



"The goal of agorism is the agora. The society of the open marketplace as near to untainted by theft, assault, and fraud as can be humanly attained is as close to a free society as can be achieved. And a free society is the only one in which each and every one of us can satisfy his or her subjective values without crushing others' values by violence and coercion."

Samuel Edward Konkin III

Decentralized society

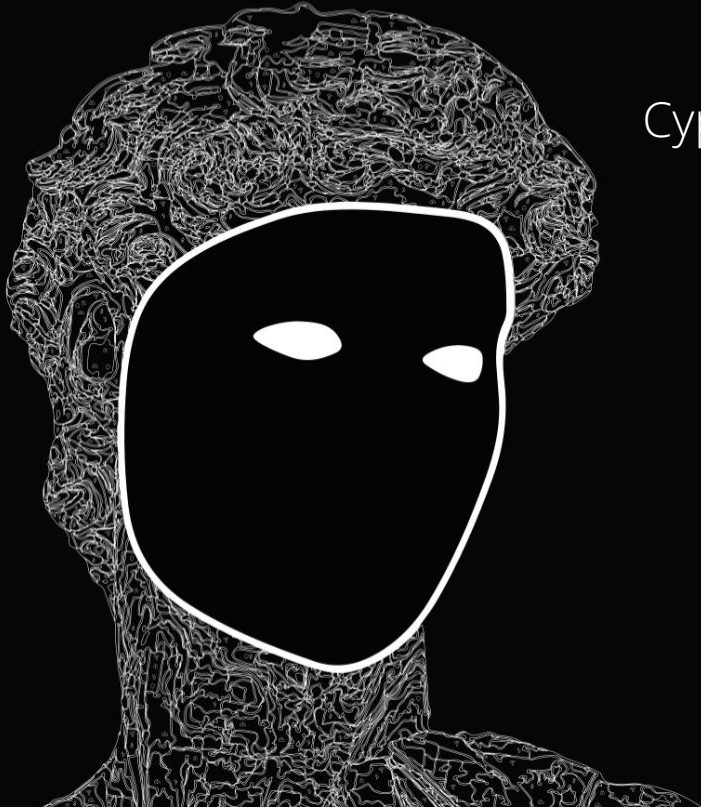
Karl Popper - Open/Authoritarian pole

Cypherpunk - Timothy C. May, Robert Hettiga

Liberal and unalterable:

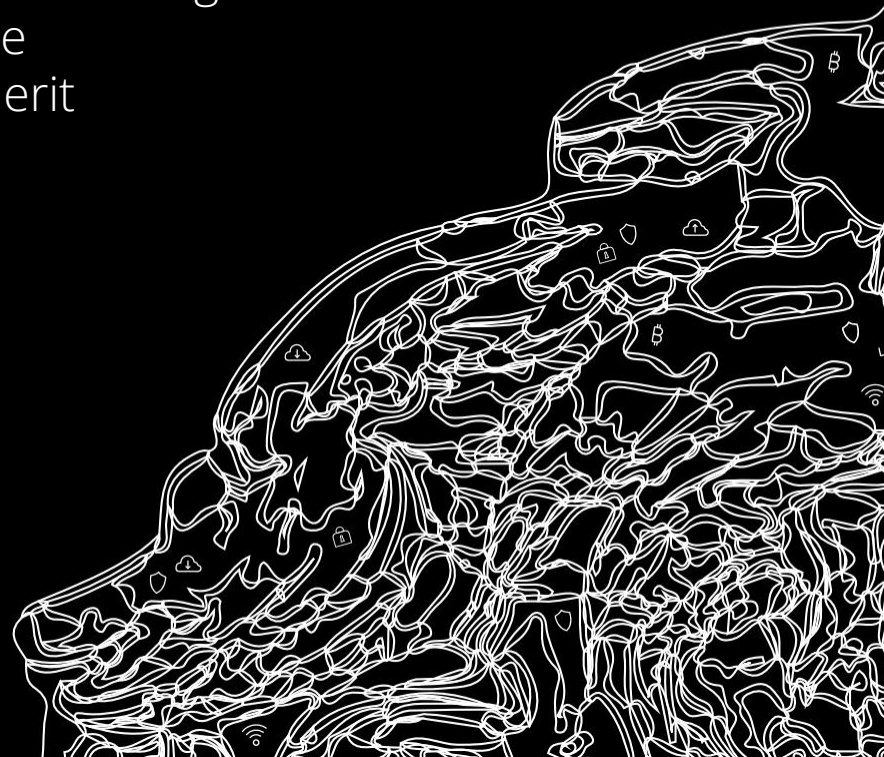
Money - Bitcoin ✓

Merit - not yet ✗



So what is Agora?

