



Dusk Smart Contract Audit

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Scope and Code Revision Date

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| Link | https://github.com/dusk-network/prestaking-contract.git |
| Date | 08.09.2020 |

Introduction

This report presents the findings of the security assessment of Dusk's smart contract and its code review conducted between September 2 2020 – September 8 2020.

Scope

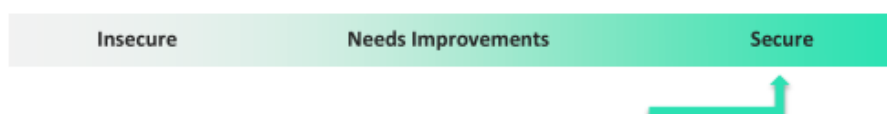
The scope of the project is DUSK smart contract, which can be found here:
<https://github.com/dusk-network/prestaking-contract.git>

We have scanned this smart contract for commonly known and more specific vulnerabilities. Here are some of the widely known vulnerabilities that considered (the full list includes them but is not limited to them):

- Reentrancy
- Timestamp Dependence
- Gas Limit and Loops
- DoS with (Unexpected) Throw
- DoS with Block Gas Limit
- Transaction-Ordering Dependence
- Style guide violation
- Transfer forwards all gas
- ERC20 API violation
- Compiler version not fixed
- Unchecked external call – Unchecked math
- Unsafe type inference
- Implicit visibility level

Executive Summary

According to the assessment, Dusk smart contracts are secure. Overall code quality is good.



Our team performed an analysis of code functionality, manual audit and automated checks with Slither and remixed IDE (see Appendix A pic 1-2). All issues found during automated investigation manually reviewed and application vulnerabilities presented in the Audit overview section. A general overview presented in the AS-IS section and all encountered matters can found in the Audit overview section.

Severity Definitions

| Risk Level | Description |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Critical | Critical vulnerabilities are usually straightforward to exploit and can lead to tokens loss. |
| High | High-level vulnerabilities are difficult to exploit. However, they also have a significant impact on smart contract execution, e.g. public access to crucial functions. |
| Medium | Medium-level vulnerabilities are essential to fix; however, they can't lead to tokens loss. |
| Low | Low-level vulnerabilities are mostly related to outdated or unused code snippets. |
| Lowest / Code Style / Best Practice | Lowest-level vulnerabilities, code style violations and info statements can't affect smart contract execution and can generally be ignored. |

AS-IS overview

Prestaking contract consists of the next smart contracts:

1. **SafeMath**, **IERC20**, **SafeERC20**, **Ownable**, contracts – standard OpenZeppelin smart contracts for tokens known as etoken2.
2. **Prestaking** contract – implementation of OpenZeppelin **Ownable**, **SafeERC20**, **SafeMath** smart contract

Contracts from point 1 were compared to original OpenZeppelin templates and we did not find logic differences. They are considered secure.

PrestakingProvisioner contract functional implementation:

1. **Prestaking** contract inherits **Ownable**
2. **deactivate**, **returnStake**, **withdrawStake**, **withdrawReward**, **startWithdrawReward**, **startWithdrawStake**, **stake**, **startWithdrawStakeAfterDeactivation**

PrestakingProvisioner contract init function was called with following parameters:

- token – DUSK token address

latestVersion was set at the moment of review.

Note: Contract tests in production are out-of-scope of the current security review.

Audit overview

Critical

No critical vulnerabilities found.

High

No high vulnerabilities found.

Medium

No medium severity vulnerabilities found.

Low

No low vulnerabilities found

Lowest / Code style / Best Practice

1. The contract is targeting Solidity compiler version 0.6.12.

We recommend to use a more recent version of the compiler. The latest version is 0.7.1

Conclusion

Smart contracts within the scope were manually reviewed and analyzed with static analysis tools. For the contract, high-level description of functionality presented in As-is overview section of the report.

The audit report contains all found security vulnerabilities and other issues in the reviewed code.

Security engineers found one best practice that can be applied. No other vulnerabilities were found.

Disclaimer

The smart contracts given for audit have analyzed following the best industry practices at the date of this report, concerning: cybersecurity vulnerabilities and issues in smart contract source code, the details of which disclosed in this report, (Source Code); the Source Code compilation, deployment and functionality (performing the intended functions).

