



# \$AQUO Token



## 1.0 Problem

1.1 Investors lock their money into investments for years. This is called **illiquidity** and their money only returns a small percentage per year.

1.2 **Illiquidity** dampens the economy and provides a barrier to entry for smaller investors who need their money for living costs so they cannot invest.



## 2.0 Current Solutions

2.1 Today, solutions are debt based and almost all money is based on

debt (over 90%). Investors will borrow against their assets (e.g. a mortgage) and that creates liquidity.

2.2 These types of liquidity are very expensive and can only be done infrequently due to costs and legal conditions.

2.3 Also the economy ends up saddled with endless debt which creates more pressure on lenders if prices drop on the assets over which the debt is secured.



## 3.0 The Aquo Solution

3.1 Blockchains are used to split the asset into saleable shares for a company owning the asset (Special Purpose Vehicle, SPV). Shares are grouped into blocks and sold as **NFTs**.

3.2 Each NFT is issued to the investor and this NFT corresponds to real world shares in the SPV. The SPVs are managed via normal off-chain methods.

3.3 NFTs can then be traded normally e.g. via private sales.

3.4 The asset owner stays the same (SPV) and only shares are traded.

3.5 Online Dispute Resolution is used if the ownership of NFTs is disputed connected to the actual shares in the SPVs. All records are digital and traceable.



## 4.0 The Aquo Token

4.1 This is an ERC20 utility token for powering the NFT creation (ERC721) and the management of the investment.

4.1 The Aquo token is not related to the actual asset ownership but only fees for managing the asset via smart contracts. It is not a security token.

4.2 The Aquo token can be paid to investors for using services to create liquidity to promote Aquo based services.

4.3 The Aquo token will finance new innovative frameworks for tokenization.

## 5.0 Creating Liquidity

5.1 Liquidity needs volume. Assets are grouped by an asset rating. This is used to bind assets into a portfolio which is then split into shares.

5.2 Investors agree at the time of investment to the asset rating.

## 6.0 The Benefits

6.1 Investors buy shares but they can trade the NFTs and hence create liquidity.

6.2 Investors can also use the shares to put into investment pools for derivatives.

## 7.0 Derivatives

7.1 Derivatives are worth a quadrillion dollars, they are financial contracts linked to asset values.

7.2 New markets will be created for derivatives based on the NFTs and hence new investors can trade derivatives. This creates vast liquidity and new market level incomes.

## 8.0 Economic Growth

8.1 Blockchains will release growth with endless opportunities -

- a) tenants can start to buy their own homes with shares in small stages,

- b) options on assets to allow more growth opportunities (contracts),
- c) investors can free money for more trade,
- d) smaller investors can invest,
- e) new types of assets can be “tokenized” e.g. works of art,
- f) new markets with derivatives to fuel growth.

8.2 Scaling is possible because the underlying model allows people to create their own asset offerings and then the Aquo token is used in the framework to enable tokenization.