

✓ Radix Validator Community Proposal

For more information and instructions, please see the [Validator Community Proposal Program page](#).

About you:

Who are you? (Publicly used name, company name, Telegram handle, etc. that the community would know you by.)

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(I was one of the community members who [successfully ran a Cassandra test node with Dan](#))



Tell us about yourself, and why you are interested in serving as a validator node-runner on the Radix public mainnet.

I CAN DO THIS!!! I cannot sit on the sidelines anymore. I want to join the fight with Dan, Piers, and the rest of the team to unleash the Radix DeFi protocol and free us all from the centralized financial world!

I bring over **20 years of server admin experience** running my own IT Services company managing servers, networks, and clients (perfect fit, right?). For almost all that time I have also run an online backup service, first with collocated physical servers then virtual servers distributed across cloud infrastructure providers like AWS, DigitalOcean, and Vultr.

I became interested in Radix after reading about Dan's incredible journey and his revolutionary goal. Soon after I experienced firsthand all Ethereum's issues and understood why Radix DLT is vital for the future growth of DeFi.

I would be proud to serve as a betanet validator and help Dan and team complete the goal of building a platform that can serve the DeFi needs of the entire world.

In addition to validator node-running, do you intend to make other contributions to the value and health of the Radix ecosystem in the future? If so, how?

Currently I am helping with the Cassandra testnet, staking in the Radix Uniswap LP, and I also take part in various Radix group discussions. On the betanet, aside from node-running, I plan on test staking through the Radix desktop wallet and being involved in all available betanet special events.

Commitment:

How will you ensure constant operation and connectivity of your node(s) during the approximately 2 months of betanet operation? Are you comfortable covering the costs of running a performant node during this betanet period? (**Current recommendation is an AWS c5.xlarge instance provisioned with a gp2 storage volume – or equivalent.**)

I will setup server monitoring with alerts using Prometheus to notify me immediately when a problem occurs so I can take action. **I will ensure that my node remains operational and connectivity is constant.** I am happy to cover my operating costs, but appreciate the offer by the Radix team to help.

How will you ensure you are able to perform node software updates that may be deployed during betanet, within 48 hours of notification, in order to assist with prompt testing of any changes?

I will make myself available at all times required to assist with test and updates.

Following the launch of the Radix mainnet, assuming you are able to remain in the mainnet validator set by stake delegation, describe your level of commitment to ensuring constant operation, connectivity, and prompt updating of your node. Would you commit to a year or more of constant operation?

100%. Yes, I would be proud to be a mainnet validator for a year or more.

Will you seek to receive a part of the validator node-runner subsidy on mainnet? If so, will you be willing to submit KYC information to the Radix Foundation so that a validator node-runner subsidy may be legally paid out to you?

Yes

Tech savvy:

Describe your experience in general server systems administration and/or in the operation of cloud server infrastructure on AWS or similar services.

I started my own IT company over 20 years ago working with both Windows and Linux servers and clients (first on-prem, then in the cloud). Over all the years I have managed thousands of computers and hundreds of servers. **I am always on-call for issues and respond immediately to alerts.**

If you were to run a node, would you prefer a pre-configured docker image, or would you prefer to download/build a JAR and run that? Why?

Docker containers may be the easiest to deploy for everyone. But I have been fine using the jar and config files so far on my Cassandra test node.

Token stake:

How many of your own XRD tokens will you delegate to your own validator node on mainnet?

250,000 XRD. **I am not a whale**, just a self-taught IT guy who believes completely in Radix. I would like to be a validator for the little guy and rally a team of delegators together to give the whales a run for their money.

Following the launch of the Radix mainnet, describe how will you actively solicit XRD token holders to delegate stake to the security of the Radix network.

Founding Delegator Giveaway: **100% of all network incentive XRD tokens** I receive for running a validator node during the first month of the mainnet will be given away to all delegators who begin staking with me before the mainnet launch. This giveaway will be divided up equally between all my delegators based on their percentage staked at the completion of the first month of the Radix mainnet and distributed to them shortly thereafter. More information will be announced on the Radix Telegram and Discord channels.

Delegator Loyalty Incentive: Beginning one month after the mainnet launch, **I will continue to give away a competitive amount of network incentive XRD tokens** from what I receive for running a validator node to my delegators as an incentive for them to continue staking with me. This amount will be determined once the Radix team provides more details regarding validator incentives. We can only remain a profitable validator node by working together to stay in the top 100 nodes. That is why **I pledge to offer competitive returns, transparency, and support** to all my delegators to maintain this goal.

How will you keep the community (and your delegators specifically) informed as to the status of operation of your node, during betanet and for mainnet?

Create my own Telegram and Discord channels, provide a website with real-time validator node server stats using Grafana, and reward tracking for delegators

Thank you all for your consideration. GO RADIX! vvvvv