The audit doesn't make warranties on the security of the code. It also cannot be considered as a sufficient assessment regarding the utility and safety of the system, bug free status or any other statements of the contract. While we have done our best in conducting the analysis and producing this report, it is essential to note that you should not rely on this report only. We recommend proceeding with several independent audits and a public bug bounty program to ensure the security of smart contracts.

Technical Disclaimer

Smart contracts are deployed and executed on a blockchain platform. The platform, its programming language, and other software related to the smart contract can have its vulnerabilities that can lead to hacks. Thus, the audit can't guarantee specific security of the audited smart contracts.

Pic 1. Slither automated report:

Pic 2. RemixIDE automated report:

Static Analysis raised 36 warning(s) that requires your attention. ✕
Click here to show the warning(s).

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|-----------------------|---|
| Address | ✕ |
| Context | ✕ |
| IERC20 | ✕ |
| Ownable | ✕ |
| PrestakingProvisioner | ✕ |
| SafeERC20 | ✕ |
| SafeMath | ✕ |

Potential Violation of Checks-Effects-Interaction pattern in SafeERC20.safeApprove(): Could potentially lead to re-entrancy vulnerability. Note: Modifiers are currently not considered by this static analysis. ✖

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Potential Violation of Checks-Effects-Interaction pattern in SafeERC20.safeIncreaseAllowance(contract IERC20,address,uint256): Could potentially lead to re-entrancy vulnerability. Note: Modifiers are currently not considered by this static analysis. ✖

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Potential Violation of Checks-Effects-Interaction pattern in SafeERC20.safeDecreaseAllowance(contract IERC20,address,uint256): Could potentially lead to re-entrancy vulnerability. Note: Modifiers are currently not considered by this static analysis. ✖

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browser/PrestakingProvisioner.sol:33:9:CAUTION: The Contract uses inline assembly, this is only advised in rare cases. Additionally static analysis modules do not parse inline Assembly, this can lead to wrong analysis results. ✖

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browser/PrestakingProvisioner.sol:132:17:CAUTION: The Contract uses inline assembly, this is only advised in rare cases. Additionally static analysis modules do not parse inline Assembly, this can lead to wrong analysis results. ✖

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browser/PrestakingProvisioner.sol:558:42:use of "block.timestamp": "block.timestamp" can be influenced by miners to a certain degree. That means that a miner can "choose" the block.timestamp, to a certain degree, to change the outcome of a transaction in the mined block. ✖

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browser/PrestakingProvisioner.sol:591:28:use of "block.timestamp": "block.timestamp" can be influenced by miners to a certain degree. That means that a miner can "choose" the block.timestamp, to a certain degree, to change the outcome of a transaction in the mined block. ✖

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browser/PrestakingProvisioner.sol:605:31:use of "block.timestamp": "block.timestamp" can be influenced by miners to a certain degree. That means that a miner can "choose" the block.timestamp, to a certain degree, to change the outcome of a transaction in the mined block. ✖

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browser/PrestakingProvisioner.sol:632:31:use of "block.timestamp": "block.timestamp" can be influenced by miners to a certain degree. That means that a miner can "choose" the block.timestamp, to a certain degree, to change the outcome of a transaction in the mined block. ✖

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browser/PrestakingProvisioner.sol:648:31:use of "block.timestamp": "block.timestamp" can be influenced by miners to a certain degree. That means that a miner can "choose" the block.timestamp, to a certain degree, to change the outcome of a transaction in the mined block. ✖

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browser/PrestakingProvisioner.sol:666:13:use of "block.timestamp": "block.timestamp" can be influenced by miners to a certain degree. That means that a miner can "choose" the block.timestamp, to a certain degree, to change the outcome of a transaction in the mined block. ✖

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browser/PrestakingProvisioner.sol:679:31:use of "block.timestamp": "block.timestamp" can be influenced by miners to a certain degree. That means that a miner can "choose" the block.timestamp, to a certain degree, to change the outcome of a transaction in the mined block. ✖

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browser/PrestakingProvisioner.sol:700:31:use of "block.timestamp": "block.timestamp" can be influenced by miners to a certain degree. That means that a miner can "choose" the block.timestamp, to a certain degree, to change the outcome of a transaction in the mined block. ✖

