

SAS Monthly Update: February 2023

Hey everyone,

Welcome to our crisp and clear February 2023 update.

What happened in February?

CU Governance & Administration

- Repositioned CU to become a trusted custom software development service and to acquire as many project-based funded MakerDAO projects as possible. This is reflected in the proposed mandate adjustment and rebranding into Sidestream Automation Services (SAS) and the team's role in the Ecosystem Scope.
- Published new budget proposal to finance CU operations. The core idea is to rely on project-based funds whenever possible.

Endgame Mandate

Enablement

- Continued contribution of SAS members to the design of the governance security scope framework. Especially focusing on bringing in the perspective of a future software development service Ecosystem Actor.
- Smart Contract Toolkit for SubDAOs: Created a first UI mockup to further conceptualize the product idea. Given some practical blockers in Maker's current Smart Contract development process, we timebox the time spent on this work stream to not waste resources...
- Started conversations with different stakeholders to source more software project opportunities in the Maker universe (e.g. UI for Dai bridge). If you hear of any software development opportunities in the Maker universe, please let us know.

Execution

- Got 1inch-based exchange callee merged into the exchange-callee repository in close collaboration with PE (see [PR](#))
- Kicked off Switchboard Ecosystem API development
- gathered requirements for full project as well as more detailed requirements for first phase (see [issue](#))
- kicked off development: initialised repo, added org-members, figured out permissions, added linting, testing, ...
- started to work on first features: authentication, db models added, orm initialization etc.
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Auctions related

- Refactored code base to accommodate the new exchange callees
- Released v1.18.0 of the Unified Auction UI including an update to the desktop app
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Outlook March

- Finish MVP of Switchboard Ecosystem API
- Get next exchange callee merged into the exchange-callee repository
- Integrate two new callees to Unified Auction UI
- Identify further endgame-related development work opportunities