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Hardhat is a popular smart contract development frameworks. In this tutorial, we will be using Hardhat to deploy a simple Counter smart contract to the Custom Rollup Testnet. We will explore the basics of creating a Hardhat project with a sample contract and a script to deploy it.

For the full instruction on how to use Hardhat, please refer to the [official Hardhat documentation](#) .

Create New Project

Start with creating an npm project by going to an empty folder, running `npm init` , and following its instructions. You can use another package manager, like yarn, but Hardhat recommends you use npm 7 or later, as it makes installing Hardhat plugins simpler.

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To create the sample project, run `npm install hardhat` in your project folder:

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- choose javascript, typescript or empty project
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- to set the project root
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- again to accept addition of .gitignore
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- to install hardhat @nomicfoundation/hardhat-toolbox
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Create deployer account

- Create the .env
- file in your project root folder and add the following line:
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- Populate the .env
- file with your private key. You can get your private key from Metamask. See the section below on how to get your private key from Metamask.
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How to get your Private Key in Metamask * Click the vertical 3 dots in the upper-right corner of Metamask window * Select Account details * and then click Show private key * Enter your Metamask password to reveal the private key * Copy the private key and paste it into the .env * file. * Verify that your .gitignore file contains .env to prevent your private key from being committed to a public repository. ::

Configure Hardhat

- Open the hardhat.config.js
- file and paste the code below:
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Copy `require("dotenv").config(); require("@nomicfoundation/hardhat-toolbox");`

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module.exports={ solidity:"0.8.19", paths:{ artifacts:"./src", }, networks:{ raspberry:{ url:<your-rpc-url>, accounts:[process.env.ACCOUNT_PRIVATE_KEY], }, blueberry:{ url:<your-rpc-url>, accounts:[process.env.ACCOUNT_PRIVATE_KEY], }, blackberry:{ url:<your-rpc-url>, accounts:[process.env.ACCOUNT_PRIVATE_KEY], }, }, };
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Copy import{ HardhatUserConfig }from"hardhat/config"; import"@nomicfoundation/hardhat-toolbox";
import*asdotenvfrom"dotenv";

dotenv.config({ path:__dirname+"/.env"}); constACCOUNT_PRIVATE_KEY=process.env.ACCOUNT_PRIVATE_KEY||"";
console.log("PrivateKey set:",!!ACCOUNT_PRIVATE_KEY);

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[process.env.ACCOUNT_PRIVATE_KEY], }, ... }, };

exportdefaultconfig;
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Write Smart Contract

Note: The existing smart contract code that comes with the sample project is aLock.sol contract. Feel free to delete it or leave it. * Create a new file, in the contracts folder, namedCounter.sol * : *

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- Copy the below code and paste it in theCounter.sol
- contract code:
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contractCounter{ uint256currentCount=0;

functionincrement()public{ currentCount=currentCount+1; }

functionretrieve()publicviewreturns(uint256){ returncurrentCount; } }
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Create Deploy Script

- Delete the content of thescripts/deploy.js
- file and add the code below:
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Copy consthre=require("hardhat");

asyncfunctionmain() { constdeployedContract=awaithre.ethers.deployContract("Counter");
awaitdeployedContract.waitForDeployment(); console.log( Counter contract deployed to{deployedContract.target} ); }

main().catch((error)=>{ console.error(error); process.exitCode=1; });
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Compile Contract

- Install dotenv package:npm install dotenv
- Compile your contract code (i.e., go back to the project root in the CLI),
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- npxhardhatcompile
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Deploy Contract

- Run the deploy script:
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- `npxhardhatrunscripts/deploy.js--network`
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