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1 | Introduction

Given the opportunity to review the design document and related smart contract source code of the StaFi Cosmos LSD protocol, we outline in the report our systematic approach to evaluate potential security issues in the smart contract implementation, expose possible semantic inconsistencies between smart contract code and design document, and provide additional suggestions or recommendations for improvement. Our results show that the given version of smart contracts can be further improved due to the presence of several issues related to either security or performance. This document outlines our audit results.

1.1 About StaFi Cosmos LSD

StaFi Cosmos LSD Stack powered by StaFi Protocol is a suite of software that helps developers deploying LSD project instantly. Thanks to Neutron, the LSD stack is able to implement liquid staking in smart contract. The key component is StakeManager for handling staking logic, validator set management, reward distribution, and withdrawals. In addition, the LSD token is an cw20 compatible contract so that users get LST after stake and it will be burnt after unstake. The basic information of the audited protocol is as follows:

Table 1.1: Basic Information of StaFi Cosmos LSD

Item	Description
Name	StaFi
Website	https://stafi.io
Type	Cosmos
Language	Rust
Audit Method	Whitebox
Latest Audit Report	March 10, 2024

In the following, we show the Git repository of reviewed files and the commit hash value used in this audit. This audit focuses on the contracts under the `stake_manager` directory.

- <https://github.com/stafiprotocol/neutron-lsd-contracts.git> (4d9db26)

And here is the commit ID after all fixes for the issues found in the audit have been checked in:

- <https://github.com/stafiprotocol/neutron-lsd-contracts.git> (2f65b2f)

1.2 About PeckShield

PeckShield Inc. [10] is a leading blockchain security company with the goal of elevating the security, privacy, and usability of current blockchain ecosystems by offering top-notch, industry-leading services and products (including the service of smart contract auditing). We are reachable at Telegram (<https://t.me/peckshield>), Twitter (<http://twitter.com/peckshield>), or Email (contact@peckshield.com).

Table 1.2: Vulnerability Severity Classification

Impact	High	Critical	High	Medium
	Medium	High	Medium	Low
	Low	Medium	Low	Low
		High	Medium	Low
		Likelihood		

1.3 Methodology

To standardize the evaluation, we define the following terminology based on OWASP Risk Rating Methodology [9]:

- Likelihood represents how likely a particular vulnerability is to be uncovered and exploited in the wild;
- Impact measures the technical loss and business damage of a successful attack;
- Severity demonstrates the overall criticality of the risk.

Likelihood and impact are categorized into three ratings: *H*, *M* and *L*, i.e., *high*, *medium* and *low* respectively. Severity is determined by likelihood and impact, and can be accordingly classified into four categories, i.e., *Critical*, *High*, *Medium*, *Low* shown in Table 1.2.

Table 1.3: The Full List of Check Items

Category	Check Item
Basic Coding Bugs	Constructor Mismatch
	Ownership Takeover
	Redundant Fallback Function
	Overflows & Underflows
	Reentrancy
	Money-Giving Bug
	Blackhole
	Unauthorized Self-Destruct
	Revert DoS
	Unchecked External Call
	Gasless Send
	Send Instead Of Transfer
	Costly Loop
	(Unsafe) Use Of Untrusted Libraries
	(Unsafe) Use Of Predictable Variables
	Transaction Ordering Dependence
	Deprecated Uses
Semantic Consistency Checks	Semantic Consistency Checks
Advanced DeFi Scrutiny	Business Logics Review
	Functionality Checks
	Authentication Management
	Access Control & Authorization
	Oracle Security
	Digital Asset Escrow
	Kill-Switch Mechanism
	Operation Trails & Event Generation
	ERC20 Idiosyncrasies Handling
	Frontend-Contract Integration
	Deployment Consistency
	Holistic Risk Management
Additional Recommendations	Avoiding Use of Variadic Byte Array
	Using Fixed Compiler Version
	Making Visibility Level Explicit
	Making Type Inference Explicit
	Adhering To Function Declaration Strictly
	Following Other Best Practices

To evaluate the risk, we go through a list of check items and each would be labeled with a severity category. For one check item, if our tool or analysis does not identify any issue, the contract is considered safe regarding the check item. For any discovered issue, we might further deploy contracts on our private testnet and run tests to confirm the findings. If necessary, we would additionally build a PoC to demonstrate the possibility of exploitation. The concrete list of check items is shown in Table 1.3.

