorrent with magnet links
  - Private
  - Low-latency
  - Incentivised (content can get lost if no one pays maintenance)

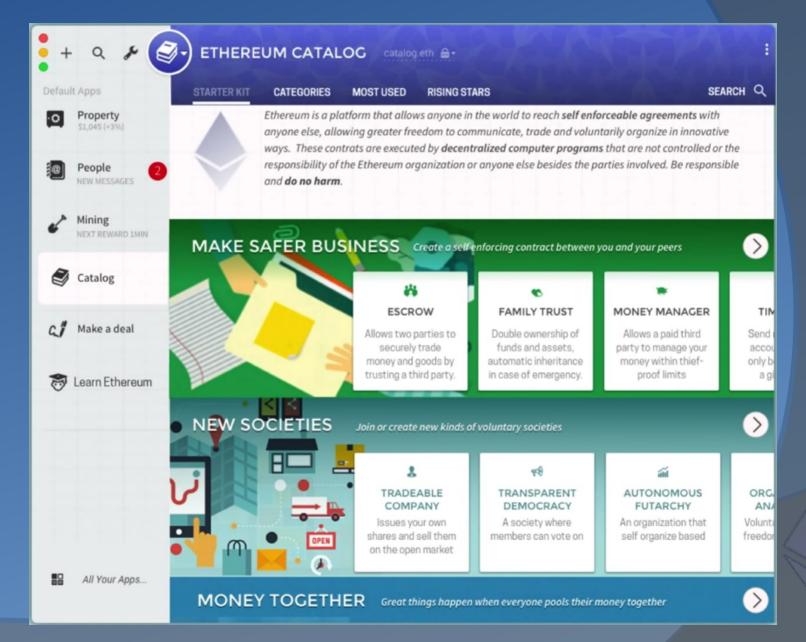
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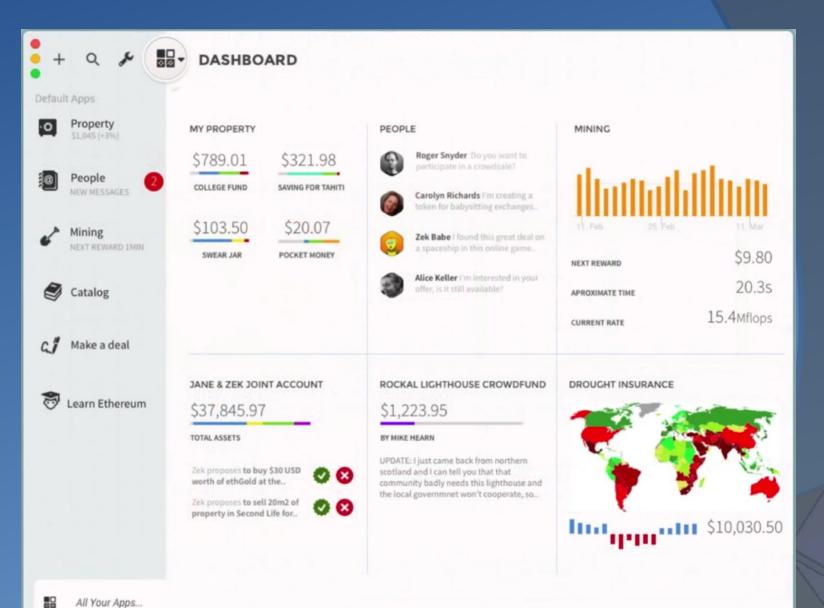
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