

Protocol Berg

The decentralized protocol and infrastructure conference.

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A Department of Decentralization [1] Event.

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Abstract

There are various conferences addressing end-user applications and consumer-grade products [2][3][4]. However, not many of them manage to create a stage for protocol research, decentralized infrastructure, or core-developer experience. Protocol Berg is a novel summit to address this shortcoming by creating a one-day event with two parallel stages and several opportunities for technical workshops and protocol community gatherings. Attendance is free of charge and the event will not be influenced by sponsors or commercial vendors.

1 Conference

Protocol Berg will be a one-day technical conference targeting an audience of protocol engineers, system engineers, network engineers, blockchain operation engineers, decentralized infrastructure administrators, as well as researchers and other curious minds.

Topics covered by the event orbit mainly around consensus protocols, distributed virtual machines, peer-to-peer networking, decentralized infrastructure, open-source governance, and protocol research.

The venue will be equipped with two stages, one for keynotes, visionary talks, and events, and one for hands-down technical talks. In addition, there will be workshop areas for deep technical study and knowledge-sharing classes.

We expect 500-600 attendees and tickets will be free as in *free lemonade*. There will be no sponsors and no swag, or any other distractions whatsoever.

2 Call for Participation

To submit a technical talk or workshop proposal, use our Pretalx interface:

<https://speak.protocol.berlin>



(a) **Satoshi Nakamoto**, Bit-
coin, A Peer-to-Peer, Elec-
tronic Cash System.



(b) **Molly Mackinlay**, IPFS, A Content-Addressed, Peer-to-Peer File Sys-tem.



(c) **Vitalik Buterin**, Ethereum, A Next-Generation Smart Contract, Decentralized Application Platform.



(d) **Megan Klimen**, Filecoin, A Decentralized Storage Net-work.



(e) **Gavin Wood**, Polkadot, A Heterogeneous Multi-Chain Ethereum, A Next-Generation Framework.



(f) **Hsiao-Wei Wang**, Ethereum, A Next-Generation Smart Contract, Decentralized Application Platform.

Figure 1: Speakers of Protocol Berg, 2023.

To join our collective as contributor or volunteer, please email us:

hello@ethberlin.org

3 Venue

The *Heeresbäckerei* (magazine in the army bakery) [5] in Berlin-Kreuzberg is an impressive industrial monument located directly at the Spree. The magazine in the west wing was used as a warehouse since 1890, lorries with flour and grain traveled on rails between the magazine and the bakery. The brick building has retained its substance over the years. Cast iron columns carry a five-meter-high ceiling, the parquet is made of old beech, deep arched windows open the room to the light.

The result is a magnificent hall with a good deal of charm – perhaps the most beautiful in Berlin-Kreuzberg [6]. **Address:** **Köpenicker Straße 16-17, 10997 Berlin-Kreuzberg**.

4 About the Host

The *Department of Decentralization* [1] is a collective of people from various crypto, decentralization, and blockchain communities in and around Berlin. The group first assembled in 2018 to organize events such as ETHBerlin [7] or GoerliCon [8] and has been active since.

The aim is to be an agnostic vehicle to drive adoption, educate newcomers, and raise awareness on the challenges and benefits of decentralization and open source software. Currently, the Department is primarily run from Berlin. The collective is composed of around a dozen members and takes decisions using rough consensus.

5 Impressum

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