

# What is Dual Governance

The Dual Governance mechanism (DG) is an iteration on the protocol governance that gives stakers 1) a dynamic user-extensible timelock on DAO decisions and 2) a rage quit mechanism taking into account the specifics of how Ethereum withdrawals work.

## Current status

After multiple stages of the research ([the latest update](#), [the start of the “continuation” thread](#), [the initial post](#)), the mechanism design is now fully fleshed out. The [mechanism design](#) is outlined on GitHub, as is the [the technical architecture](#) and [the code draft](#). Contributors have started spec review projects with [Certora](#) and [Runtimeverification](#) teams.

## The proposal

Dual Governance research team is seeking a signal of approval of the Dual Governance design from the Lido DAO. If the proposal is supported by the DAO, the team will move forward with a technical implementation, and start collaborating with external research- and security-focused teams to make sure the design, the implementation and the parameters are sound and ready for the mainnet deployment.

## External teams involvement

The project involves a number of external teams challenging the design, code and parameter choices. The current plan includes working on the specification and code-level checks and audits with [Certora](#), [Runtimeverification](#), [Open Zeppelin](#), [Statemind](#), and engaging Collectif Labs research team for parameters research collaboration (developers behind the <https://collectif.finance/>).

## Approximate timeline

The approximate timeline targets a testnet deployment around Q3, with potential mainnet launch in late Q3 / Q4. Note that the timelines are approximate at the moment and are subject to change depending upon the security checks and the testnet results.

## Engage and prepare for the vote

Please, make sure to raise your concerns, ask questions here in the comments or in [the research results forum thread](#) and signal your support (or lack of) for the Dual Governance project in the snapshot vote next week.