

# Blockchain (2) Commons

Advocating for the Creation of Open, Interoperable, Secure, and Compassionate Digital Infrastructure

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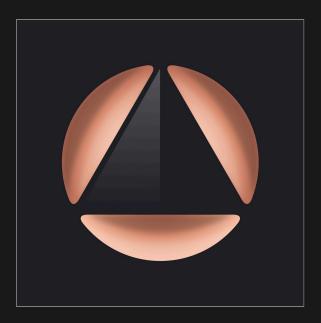


#### What is Blockchain Commons?

- We are a community interested in self-sovereign control of digital assets.
- We bring together stakeholders to collaboratively develop interoperable infrastructure.
- We design decentralized solutions where everyone wins.
- We are a neutral "not-for-profit" that enables people to control
  their own digital destiny.

Today we're featuring a special presentation from one our partners!

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# **Today's Topics**

- Quantum Computing
- QuantumLink from Foundation
- PQC in the Gordian Stack
- The Zcash ZeWIF Project



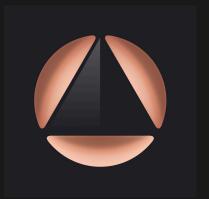
# **Quantum Computing (I)**

- Quantum Computers take advantage of superposition & entanglement
  - Can do some computing tasks faster
  - A 1994 paper described how RSA could be broken by quantum computing
  - ECDSA, ECDH, and DSA are also insecure with quantum computing
  - AES-256 and SHA-3 require larger output



# **Quantum Computing (II)**

- Quantum computers really exist. This isn't SF!
  - Google: Willow, chip with 105 physical qubits
    - Due to error correction, this is just a handful of logical qubits!
    - Need thousands of logical qubits to break algorithms
  - Microsoft: Majorana claims a path to 1M physical qubits
  - Ultimately, these are laboratory experiments
    - Crypto attacks might be 5-10 years off, but we don't know
- We need Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC)
  - But right now, use only if you need protection for 5-50 years



# Foundation's Passport Prime

- Foundation recently announced Passport Prime
  - A Personal Security Assistant!
  - Stores Seeds, Bitcoin, 2FA codes, Security Keys
  - Encrypted Files Too
- But There's even more going on under the hood!
  - Passport Prime is moving toward a post-quantum reality

#### Over to Ken ...



#### Over to Wolf ...



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# POST-QUANTUM CRYPTOPGRAPHY



# The ZeWIF Project

- Working on an extensible interchange format for Zcash wallets
  - with our partner Zingo Labs
- In January, released reports
  - https://github.com/zingolabs/zcash-wallet-format
- Starting in on migration tool
  - https://github.com/BlockchainCommons/zmigrate
  - Fully reads zcashd
  - Test it on your wallet! Or give us empty wallets to test!
- Specification to follow



# Why ZeWIF is Important

- Interchange allows people to freely move their funds
  - They don't get locked into a single wallet
- Standardization ensures that things don't get lost
  - ZL's ZExCavator tool will help to recover already lost funds
- These are Gordian Principles
  - Openness, Independence, Resilience!
- They support self-sovereign managment of digital assets
- We'd love to do this sort of work on other blockchains!



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