

2021-05-24 Besu Contributor Call

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- 6 pm Monday Los Angeles
- 9 pm Monday New York
- 1 am Tuesday UTC
- 3 am Tuesday Paris/Berlin
- 11 am Tuesday Brisbane

Agenda

- Housekeeping
 - Antitrust notice - <https://www.linuxfoundation.org/antitrust-policy/>
 - This meeting is being recorded
 - Please Mute unless speaking
 - If you have a question use the raise hand feature
- General Announcements
 - A few contributors and maintainers from ConsenSys will be at the global forum
 - Grace is facilitating panel on use-cases on Besu, Lucas is hosting Besu demo
 - Danno presenting Bonzai demo, Goerli demo, Ethereum layer 2 related to Hyperledger
 - Hyperledger Besu certification survey results are in!
 - Working on Rocketchat bridge to ConsenSys Discord
 - Working on global Meetups to cross-promote on Hyperledger <-> BUIDL network
- Release updates
 - New Release: Besu 21.1.6
 - <https://github.com/hyperledger/besu/releases/tag/21.1.6>
- Work Updates
 - Non-technical contributors to become maintainers
 - Restrictions for maintainers that are non-technical can be recognized
 - Vijay and Sajida have been added as maintainers based on their product leadership
 - We should do a poll in Rocketchat for: (1) what is stopping you from contributing to Besu (2) why are you deterred from contributing to Besu?
 - Could we incentivize contributors to create more tutorials in a repo for the community? We have quorum-quickstart-dev, but could there be more developer tools for demonstrating privacy/permissioning upon deployment (we need more contributors!)
 - Experimental Bonsai trie benchmark results
 - Karim update: Took over Bonsai work since Danno left
 - Since March 20, we had two mainnet nodes syncing
 - 1TB vs .5 TB without Bonsi trie improvements
 - Force node without pruning - 12TB
 - 50% improvement in storage usage with bonsai enhancements
 - Post Rayonism update
 - Rayonism went well!
 - Besu as an execution client was the most stable execution client; top performer!
 - On Nocturne testnet, we did some things with type transactions, but had very little to do
 - We integrated with Teku/Prysm/Lighthouse (couldn't get Nimbus up in time)
 - Had really good results with all four on the second trial
 - Working on getting Besu broader adoption as an execution environment; de facto execution engine for Teku
 - Antoine to assist Gary with Rayonism work (consult)
 - Next ->
 - No new testnet
 - Withdrawal and partial withdrawal work
 - ETH1 hardfork will need to happen for next steps
 - ETC
 - Magneto hard fork
 - Antoine is close with ETC and working on mining improvements using Besu
 - Besu support for pool methods (reject list, blacklist IPs), more open issues in Github
 - Besu is an ideal client for ETC miners but requires some improvements/ fixed issues
 - 1559 update
 - Getting close - London configs are in testnets
 - Doing work with Dimitry and Ari on reference tests
 - Besu is only ETH1 client that does RPC tests right now
 - Transaction pool modification code is getting difficult to follow
 - Refactoring code so we can optimize
 - Karim is working on late breaking update
 - Code freeze right now
 - Getting everything under the wire for first testnet release June 2nd
 - All things aside: great shape!
- Other Business
 - Technical Steering Committee
 - New mandate: Must transition off Master branch to Main branch
 - Deadline: End of Q2
 - Chupacabra is working on this issue

- Consider removing other barriers for contributors
 - <https://www.hyperledger.org/blog/2021/01/26/removing-barriers-to-contribution-with-inclusive-language>
- Project Management
 - Currently on Open CI
 - Issues:
 - PRs from external contributors is difficult
 - Github actions is new target from Hyperledger/ Linux Foundation
- Open Forum
- Future Topics
 - Next Besu quarterly report to TSC is scheduled for June 24th

****Recording will be added here after the call**

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