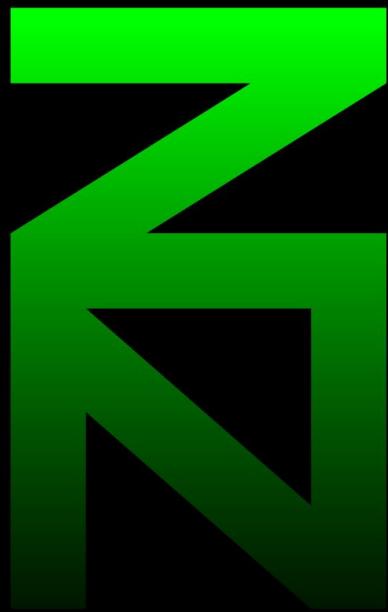


Hello, this is Zenon.



# Z

## An Investor's Thesis

Bitcoin has its issues, such as security flaws with the lightning network and centralisation concerns with its mining. Another issue?

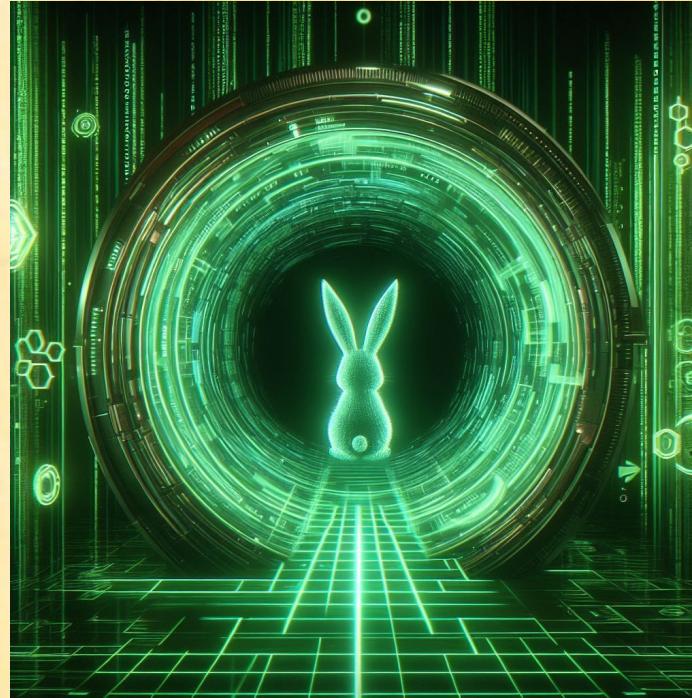
**Bitcoin needs a way to be smart.**

Is the solution a sidechain with smart contracts? Unlike Ethereum, it would need:

- 1) Interoperability with native BTC
- 2) True Decentralisation
- 3) Extreme Scalability

Given the stakes and intensity of the resistance to fiat, **it's likely Satoshi's Ethereum is already out there** being built. The earlier, the better your entry.

Is it Zenon? Or is it another project? And who would have founded such a project? Questions only you can answer. To help, here is the story of Zenon story so far. Near the end are the roadmap milestones and links to learn more.



**ENTER THE RABBIT HOLE ...**

# I Bitcoin Forum Post

25th of May, 2018

The mysterious 'Professor Z' announces Zenon to the world.

He/she/they did not do this in a backroom deal packed with VCs and VIPs – they did so via a post to the Bitcoin Forum. A cyber public square bustling with libertarians. They were selecting for like-minded people?

Professor Z shared a link to Zenon's website, which contained some intriguing information. Already, savvy degens could tell that something was brewing ...



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**ProfessorZ (OP)**

Copper Member  
Jr. Member  




May 25, 2018, 11:54:32 PM

Activity: 84  
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This topic has been moved [here](#).

## || xStakes

21st of March, 2019



**FANCY SWAPPING YOUR DIGITAL  
GOLD FOR SOME MAGICAL BEANS?**

### **The sale was not a sale.**

Investors sent multiples of 1 BTC to an address in exchange for 5000 ZNN which was algorithmically minted. As long as they ran their ZNN node over snapshots, the BTC was refunded in full. So who was funding the founding devs if their launch was not a sale, but a public bond?

### **The premine was not a premine.**

There was a 1.5% premine, but this was purely for bootstrapping the network. The 1.5% was subsequently redistributed fully to the community as node rewards.

### **The launch was egalitarian.**

VCs were not invited. There was no pre-sale or pre-bond. No allocations for insiders. Just people; people who stood on even ground.

III

## Crypto Publius

1st of November, 2019

A Zenonized anon poet was born. His messages and lyricism have captivated ZNNAliens across generations.

Also apparent is his high-minded appreciation of steganography. If you ask around, you may hear some fun conspiracies and wild speculation as to the funding source for Zenon's founding devs, but we'll leave it to you to play detective ...

... just don't get carried away and end up in Tanzania looking for a pillar of blue light.



**CryptoPublius** @crypto\_publius · Jul 26, 2021

One cannot help but wonder,  
What's behind all the mystery,  
Many years now in the making,  
The riddles and puzzles we see

What if, my loyal brethren,  
Beneath the smoke and our collective desire,  
There lurks the ultimate hidden giant,  
For where smoke, there's often fire

\$ZNN



IV

## The Zenon Enigma

8th of December, 2019

If a tree falls in the forest, but no one hears it,  
did it ever really fall?

**To that end, we had the first Zenon  
awareness initiative.**

'The Zenon Enigma' was the winning entry,  
written by Shai. It was a first-hand account of  
Zenon's launch, describing in detail the  
genesis of the placeholder network.

It also gave insight into what early community  
members had for their investor's thesis. On  
display are critical thinking skills, deductive  
reasoning and a keen intuition.

# V

## Draft Whitepaper

31st of March, 2020

Zenon's founding devs published a draft whitepaper for a novel layer-1 network. Zenon was using a fork of PIVX (a privacy coin) as its placeholder network. **Later the legacy ZNN would be swapped for real ZNN at a 1:1 ratio.**

Zenon was to combine two ledgers into a system called the Network of Momentum (NoM). Overall it is a meta-DAG, and is comprised of a block-lattice for storing settled transactions and a meta ledger for the consensus.

The novel consensus would leverage 2 nodes; in Zenon nomenclature Pillars and Sentinels. Pillars are the validators of the network. It uses a leaderless BFT algorithm, and the network would be a hybrid of PoW + PoS

## Network of Momentum - leaderless BFT dual ledger architecture

DRAFT v0.1, 31 March 2020

The Zenon Team  
portal@zenon.network

*Abstract*—This paper introduces a new, fast and scalable decentralized ledger system called Network of Momentum that achieves high throughput transactions and enables a new form of distributed applications. The paper begins with a short history about distributed systems together

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We want to thank Professor Z for his support and for the continuous research and development program.