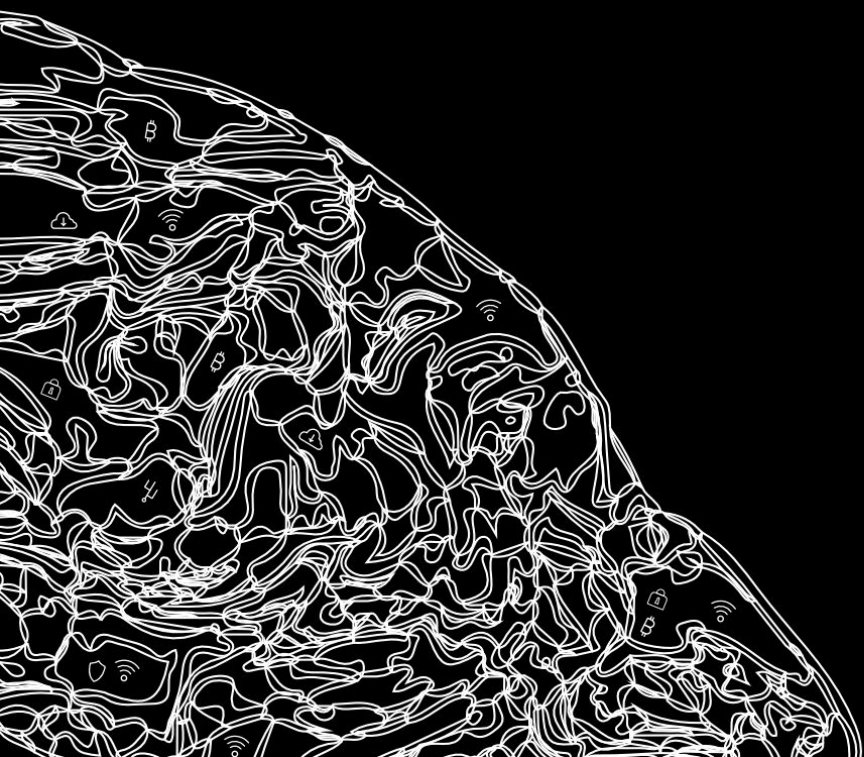
- Agora is a transcription framework for manifesting real life social interactions in digital space
- Solution to the lack of a decentralized Merit
- DAO framework
- 2nd Bitcoin layer
- 3+ people could be an Agora
- Overarching entity
- Agora is federative and self-hosted



Framework* for building decentralised governance
and management solutions for your projects,
organisations, companies and communities.

**Set of rules providing generic functionality*





The Initial Idea

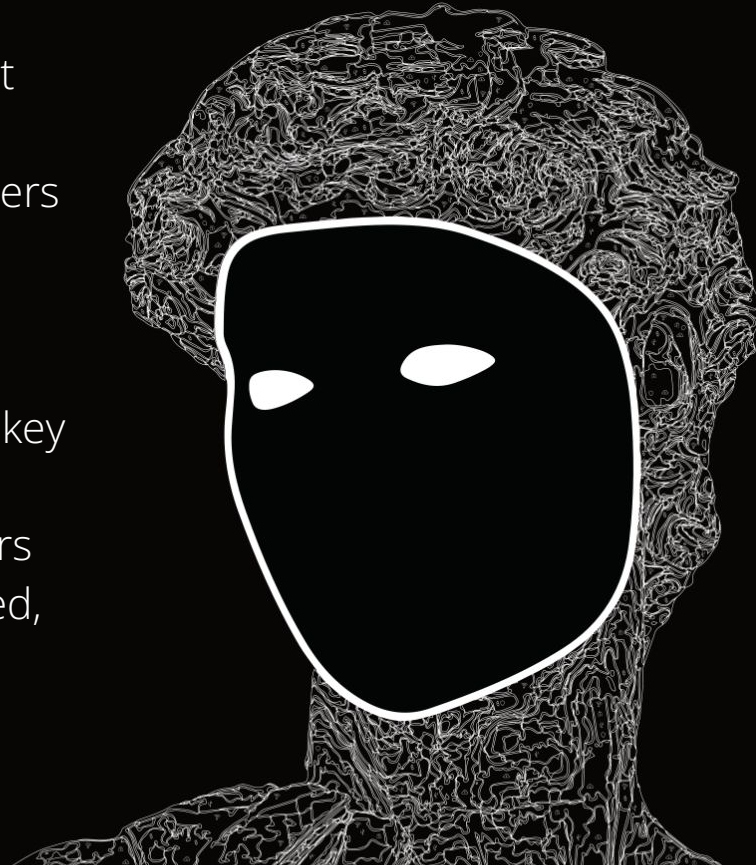
Agora is a tool for transparent and unalterable record of actions

