

No DAO is perfect, but I would argue that the Arbitrum DAO is extremely well-designed and valuable. I think this is an important long-term bullish driver for Arbitrum. We should actively seek to export the beneficial qualities of the DAO to projects in the ecosystem, because it will make Arbitrum grow even faster.

What are the beneficial qualities of the Arbitrum DAO?

- Revenue from the sequencer flows into the onchain treasury, which the DAO controls.
- Protocol upgrades are controlled by the DAO.
- There are safety mechanisms built in (e.g. Security Council) that are appropriate for the maturity of the technology, and (critically) these safety mechanisms are controlled by the DAO.
- There is a robust social layer that informs onchain governance via Discourse and Snapshot.
- There is a foundation that can move quickly on strategic opportunities that are hard to address via DAO governance, and (critically) this foundation is controlled by the DAO.
- The token distribution was fair, recognizing all contributing parties to Arbitrum, allowing for legitimate community control, and aligning the incentives of projects involved in the ecosystem.

I would like to see Arbitrum's DAO model replicated into the rest of the ecosystem. Today, many of the largest projects on Arbitrum are operated in a somewhat less-than-optimal fashion, without all of the beneficial characteristics described above.

I propose an initiative to support Arbitrum DAOs in transitioning to more robust governance. Anyone interested in working with me on this?