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## VI **qStakes**

3rd of August, 2020

ZNN was distributed via xStakes; **QSR was distributed via qStakes.**

4 snapshots were taken over 2 months to assess reliability running a node:

- 5k ZNN nodes were airdropped 50k QSR
- 15k ZNN nodes were airdropped 150k QSR

Its distro tied to holding ZNN, Quasar's decentralisation thus mirrored that of Zenon's. Not perfectly, as it screened for people running infrastructure well. But this was offset by investors having more time to accumulate for a ZNN node, under a stronger investor's thesis too.

Again: No VCs, no pre-mine, no pre-sale, no insider-allocations and no sale.

## VII BTC Refund

19th of October, 2020

xStakes participants were finally refunded 100% of their initial Bitcoin offering. The only conditions required to be met were that ZNN nodes were run reliably, as verified by multiple snapshots over time.

**Aside from re-classifying the distro from a public sale to a public bond, this also strengthened the investor's thesis.**

Scammers could have kept the BTC or even extended their initial parameters to raise more BTC during genesis.

Furthermore, who would return BTC to investors? People who already had plenty? Already, some were speculating that Zenon was backed by OG Bitcoiners ...



## VIII

"Coincidences are  
God's way of  
staying anonymous."

- Albert Einstein





## IX

# An Ape's Guide To The Galaxy

21st of February, 2021

What lies beyond the known world? Do weird creatures frolic in bizarre habitats? Is there beautiful phenomena worth travelling across the stars for? Or do untold horrors lurk?

So many questions, so few answers. But on this day, the veil was parted briefly. From somewhere in deep space, a message was broadcasted to Humans ...

**An Ape's Guide To The Galaxy, written by Shazz.**

It was a comprehensive overview of Zenon. Offering a deep-dive encompassing everything from the launch, the team, the tech and more. It played an instrumental role in onboarding new community members.

X

## Public Incentivised Testnet

14th of June, 2021

The public testnet was also considered to be the second public awareness initiative.

ZNNAliens were incentivised with 'PP' to test the network, learn more about it and engage with Zenon-related content on Twitter.

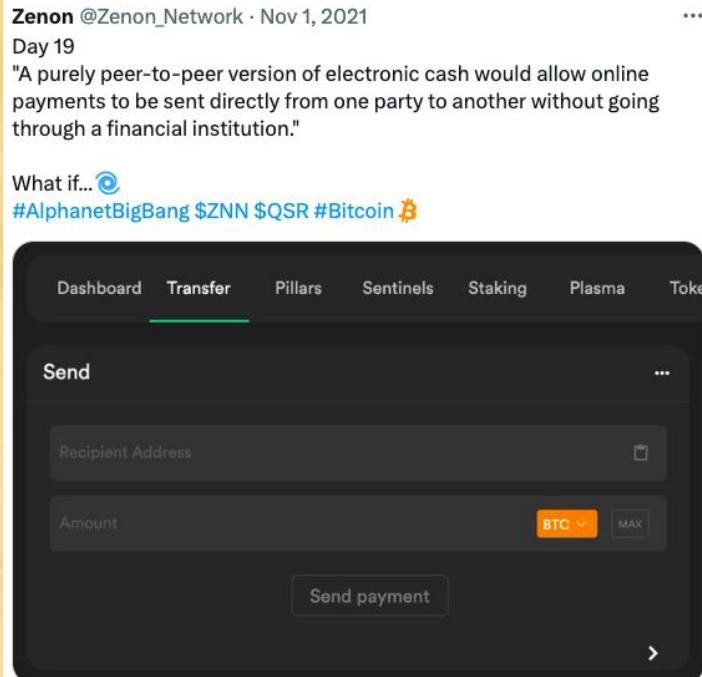
ZNNAliens fought tooth and nail for PP points because they would be converted to QSR when the NoM went live. *It's time to cross swords – let the battle of the peepes commence!*



# XI

## A Promise Made

1st of November, 2021



Screenshot from a private testnet? Or just a pic edited in microsoft paint? That depends on if you ask Zashu The Followed or Chadass Chief FUD Officer.

This bomb was dropped in the midst of an insane, fomo-frothing countdown. The NoM was going live, and people were going nutz.

It seems Zenon's founding devs had plans for future interoperability with Bitcoin, but to what end? Maybe the next chapter expands on this ...

XII

# Taproot Block 709632

14th of November, 2021

Taproot upgraded on Bitcoin's mainnet, making BTC more programmable. By compressing information (MAST), reducing data size (Schnorr) and segregating script data – there is a de facto increase in the character limit of scripts in the sense that Tapscripts can now be embedded with more complex logic.

The post by one of Taproot's architects Pieter Wuille remains one of Zenon's only likes. It alludes to protocols which leverage Taproot being where the real excitement is ...

**Speaking of which, something else special happened that day.** Mr Kaine asked for a BTC donation without saying why. Turns out, he signed the Taproot activation block 709632 with ASCII art to display Zenon's logo. A nice surprise, and a huge statement of intent.

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# DID YOU KNOW? FOUR OF THE OP RETURNS ARE UNLIKE THE OTHERS. ARE THEY CLUES FOR THE 2021 TREASURE HUNT?



## XIII

# The Big Bang

24th of November, 2021

The privileged, the blessed, the chosen were there. Gathered around their devices, they waited as one with terrible anticipation. It was the moment of truth. Would they make history? Or have a rug of galactic proportions pulled out from under them?

The last 3 years were the de facto presale. Investors bought legacy ZNN, just a fork of PIVX, knowing that placeholder would be swapped 1:1 with the real ZNN once the NoM was live. The Public Incentivised Testnet ended on the 19th of November; a special date. And then, a few days later ...

With an almighty cosmic gong, the genesis pillars produced their first momentum.

**The Network of Momentum was live.**

## XIV Buying ZNN

12th of February, 2022

### 2-way BSC Bridge

The BSC bridge was finally updated to be 2-way. Users can buy wZNN and bridge it to native ZNN and vice versa.

### CEXs

There were small CEXs available in the past such as Mercatox, Bilaxy and Stex; but after the transition from legacy to native ZNN, none continued their support. Efforts were made for a new listing, but CEXs are notoriously perilous and require a high trading volume to list for free.

### Over-The-Counter

OTC trades via a trusted escrow were frequently performed, especially for QSR.

