



*Ethereum's Expressway*

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## **“Ethereum’s Internet of Blockchains”**

**Polygon envisions a world in  
which people and machines  
collaborate and exchange value  
globally and freely, without  
gatekeepers or intermediaries.**

| Polygon Mission



## Introduction

Polygon (MATIC) is a Layer-2 protocol for building and connecting Ethereum-compatible blockchains.

Formerly known as The Matic Network, it originated in October 2017 before rebranding to Polygon in February 2021.

Polygon is led by 4 co-founders and an experienced advisory board. Its community is growing rapidly across social platforms worldwide. Polygon has more than 1,000 decentralized apps built on it.

It's the only Ethereum-compatible side chain that offers lower fees and instantaneous settlement. Today, it handles ~6M transactions per day costing less than a penny per transaction.

Polygon looks to provide a scaling solution to Ethereum and become an **Internet-of-Blockchains**.

(All Data as of 10/13/2021)

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# Limitations of Current Blockchains

## Privacy. Security. Decentralization.

This is how blockchain might deliver the promise of Web 3.0, but we're not there yet. Legacy chain technology like Bitcoin and Ethereum are necessary but not sufficient for the full emergence of a trustless, scalable, and interoperable base layer to build upon.

**A fully realized Web 3.0 cannot emerge while the following problems with blockchains still exist:**

1. Interoperability between blockchains.
2. The trilemma of speed, scale, and security.
3. There is little room for customization.
4. Poor governance risks irreversible hard forks.
5. And when Governance is poor, upgrades are difficult.

**“Polygon paved the  
path for Layer-2.”**

— Jaynti Kanani

## Polygon Feature Summary

1. Polygon is a modular framework that allows developers to build customized applications inside the Ethereum ecosystem.
2. Started as a single side chain to Ethereum, **Polygon has broadened use cases**. It offers:
  - a. A unique **Software Developers Kit (SDK)**. This Polygon toolbox includes modules that make constructing decentralized apps (**dApps**) fast and easy. It includes a cross messaging system that lets Ethereum-based blockchains be interoperable.
  - b. **Secured Chains (Layer 2)** are blockchain networks that employ Security-as-a-service and rely on Ethereum directly or through a pool of professional validators that use the Polygon PoS chain. Secured chains offer high security but have limited flexibility.
  - c. In Development: **Stand-Alone Chains** are sovereign Ethereum side chains responsible for their own security. This promises to be a viable enterprise solution offering independence and flexibility.
3. Low-value transactions are gas-free and processed instantaneously.
4. Polygon's native token, MATIC, is not a true governance token. Voting is limited to validator parameters.

The token is inflationary and Polygon reserves the right to add ~50% to its current supply.
5. Polygon chains may communicate with Ethereum (ETH) and other blockchain networks. Users transact with MATIC on-chain and use ETH for transactions off-chain.
6. Polygon supports >1,200 dApps including DeFi projects like; Aave, SportX, and SushiSwap.





## Polygon Team

Polygon is led by 4 co-founders and 5 advisory board members.



**Jaynti Kanani**

Co-founder and CEO



**Sandeep Nailwal**

Co-founder and COO



**Anurag Arjun**

Co-founder and CPO



**Mihilo Bjelic**

Co-founder of Polygon



## Polygon's Advisory Board includes industry experts:

Hudson Jameson — Ethereum Foundation

Ryan Sean Adams — Bankless

Anthony Sassano — EthHub

Pete Kim — Coinbase

John Lilic — former ConsenSys



## Community

Polygon has a strong social presence spread across multiple social platforms.

As of 10/14/2021, **Polygon's Twitter** account has 736,000 followers.

Polygon's public **Discord** has 23,000 members with thousands concurrently active.

The **r/0xPolygon subreddit** has 25,700 members while its Stocktwits stream (**\$MATIC.X**) has 24,400 watchers.

Its Youtube channel, **Polygon TV**, has 6,100 subscribers, up 250% since January 1, 2021.

Polygon Technology has 17,500 followers on **LinkedIn**.

**Its official Telegram** has 56,400 members with thousands concurrently active.



**736k**

**Twitter Followers**



**25k**

**Reddit Members**



**23k**

**Discord Members**

### Polygon Ecosystem DAO

Polygon recently formed a Decentralized Autonomous Organization (DAO) to enable the community, developers, and projects to grow with Web 3.

The DAO offers a high level of transparency, cost savings, and decentralized decision-making.

Polygon's Ecosystem DAO intends to build a larger ecosystem and onboard the next 100M users to Ethereum.

**Here's the online forum for more info.**



## Timeline

**October 2017**

The Matic Network launches.

**February 2021**

The Matic Network rebrands to Polygon.

**August 2021**

Polygon announces the **Polygon Ecosystem DAO**.

**October 2021**

Switzerland unveils its **"Crypto Stamp"** built on the Polygon Network.

**June 2020**

Matic Network **provides project updates** at Mainnet.

**August 2021**

Polygon acquires Hermez with the **first-ever token 'merger.'**

**September 2021**

Polygon becomes the **first scaling solution for Coinbase**.

**October 2021**

Dolce & Gabbana holds **the most successful digital fashion NFT drop** powered by Polygon.

## Resources

Here is a list of resources to learn more.

1. **MATIC's Whitepaper** has everything developers need to build on-chain.
2. **The Polygon Blog** provides updates on the network.
3. Here's **Polygon's Official Lightpaper** updated in February 2021.
4. The Polygon **Messari.io dashboard** provides live price, key metrics, the latest news, and research for the project.
  - a. Here's an excellent research report via Rasheed Saleuddin, ***Polygon: A Polymorphic Approach to Scaling Ethereum.***
5. **Polygon's Twitter** is a great place to stay up to date.
6. Polygon's YouTube channel, **Polygon TV**, provides video tutorials, product demos, interviews, and more.
7. Here's a brief podcast episode with Polygon co-founder and CEO, Jaynti Kanani, **discussing how Polygon scales Ethereum, new projects on Polygon, and more.**



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