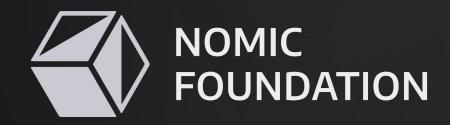


Hardhat & Nomic Foundation

The creation of an Ethereum non-profit

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Empowering developers to decentralize the world



♦ Hardhat

2018 — audits & exploring



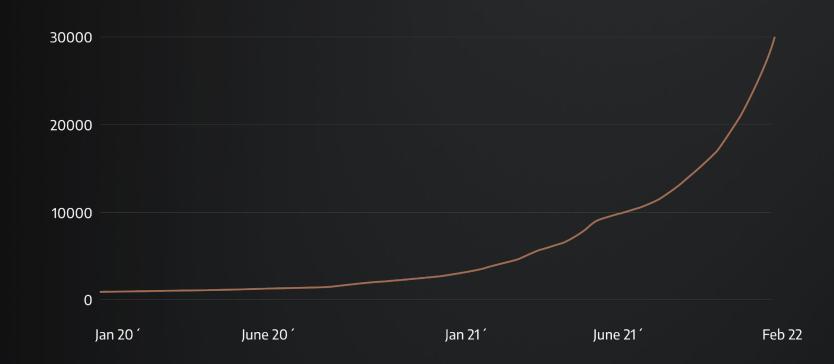


2019 — focus

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2020 — Delegated Domain Allocators

2020 — Hardhat takes off



2020 — key learnings

- 1. Building sophisticated Ethereum tooling is very challenging
- 2. The next 10x improvement in devex won't come from any single tool
- 3. Ethereum needs a bigger and better tooling ecosystem

2020 — new plan

Build one layer below Hardhat: core infrastructure to empower the ecosystem to build tools faster, cheaper, and better.

2021 — Hardhat: a business, or not?

2021 — become a non-profit. Why?

- Love working for Ethereum
- Developer experience is core to Ethereum, and hard.
 - Ethereum's value prop is a dev platform.
 - Innovation & growth are directly affected by dev productivity.
 - Inject productivity into every team ⇒ powerful compounding effect
- Potential for social impact

Raised \$22m in donations 🙏





Vitalik Buterin





coinbase











And others

Roadmap

Long-term — new infrastructure to catalyze organic growth

Slang: a new Solidity compiler designed for tooling

Many tools rely on and integrate deeply with the compiler We can make it easier

Rethnet: a reusable debugging runtime for tooling

Building a runtime that provides dev insights is a lot of hard work We can save you the trouble

Immediate-term — Hardhat

Hardhat Runner — CLI task runner

Hardhat Network — Development node

Hardhat VSCode — Advanced Solidity editing

Hardhat Ignition — Deployments (pre-launch)

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