# **Introduction to Epos**

Epos is a functional, statically typed programming language that compiles to LLVM IR.

## **Key Features**

- Functional Programming: Functions are first-class values, immutable by default
- Static Typing: Type-safe with generics and type inference
- Compiled: Compiles to efficient native code via LLVM

### Hello World

Your first Epos program:

```
fn hello()
    print("Hello World!")
end
hello()
```

#### **Comments**

Epos supports single-line and nestable multi-line comments:

```
# This is a single-line comment
(#
   This is a multi-line comment
   (#
      And they can be nested!
   #)
#)
```

# **Basic Syntax Rules**

- Naming: Currently, case agnostic. You can use camel case, snake case, kabab case, etc.
- Visibility: Everything is private by default, use "\*" after a name to make public
- Immutability: Variables are immutable
- Uniform Funciton Call Syntax: Functions can be called with like this a.some-func(b) and like this some-func(a, b)
- Balanced Multi-line String Literals: Strings can be multiline with [[ and ]]

## **Getting Started**

To create, compile and run an Epos program:

```
nix github:epos-lang/epos -- init hello-world
cd hello-world
epos -r hello-world/main.epos
```

Next, learn about variables and types in Epos.