In particular, we perform the audit according to the following procedure:

- Basic Coding Bugs: We first statically analyze given smart contracts with our proprietary static code analyzer for known coding bugs, and then manually verify (reject or confirm) all the issues found by our tool.
- Semantic Consistency Checks: We then manually check the logic of implemented smart contracts and compare with the description in the white paper.
- Advanced DeFi Scrutiny: We further review business logics, examine system operations, and place DeFi-related aspects under scrutiny to uncover possible pitfalls and/or bugs.
- Additional Recommendations: We also provide additional suggestions regarding the coding and development of smart contracts from the perspective of proven programming practices.

To better describe each issue we identified, we categorize the findings with Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE-699) [8], which is a community-developed list of software weakness types to better delineate and organize weaknesses around concepts frequently encountered in software development. Though some categories used in CWE-699 may not be relevant in smart contracts, we use the CWE categories in Table 1.4 to classify our findings. Moreover, in case there is an issue that may affect an active protocol that has been deployed, the public version of this report may omit such issue, but will be amended with full details right after the affected protocol is upgraded with respective fixes.

1.4 Disclaimer

Note that this security audit is not designed to replace functional tests required before any software release, and does not give any warranties on finding all possible security issues of the given smart contract(s) or blockchain software, i.e., the evaluation result does not guarantee the nonexistence of any further findings of security issues. As one audit-based assessment cannot be considered comprehensive, we always recommend proceeding with several independent audits and a public bug bounty program to ensure the security of smart contract(s). Last but not least, this security audit should not be used as investment advice.



Table 1.4: Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE) Classifications Used in This Audit

Category	Summary
Configuration	Weaknesses in this category are typically introduced during the configuration of the software.
Data Processing Issues	Weaknesses in this category are typically found in functionality that processes data.
Numeric Errors	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper calculation or conversion of numbers.
Security Features	Weaknesses in this category are concerned with topics like authentication, access control, confidentiality, cryptography, and privilege management. (Software security is not security software.)
Time and State	Weaknesses in this category are related to the improper management of time and state in an environment that supports simultaneous or near-simultaneous computation by multiple systems, processes, or threads.
Error Conditions, Return Values, Status Codes	Weaknesses in this category include weaknesses that occur if a function does not generate the correct return/status code, or if the application does not handle all possible return/status codes that could be generated by a function.
Resource Management	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper management of system resources.
Behavioral Issues	Weaknesses in this category are related to unexpected behaviors from code that an application uses.
Business Logics	Weaknesses in this category identify some of the underlying problems that commonly allow attackers to manipulate the business logic of an application. Errors in business logic can be devastating to an entire application.
Initialization and Cleanup	Weaknesses in this category occur in behaviors that are used for initialization and breakdown.
Arguments and Parameters	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper use of arguments or parameters within function calls.
Expression Issues	Weaknesses in this category are related to incorrectly written expressions within code.
Coding Practices	Weaknesses in this category are related to coding practices that are deemed unsafe and increase the chances that an exploitable vulnerability will be present in the application. They may not directly introduce a vulnerability, but indicate the product has not been carefully developed or maintained.

2 | Findings

2.1 Summary

Here is a summary of our findings after analyzing the StaFi Cosmos LSD Stack implementation. During the first phase of our audit, we study the smart contract source code and run our in-house static code analyzer through the codebase. The purpose here is to statically identify known coding bugs, and then manually verify (reject or confirm) issues reported by our tool. We further manually review business logics, examine system operations, and place DeFi-related aspects under scrutiny to uncover possible pitfalls and/or bugs.