It uses:

- BTC as timechain
- RGB as a second layer to mint NFTs called Merit representing Reputation of individual members

Basic Rules of Merit

- Merit/Reputation/Respect
- No central authority, founder, or handful of users can grant or seize Merit
- Consensus has to be reached first
- Association with a public key
- Merit can never be transferred between users
- Merit can either be minted, burned or frozen

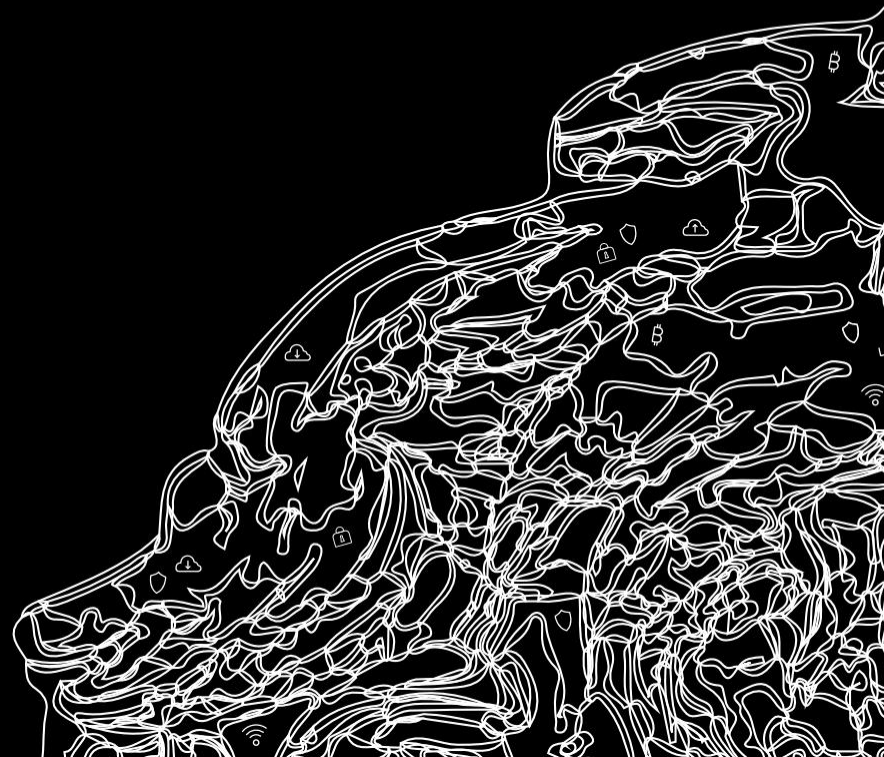


Set of Rules

- Voluntarism
- Bottom up process
- Customizable On/Off rules
- Hosting being the only exception

On/Off rules connected to money:

- Buy
- Opt-out



Physical Verification

- Origin of P2P bottom-up process
- Cryptographic QR/emoji verification
- Social application (discussion is open)