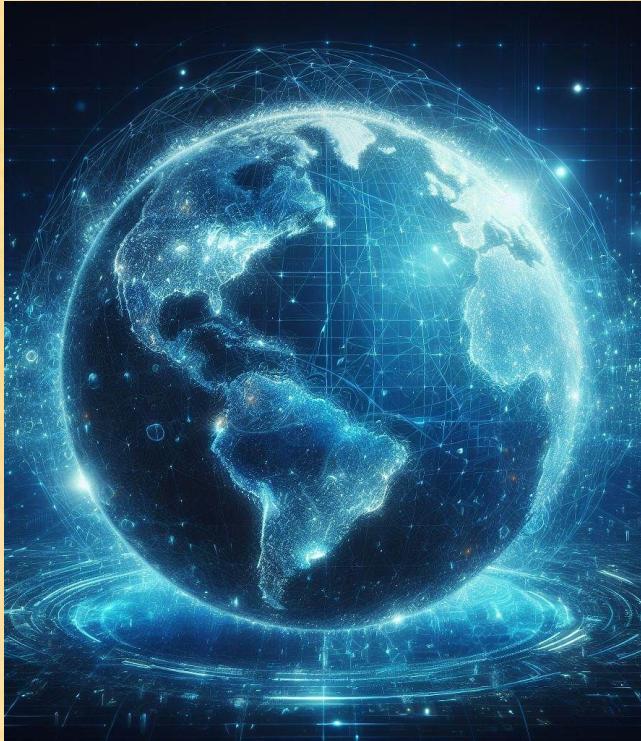


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**DID YOU KNOW?**  
**HOLDERS OF A MEME ZTS NOW  
EARN YIELD VIA THE RAFFLE BOT.**

XV

The probability of successive independent events is found by multiplying them together.



## XVI **Accelerator Z**

22nd of April, 2022

### **Accelerator-Z**

The SYRIUS wallet was upgraded to include Accelerator-Z. AZ is the onchain funding mechanism linked to the DAO's treasury. Overnight, SYRIUS became a decentralised corporate boardroom for pitching ideas to get funded. It enables worldwide participation that bypasses antiquated barriers to contribute such as age, appearance, uni degree, country or disability.

### **Embedded Node**

By this point, SYRIUS also had an embedded full node integrated into the wallet as an alternative to connecting to a public node. This allowed for privacy, uptime and decentralisation. Your node, your rules.

## XVII Dual Explorers

16th of June, 2022

### Zenon Tools

ZNNAliens were in need of an explorer for the network. They needed to see their accounts, calculate rewards, due diligence Pillars and track AZ proposals. Vilkris updated Zenon Tools to display information about AZ projects; a crucial milestone for governance to be functional and inclusive.

### Zenon Hub

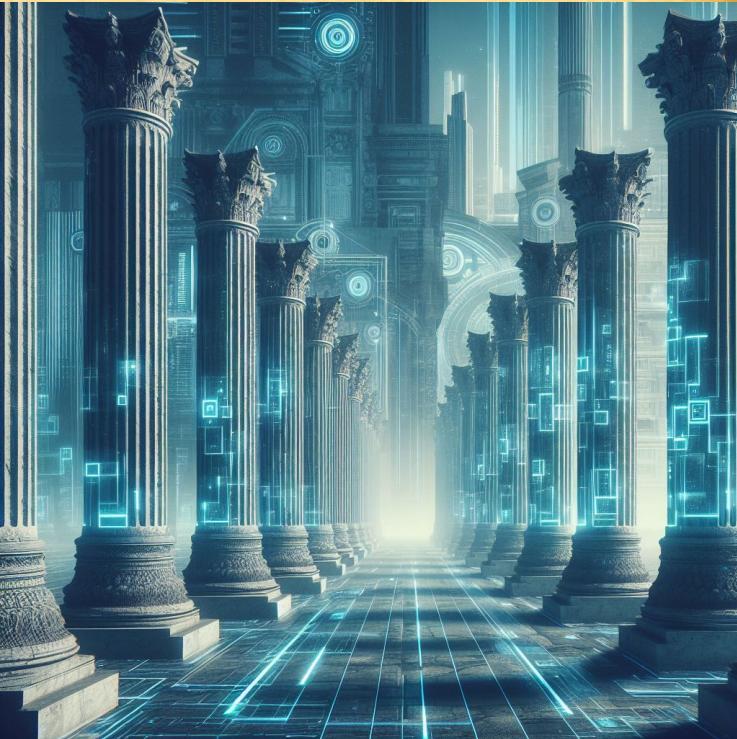
Later in the year, Digital Sloth announced Zenon Hub on twitter. While there is overlap between the two projects, there are differences in the UX and focus best assessed by users.



## XVIII

# ZIP Framework

24th of August, 2022



A discussion on the forum lead to an innovative framework for ZIPs. Essentially, BIPs have a major design flaw which is their centralised editor. But instead of a centralized actor activating network upgrades, **what if Pillars voted for the spork?**

A system of Pillar sponsorships could include delegators by requiring a delegation threshold for the Pillar vote to register and add to the count – this alternative system is more democratic and would increase the decentralisation of the process.

This allows ZIPs to be about tech and code for the benefit of all, with the potential for centralization and corruption mitigated.

# XIX

## Game-Theory For Decentralisation

17th of November, 2022

An article written by Zyer discussing the game-theory of Zenon's tokenomics, shifting demographics and egalitarian launch. All are synergistic towards progressive decentralisation – **Zenon's real USP to one day be the dominant Bitcoin L2.**

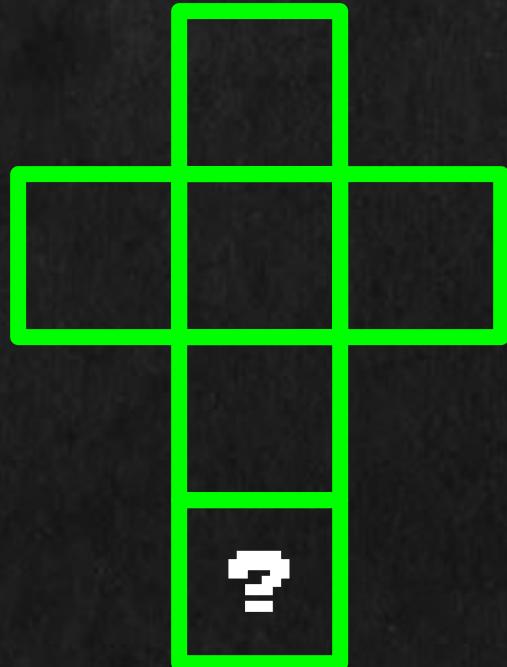
### Other notable works from Zyer:

- How Zenon Mirrors The Bitcoin Ethos
- Zenon Network: A Noir Story
- An Introduction To Governance
- 8 Tips For Delegators
- The Dream of Satoshi's Ethereum
- The Zenon Ethos
- Welcome To The Multiverse
- Alien Plans For Bitcoin
- A Blistering Need For Speed
- Mr Kaine's Tempest
- Merged Mining Bitcoin
- Why Zenon is Regulation-Proof



***OWNED BY CHAOTIC, BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE -  
NOT COLD, COORDINATED INSTITUTIONS.***

XX



"And those who  
danced were thought  
to be insane by those  
who could not hear  
the music."

