Decred (DCR)

About : Decred is a blockchain-based cryptocurrency with a strong focus on community input, open governance, and sustainable funding for development. It utilizes a hybrid Proof-of-Work (PoW) and Proof-of-Stake (PoS) mining system to ensure that a small group cannot dominate the flow of transactions or make changes to Decred without the input of the community. A unit of the currency is called a decred (DCR).

Advantages:

- **1. Free and Open-Source Software :** All software developed as part of Decred shall be free and open source-software.
- 2. Incremental Privacy and Security: Privacy and security technology shall be implemented on a continuing and incremental basis, both proactively and on-demand in response to attacks.

- **3. Free Speech and Consideration :** Everyone has the right to communicate opinions and ideas without fear of censorship. Consideration shall be given to all constructive speech that is based in fact and reason.
- **4. Multi-Stakeholder Inclusivity :** Inclusivity represents a multistakeholder system and an active effort shall be maintained to include a diverse set of views and users.

Roadmap:

Here is a summary of what we have planned for the rest of 2018 and early 2019:

- SPV Wallet Support Instead of taking the typical wallet service approach where wallets connect to a centralized server, we have added support for a proper SPV mechanism that uses compact filters and works over the P2P network.
- Politeia Voting Our proposal system is nearing completion and will allow users and stakeholders to make proposals, dictate what does and does not get funded, and participate in project-level decisionmaking

- **Lightning Network** The bulk of the work to port Lightning Labs' Ind to Decred has been completed and it will be released soon.
- Initial Privacy Release Privacy work has begun in earnest and we
 will make an incremental privacy release where we release working
 code and give further information about our plans and approach.
- Decentralized Control of Funds While Politeia voting will be used
 to control the flow of dev org funds in the meantime, we will be
 creating a smart contract that will fully decentralize control of the dev
 org funds.
- Decentralized Autonomous Entities Using a similar method as that used to decentralize control of the dev org funds, we will allow for the creation of DAEs on the Decred chain.
- Scalability Optimizations A variety of changes, some of which are
 consensus changes, are required to improve the scaling properties of
 Decred, e.g. a new signature algorithm, multipeer sync support, and
 header commitments.

- Decrediton Integrations The Decrediton GUI will be adding new integrations to support SPV, mobile, Politeia voting and Lightning Network.
- **Decentralized Exchange** We will draft a proposal for a cryptocurrency-only decentralized exchange and share it publicly.
- Marketing Growth Decred has lined up a presence at many of the premier cryptocurrency trade shows for the rest of 2018 and will continue dialing up its marketing efforts.