Severity	# of Findings	
Critical	0	
High	0	
Medium	3	
Low	3	
Informational	0	
Total	6	

We have so far identified a list of potential issues: some of them involve subtle corner cases that might not be previously thought of, while others refer to unusual interactions among multiple contracts. For each uncovered issue, we have therefore developed test cases for reasoning, reproduction, and/or verification. After further analysis and internal discussion, we determined a few issues of varying severities need to be brought up and paid more attention to, which are categorized in the above table. More information can be found in the next subsection, and the detailed discussions of each of them are in [Section 3](#).

2.2 Key Findings

Overall, these smart contracts are well-designed and engineered, though the implementation can be improved by resolving the identified issues (shown in Table 2.1), including 3 medium-severity vulnerabilities and 3 low-severity vulnerabilities.

Table 2.1: Key Audit Findings

ID	Severity	Title	Category	Status
PVE-001	Medium	Missing Status Update in <code>execute_rm_pool_validator()</code>	Business Logic	Resolved
PVE-002	Medium	Missing Validator Update in <code>execute_pool_update_validator()</code>	Business Logic	Resolved
PVE-003	Low	Improved Era Stake Logic in <code>execute_era_stake()</code>	Business Logic	Resolved
PVE-004	Medium	Trust Issue of Admin Keys	Security Features	Mitigated
PVE-005	Low	Improved Redelegating Logic in <code>execute_pool_update_validator()</code>	Business Logic	Resolved
PVE-006	Low	Redundant State/Code Removal	Coding Practices	Resolved

Beside the identified issues, we emphasize that for any user-facing applications and services, it is always important to develop necessary risk-control mechanisms and make contingency plans, which may need to be exercised before the mainnet deployment. The risk-control mechanisms should kick in at the very moment when the contracts are being deployed on mainnet. Please refer to Section 3 for details.

3 | Detailed Results

3.1 Missing Status Update in `execute_rm_pool_validator()`

- ID: PVE-001
- Severity: Medium
- Likelihood: Medium
- Impact: Medium
- Target: `execute_rm_pool_validator.rs`
- Category: Business Logic [7]
- CWE subcategory: CWE-841 [4]

Description

The Stake-manager contract in StaFi protocol holds all LSD functionalities. For example, there is a function named `execute_rm_pool_validator()` that is defined to remove a validator from the pool. In particular, if the local `validator_update_status` is equal to `WaitQueryUpdate`, there is a need to execute `pool_update_validators_icq()` to synchronize the contract content's ICQ with the latest validator-related queries. While reviewing the validator removal logic, we notice that `validator_update_status` should be properly set to `WaitQueryUpdate` in certain situations.

To elaborate, we show below the related code snippet from the `execute_rm_pool_validator()` routine. It comes to our attention that after the removal of the validator from the pool, if the validator still exists in the current delegation's query, the `validator_update_status` should be updated to `WaitQueryUpdate` for synchronization purposes (even if the delegation amount is zero).

```

1  pub fn execute_rm_pool_validator(
2      mut deps: DepsMut<NeutronQuery>,
3      info: MessageInfo,
4      pool_addr: String,
5      validator_addr: String,
6  ) -> NeutronResult<Response<NeutronMsg>> {
7      let mut pool_info = POOLS.load(deps.storage, pool_addr.clone())?;
8      pool_info.authorize(&info.sender)?;
9      pool_info.require_era_ended()?;
10     pool_info.require_update_validator_ended()?;
11
12     if !pool_info.validator_addrs.contains(&validator_addr) {

```

```

13         return Err(ContractError::OldValidatorNotExist {}.into());
14     }
15
16     let delegations = query_delegation_by_addr(deps.as_ref(), pool_addr.clone())?;
17
18     if pool_info.validator_addrs.len() <= 1 {
19         return Err(ContractError::ValidatorAddressesListSize {}.into());
20     }
21
22     let left_validators: Vec<String> = pool_info
23         .validator_addrs
24         .clone()
25         .into_iter()
26         .filter(|val| val.to_string() != validator_addr)
27         .collect();
28     let mut rsp = Response::new();
29     if let Some(to_be_redelegate_delegation) = delegations
30         .delegations
31         .iter()
32         .find(|d| d.validator == validator_addr)
33     {
34         if to_be_redelegate_delegation.amount.amount.is_zero() {
35             pool_info.validator_addrs = left_validators;
36         } else {
37             let fee = min_ntrn_ibc_fee(query_min_ibc_fee(deps.as_ref())?.min_fee);
38             let (pool_ica_info, _, _) =
39                 INFO_OF_ICA_ID.load(deps.storage, pool_info.ica_id.clone())?;
40             ...
41         }
42     }
43 }