- Friedrich Nietzsche

# XXI

## ZenonORG

26th of January, 2023



Some investors pooled their resources together to run multiple pillars under a brand name 'ZenonORG'. They later hired Mehowz to growth-hack Zenon. They run the ORG forum and engage on Twitter/X via @ZenonOrg

### The Website

ZenonORG endeavours to be a landing page for new community members. It has tutorials, educational content and job listings. **It also features 'The Deck' written by Shazz**, which explains various aspects of Zenon including its economics, governance, USPs and vision.

### The Attribute System

They have built a system for marketers to share 'attribute links' to track where buyers click. That data can support marketers in their efforts to prove their value and get paid.

## XXII

# Zenon Info

1st of February, 2023

Zenon Info aims to deliver education as well as news & updates to the community. They run the HyperCore Forum and engage on Twitter/X via @Learn\_Zenon

### Monthly Developer Updates

More than just a comical name, Deeznnutz has played a crucial role in coordinating between devs who seem reluctant to talk to each other. Some are frankly unreachable. His monthly or quarterly summaries are highly anticipated, as are the articles he writes.

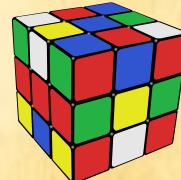
### Community Wiki

George has also started an AskZenon page which functions as a hybrid between a wiki and a FAQs section.



**ZENON NETWORK ...**

**... IF AUTISM WAS A BLOCKCHAIN.**





**OH LOOK! A UNIVERSE WHERE  
BITCOIN CASH WON, AND WON  
IN STYLE ...**

## XXIII

# Welcome To The Multiverse

1st of June, 2023

Sumamu released what appears to be just an ETH bridge, but on closer inspection ...

### The Tech

- It uses novel tech such as TSS and a layered time-delay security system
- Code to support a future L2 for fast smart contracts (Starknet), written in Cairo
- Supports future interop with BTC & more
- Has been audited by ChainSafe

### Liquidity Program

wZNN-ETH pair is rewarded directly from protocol emissions, meaning the liquidity program is longterm sustainable

### Affiliate Marketing System

Going wZNN to ZNN is feeless, but going ZNN to wZNN incurs a 3% fee to support an affiliate marketing system which incentivises growth

## XXIV

# The Extension Chain

3rd of September, 2023

The testnet for the Extension Chain went live. Devs believe the layer-1 should remain minimalist & efficient for longterm scalability. Smart contracts will thus be delegated to layer-2s (one for interop, another for speed). **Alienc0der** is working on this L2.

### The Design

The L2 known as the Extension Chain will be EVM-compatible to facilitate interoperability with other blockchains for the sake of Zenon's growth and adoption. ZNN will be bridged to become xZNN which will be the gas for the L2. Fees are split evenly between builders, validators and being burned.

Games and NFTs to follow soon after its expected 2024 release.



**WHAT NORMIES THINK WHEN  
YOU TRY TO EXPLAIN THE  
EXTENSION CHAIN TO THEM**



**OG ALIENS ARE FROM A DIFFERENT ERA. SHADY BACK-ALLEY DEALS WITH ESCROWS, ADRENALINE PUMPING ...**

## XXV

# The P2P Revolution

1st of October, 2023

P2P swaps were finally integrated in SYRIUS, allowing for seamless swaps of ZNN, QSR and ZTS between aliens.

The trustless exchange of value without the involvement of a third party is a cornerstone of the crypto revolution. The HyperCore team, consisting of George, DeeZNNutz, Vilkris, CryptoFish and Sol, worked hard on this delivery.

The atomic swaps are done with HTLC and PTLC (for greater privacy). The reliance on bridges and CEXs is an ugly relic of more centralised times. P2P is the liquidity of the future, and in Zenon we are here to create trends, not follow them.

## XXVI

# OG Characters

### Mr Kaine

A man of few words, Mr Kaine is the only known member of Zenon's founding devs. Shrouded in mystique, his sole means for communication is through the main chat in Telegram. His cool logic and penchant for quoting whitepapers has inspired everything from shitposts, simping and even erotica (we're sure he's thrilled about that).

### Sigli

Sigli was a community member here from the start who helped with many things including moderation, setting up infrastructure and more. A go-between for the founding devs and the community, his departure was sorely missed ... or is he still around? In Zenon even the alts have alts.



**COINSELOR FED AN AI ALL 748 OF MR KAINES MSGS FOR HIS PORTRAIT.**



## XXVII

# Preserving Zenon's History

### Thought Process

- Understanding Zenon's history is the key to understanding its decentralisation
- Zenon's decentralisation is the key for its future synergy with Bitcoin
- Zenon must be able to prove its decentralisation
- It is imperative Zenon's history is documented and saved

### Solution

The community has backed-up copies of Zenon's placeholder chain, chat histories (Bitcoin forum threads, Telegram chats), old websites, community-made articles and more. Currently it is being stored in multiple locations including the IPFS.

**Don't trust; verify.**

## **XXVIII**

## **Zenon**

ZNN is the governance token. It empowers delegators with a voice. The fluid shifting of capital enables social mobility – and the underclass is always vying for a top-30 spot in the rankings for the higher rewards. But with those riches comes great responsibility – Pillars must reflect the will of their delegators or risk losing them.

### **Facts**

- Pillars earn only ZNN
- Current/Max supply of 10M/90M
- Delegating/Staking it yields ZNN/QSR
- Has had a market since 2019
- Cypherpunks love to graffiti it



## **XXIX**

# **Quasar**



QSR is the faux 'gas' token. It enables a dual-coin economy designed to maximise decentralisation. Since Pillars earn only ZNN, there are tradeoffs for acquiring the QSR for an additional Pillar. This is a novel way to mitigate the 'rich get richer' issue with single-coin PoS networks. QSR also incentivises staking, which locks up liquidity. This protects against centralised actors buying large amounts in a market crash.

QSR can be locked/fused for time to enable feeless transactions; the QSR is not spent.

### **Facts**

- Current/Max supply of 30M/80M
- Each successive new Pillar burns more QSR
- Has been traded mostly OTC
- QSR's lack of art makes her feel unloved

# XXX

## The Passing of the Torch

27th of July, 2023

Mr Kaine relinquished control of the github and twitter/X by airdropping the keys to respected community members. A profound milestone in the commitment to the open-source ethos.

