I am new to this forum and have a basic question.

I deposited an amount of ETH in Lido using my Ledger and received the equivalent amount in stETH. However, a message has appeared in Lido, informing me I will not receive any awards because my address is not whitelisted. I understand this was a previous proposal which has now been adopted, but I was not aware of this when I deposited my ETH. Looking at the whitelisting requests, it appears that one has to request this feature and hope one is accepted. Is this whitelisting for those investors who want to proceed to another level within Lido, and if I leave my stETH invested without being whitelisted, will I receive automatic awards? If not, I might as well transfer my stETH back to ETH. Thanks for any suggestion in advance.