```

Listing 3.1: execute_rm_pool_validator()

Recommendation Change the validator_update_status to WaitQueryUpdate when the removed validator has a delegation amount of zero in above-mentioned function.

Status This issue has been fixed in the following commit: 2f65b2ff

3.2 Missing Validator Update in `execute_pool_update_validator()`

- ID: PVE-002
- Severity: Medium
- Likelihood: Medium
- Impact: Medium
- Target: `execute_pool_update_validator.rs`
- Category: Business Logic [7]
- CWE subcategory: CWE-841 [4]

Description

In the audited Stake-manager contract, we notice a function named `execute_pool_update_validator()` that is used to updates validator information for the pool. As mentioned in Section 3.1, another helper routine `pool_update_validators_icq()` is used for synchronization. And in the process, the latest validator information of the pool will be required. However, we observe that the latest validator information of the pool is not updated when `validator_update_status` is set to `WaitQueryUpdate`.

In the following, we show the related `execute_pool_update_validator()` function. Although appropriate actions are taken for both `old_validator` and `new_validator`, it ultimately does not get updated in the pool.

```

200     pub fn execute_pool_update_validator(
201         mut deps: DepsMut<NeutronQuery>,
202         info: MessageInfo,
203         pool_addr: String,
204         old_validator: String,
205         new_validator: String,
206     ) -> NeutronResult<Response<NeutronMsg>> {
207         let mut pool_info: crate::state::PoolInfo = POOLS.load(deps.storage, pool_addr.clone())?;
208         pool_info.authorize(&info.sender)?;
209         pool_info.require_era_ended()?;
210         pool_info.require_update_validator_ended()?;
211
212         if !pool_info.validator_addrs.contains(&old_validator) {
213             return Err(ContractError::OldValidatorNotExist {}.into());
214         }
215         if pool_info.validator_addrs.contains(&new_validator) {
216             return Err(ContractError::NewValidatorAlreadyExist {}.into());
217         }
218
219         let delegations = query_delegation_by_addr(deps.as_ref(), pool_addr.clone())?;
220
221         let mut new_validators = pool_info.validator_addrs.clone();
222         new_validators.retain(|x| x.as_str() != old_validator);

```

```

223     new_validators.push(new_validator.clone());
224
225     let mut msgs = vec![];
226
227     for delegation in delegations.delegations {
228         if delegation.validator != old_validator {
229             continue;
230         }
231         let stake_amount = delegation.amount.amount;
232
233         if stake_amount.is_zero() {
234             break;
235         }
236
237         let any_msg = gen_redelegate_txs(
238             pool_addr.clone(),
239             delegation.validator.clone(),
240             new_validator.clone(),
241             pool_info.remote_denom.clone(),
242             stake_amount,
243         );
244
245         msgs.push(any_msg);
246     }
247     let (pool_ica_info, _, _) = INFO_OF_ICA_ID.load(deps.storage, pool_info.ica_id.clone());
248
249     // let remove_msg_old_query = NeutronMsg::remove_interchain_query(register_query_id);
250     let mut resp = Response::default(); // .add_message(remove_msg_old_query)
251
252     if !msgs.is_empty() {
253         ...
254     } else {
255         pool_info.validator_update_status = ValidatorUpdateStatus::WaitQueryUpdate;
256     }
257
258     POOLS.save(deps.storage, pool_addr.clone(), &pool_info)?;
259
260     Ok(resp)
261 }

```

Listing 3.2: execute_pool_update_validator()

Recommendation Revise the above routine to properly update latest validator information of the pool.