Centralised power is corrupt, exclusionary, and ultimately brittle. A decentralised entity flips these limitations; forming something which is just, inclusive and robust. It also speaks volumes about the goodwill of Zenon's founding devs. They left behind a masterpiece, a gift to the world to be carried on by the passionate community they sowed.

To celebrate it, a thread was posted from the former official Twitter/X. It was **made entirely of quotes from the community** to represent how Zenon is now by and for the people.



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XXXI

"The daughter does  
as the mother did."

- Jewish Proverb

## XXXII

# True Decentralisation

**TLDR:**

- Satoshi's Ethereum must be decentralised for Bitcoiners to accept it
- Zenon can't be owned and controlled by centralised entities
- Early adopters have a disproportionately greater ownership and control than later participants
- Zenon needs to grow organically in its early years, which means only grassroots marketing, word of mouth and social media awareness initiatives

**Then?**

The demographics of the holders evolves as Zenon does: Speculators, Degens, Technophiles, Devs, Bitcoiners, VCs, Retail.



$$(x, y) \rightarrow (x, -y)$$

## XXXIII

# Extreme Scalability

### TLDR:

→ Zenon is DAG-based tech; faster than traditional blockchains. Each user has an independent account chain

→ Zenon is keeping the consensus to a separate layer like in the Narwhal & Tusk paper for massive throughput that can scale-out without hurting latency

→ Zenon has its own unique design for the consensus which is a meta-DAG that is a leaderless BFT protocol and a hybrid of PoW + PoS

→ The smart contracts are being deferred to a layer-2 to keep the layer-1 minimalist; this will make both layers faster

→ One of the layer-2s is designed for speed. It uses fast unikernels and zero-knowledge proofs



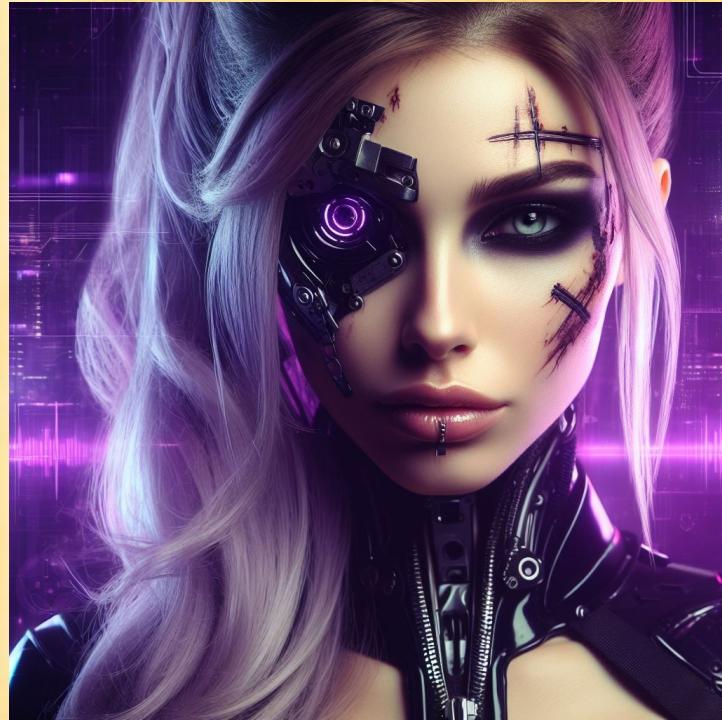
## XXXIV

# Who Are The Devs?

The founding devs were anonymous; likely for legal, regulatory and philosophical reasons. Do theories and speculation exist? Sure. Did they return under alts and blend in with the community devs? Possible. But Zenon is now entirely community-run and all we have are community devs/NoM devs. A snapshot as of Dec, 2023:

**HyperCore One:** George, DeeZNNutz, Vilkris, CryptoFish, Sol, Digital Sloth and Dumeril.

**Other individuals/teams:** Alienc0der, Sumamu, Moonbaze, Mik3Mast3rs, Dexter, Rigel and DrBlaze.



***DEVS STAY PSEUDONYMOUS SO WE  
CAN PRETEND THEY LOOK LIKE THIS.***



## XXXV DeFi with Bitcoin

Finance has a few familiar applications such as borrowing, lending, insurance and trading derivatives. Decentralised Finance has its own spin on things such as a lending & borrowing protocol which is P2P; improving profit margins by eliminating the middleman's fee. An example is AAVE (an erc-20, yuck!!)

But in the crazy world of crypto, more creative applications are possible. An example is Ordinals where pictures are stored on-chain – an Artists dream if they believe in the immortality of the primordial timechain.

There is also gamefi, with NFTs of a rare sword ... but some say tokenisation is coming to the real world too. Myriad more novel use-cases are surely possible **when Zenon makes Bitcoin smart and scalable.**

## XXXVI Bitcoin Ordinals

### Lone Aliens

The 'Lone Aliens' set, created by Hewwo. The first Ordinals project to pay homage to the Zenon community. In the beginning, there were 100 OGs. They remembered a community full of fun, laughter and wild speculation. Then came the dark days. Brutal despair, poignant loneliness; the dead chats – enough! It was time to fight back. It was time to rebuild. It was time for the 100 Lone Aliens.

### Zenon Core

The 'Zenon Core' set, created by Stark. The second Ordinals project to pay homage to Zenon. The art style captures the legacy ZNN days, and this is reflected in its distribution cycles as well. There is also some synergy with build\_cities; an NFT was minted which grants exclusive perks.





**NEW HAIRDO - SAME OLD DISDAIN  
FOR INSECURE GIBBERISH.**

## XXXVII The Dark Days

A community-run project has longevity, but it is harder to bootstrap. Here are some vectors which bonked our momentum:

In Nov 2021, the BSC bridge was hacked. Aliens were soon made whole, but the bridge was 1-way for 3 months. Possibly to protect against the pump & dump? A year later, between the BSC bridge and the ETH bridge, there was a CEX rug. ZNN was once again trapped inside SYRIUS.

Legacy ZNN had a 12-month full swap-decay; so some aliens lost their entire stacks. Months of no news or updates. Barely any hopium pills from the official Twitter/X. Price down 99% from ATH ... the early years were tough. **But the OGs who stayed were tougher.**

**5G IS MIND-CONTROL  
FLUORIDE IS TOXIC  
THE EARTH IS FLAT  
ZENON IS BACKED BY NESCAFÉ**



**XXXVIII**

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Nothing wakes you up as Nescafé

**"The paranoid is never  
entirely wrong."**

- Sigmund Freud

## **XXXIX** **Regulation-Proof**

Zenon does not fit the classification of a security by the Howey test, as the first and third prongs can be contested.

