

Now that the Alliance has been [formally approved](#), we wanted to share some thoughts on the review and endorsement process.

One of the most important aspects of endorsement is about adhering to an obsessive security culture. Endorsement carries some risk for Lido, particularly with newer, untested protocols. However, the premise of the Alliance is precisely to be flexible enough to help emerging projects reach a new stage of growth. So what the endorsement process should focus on is whether the security culture of a project is sufficiently strong and whether the project has the right processes in place.

As part of the review process, we wanted to share some illustrative questions that we would look to ask projects seeking Lido Alliance endorsement. These questions aim to provide a fuller picture of the security processes of a prospective member.

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- Are there any user funds on a multisig?
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As we work through the summary and recommendation for the first two proposals, the process and questions may shift or change to suit particularities of a given project or to strengthen the review process itself.