Status This issue has been fixed in the following commit: 2f65b2ff

3.3 Improved Era Stake Logic in execute_era_stake()

- ID: PVE-003
- Severity: Low
- Likelihood: Low
- Impact: Low
- Target: execute_era_stake.rs
- Category: Business Logic [7]
- CWE subcategory: CWE-841 [4]

Description

The Stake-manager contract introduces the concept of era. The new era process is permissionless and showcases the decentralized nature of the Cosmos LSD Stack by allowing anyone to trigger the beginning of a new era. Each step in the process includes necessary validations to prevent the contract from re-processing transactions or prematurely moving to subsequent steps. era_stake is one of the steps to handle staking, unstaking, and withdrawal transactions on the original chain.

While reviewing its logic, we notice that when the bonded amount is greater than the unbonded amount, it will be evenly delegated to each validator. However, if the total amount is small, it will be more gas-efficient by delegating to a single validator.

```

400     pub fn execute_era_stake(
401         mut deps: DepsMut<NeutronQuery>,
402         env: Env,
403         pool_addr: String,
404     ) -> NeutronResult<Response<NeutronMsg>> {
405         let mut pool_info = POOLS.load(deps.storage, pool_addr.clone())?;
406
407         // check era state
408         if pool_info.status != EraUpdateEnded {
409             return Err(ContractError::StatusNotAllow {}.into());
410         }
411
412         let mut msgs = vec![];
413
414         let mut msg_str = "".to_string();
415         if pool_info.era_snapshot.unbond >= pool_info.era_snapshot.bond {
416             ...} else {
417                 let stake_amount = pool_info.era_snapshot.bond - pool_info.era_snapshot.
                    unbond;
418                 let validator_count = pool_info.validator_addrs.len() as u128;
419                 if validator_count == 0 {
420                     return Err(ContractError::ValidatorsEmpty {}.into());
421                 }
422
423                 let amount_per_validator = stake_amount.div(Uint128::from(validator_count));
424                 let remainder = stake_amount.sub(amount_per_validator.mul(Uint128::new(
                    validator_count)));
425

```

```

426         for (index, validator_addr) in pool_info.validator_addrs.iter().enumerate()
427         {
428             let mut amount_for_this_validator = amount_per_validator;
429
430             // Add the remainder to the first validator
431             if index == 0 {
432                 amount_for_this_validator += remainder;
433             }
434
435             let any_msg = gen_delegation_txs(
436                 pool_addr.clone(),
437                 validator_addr.clone(),
438                 pool_info.remote_denom.clone(),
439                 amount_for_this_validator,
440             );
441
442             msgs.push(any_msg);
443         }
444
445     if msgs.len() == 0 {
446         pool_info.status = EraStakeEnded;
447         POOLS.save(deps.storage, pool_addr, &pool_info)?;
448
449         return Ok(Response::default());
450     }
451
452     let (pool_ica_info, _, _) = INFO_OF_ICA_ID.load(deps.storage, pool_info.ica_id.clone())?;
453
454     let fee = min_ntrn_ibc_fee(query_min_ibc_fee(deps.as_ref())?.min_fee);
455     let cosmos_msg = NeutronMsg::submit_tx(
456         pool_ica_info.ctrl_connection_id,
457         pool_info.ica_id.clone(),
458         msgs,
459         "".to_string(),
460         DEFAULT_TIMEOUT_SECONDS,
461         fee,
462     );
463
464     let submsg = msg_with_sudo_callback(
465         deps.branch(),
466         cosmos_msg,
467         SudoPayload {
468             port_id: pool_ica_info.ctrl_port_id,
469             // the acknowledgement later
470             message: msg_str,
471             pool_addr: pool_addr.clone(),
472             tx_type: TxType::EraBond,
473         },
474     )?;
475

```



```

476     pool_info.status = EraStakeStarted;
477     POOLS.save(deps.storage, pool_addr, &pool_info)?;
478
479     Ok(Response::default().add_submessage(submsg))
480 }

```

Listing 3.3: `execute_era_stake()`

Recommendation Delegate to a single validator when `stake_amount` is below a threshold in the above function.