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browser/PrestakingProvisioner.sol:719:13:use of "block.timestamp": "block.timestamp" can be influenced by miners to a certain degree. That means that a miner can "choose" the block.timestamp, to a certain degree, to change the outcome of a transaction in the mined block. ✖

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browser/PrestakingProvisioner.sol:57:28:use of "call": the use of low level "call" should be avoided whenever possible. It can lead to unexpected behavior if return value is not handled properly. Please use Direct Calls via specifying the called contract's interface. ✖

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Gas requirement of function PrestakingProvisioner.returnStake(address) high: infinite. If the gas requirement of a function is higher than the block gas limit, it cannot be executed. Please avoid loops in your functions or actions that modify large areas of storage (this includes clearing or copying arrays in storage) ✖

Gas requirement of function PrestakingProvisioner.stake(uint256) high: infinite. If the gas requirement of a function is higher than the block gas limit, it cannot be executed. Please avoid loops in your functions or actions that modify large areas of storage (this includes clearing or copying arrays in storage) ✖

Gas requirement of function PrestakingProvisioner.startWithdrawReward() high: infinite. If the gas requirement of a function is higher than the block gas limit, it cannot be executed. Please avoid loops in your functions or actions that modify large areas of storage (this includes clearing or copying arrays in storage) ✖

Gas requirement of function PrestakingProvisioner.startWithdrawStake() high: infinite. If the gas requirement of a function is higher than the block gas limit, it cannot be executed. Please avoid loops in your functions or actions that modify large areas of storage (this includes clearing or copying arrays in storage) ✖

Gas requirement of function PrestakingProvisioner.startWithdrawStakeAfterDeactivation() high: infinite. If the gas requirement of a function is higher than the block gas limit, it cannot be executed. Please avoid loops in your functions or actions that modify large areas of storage (this includes clearing or copying arrays in storage) ✖

Gas requirement of function PrestakingProvisioner.transferOwnership(address) high: infinite. If the gas requirement of a function is higher than the block gas limit, it cannot be executed. Please avoid loops in your functions or actions that modify large areas of storage (this includes clearing or copying arrays in storage) ✖

Gas requirement of function PrestakingProvisioner.withdrawReward() high: infinite. If the gas requirement of a function is higher than the block gas limit, it cannot be executed. Please avoid loops in your functions or actions that modify large areas of storage (this includes clearing or copying arrays in storage) ✖

Gas requirement of function PrestakingProvisioner.withdrawStake() high: infinite. If the gas requirement of a function is higher than the block gas limit, it cannot be executed. Please avoid loops in your functions or actions that modify large areas of storage (this includes clearing or copying arrays in storage) ✖

Address.isContract() : Is constant but potentially should not be. Note: Modifiers are currently not considered by this static analysis. [more](#) ✖

SafeERC20._callOptionalReturn() : Potentially should be constant but is not. Note: Modifiers are currently not considered by this static analysis. [more](#) ✖

PrestakingProvisioner.withdrawReward() : Potentially should be constant but is not. Note: Modifiers are currently not considered by this static analysis. [more](#) ✖

PrestakingProvisioner.distributeRewards() : Potentially should be constant but is not. Note: Modifiers are currently not considered by this static analysis. [more](#) ✖

Address.sendValue(): Defines a return type but never explicitly returns a value. ✖

SafeERC20.safeApprove(): Defines a return type but never explicitly returns a value. ✖

SafeERC20._callOptionalReturn(): Defines a return type but never explicitly returns a value. ✖

Ownable.transferOwnership(): Defines a return type but never explicitly returns a value. ✖

PrestakingProvisioner.returnStake(): Defines a return type but never explicitly returns a value. ✖

PrestakingProvisioner.stake(): Defines a return type but never explicitly returns a value. ✖

PrestakingProvisioner.removeUser(): Defines a return type but never explicitly returns a value.  ✖

Use assert(x) if you never ever want x to be false, not in any circumstance (apart from a bug in your code). Use require(x) if x can be false, due to e.g. invalid input or a failing external component. [more](#) ✖

browser/PrestakingProvisioner.sol:748:9:Using delete on an array leaves a gap. The length of the array remains the same. If you want to remove the empty position you need to shift items manually and update the length property. [more](#) ✖