Was there an initial sale? Did the bond really even have a bond contract? The nuances of the following are grounds for contention:

**BTC  $\Rightarrow$  BTC + ZNN  $\Rightarrow$  BTC + ZNN + QSR**

Was there an expectation of profits derived solely from the efforts of the promoter?

**Certainly not.**

Mr Kaine delivered Accelerator-Z as his last act; a mechanism to pay community devs who would carry the torch and build for their own vision. He even air-dropped the community his Github and Twitter/X keys.



**KAINU'S DEEP CONNECTION WITH THE  
FORCE GRANTS HIM PRECOGNITION**



**"MY ORANGE, FOUR-INCH,  
DOOR-HINGE, GOT BLASTED OFF!"**  
**- EMINOM**

## XXXX Why Bitcoin?

Bitcoin is unique – and not just because nothing rhymes with orange. You're trying that now, aren't you?

Modern money is just a ledger, so you can choose one controlled by the government (Fiat) or one controlled by energy & maths (Bitcoin). With BTC, its users can upgrade or fork it to ensure that it always serves them, rather than rules them. It's a truly global money where their savings are protected from inflation, and the world is also a better place as corrupt profiteering is mitigated (eg. printing fiat out of thin air to give to themselves and to ruthless corporations).

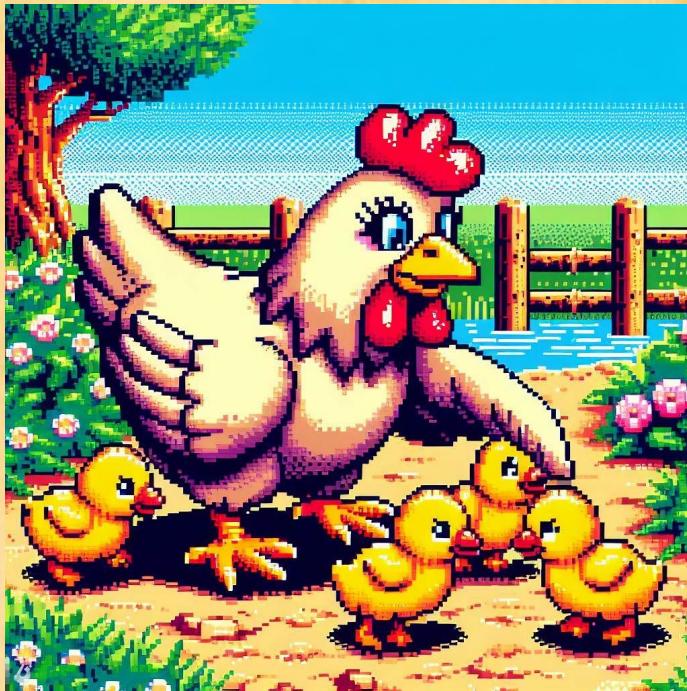
Zenon seeks to enhance Bitcoin, not compete with it. "Digital Gold" is a useful line for mass-appeal, but it is really a limiting label ...

## XXXXI Press Start 2P

The design of the tokenomics lends itself to be viewed through the lens of **gamification**. For a prospective builder or contributor, the **challenge of beating the game** is like this:

- 1) Add value to the ecosystem and be paid ZNN & QSR **through AZ**
- 2) Use the ZNN to earn yield through **delegating/staking** to earn ZNN/QSR
- 3) Use the QSR to earn yield through **providing liquidity** with a relevant pair (ZNN perhaps)
- 4) Use your 5k ZNN & 50k QSR to run a **Sentinel** and earn both ZNN & QSR
- 5) Use your 15k ZNN & 300k+ QSR to set up a **Pillar**, earn ZNN and have voting rights





**WE NEVER SOAR SO HIGH AS WHEN WE  
STOOP TO HELP A CHILD.**

**- JEWISH PROVERB**

## **XXXXII** **Advice For Newbies**

### **1) Setting Up Your Node**

To be able to “see” your account balance and make transactions, in settings you need to connect to a Public Node for quick visibility, or sync your own node which takes longer.

### **2) Fusing Your Plasma**

You can do PoW with your device, but if you have the QSR make sure you fuse it to your account addresses for feeless plasma!

### **3) Asking For Help**

Beware of scammers who prey on noobs. 99% of the time there is no need for DMs; someone legit will just help you in the group chat. Beware impersonators as well. And never give your seed phrase to anybody, for any reason.

## XXXXIII

# How To Join A Cult

### Twitter/X

Follow some OGs and search \$ZNN or #Zenon to go through a portal to where most of the Zenonized content is.

### Telegram

Back in the Mr Kaine era, he said he was in telegram because he would go wherever the community is. The green cyber small town hosts a mix of debate and vibing. There was an attempted migration to discord and a presence on nostr, but until the community has a need to scale we are likely in for a lot more stickers and gifs.

### Forums

The ZenonORG and HyperCore forums are regularly used for discussions, proposals, marketing and dev activity.



***I SHALL TAKE NO WIFE, OWN NO LANDS, AND DEDICATE MY LIFE IN SERVICE OF THE NOM.***



**IF EVERYONE CHASED AN EXTRA 2% APY, THAT HARMS PRICE BY 20% ... TRAGEDY OF THE COMMONS SMH.**

## XXXXIV Tips For Delegators

Do you care more about short-term yield, or long-term value? If you care about both, you may consider creating new addresses so you can split your ZNN stack to 3 locations. One purely for yield, the other 2 to support Pillars good for the ecosystem.

**Pillar metrics to consider:**

**Momentums.** Do they have a good history with uptime, both recently and overall?

**Voting.** Do they never vote? Do they vote in a way you would agree with overall?

**Activity.** Do they engage in tech or marketing related activities?

**Yield.** Do they share high D%/M%? Any other ZTS perks for delegators?

## XXXXV

# The ZTS Casino

### Did You Know?

Chadassa is the Chief Chairwoman of the ZTS Committee. Under her Goddess leadership, ZNNAliens can burn 1 ZNN for the no-code creation of ZTS tokens. They enjoy all the same qualities of feeless, scalable and secure as the core ZTS (ZNN & QSR). A couple of examples from the community so far:

### \$BAG

Bagwing memed this token into existence, and Rigel gifted it utility via the rafflebot. One day we will surely have a fully fledged casino with blackjack and poker too.

### \$INCHES

As soon as George launched this token, insecure aliens immediately began getting as many INCHES as they could. BICH Dao seems to be the makeshift treasury for now.