Status This issue has been fixed in the following commit: [2f65b2ff](#)

3.4 Trust Issue of Admin Keys

- ID: PVE-004
- Severity: Medium
- Likelihood: Low
- Impact: High
- Target: Multiple contracts
- Category: Security Features [\[5\]](#)
- CWE subcategory: CWE-287 [\[2\]](#)

Description

In the audited protocol, there is a privileged account, i.e., `admin`. This account plays a critical role in regulating the protocol-wide operations (e.g., configure stack, pool parameters). Our analysis shows that this privileged account needs to be scrutinized. In the following, we use the market contract as an example and show the representative functions potentially affected by the privileges of the `admin` account.

```

500     pub fn execute_config_stack(
501         deps: DepsMut<NeutronQuery>,
502         info: MessageInfo,
503         param: ConfigStackParams,
504     ) -> NeutronResult<Response<NeutronMsg>> {
505         let mut stack = STACK.load(deps.storage)?;
506         stack.authorize(&info.sender)?;
507
508         if let Some(stack_fee_receiver) = param.stack_fee_receiver {
509             stack.stack_fee_receiver = stack_fee_receiver
510         }
511         if let Some(stack_fee_commission) = param.stack_fee_commission {
512             stack.stack_fee_commission = stack_fee_commission;
513         }
514         if let Some(new_admin) = param.new_admin {
515             stack.admin = new_admin;
516         }
517     }

```

```

517     if let Some(lsd_token_code_id) = param.lsd_token_code_id {
518         stack.lsd_token_code_id = lsd_token_code_id;
519     }
520     if let Some(add_entrusted_pool) = param.add_entrusted_pool {
521         if !stack.entrusted_pools.contains(&add_entrusted_pool) {
522             stack.entrusted_pools.push(add_entrusted_pool);
523         }
524     }
525     if let Some(remove_entrusted_pool) = param.remove_entrusted_pool {
526         if stack.entrusted_pools.contains(&remove_entrusted_pool) {
527             stack
528                 .entrusted_pools
529                 .retain(|p| p.to_string() != remove_entrusted_pool);
530         }
531     }
532
533     STACK.save(deps.storage, &stack)?;
534
535     Ok(Response::default())
536 }

```

Listing 3.4: execute_config_stack()

We understand the need of the privileged functions for proper operations, but at the same time the extra power to the `admin` may also be a counter-party risk to the `StaFi` users. Therefore, we list this concern as an issue here from the audit perspective and highly recommend making these privileges explicit or raising necessary awareness among protocol users.

Recommendation Make the list of extra privileges granted to `StaFi` explicit to `StaFi` users.

Status The issue has been confirmed by the team.

3.5 Improved Redelegation Logic in `execute_pool_update_validator()`

- ID: PVE-005
- Severity: Low
- Likelihood: Low
- Impact: Low
- Target: `execute_pool_update_validator.rs`
- Category: Business Logic [7]
- CWE subcategory: CWE-837 [3]

Description

The Stake-manager contract provides a function named `execute_pool_update_validator()` that is used to update validator information for the pool. While examining the routine, we notice the current implementation can be improved.

To elaborate, we show below the code snippet from this `execute_pool_update_validator()` function. It comes to our attention that if the following condition is met, i.e., `stake_amount.is_zero()` (line 618), the `for`-loop execution should `break` instead of current `continue` (line 619).

```

600     pub fn execute_pool_update_validator(
601     mut deps: DepsMut<NeutronQuery>,
602     info: MessageInfo,
603     pool_addr: String,
604     old_validator: String,
605     new_validator: String,
606 ) -> NeutronResult<Response<NeutronMsg>> {
607     let mut pool_info: crate::state::PoolInfo = P00LS.load(deps.storage, pool_addr.clone
        ())?;
608     pool_info.authorize(&info.sender)?;
609     pool_info.require_era_ended()?;
610     pool_info.require_update_validator_ended()?;
611     ...
612     for delegation in delegations.delegations {
613         if delegation.validator != old_validator {
614             continue;
615         }
616         let stake_amount = delegation.amount.amount;
617
618         if stake_amount.is_zero() {
619             continue;
620         }
621
622         let any_msg = gen_redelegate_txs(
623             pool_addr.clone(),
624             delegation.validator.clone(),
625             new_validator.clone(),
626             pool_info.remote_denom.clone(),
627             stake_amount,

