We are excited to announce that Attestant has been acquired by Bitwise Asset Management. This acquisition includes Attestant BVI, who is an Ethereum node operator.

There are no plans to change the team that are responsible for running the infrastructure supporting the Lido validators, nor indeed to change the infrastructure itself. The infrastructure will remain the same in terms of deployment (bare metal) and geographical and jurisdictional location, with the only change being that Attestant BVI and Attestant's ultimate shareholder is Bitwise rather than the Attestant team themselves.

Importantly for many Lido node operators, we will continue to support both Dirk and Vouch and provide them as open source software. We wish to restate our commitment to ensuring that these and other products and libraries that are currently supported by Attestant (ESD, Go client libraries, ethdo, chaind, etc.) remain available to all stakers to support their own operations.

There is more information available at the <u>press release</u> and <u>our blog post</u>, and of course if there are any questions then please feel free to ask here or contact anyone from either team in person.

Jim McDonald.