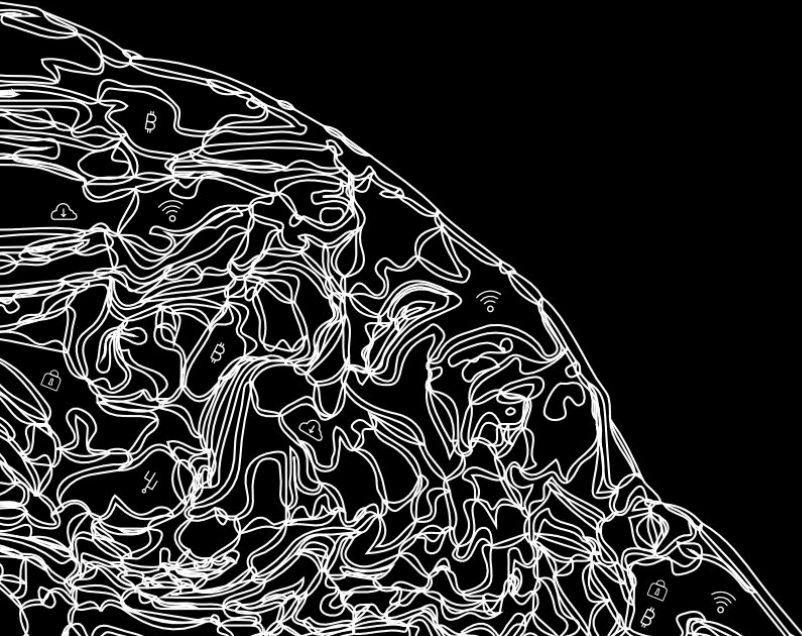
Proposals

- Agora is entirely proposal based system
- Created using Smart contracts Templates
- Stored and executed on Agora nodes
- Manifesting the consensus
- Some proposal templates require Merit freeze (Minting, Disputing)



Proposal Process

1. Creation of a proposal (with all necessary metadata)
2. Voting
3. (YES/NO)
4. if YES - execution of contract rules
5. if NO - termination of contract
6. All past proposals can be disputed at any time



Disputes

- Entire Agora votes on the dispute
- Merit originating from the disputed proposal cannot vote in that dispute
- Successfully disputed proposal is revoked from existence with all the Merit it minted
- The winning party is rewarded
- Losing party is penalized



Why NFT for Merit?

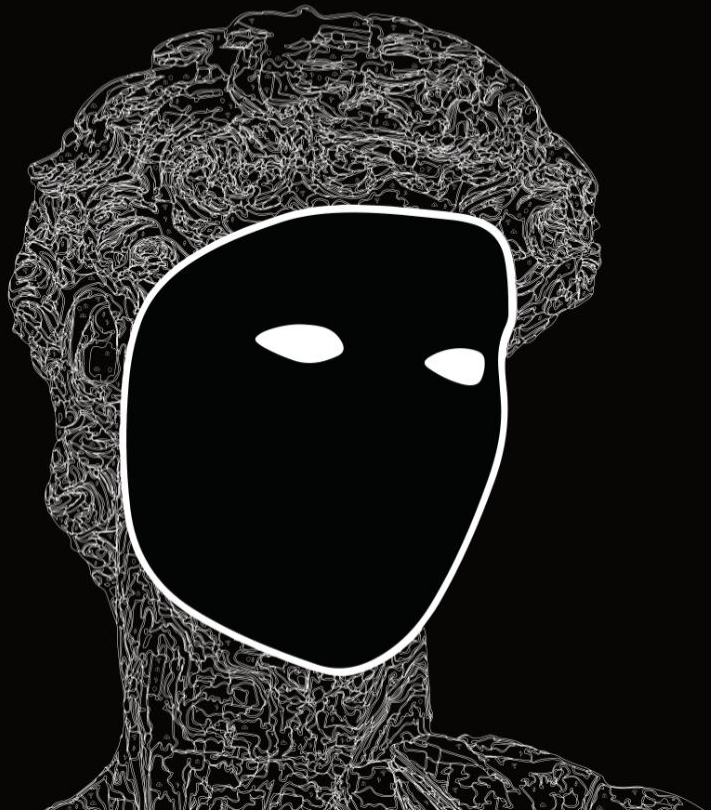
- NFT = hashed metadata in the timechain
- non-fungibility is crucial for reputation
- NFTs can be designed in order to block pubkeys to transfer them



Merit Minting

- The founding proposal creates initial Merit NFTs
- The founding proposal secures and incentivizes the agora hosting.
- initial NFTs enable further Merit minting
- The amount of frozen Merit must be \geq then the amount created





Summary

- Agora is a tool for community self-governance
- A set of communication tools for the decentralised communities.
- Smart contract in the network of LNP / BP
- Is RGB the right protocol to store tokens in the bitcoin blockchain which allows weighted proof of stake voting within community self-governance?

