## Hello Optimists!

I'm very excited about the RetroPGF experiment that Optimism has been running, and I'm a frequent lurker in the forums and retrospectives on each round.

My interest is more than curiosity, I've been thinking about and working on retroactive funding mechanisms for ~8 years now, and I'm reaching the place where I'm ready to start putting ideas into practice.

If it's possible, I'd love to implement these ideas and learn with you!

The mechanism set itself is more than I can fit here. But, broadly you can think of it as a twitter-like discussion feed, which uses mathematic ideas from the field of artificial intelligence to enable collective intelligence. One of the cool properties of the system is that it rewards Badge Holders for surfacing surprising information, which makes for smarter and more sustainable review process.

I know I'm new here, so if you'd like to learn more about me, here's a recen<u>Greenpill podcast</u> talking about mechanisms for funding public goods (specifically, whether Hyperstructures are a viable approach) it seems some people liked that, or you could read this recent piece on the promise of retrofunding (Why I Want You to Steal from Me.)

It would be easy for me to get to work if there is some sort of funding for building RetroPGF and governance tools for Optimism. I've seen the Optimism Grants Council, but I'd first want to:

- A) Present myself before the community and gauge interest (hello)
- B) Understand whether and where this fits in the funding interests of the ecosystem. E.g. could this be an Experiments grant?

Grateful for your feedback and direction!