2019-10-01 Contributor call

EMEA friendly time

Recording

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Minutes

- General Introduction
- Antitrust Notice
- General Announcements (Danno)
  - Devcon announcement
    - Consensys sponsored Besu Space
    - HL Event in Osaka
  - HL Forum announcement
    - https://events.linuxfoundation.org/events/hyperledger-global-forum-2020/
- Release updates (Danno)
  - 1.2.4 released - testnet block numbers are baked in
  - 1.3-RC released on 2019/10/29
  - 1.3 should be released this week
- Work updates
  - Ethereum Classic (Greg):
    - Chugging along, fully understanding the codebase before going through it
    - Working on toggles and how to configure options
    - They have a fork on github.com/ChainSafe/besu
    - No PR yet
    - Updated wiki with block numbers
    - Of the opinion that ETC needs another stable client for the network
    - CLI naming convention: classic.json
    - ETC testnets:
      - Will support Kotti, no support for Morden
      - only variations of different json files
  - Istanbul Hard Fork
    - Some miner hiccups in Ropsten, but otherwise fine
    - Next; Goerli end of October, Rinkeby 2 weeks later
- Other Business
  - CI issues
    - LGTM fixes needed (not urgent)
  - Long form presentations:
    - 2 types of valuable presentations (Tim)
      - High level feature overview
      - Lower stack subjects
    - How/when to decide subjects?
      - Proposed subjects posted in agenda ~1 week before the call
      - Possibility of taking a presentation subjects during previous call
  - Two new Github repos
    - Mac Homebrew support
    - Smart Contract
  - Collaboration patterns
    - Maintainer guidelines will be posted in the wiki
    - Discussions should be open in rocket chat
    - Response times will be discussed
    - Gitter/Rocket chat migration discussed
- Open Forum (Danno)
  - Storage options
    - Follow-up on RAM requirements; curious about when moving away from RocksDB will be possible? (Antony)
    - Plugin mechanism with ability to specify key/value storage provider
      - Possibility to plug into Redis/LevelDB/…
    - Currently, RocksDB still seems best option performance wise
  - Chat question: have you talked about hard fork in IBFT2.0? (@eurm602)
    - Not supported yet, but has been talked about
- Future Topics
  - Plugin mechanism
  - Next meeting: on October 15th GMT 1h00