

Hello,

Once Proof of stake is implemented, I plan to run nodes and affect the revenue to different charities I know, helping people suffering from homelessness, addictions, mental illnesses, aids, unemployment, ...

I asked a lawyer and an accountant about the way to do this.

They made me aware of a problem :

- if I run the nodes by myself and give the money to charities, I will have to pay taxes first. Given the level of taxes in my country (income tax, social taxes, sole trader taxes because running a node is seen as a professional activity, local taxes ...), charities will get 1/3 of the revenue in the best scenario.
- a better scheme would be to make my own non profit fund and to give the usufruct of the Ethers to the fund (the usufruct is the right to enjoy, for a certain period of time). The nonprofit fund would run the nodes (without taxes), and would give the revenue to charities.

In order to secure the scheme, the lawyer told me it is necessary that the revenue from the nodes are separated from the capital.

If the addresses are not separated, the lawyer told me it wouldn't be possible to separate my capital from the revenue of the fund, and the tax administration is likely to consider that there is no separation between me and the non profit fund. As a result, I would have to pay at least 2/3 of the revenue in taxes, with heavy penalties.

So please manage the implementation of proof of stake to pay the revenue of staking on a separate address from the address containing the capital.

It would also be very useful for long term Ether investors, because investors want to secure their funds, they don't want to run nodes by themselves. As a result, coders running the nodes should not have access to the private key of the address containing the capital of the investors. In this case too, the addresses should be separated.

Moreover, a separation would create job opportunities for Ether enthusiasts having the knowledge to run a node, because they would be able to partner more easily with investors, each having its separate address and responsibility.

Such a separation is therefore likely to attract additional investors, to create job opportunities for Ether enthusiasts, and to have a positive influence on the long term value of Ether.

I understand there may be slashing penalties affecting the capital (even if I would prefer the penalties to affect only the address containing the revenue, because slashing is a problem of poor execution, not a problem of capital), but at least separate the revenue of staking from the capital. Thanks.