

# **Tokenomics**







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## **Executive Summary**

The HAT Token represents an innovative leap in the blockchain ecosystem, designed to facilitate secure, efficient, and decentralized transactions within the Grey HAT ecosystem. The tokenomics of HAT Token are meticulously structured to ensure long-term sustainability, robust growth, and significant value appreciation for stakeholders.

### Concept

Have you ever wondered if a Pizza would taste good without the right pinch of salt? The answer is no. Just as the right mix of ingredients is essential for a delicious burger, the correct blend of tokenomics is crucial for creating a valuable crypto asset. Tokenomics is the recipe that shapes the value of a cryptocurrency. In a world teeming with thousands of crypto assets, understanding tokenomics helps us decipher the complexities and make sound investment decisions.

Tokenomics consists of several key components, each playing a vital role in the asset's success. The five main ingredients include:

- Token Allocation
- The total supply and demand
- The initial allocation of tokensThe distribution of tokens and
- The mechanisms for value accrual

These elements are fundamental in evaluating the potential of any cryptocurrency project.

In this issue of The Bridge, we delve into the essentials of tokenomics. But before we explore these components in detail, let's begin with the basics: what is tokenomics?

Introducing HAT Token ICO, where we've perfected the tokenomics recipe to ensure a robust and valuable crypto asset. Join us as we break down the strategic elements that underpin the HAT Token and demonstrate how our meticulously crafted tokenomics can guide your investment decisions.





### Introduction

HAT is a utility token designed for the Grey HAT application, featuring a "user-centric" incentive structure to economically benefit all network participants. This structure aims to build network effects and drive adoption by considering the specific incentives needed for each participant, including validators, liquidity providers, traders, and custody users.

#### USER-CENTRIC REWARDS

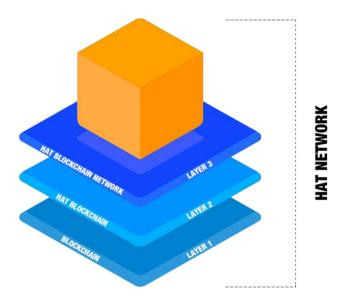


### HAT Tokenomics and Network Architecture

HAT has developed a user reward system that creates a unique, user-centric tokenomic model. The HAT Network comprises two cryptographically linked protocols that work in sync to provide privacy and non-repudiation:

**Layer 2:** This decentralized Delegated Proof of Stake (DPoS) blockchain acts as middleware, enabling decentralized custody and atomic swaps between counterparties exchanging Layer 1 assets such as BTC and ETH. Layer 3: An encrypted, decentralized communication network, Layer 3 leverages the cryptographic primitives and identity structure from the Layer 2 blockchain to ensure non-repudiation of messages. Layer 3 facilitates issuing Requests for Quotes (RFQs) to Market Makers. conducting private pre-trade negotiations, and transmitting Travel Rule information about transactions between regulated Virtual Asset Service Providers (VASPs). Once both parties' self-appointed custodians approve a transaction on the Layer 3 network, it is automatically recorded on the Layer 2 blockchain.





This integrated approach ensures a secure, private, and efficient ecosystem for digital asset transactions.

### What is Tokenomics?

Tokenomics is the rulebook that defines a crypto asset's monetary policy, from issuance to potential removal of tokens. By leveraging game theory, it creates incentives to reward good actors and punish bad ones, ensuring the token's role in the ecosystem is clear and its value accrual is effectively managed.

The necessity of tokenomics arises from the open nature of public blockchains, which are accessible to everyone, including bad actors. By aligning the behavior of all participants, tokenomics strengthens the protocol and fosters trust. This alignment, facilitated by crypto assets, leads to an increase in good behavior, which in turn raises the value of the crypto asset, encouraging positive participation.

The concept of tokenomics was first proposed by Harvard psychologist B.F.

Skinner in 1972. He suggested that a token economic model could effectively align behaviors.

In well-designed tokenomics, all costs and benefits are internalized, eliminating externalities and preventing the ecosystem from being gamed, thereby making it robust.

In any blockchain project, four key actors participate: the founders and developers who build the project; the miners or validators who maintain the blockchain and ensure its security; the investors who provide the necessary capital; and the consumers who ultimately use the platform. Tokenomics establishes a set of rules that align all these actors, reinforcing and sustaining the ecosystem.



## **Total Supply and Demand**

The HAT Token is designed with a fixed total supply of 100 million tokens. During the ICO phase, 40% of these tokens will be released. The distribution in this phase will be as follows: 10% for ICO private sale, 10% for release on IEO, 10% during exchange listing phases, 5% for philanthropic causes, and the remaining

5% will be held in escrow for unaccounted distribution. This capped supply ensures scarcity, a key factor in driving demand and maintaining the token's value over time. By limiting the number of tokens that can ever be created, we aim to create a sustainable economic model that benefits all participants in the ecosystem.