We believe so ^^

But, what will we use it for?

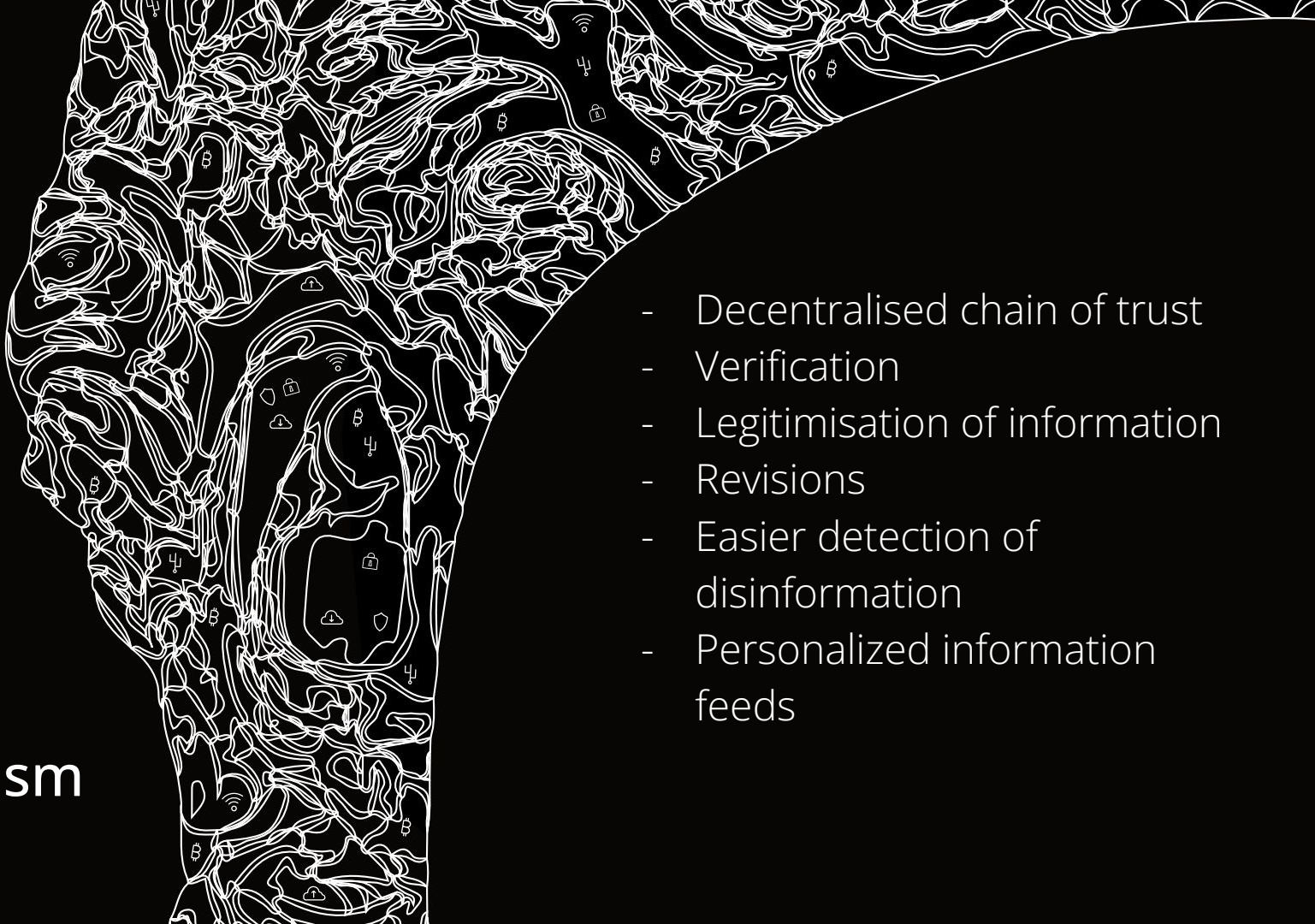


Bisq♥

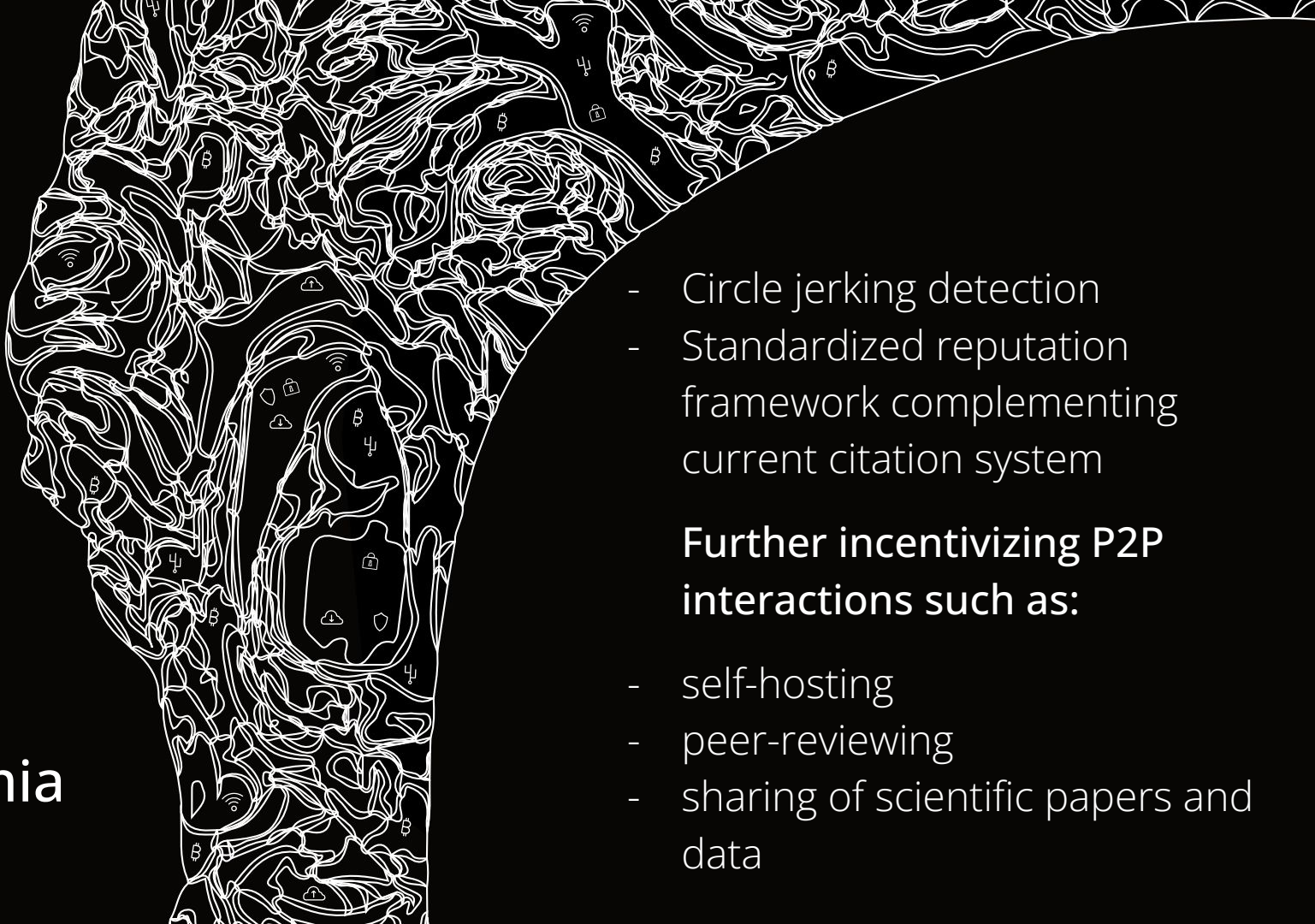
- Proposal based system
- Colouring BTC is also attaching metadata to transactions in blockchain
- We attempt to do the same thing, but separate it from money
- Bisq needs reputation and BTC community needs Bisq



Journalism

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- Decentralised chain of trust
 - Verification
 - Legitimation of information
 - Revisions
 - Easier detection of disinformation
 - Personalized information feeds

Academia

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- Circle jerking detection
 - Standardized reputation framework complementing current citation system

Further incentivizing P2P interactions such as:

- self-hosting
- peer-reviewing
- sharing of scientific papers and data

Or...

- Art and cultural organisations
- Nonprofit organisations
- Local communities
- Interest groups

and many others,
help us find and create the first
successful pilot!



Let's create decentralised
future together!