```

```

628     );
629
630     msgs.push(any_msg);
631 }
632 let (pool_ica_info, _, _) = INFO_OF_ICA_ID.load(deps.storage, pool_info.ica_id.clone
633     ());
634 // let remove_msg_old_query = NeutronMsg::remove_interchain_query(registere_query_id
635     );
636 let mut resp = Response::default(); // .add_message(remove_msg_old_query)
637 ...
638 POOLS.save(deps.storage, pool_addr.clone(), &pool_info)?;
639 Ok(resp)
640 }

```

Listing 3.5: execute_pool_update_validator()

Recommendation Exit the `for`-loop execution if the condition of `stake_amount.is_zero()` is satisfied.

Status The issue has been fixed by this commit: [2f65b2ff](#)

3.6 Redundant State/Code Removal

- ID: PVE-006
- Severity: Low
- Likelihood: Low
- Impact: Low
- Target: `error_conversion.rs`
- Category: Coding Practices [6]
- CWE subcategory: CWE-1041 [1]

Description

In the Stake-manager contract, the `error_conversion` file defines all the error codes used in the contract. Error codes enables developers and users to better understand and address runtime exceptions. While examining its logic, we observe the inclusion of certain unused code or the presence of unnecessary redundancies that can be safely removed.

To elaborate, we show below the related code snippet of the `error_conversion.rc` file. There are two error codes, `RateIsZero` and `RateNotMatch`, that are not used throughout the entire contract and can be safely removed.

```

700 pub enum ContractError {
701
702     #[error("Encode error: {0}")]
703     EncodeError(String),

```

```

704
705     #[error("Validator for unbond not enough")]
706     ValidatorForUnbondNotEnough {},
707
708     #[error("Delegation submission height")]
709     DelegationSubmissionHeight {},
710
711     #[error("Withdraw Addr balances submission height")]
712     WithdrawAddrBalanceSubmissionHeight {},
713
714     #[error("Rebond height")]
715     RebondHeight {},
716
717     #[error("Pool is paused")]
718     PoolIsPaused {},
719
720     #[error("Already latest era")]
721     AlreadyLatestEra {},
722
723     #[error("Validator addresses list")]
724     ValidatorAddressesListSize {},
725
726     #[error("Rate is zero")]
727     RateIsZero {},
728
729     #[error("Instantiate2 address failed, err: {0}")]
730     Instantiate2AddressFailed(String),
731
732     #[error("Rate not match")]
733     RateNotMatch {},
734
735     #[error("Closed channel ID unmatched")]
736     ClosedChannelIdUnmatch {},
737     ...
738 }

```

Listing 3.6: error_conversion.rs

Recommendation Consider the removal of the redundant code with a simplified, consistent implementation.

Status The issue has been fixed by this commit: 2f65b2ff

4 | Conclusion

In this audit, we have analyzed the design and implementation of the StaFi Cosmos LSD Stack that is a suite of software to help developers deploying LSD project instantly. Thanks to Neutron, the LSD stack is able to implement liquid staking in smart contract. The key component is StakeManager for handling staking logic, validator set management, reward distribution, and withdrawals. In addition, the LSD token is an cw20 compatible contract so that users get LST after stake and it will be burnt after unstake. The current code base is well structured and neatly organized. Those identified issues are promptly confirmed and addressed.

Meanwhile, we need to emphasize that smart contracts as a whole are still in an early, but exciting stage of development. To improve this report, we greatly appreciate any constructive feedbacks or suggestions, on our methodology, audit findings, or potential gaps in scope/coverage.



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