### **Demand Dynamics**

To generate and sustain demand for HAT Tokens, we have implemented several strategic measures:

#### 1. Utility within the Ecosystem:

HAT Tokens serve multiple functions within our platform, including paying for transaction fees, participating in staking for rewards, and engaging in governance decisions. This multi-faceted utility ensures consistent demand from users actively participating in the ecosystem.

#### 2. Incentives and Rewards:

By offering staking rewards and other incentives for holding and using HAT Tokens, we encourage users to maintain their token holdings, thereby reducing circulation supply and increasing demand.

#### 3. Adoption and Partnerships:

Strategic partnerships and collaborations with other platforms and services will expand the use cases for HAT Tokens, driving demand from a broader user base. These efforts will enhance the token's visibility and adoption in the broader blockchain community.

#### 4. Ecosystem Growth:

As the HAT platform evolves and expands, new features and services will be introduced, further increasing the utility and demand for HAT Tokens. Our roadmap includes continuous development and innovation, ensuring long-term growth and sustainability.

#### 5. Market Positioning:

A robust marketing strategy aimed at raising awareness and highlighting the unique benefits of the HAT Token will attract both retail and institutional investors. This approach will drive initial demand during the ICO and sustain it post-launch.





By maintaining a fixed total supply of 100 million HAT Tokens and implementing these demand-driving strategies, we are confident in the token's potential for value appreciation and its ability to foster a thriving, sustainable ecosystem. The balance of supply and demand is crucial, and our comprehensive approach ensures that HAT Tokens will remain a valuable asset for all participants

## **Initial Token Allocation**

#### Coin Details:

- Token Name: HAT
- Token Ticker: HAT
- Token Role: Utility
- Token Type: Ethereum, ERC20
- Price at ICO: 0.10 USD
- Total Supply: 1,000,000,000 (1B)

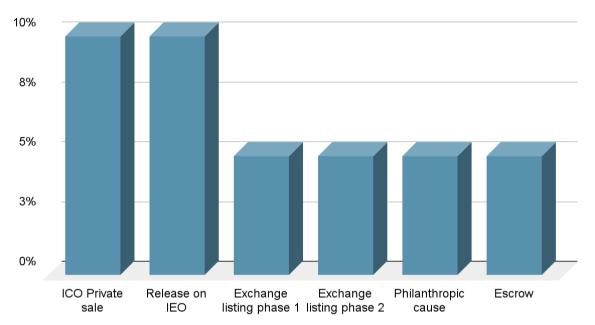
40% of the total supply of 1,000,000,000 (1B) HAT tokens will be released in the ICO Phase.

#### This 40% is Allocated as:

- ICO Private sale: 10%
- Release on IEO: 10%
- Subsequent exchange listing phase 1: 5%
- Subsequent exchange listing phase 2: 5%
- Allocated for a philanthropic cause: 5%
- Escrow for unaccounted distribution: 5%



**ICO Phase** 



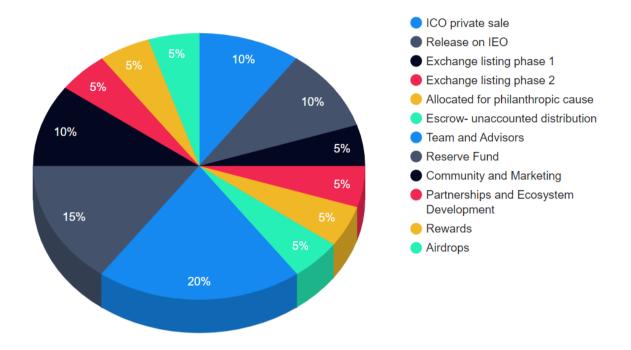
- 10% of the total supply of 1,000,000,000 (1B) HAT tokens will be released on ICO Private Sale.
- The initial goal for the ICO phase is to raise \$10,000,000
- 1,000,000,000 \* 0.1 \* 0.1 = \$10,000,000



## **Distribution of Tokens**

Token Distribution		% of Token
ICO Phase		40%
	ICO private sale	10%
	Release on IEO	10%
	Exchange listing phase 1	5%
	Exchange listing phase 2	5%
	Allocated for philanthropic cause	5%
	Escrow- unaccounted distribution	5%
Team and Advisors		20%
Reserve Fund		15%
Community and Marketing		10%
Partnerships and Ecosystem Development		5%
Rewards		5%
Airdrops		5%





Complete HAT Tokenomics & Emissions Details Here



## **Token Inflation Rewards**

The "per-epoch" inflationary rewards distribution model assumes that the HAT team sets a fixed portion of the remaining reward pool to be distributed per epoch to eligible ecosystem participants.