**HE WHO DARES, WINS.**



**DEPICTED: ZARGONITE V. QUAVIAN**

## XXXXVI A Tale of Two Coins

Typically, the power struggle between ZNN & QSR finds equilibrium at 1:10, reflecting the ratio for the qStakes distro. But will it always be this way? How will the free market go?

### Brazen ZNN Zealots

- ZNN bro. *Why buy the oil when you can buy the oil rig?*
- It's called Zenon Network for a reason. Pillars earn only ZNN. ZNN is the big brain play.
- QSR is a memecoin not even needed. Runaway mega scam bro.

### Quack QSR Cultists

- QSR to MOON zoon! It's the NoM's Ethereum!
- I'm gonna have to stake for 2 years to get my sentinel fml.
- The 1:10 ratio is the biggest throw by the devs. 1:3 longterm.

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"Fiction is the truth  
inside the lie."

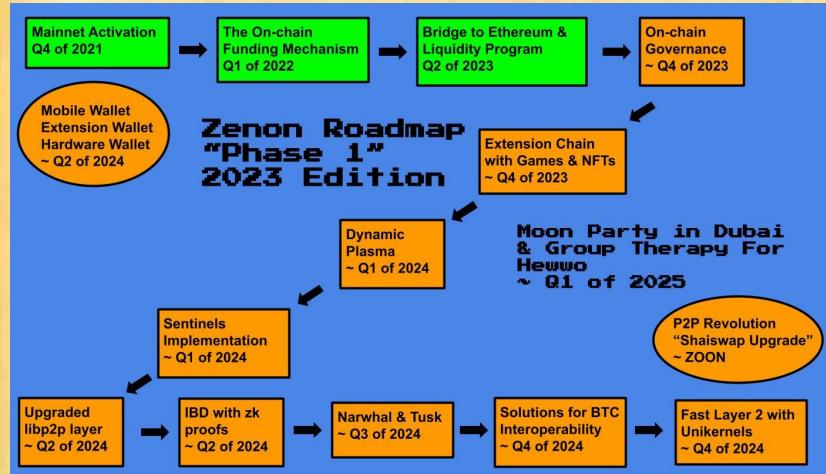
- Stephen King

## XXXXVIII The Roadmap

Zenon is in the early stages of realising its vision. The path ahead is shrouded in flickering shadows; such is the nature of a network based on state-of-the-art tech. The forefront of research and development is rewarding, but it also takes time and can be hard to predict. **As such, some concepts will be subject to revision and iteration.**

Regardless, there are big plans for the future being discussed and built. The devs, the marketers, the hodlers – the entire community is ready to make this happen. Like they say, **the best way to predict the future is to make it.**

Strap-in because the next few chapters will present key milestones from the roadmap ...



**ZENOCRATEZ CREATED A ROADMAP IN MICROSOFT PAINT ... FOR THE MEMES?**



**LOG TO THE BASE 2.72**

## XXXXIX Bitcoin Interoperability

A forum post discussed ideas for BTC interoperability. Some are experimental ...

- 1/ **TSS Technology.** Pillars as custodians; ecdsa-TSS to control native Bitcoin or zBTC
- 2/ **Atomic Swaps.** PTLC with MuSig2 possibly via the xClaim implementation
- 3/ **Layer 2: EVM Compatible.** Possibly xBTC can be used as gas for the layer-2
- 4/ **Layer 2: Scalable.** Zero-knowledge proofs; BTC used as a data-availability layer
- 5/ **Merged Mining.** ZNN could be merge-mined as a SyncChain; the mined BTC could be used to pay for Tapscripts
- 6/ **BCR-20 Tokens.** BCR-20 Tokens could be ported to become ZTS tokens

# XXXXX

## Plasma Paradigm

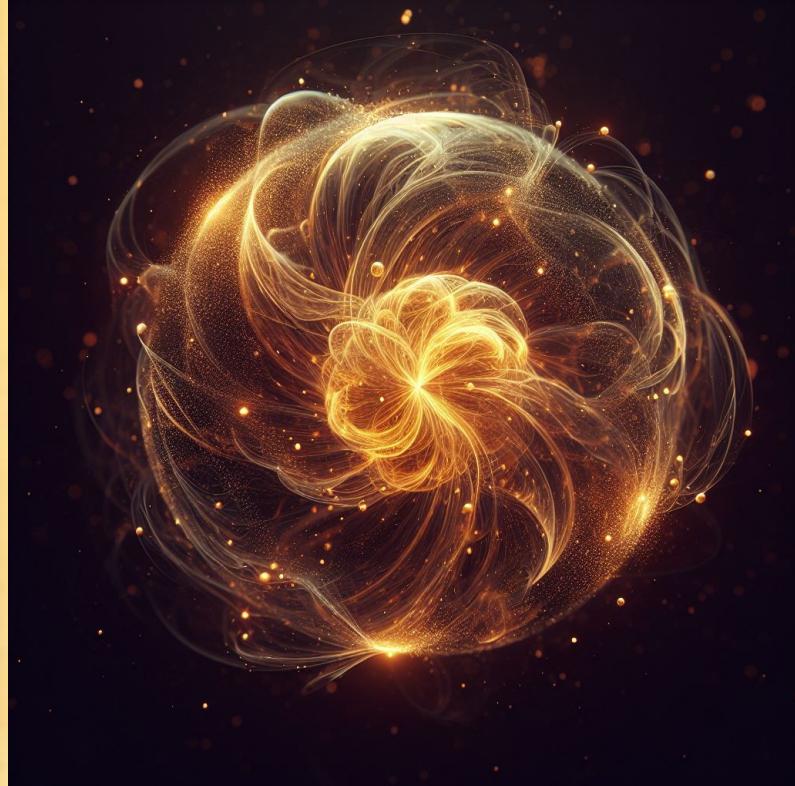
The NoM is a cybernetic organism with plasma in its veins. Plasma facilitates all transactions in Zenon.

