

Lamassu Proposal Review of lamassu-integration

This proposal is about adding Dash as an option to Lamassu ATMs. We have discovered many things that are questionable and do not fit the intent of the proposal.

Review of Proposal Text

The official name of the proposal is [lamassu-integration](#)[1] and is posted here: [January 2016 Budget Proposal](#)

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Dash-Lamassu ATM Integration - 610.26 DASH - 12 months



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We are very happy to announce our project to integrate Dash into the Lamassu ATM machines. One of our top priorities from a business development perspective is to improve direct access to our network for end users. We believe crypto ATMs are a great way for regular people to get access to DASH without being adept to crypto-currency online trading and Lamassu has currently the largest number of machines operating around the world of all the manufacturers.

Crypto ATMs will help bring DASH into the everyday life of regular users and increase utility by providing a physical bridge into the network. Dash is partnering with Deginner, a development firm with experience with the Lamassu machiness and the awareness of Lamassu to perform the integration. Support over a longer time frame is required to ensure the integration will be maintained for any changes in Dash or the Lamassu system, for this, Deginner will include a two year support for the integration. Ira Miller, from Deginner, has been instrumental in opening this opportunity for Dash by leading the conversation with the Lamassu team and making sure they are aware of the project.

This is a big project, as one key requirement of the integration is for Dash to be able to be presented to the user side-by-side with Bitcoin, meaning a current BTM operator can continue to offer BTC as he normally does and just expand to also offer DASH as an alternative by selecting an option in the menu if he desires. This means the whole system, including the UI, need to change as it was originally designed to do only BTC. This is critical to make it attractive for existing operators to offer Dash without any disruption to their BTC business or machines, just a menu option where they can activate DASH support at will. Also, for new DASH ATM operators which primary interest is DASH it makes sense to also offer BTC, creating synergies between both networks. The alternative of converting the machines from BTC exclusive to DASH exclusive was not really viable as there would not be a business case for current BTM operators to exclude BTC in favor of DASH at this point in time.

Ira Miller, Deginner founder and CEO, is a developer and entrepreneur working in Bitcoin since 2011, he was part of Bitinstant and founded Coinapult in 2012 with Erik Voorhees, which he sold in 2015. We hope that Ira's collaboration and support for Dash continues in years to come.

Deginner was founded in early 2015 by former Coinapult CEO and CTO, [isysd](#) and [g-p-g](#). The Deginner team has built many cryptocurrency services and apps in the past, and now focuses entirely on open source tools. They developed the [lamassu-coinapult](#) trade, wallet, and ticker plugins, and have good relationships with the Lamassu team, as well as many of their operators. If this project is approved, Deginner will ensure it is deployed on at least one network of BTMs, starting with the one in [Panama City, Panama](#).

Special thanks to Minotaur (Head of Business Development for Dash) for making this possible.

More information: <https://github.com/deginner/DashLamassuProposal> | <https://angel.co/ira-miller>

The Lamassu Logo and first sentence clearly indicate this project is dedicated to integrating Dash into Lamassu ATMs. If you read closer you find that the proposal is actually about paying a 3rd party software company called Deginner to create software that can be added to Lamassu ATMs.

Now we find out what this actually means and why it is a problem. Deginner did create a version of software for Dash and BTC implementation for Lamassu ATMs. But before anyone purchased an ATM with it, Lamassu started working with Ethereum. Now Lamassu will be promoting a BTC – Ethereum version as a standard option. Lamassu clearly states on their website that they don't support 3rd party software. At the moment it will not be possible to purchase an ATM through Lamassu that supports Dash.

Here is an email from Neal Conner Customer Service Manager at Lamassu, Inc. responding to the question of whether or not they will support customers who choose to run the GitGuild Software Stack on their Lamassu ATM.

Hi Bill,

To the extent their software differs from ours, we wouldn't be able to support you in the same way. Much might remain the same and our support knowledgebase would still be available for free.

We do want to expand the offerings of our machine to make it easier to drop in and enable coins like Dash, though at the moment we have to take it one at a time, as it's still a manual process.

Cheers,

So if an operator chooses to use GitGuild software they lose support from Lamassu.

Are we wasting resources by not working directly with Lamassu?


Panama City BTM Network: TigoCTM:

Can a Lamassu reseller like TigoCTM sell ATMs with Dash support? They had a few press releases that announced this.

If you go to their website, <http://www.tigoctm.com>, you will only find a contact form you can fill out and submit. There is no address, phone number, or email to verify the company is legitimate. Even the domain is registered anonymously. There is nothing about a BTM network (mentioned in the proposal). There is nothing to support that even 1 ATM was ever sold. Daniel Diaz supposedly ordered an ATM months ago from TigoCTM but nothing confirms he has received it or that it was even delivered..

Putting the pieces together we find the TigoCTM website was created in January 2016 shortly after this proposal was in place. Ira Miller is claiming to be an Advisor to TigoCTM along with working at both GitGuild and Deginner.

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Current	TigoCTM, Git Guild
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Websites	Company Website

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Experience

Advisor

TigoCTM

February 2015 – Present (1 year 7 months)

Advise Cryptocurrency Teller Machine vendor TigoCTM on business and technical matters. Create a global, open ecosystem of cash locations for Bitcoin and Dash users.



Ira's LinkedIn page above shows that he has worked at TigoCTM for 1.583 years.[2] Why was the tigoctm.com website only registered 8 months ago? Why is there only two blog posts written over the course of 1.7 years. [3] The TigoCTM twitter account is full of spam and fake followers.[4] The second account to follow TigoCTM twitter account was Ira Miller twitter account.[5]

Does TigoCTM appear to be a real company selling ATMs with a real ATM network? Has TigoCTM been around for 1.7 years or 8 months? If 1.7 years why can't we order an ATM from the website yet? Why is there no support phone number? Why is there no physical address or even a P.O. Box? Why is there no CEO, CTO, CFO, or any other company employees?

Overview of Money Allocation

There are currently no contracts in the budget system. The system allows for a renewable budget that is still required to pass a vote every budget cycle. A 3rd party cannot sign a binding agreement on the masternodes' behalf and force a decision from masternodes going forward. The proposal has paid out month 8 of a 12 month renewing budget.

Date	Dash	USD/Dash	\$ Amount	\$ Total
2016-01-06	610.26	\$3.01	\$1,837.00	\$1,837.00
2016-02-05	610.26	\$3.98	\$2,429.00	\$4,265.00
2016-03-07	610.26	\$4.28	\$2,612.00	\$6,877.00
2016-04-06	610.26	\$6.99	\$4,265.00	\$11,142.00
2016-05-06	610.26	\$6.66	\$4,064.00	\$15,206.00
2016-06-06	610.26	\$7.60	\$4,638.00	\$19,843.00
2016-07-06	610.26	\$6.85	\$4,180.00	\$24,023.00
2016-08-05	610.26	\$9.40	\$5,736.00	\$29,759.00
2016-09-05	610.26	\$12.91	\$7,878.00	

That leaves one question:

Is the next payment worth \$7,878 worth paying?

References

- [1] <https://www.dashwhale.org/p/lamassu-integration>
- [2] <https://www.linkedin.com/in/ira-miller-5352668>
- [3] <https://medium.com/@TigoCTM>
- [4] <https://twitter.com/TigoCTM>
- [5] <http://imgur.com/a/fd2v9>