- $\circ$  EP <sub>n</sub> = Emision Pool in the block n
- $\circ$  Df = distribution factor
- $T_n = number of tokens distributed in the block n$

$$EP_{n} = Ep_{n-1} - (Ep_{n-1} * Df)$$

$$T_n = EP_n * Df$$

The emissions will be allocated to four main network participant groups based on current network needs and DAO preferences:

- Trader Users
- Custody Users
- Market Makers
- Validators

Trader Users and Custody Users are collectively referred to as "Users."

Since the activities, behavior, and motivation of each group differ, we implement four customized reward distribution streams:

- Trader Users: Rewards based on their % share of fees paid.
- **Custody Users:** Rewards based on their % share of total assets under management.
- Market Makers: Rewards based on their % share of trading volume.
- Validators: Rewards based on their % share of total staked and delegated tokens.

Note: Liquidity Providers are exempt from the rewards distribution.

The exact split of block rewards among these four streams is subject to HAT team decisions and can be adjusted based on ongoing needs (e.g., Trader Users: 20%, Custody Users: 10%, Market Makers: 20%, Validators: 50%).

The numbers will be adjusted by the DAO on a biweekly or bimonthly voting basis. For example, if there is insufficient liquidity (high spread), the DAO might vote to allocate more



emissions towards Market Makers. If there is a lack of deposit base and trading activity, more emissions might go towards Trader Users and Custody Users.

The distribution will be managed by the DAO based on network data displayed on the protocol dashboard, enhanced by data from the HAT DAO management team.

### **Participant Groups**

- **Trader Users:** Incentivized with token rewards as cashback for fees paid, calculated in HAT value based on the dollar amount of fees.
- **Custody Users:** Rewarded based on the assets under management, with tokens distributed proportionally to the USD value of assets held on the network.
- **Market Makers:** Since they do not pay transaction fees, their % share of block rewards is based on their % share in total transaction volume generated. Alternatively, their share can be based on the amount of fees collected.
- Validators: Similar to Market Makers, but their % share of block rewards is calculated based on the proportion of HAT tokens held (both own and delegated) in total HAT tokens staked.

## Value Accrual

The value accrual of HAT Tokens during the ICO is driven by several key mechanisms designed to enhance the token's utility and attractiveness to investors. These mechanisms ensure that the token gains and maintains value over time, providing substantial returns for early participants and fostering a robust ecosystem.

#### 1. Utility and Demand:

- **Transaction Fees:** HAT Tokens are required for paying transaction fees within our platform, creating consistent demand as the user base grows.
- **Staking and Rewards:** Token holders can stake their HAT Tokens to earn rewards, incentivizing holding and reducing the circulating supply, which can drive up the token's price.
- **Governance Participation:** HAT Token holders have voting rights on key platform decisions, adding a layer of utility and engagement for investors.



### 2. Controlled Supply:

With a fixed total supply of 100 million tokens, scarcity is ensured. This limited supply, combined with increasing demand, contributes to the token's potential value appreciation.

### 3. Strategic Distribution:

- **Private Sale and IEO:** Releasing 20% of tokens through ICO private sale and IEO ensures initial liquidity and market presence, attracting early investors and creating an active trading environment.
- **Exchange Listings:** Allocating 10% of tokens for exchange listings will enhance liquidity and accessibility, driving market activity and interest.
- **Philanthropic Causes:** Allocating 5% of tokens for philanthropic efforts can enhance the project's reputation and attract socially conscious investors.
- **Escrow for Unaccounted Distribution:** Holding 5% of tokens in escrow for unforeseen needs ensures flexibility and responsiveness to future opportunities.

#### 4. Marketing and Partnerships:

- **Adoption Initiatives:** Strategic marketing and partnerships will expand HAT Token's reach and use cases, attracting a broader audience and driving demand.
- **Community Engagement:** Active engagement with the community through events, rewards, and transparent communication will build trust and loyalty, further supporting the token's value.

#### 5. Ecosystem Growth:

- **Continuous Development:** Ongoing platform development and the introduction of new features and services will enhance the HAT Token's utility, driving long-term demand.
- User Base Expansion: As the platform attracts more users, the increased activity and transactions will naturally elevate the token's value.

By implementing these mechanisms, the HAT Token is positioned to accrue significant value during the ICO and beyond. The combination of utility, controlled supply, strategic distribution, and proactive growth initiatives creates a strong foundation for the token's long-term value appreciation. Investing in the HAT Token ICO offers a unique opportunity to be part of a well-structured, high-potential project in the blockchain space.





## Conclusion

HAT tokenomics has been meticulously designed to foster a robust and sustainable ecosystem. By balancing token distribution, incentivizing active participation, and ensuring long-term value growth, HAT tokenomics aligns the interests of investors, developers, and community members. The structure promotes transparency and stability while driving engagement and innovation within the platform. With mechanisms for staking, governance, and rewards, HAT tokenomics not only supports the immediate functionality and growth of the platform but also lays a solid foundation for its future evolution. As the HAT ecosystem expands, the tokenomics framework will continue to adapt, ensuring that it remains responsive to the needs of its users and the broader market dynamics.