### **The 2 ways\* to generate plasma:**

- 1 – Do Proof-of-Work
- 2 – Locking/fusing your QSR for time

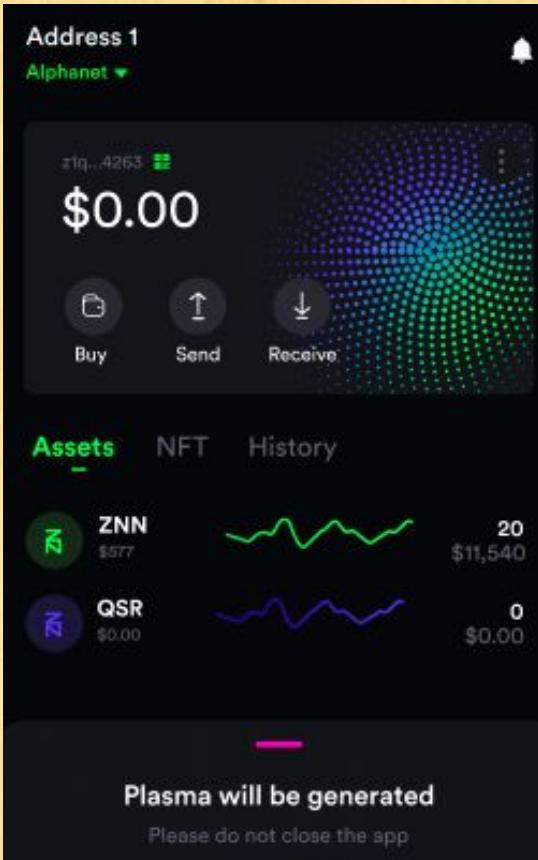
\*At time of writing, an additional method is being debated: ZNN fees. This would impact tokenomics, incentives & more.

Zenon is **feeless from the perspective of the network** – PoW does not spend any coins, and the fused QSR is not spent either. Zenon has **fees from the perspective of the user though**, since PoW has electricity/hardware cost and QSR has initial token cost.



# XXXXXI

## The Wallet Trifecta



### Web3 Browser Wallet

To increase convenience and accessibility, **Dexter** made a SYRIUS Wallet Extension. But with the release of MetaMask Snaps, the devs pivoted efforts towards that.

### Hardware Wallet Support

For greater security, **CryptoFish** is working on hardware wallet support for Zenon. As per the debate, ledger was chosen to begin with.

### Mobile Wallet

**Dr Blaze** is working on a mobile wallet to facilitate mass-adoption. The designs are sleek and it features a full node. **Nostromo** has also expressed interest in building a minimalist mobile wallet he'd call Gravity which would be a light version of SYRIUS.

## XXXXXII Narwhal and Tusk

In mid-2021, this research paper used DAG-based tech to achieve:

**A TPS of 160k with a 3-second latency.**

Their trick was to use a 2-layer architecture which separated the mempool from the consensus, as the consensus was thought to be a bottleneck for throughput. Think back to Chapter V of this storybook; does delegating the consensus to a different layer ring a bell?

**Zenon envisioned this beforehand in 2020.**

The exciting thing is that these numbers are big enough to support real-world use of the blockchain. The paper proves you need to separate the consensus; the consensus itself can vary. And Zenon's consensus design of Sentinels and Pillars is unique ...



**BECAUSE KAWAI MEMES  
PUMP THE HARDEST**

## XXXXXIII A Fast L2

**Sumamu** has plans to build a L2 to deliver **smart contracts** which are **fast/scalable**. It will not be limited by having to be EVM-compatible.

### The Tech

- A Turing Complete zero-knowledge proof general computation scaling solution
- Uses Unikernels for their speed and simplicity
- Written in a new programming language called Cairo, and the contracts are Starknet Contracts
- Leverages Bitcoin as a data availability layer

### BTC Interop

The L2 will leverage BTC as a data availability layer, because it is the most robust, secure and decentralised public database in the world which is easily accessible. The zero-knowledge proofs allow for greater privacy and lighter computation, again increasing speed.



## XXXXXIV Merged Mining

The following is **Alienc0der's** iterative vision for how merged mining could be done. Miners who join Zenon will use their hashpower to mine BTC, but they will be paid in ZNN. Their pay in ZNN will be proportionate to the hash contributed.

The mined BTC will be considered a 'public good' because it will go to a shared-custody TSS vault to help Zenon overall. The vault will be controlled by Pillars as well as smaller stakeholders (Mithril Protocol). **The mined BTC will sustain DeFi with native BTC**; it can be used to pay for BTC block space for smart contracts that will execute on Zenon. Recall Tapscripts allow for complexity.

Also, anyone transacting via RandomX PoW can have their PoW recycled too for various uses. Zenon as a decentralised BTC Mining Pool Protocol can in time challenge the top 3 pools, helping fracture Bitcoin's mining centralisation.



## XXXXXV

# What Else Is Coming?

Anything and everything. Why? *Don't try to catch butterflies – mend your garden.*

Forced relationships won't last because of their poor foundation. There are people in Ethereum because of a shortage of choice, not because it resonates with them. They may even be aware of its issues with scalability and centralisation, and also how its dApps are for soft money (USDT, ETH).

In Zenon's fully realised vision, builders are attracted because there are no technical limitations to what they work on – the dApps can scale and they enjoy the sovereignty of decentralisation. The dApps are also for hard money (native Bitcoin, zBTC). Zenon allows people to work consistent with their values and ethos, as they are with the good guys.

Ethereum is trying to catch butterflies.

**Zenon is mending its garden.**





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***LOOK UP MIAMI!***

## XXXXXVII

# Of Gentlemen and Barbarians

Where a gentleman sees a sunset, a barbarian sees it is getting dark soon.  
Where a gentleman sees an elegant network, a barbarian sees a workman's toolbox. Our reality is our perception.

As someone whose expertise is outside of computer science, I am incapable of appreciating the NoM on the level it deserves to be. It's the same reason why the average person's favourite comedian would be someone like Chris Rock, but if you ask comedians themselves? You would get strange answers like Bill Hicks.

Even still, like a neanderthal turning over an ancient alien relic in his hands, I can get an inkling of some things ...

The NoM envisioning separating the consensus before Narwhal & Tusk, to bypass the throughput bottleneck. The smart contracts delegated to a second layer to keep the base minimalist and scalable longterm. The dual-coin economy solving for the rich get richer problem. The strategy for early growth intelligently designed to mitigate centralised vectors. The mystery of Mr Kaine a puzzle game. The plasma paradigm a unique conception; fearless a black hole for liquidity. The recycling of PoW to avoid waste, yet more elegance ...

I can't fully "see" it, the way you can't see heat. But I can feel it. Intuition tells me **our architecture is beautiful.**

## XXXXXVIII

# Parting Thoughts

Some want to change money; others just want more of it.

Whatever your reason for being here, know your contribution matters. A nascent network left in the wild needs the help. The crypto revolution's defining feature is the redistribution of power to the individual. Realise your personal power and wield it.

**Our actions echo in eternity.**

*But but but wen moon? Wen lambo?*  
I understand, and I believe eventually WAGMI. How long until your life can start?  
Advice: Don't wait until 70 to realise your life is a song, and you were supposed to be dancing this whole time.

"All that glitters  
isn't gold."

- Shakespeare

# Links For More Info

## Websites

[Zenon Network](#) ('official' site)  
[Zenon Info](#) (landing page)  
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